



Board Members - 2024

President – Russell Seagal

Vice President – Bob Schwartz

Treasurer – Theresa Kennedy

Secretary – Judy Brown

Membership Director – Jim Quigley

Activities Director – Manny Robledo

Social Directors – Nancy Brecker
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Facility Director – Vacant

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Comment cards are available at the clubhouse if you prefer to drop us a note – Just fill one out and drop it in the podium slot!

From the President:

The new board is working through the transition from previous to new board members. We're here to serve our membership. Our main goal is to promote fun, fair tennis for all village residents. While we are not in charge of the day-to-day operations of the tennis facility, we will engage GRF and VMS with suggestions for improvement. When using the courts, if you see something that needs attention or maintenance, please bring it to the attention of Lorie if she is on duty. If she's not there, leave a note on her desk in the clubhouse. We are hoping to add new benches, balls trays, and other upgrades, including new squeegees to mitigate morning water that collects on the courts.

From the Membership Director:

My thanks to Diedre Beckley, outgoing Membership Director for all the challenging work getting member renewals updated. She made her last updates on January 7th and has sent the new Directory off for printing. Also, much appreciation to Ed Elwell for his help with database issues. Welcome to our new club members:

Hong Wen Ma, wenwenma@msn.com B player, Doubles and Mixed
Denny He, dennyhe@msn.com, B player, Doubles and Mixed
Dan Freifeld, dfreifeld@gmail.com B player, Singles

From the Treasurer:

We recently got the transfer of accounts complete and would like to thank Colin Johnston for his help with that process.

From the Activities Director:

Would you be interested in a bus trip to Indian Wells on March 3rd, 4th or 5th to take in the tournament's qualifying matches? A Daily Grounds Pass costs \$10 on those days, and transportation cost will depend on the number of riders. (Manny will be putting out a sign-up sheet in the clubhouse when he gets back from down under!)

From the Secretary:

We plan to publish a once-a-month newsletter about happenings at the club. I'll share information about events and include feedback on news that affects the facility, including board activity or suggestions from members. Our next Tennis Club board meeting will be at the clubhouse on Monday, February 5th at 11:30 AM. Members are welcome to join us.



Upcoming Events:

Our first event, a Mixed Doubles Compass Tournament, will be this Friday, January 26th, starting at 9:00 AM. Our sign-up sheet at the clubhouse is now full. A waitlist for alternate teams or individual subs will close on Tuesday, January 23rd at noon. The cost to play is \$6 per person. Whether you are playing in the tournament or are there to cheer your friends, it promises to be a wonderful event — think Australian Open but without the pros! Nancy and Linda are busy planning the feast, which is also available to spectators for \$6 per person. (Hungry players eat for free.) Note: If you plan to join for lunch only it would help the food planners if you sign up on the “Spectators” Sheet by Wednesday if possible. That list is on the podium at the clubhouse.

Things to Ponder:

For future tournaments, we’d like your input. Here are some ideas we discussed at our first board meeting:

Shall we hold some on a **weekend**?

Shall we offer one just for **Ladies and Men’s Doubles**?

Shall we allow sign-ups **via email**? And if **“yes”**:

Shall that be **instead** of in-person at the clubhouse, or **in conjunction with** physical sign-ups?

Do winners treasure their trophies — or — to save money should we switch to **Championship Certificates**?

If you’ve rarely or never participated in a Compass Tournament, what would **help you decide to sign up**?

Notes from VMS/Lorie:

Lorie has advised that VMS will not repair the bubbles on the courts until the rainy season is over. She asks that players leave them alone, as “popping” a bubble only makes it worse! It’s also been reported that two lights are out on court #6. The group play that Lorie manages on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings is going well and interest has grown. If you would like more information on those groups, please contact her at 949-268-2481.

Visit our Tennis Club Website:

If it’s been a while since you’ve visited the Tennis Club website, come check us out! You’ll find Club news, information about upcoming events, photos of players and tournament winners, and official documents such as Membership Applications and Club By-Laws. Find us at:

<https://www.lagunawoodsvillage.com/amenities/clubs/tennis-club>