

# SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON MIXED 18+ PLAYOFFS

The Lakewood Racquet Club hosted the playoffs for Southwest Washington's Mixed 18 & over league on the weekend of December 3rd and 4th. The high level of play was only matched by the fun atmosphere provided by the players and the many supportive fans in attendance. The food, drink, and comradery were in top form.



*TLTC-Mettler/Kim were the winners of the Mixed 8.0 flight.*

In the final of the 6.0 flight, the home court advantage saw the Lakewood Racquet Club team, captained by Maileen Walz, overcome the tenacious Canterwood Country Club team of Oliver Vicente in the final. Shaking off some pre-match nerves, captain Walz provided some impressive play and leadership in capturing the title. LRC-Walz along with all of the other flight winners and the sole

wildcard will advance to the Mixed 18 & Over Sectionals in Portland on July 14-16, 2023.

Tacoma Lawn Tennis Club's 7.0 team, with Krista Philbrick at the helm, sneaked by the stubborn Lakewood Racquet Club team of Darran Hanson in the final of a hotly contested 7.0 flight. Team Philbrick, with an eye towards Nationals will be stepping up their training over the next months...according to a source close to team management.

To finish off an incredible weekend of tennis, the level of play during the 8.0 final was off the charts. Mark Mettler's Tacoma Lawn Tennis Club team was the eventual winner in the final. "Hat's off to them. They just seemed to win all of the big points today," reported John Doane, the super-captain from the Galbraith Tennis Center team, who ended a great season just one match short of Sectionals. Doane, always looking on the bright side continued, " I'm already thinking about next year. We will have a strong team returning, so we should be ready to take that next step."

Congratulations to all of the SWW Mixed 18 & Over teams for a great season.

Best of luck at Sectionals to the following teams:

6.0: LRC-Walz

7.0: TLTC-Philbrick

8.0: TLTC-Mettler/Kim

9.0: VAC-Nielsen

TLTC-Mettler/Devore(wildcard)



LRC-Walz are 6.0 Champs