

Oregon Tennis Historical Committee

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### WHERE ARE THEY NOW: Randy King

About a month ago, out of the blue, we received a packet of information from Randy King. Randy was an exceptional junior player having won the Oregon High School State Singles Championships for Wilson High School in 1966 and 1968. Randy had offers to play tennis at Stanford but chose to go to USC. After college he moved to the East coast, and then on to China. We would occasionally hear that he was still involved with tennis but had no idea of the extent until we received the material from him which included the brochure announcing that he had recently been inducted into the Hong Kong Tennis Association Hall of Fame. The following are some of his accomplishments:

- Prior to arriving in Hong Kong he was an ATP ranking player in both open singles and doubles.
- Competed in the men's doubles main draw at the U.S. Open in 1977
- Won the Hong Kong Invitational Men's Singles title in addition to three singles and two doubles titles at the US Men's Chinese National Championships in the 1970's
- Represented Hong Kong in 5 Davis Cup ties, going 0-2 in singles and 3-2 in doubles

Since we don't have a great deal of documentation concerning tennis in Portland in the 1960's. I asked Randy if he would be willing to describe what it was like playing tennis in Portland in the 1960's. He provided me some information which I cut and pasted in report form that describes: Junior Tennis, Tournaments, the tennis players and coaches during that time period. The report is available for viewing by enabling the following link:

<https://irvingtonclub.com/.../Randy-King-Recollections.pdf>

The picture below is taken after he and his doubles partner Bjorn Borg defeated Mark Cox and Paul MacNamee in the ATP Seniors tournament in Hong Kong in 1996. They later lost to Stan Smith and Peter McNamara. The other person in the picture is Harvey King, Randy's father who was a member of the Irvington club.

