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Hello All,

I hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful New Year celebration!

As we move into 2016 I would be remiss not to mention the wonderful 50th. Anniversary year celebration of WPTC. With the many events, promotions and our summer party, this year culminated in many successful teams reaching districts, sectionals and WP even having a national championship team. Congratulations to all our participants and a special "Thank You" to all the board members and volunteers. Looking forward to a fun and activity-filled New Year.

*1) Sharon Molloy is the new Summer Social Director, so add her to your WPTC board members list.
2) Brooklynne has resigned her position as Spring and fall Social Director due to her increased work load, therefore, if you know of someone who wants to fill this position, let me know.*

-- [Gordon Rulon](#), President

Upcoming Social Events!

Howdy from your Winter Social Director... Brrrr! It's cold outside...and tennis has moved indoors.

The next WPTC Winter Social is Saturday January 16 at Colorado Athletic Club - Monaco and you are all invited (from 2.5 to 4.5 players)! You don't even have to be a member of WPTC, so bring your friends.

[Sign up now!](#)

This month's theme is GO BRONCOS! Wear your favorite Bronco t-shirt (or football uniform or cheerleading outfit if you have one) We'll provide the beer, wine, water and soft drinks.
It's pot luck - all participants are asked to bring a dish to share.

Where: Colorado Athletic Club - Monaco (Yale Ave. & Monaco)

When: Saturday January 16th, 5:30 sign in - play from 6:00 - 10:00 pm

Why: See old friends, meet new ones, enjoy refreshments and play some tennis!

Cost: \$16.00 for WPTC members and \$21.00 for non-members

Sign up is limited to 64, so sign up now to be assured a spot on the courts! Save the following dates for the other Saturday night tennis socials: February 6, March 5.

-- [Mary Salsich](#), Winter Socials Director

Leagues Update

USTA National 2015 year-end NTRP Ratings have been posted and can be viewed in TennisLink. Before committing to a 2016 league team, make sure you know your current year-end rating. To look up your rating, go to

Find a Rating on TennisLink and input your USTA number in the top box.

If you are interested in appealing your rating, please see the information below on the procedure for appeals. You can also visit the NTRP section on the Colorado Tennis website for more information about the NTRP system.

Remember - TLS Ratings are not NTRP Ratings, so please do not confuse the websites. The only valid place to see your NTRP rating is on <http://tennislink.usta.com/Leagues>.



Procedure for NTRP Appeals

All appeals, except "medical appeals" must follow the automated appeal process in TennisLink. This process allows players to appeal their rating online and find out automatically if their appeal has been granted or denied. Players may only attempt to appeal their own rating. Once an appeal is submitted, the decision is final, so do not attempt to appeal your rating unless you truly want to appeal.

Instructions on how to file an automated appeal:

1. Go to Tennislink and login to your account
2. The appeal link is located next to the player's NTRP level listing in the upper right hand corner of the League page or My Tennis Page.
3. Select whether you would like to appeal Up or Down and click Submit. The screen will refresh and indicate whether your appeal is granted or denied.

Remember, if you are successful with an automated appeal, it cannot be changed back, so it is not something that should be done 'just to see if you get granted or not.' If your appeal is denied, there is no further appeal that can be filed except a medical appeal (if applicable). Should you wish to file a medical appeal, note that your injury/illness must be permanent and disabling, and must have happened after your last match in 2015 was played. Medical appeals that are requesting to appeal "up" are not accepted for any reason. Should you wish to file a medical appeal, contact Jason Rogers at CTA.

USTA Mixed 18 & Over and USTA Adult 18 & Over

Team captains, the team league fee payment deadline for all 2015 returning teams is February 15, 2016; if you want to keep the same courts your team had in 2015, pay your team league fee by the deadline, www.washparktennisclub.com/wptc-league-registration. All court requests will be on a first come first served basis after the deadline date, teams will be placed on a waiting list.

-- [Patricia Robertson](#), Leagues Director

Photos Are Always Welcome

We are always looking for photos of our members to highlight our socials, trips, tournaments and events. We use them on our website, in our annual printed newsletter and on our Facebook page.

If you have digital photos, please email them to [Melissa Siemion](#), Website & Newsletter Director.



Financials Are Open to Our Membership

Our financials are always open to our membership. If you are interested in seeing them, contact our **Treasurer, [Kristen Hanson](#)**.

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