

KINGSTON TENNIS CLUB

Kingston Tennis Club
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Dates to Remember:

- Club opens April 27th
- Opening Gala May 9th
(rain date May 16th)
- 7th Annual Auction June 20th

Welcome to an Exciting New Season

With spring just around the corner, it's time to start thinking about renewing your KTC membership. The 2002 season promises many new and exciting events. We are fortunate to have Tony Roth returning as Tennis Director, Irene Vasa returning as Head Professional, and Jeff Elwood taking on the position of Assistant Tennis Professional. Tony, Irene and Jeff have many new and exciting plans for the season, including adult "Shot of the Week" clinics, "Fitness on the Tennis Court," free rating clinics, and adult tennis camps. There are also plans for many new and enhanced junior programs, ladders, leagues and camps.

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The 2002 membership rates continue to be an incredible value. After being able to keep the rates fairly constant for five years, this year's rates reflect an increase which is necessary in order to meet the long-term needs of the club. The club does not currently have enough financial reserves to undertake the substantial repairs needed for Court seven, and as a result this court will be used only as a backboard court for the 2002 season. (see Court 7 Update on Page 3). In addition, it is anticipated that the clubhouse may require substantial repairs in the near future. Our goal is, as always, to keep membership rates as reasonable as possible, while still keeping the club properly maintained for the long-term. I think you will agree that the 2002 rates are still a bargain considering the benefits of the club, including more than five months of outdoor tennis, lighted courts for evening play, court booking privileges, Tennis Canada certified professionals, fantastic adult and junior programs, a wide range of social events, and **NO COURT FEES!**

Since tennis will be limited to six courts, **THE MEMBERSHIP FOR THE 2002 SEASON WILL BE LIMITED TO 350 MEMBERS.** An earlybird rate will NOT be offered, but members will be accepted on a "first-come, first-served" basis. **PLEASE GET YOUR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION IN EARLY TO SECURE YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR THE SEASON.**

Stewards will be on duty starting April 27th, and the Opening Gala will be held Thursday, May 9th (rain date May 16th). This event is "on the house" – members and non-members are welcome. Features include round robins, rating clinics, fun contests and refreshments. We hope to see you there.

7th Annual Auction

Silvano Toffolon has generously agreed to be chairman for our 7th annual fundraising auction to be held Thursday, June 20th at the club. For those of you who have not attended the past auctions, this is the social event of the season! While raising much needed funding for the club, the auction includes a gourmet catered dinner, served under a canopy at the beautiful setting of the KTC. The auction always provides many quality items auctioned in the friendly spirit of the club, with Tony Roth volunteering as our auctioneer. Lots of fun and great donations. If you have any items you wish to contribute please contact the stewards at the club. Otherwise, plan to come out to the club on June 20th for a great time!



*"To keep a lamp
burning we have to
keep putting oil in
it"*

- Mother Theresa


2002 Executive

President	Mary Reid
Vice President	Bud Nelson
Treasurer	David Reid
Auction Chairman	Silvano Toffolon
Social Chair	Gill Turnbull
Publicity Chair	Lisa Coates
Members at large:	Stephen Hart Igor Kozin Jan Myslivecek Tony Dimnik

As you probably know, the KTC is a non-profit club, and its success is highly dependent on volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering in any capacity, or if you have any suggestions or recommendations, please contact anyone on the Executive Committee. Help from members in all areas is appreciated!

E-Mail Addresses:

Bud Nelson has spent many hours compiling a data base of KTC members, including e-mail addresses where known. It is our plan to distribute regular newsletters and information about the club by e-mail this season. This will allow us to communicate information to you on a timely basis, without incurring the cost of mailing. The 2002 application form has a spot for your e-mail address - if you would like to be on the "e-mail list" please ensure this is completed with your application.



*Welcome back
Club Manager, Andrew Cooper, and
our 2002 stewards, Andy Rogall, Amy
Zubyck and David Corrigan.*

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New Programs

Adult Tennis Camps:

Instead of going away to a tennis resort, why not take advantage of KTC's new Adult Tennis Camps. A separate brochure is included containing detailed information. Any further questions? Call Irene at the club.

Adult Rating Clinics:

Free Rating clinics to be offered at the Opening Gala, and at dates to be posted at the club throughout the season.

"Shot of the Week" Clinics

Come out weekly, and work on that shot that needs help! Irene will offer these one hour sessions starting in May and running throughout the summer. Sign up weekly - morning and afternoon sessions.

"Fitness on the Tennis Court" will be run weekly by Irene. Focus is on court fitness and footwork - not technical skills. Are you ready for a workout? Maximum four participants per session - sign up early to avoid disappointment.

Rating Clinics

Find suitable partners and enjoy playing tennis more! This year, for the first time, KTC is offering free rating clinics to all members. This will help you to find players of a similar level and participate in ladder matches or leagues at the appropriate level. The National Tennis Rating Program (NTRP) is used at clubs throughout North America and the KTC is pleased to offer this new service to all members.

Ratings clinics will be offered at the opening gala, and regularly throughout the season. You can also arrange for a private or semi-private rating lesson.

Ratings will be required for participation in the doubles leagues and mixed singles ladder. Please feel free to update your rating throughout the season.

Social Events

Gill Turnbull has again volunteered her time to be Social Chair. Thank you Gill! She has many exciting events planned including a trip to Gananoque to see long standing member, Doug Bowie's latest play "Goodbye Piccadilly"- a block of tickets has been reserved at the Playhouse Theatre for opening night - May 11th - with dinner beforehand at the new Casa Bella Restaurant. - call Gill if you are interested in attending - (549-8092).

In addition, plans are in the works for regular monthly socials, including tennis and dinner, and possibly a "Davis Cup" event, including a pot luck dinner. Lots to look forward to in the upcoming season!

Court 7 Update

Last fall, the water/sewer line was brought from the club's property line on Napier Street, across the back half of Court 7, to the clubhouse. This was necessary because the old sewer line ran from the back of the clubhouse directly underneath the basement of one of the neighboring houses on Earl Street, making it inaccessible for any repairs. The next step is substantial work to level and totally resurface the court. We hope to be able to afford to do these repairs this fall - for the 2002 season, Court 7 will be available for backboard use only.



TRY THIS:
Try to arrange for physical fitness to emerge as an effect of useful activity. If this seems impossible, try at least to do fitness in beautiful, outdoor, natural settings."
Tony Roth



"In all your coaching and parenting, encourage and applaud insight, observation and understanding. Demonstrate and encourage fine and noble feelings. Teach kids to revel in the playing of the game, and in the striving to mastery. This expansion of understanding and refinement of feeling is what it means to be a living, growing, maturing human being. We are not computers or slabs of meat to be simply "trained" and "drilled" and "programmed". If you can feel and know this, then you are on the path of the wisdom of sport. "

Tony Roth

Junior Programs and Camps

2002 promises to be an exciting year for junior members - there are many new leagues and programs planned including a junior singles ladder, a junior orientation day, junior club championships, a Junior Awards Banquet and a Kingston Junior Tennis League open to all Kingston residents.

Junior tennis camp participants will be glad to know that Jeff Elwood is returning as Camp Director - the highly popular tennis and sports camps will again be available for tennis only, half day tennis and sports, or full day tennis, sports and golf. Camps are offered for one week sessions commencing July 1st, and running throughout the summer. Get your applications in early to avoid disappointment - space is limited! Please call Jeff Elwood at 650-2540 if you would like to receive the Junior Programs Brochure or Junior Camp application forms.



TOURNAMENTS

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS:

Mark your calendars for the club tournaments - categories are available for every level of play. If you haven't yet experienced the KTC Club Tournaments, organized by Dave Reid, Tournament Director, you have been missing out on lots of good tennis as well as a lot of fun. Thank you Dave for making our Club Tournaments successful - this takes a special talent and your efforts are appreciated.



"When we dim our light, we invite mediocrity."
-Kris King

Mixed Doubles	June 21 - 23
Men's and Women's Singles	July 12 - 14
Men's and Women's Doubles	August 23 - 25
Junior Club Championships	July 9 - 13

OTHER TOURNAMENTS:

Saturn of Kingston City Championship (Adult and Junior Draws)	August 16 - 18
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