



La Mirada Tennis Club



Happy Holidays

*and the very best in the new year
for you and your families!*

From your President Dimas Benauides



Turkey Shoot Highlights

The Turkey Shoot on Saturday, November 18th was a tremendous success. We completely filled 10 courts and had extra players wanting to get in on the action. The format was double-round-robin-style and a lot of friendly competition. There were three divisions: "A", "B", and "C". The three top scorers in each division came away with a turkey.

Everybody who attended walked away a winner when you consider the tasty carne asada and chicken prepared by Chef Dimas. Many of the club members also brought some tasty side dishes and desserts. We thank each one of them for their thoughtfulness and generosity.

You have to take notice when our President has no problem putting together the effort and time to help our club. Dimas leads by example, planning the event and scheduling and providing the mobile kitchen are time consuming tasks. Take a moment and think about it. Most of us can lend our support by just showing up for club activities. Some of us, for whatever reasons, find this difficult to do, your participation in all or most of the club activities, will show Dimas that you appreciate his leadership.

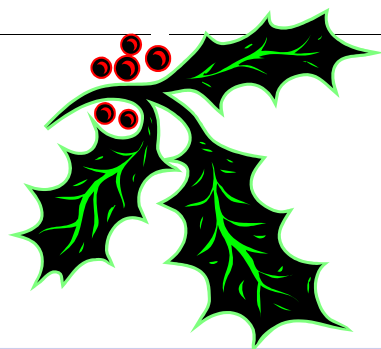
We also thank Scott Devens, our former President and his assistant Susan for the excellent job they did

in assigning the players to the various courts, and also tallying the scores of each player.

Ron Martin did his usual excellent job of assisting our Chef. We took a chance by assigning Bill Gutierrez to pick up and deliver the beans and rice. We're happy to report that Bill found his way

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LMTC Birthdays

Happy Birthday — Hope It's (or was) Great!

Our club wants to acknowledge your birthday. We do this by inviting you to enjoy a cup of coffee or other beverage and donut in the Pro-Shop on any weekend of the month your name appears in the birthday section of the newsletter.

We welcome you to take advantage of this free offer between the hours of 8:00 am and 12:00 noon.

We hope this is an offer you can't refuse.

DECEMBER



Nick Chico

12/6



Lance Brooks

12/13



Nik Bote

12/30



Charley Lass

Many of our newer members might not have had the chance to play tennis with Charley. He was a close friend of Marilyn Prigge and would make the long drive from his home to play at La Mirada.

Some of you tennis buffs will remember Bobby Riggs.....Charley had the privilege of playing with Bobby — even before Billie Jean King bet him.

We are sorry to report that Charley Lass passed away on October 20, 2006 after suffering a heart attack a week earlier. Those of us who knew Charley will miss him and his excellent tennis game.

Bob Lugo

A beautiful card was received from Bob's sister Rita Vasquez and she wanted to make sure you all had a chance to be thanked:

*La Mirada Tennis Family,
It does my heart good to know that my brother had so many friends that cared about him and that he was not alone. I wish we could have met*

before this sad tragedy. Thank you all for being there for him and caring.

Rita Vasquez and Family”

The 4.00 Challenge Ladder

A singles tournament will be held on December 9th, 2006 to determine a new 4.0 singles challenge ladder. Points will be awarded for games and sets won. Players will play four sets at no add scoring. Players who

enter and play the tournament will earn a spot on the ladder. Players who do not play tournament day will have to challenge a player on the ladder no higher than 3 spots from the bottom of the ladder to be

able to get on the ladder. The tournament will start at 8:00 AM and the cost will be \$10 per person. The top eight players from this years ladder will be seeded as follows.

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| 1. Walter Romanowski | 2. Geraldo Lopez | 3. Chris Gabion |
| 4. Kevin Komphonh | 5. Steve Sayce | 6. Ken Hachiya |
| 7. William Hon | 8. Benny Baek | |

Top Gun Tournament

The La Mirada Tennis Club was well represented at the recent 2006 19th Annual Top Gun Tournament. The Bote family was especially represented with all three Bote men participating. Ferdi in the 5.0 Men's Singles; Nik Bote in the Men's Open Single's Division; and Matt in the 5.5 Men's Single's competition. The other club members were Ed Pascual and Brian Tubiera in the 3.5 Men's Doubles and Kevin Komphon. in the 3.5 doubles with partner Noel.

The biggest surprise of the tournament was our David Webster getting to the finals of the Men's 4.5 single's division (hard to believe but I did check the final scores). This was only David's second single's tournament ever and he was one of a field of 28 players. In his final match David showed that with an excellent game he also has a lot of heart. After losing the first set 2-6, David didn't give up and prevailed in a tie-breaker winning 7-6. Could he hang for the third set and secure a match victory? He fought valiantly but

succumbed to his opponent 4-6. David proved that he does have balls and I don't mean tennis balls. Donna has turned this guy into a tiger! Could it be she possesses a magic potion? (no wonder David is now smiling all the time). Good job David!



It's That Time Again!!!

Annual membership dues are due January 1, 2007. Due to the rising costs of court fees and other expenses and after careful consideration by your Board, annual dues have been set at \$40.

Please pay early and avoid needless reminders. Please take the time to fill out the application we have available on our website at www.lmtc.us and mail with your check payable to LMTC in the amount of \$40.00

Please pay early and avoid needless reminders!

Dues per year/per family \$ 40.00

Make Check payable to LMTC and send this completed form to:
LMTC, P. O. Box 481, La Mirada, CA 90637

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

I/a member of my family would like to serve on the LMTC Steering Committee Yes _____ No _____

