



# Tennis, Eh?



## KINGSTON TENNIS CLUB

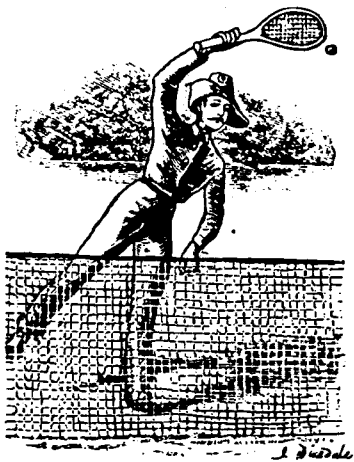
### SPRING NEWSLETTER -- 1982

The doors of the Kingston Tennis Club officially opened for the first time on June 28, 1924 with many local notables and politicians in attendance. They open again on April 24 and you are cordially invited to join the club and the notables. (No politicians.)

New members of all ages, persuasions and abilities are welcome as always and everyone is encouraged to join early as there is a distinct possibility that the membership will be cut off at 500 this year.

### 1982 EXECUTIVE AND CLUB PERSONNEL

PRESIDENT:	Neil Neasmith
VICE PRESIDENT:	Craig Balson
SECRETARY:	Doug Bowie
TREASURER:	Tom Newton
SOCIAL CONVENOR:	Fiona Gallant
JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT:	Beth Tu
	Ameena Jaffer
TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR AND CHIEF UMPIRE:	Paul Kelly
TEACHING PRO:	Jeremy Walker
STEWARDS:	Ivo Steklac
	Jeannette Fargo
	Jennifer Macdonnell



Cur Presidente

## MINI ANNUAL REPORT

The 1981 season was probably the most successful in recent memory. The year featured a wide range of activities which are now part of a very dynamic club -- socials, tournaments, an excellent junior development program, and special events including a free clinic by three-time Wimbledon champion Fred Perry. We also rejoined the Ontario Tennis Association which entitles us to a number of benefits, particularly for juniors.

Membership, which had been declining slightly, recovered sharply, enabling us to pay off an awkward (and expensive) deficit and finish the year with a small surplus. This is particularly welcome as our property taxes have doubled this year and we face renegotiation of our lease with Queen's, which expires in June, 1983.

The extensive program of improvements to the club begun a couple of years ago will basically be completed this spring with the replacement of the lights on Courts 4, 5 and 6.

### MEMBERSHIPS AND FEE SCHEDULE

The fee schedule for 1981 is:

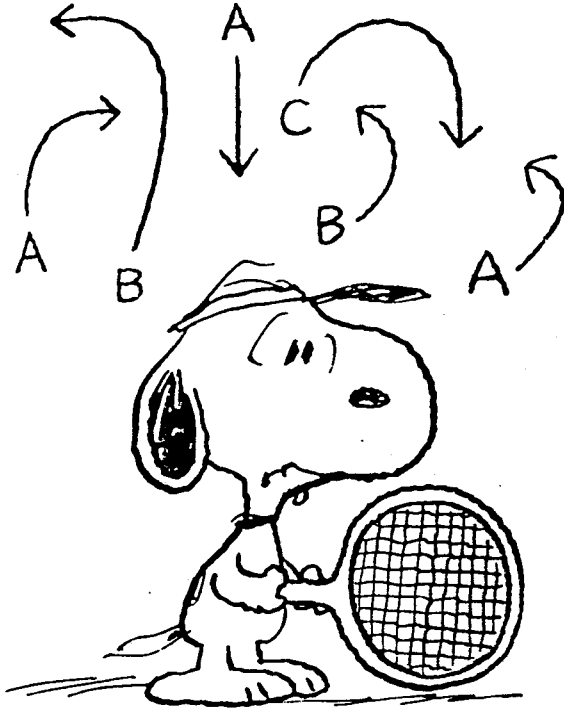
Family .....	\$195.	(Including husband, wife and two juniors. Additional juniors -- \$30 each)
Couple .....	\$135	
Senior .....	\$85	
Junior .....	\$55	(A junior is anyone under 18 as of Jan. 1, 1982)

The enclosed membership application form may be completed and mailed (with payment please) to:

Kingston Tennis Club,  
Box 621,  
Kingston, Ont.  
K7L 4X4

Of course memberships and shoe tags may also be obtained from the stewards at the club from opening day on.

Please note that there will be no half price memberships for the first half of the season as there have been in the past. Also, local residents will be limited to three guest fees for the season. Membership fees are not refundable.



### LESSONS AND TEACHING PRO

Jeremy Walker will be back this summer for his second season as our teaching pro. An OTA certified professional with extensive teaching experience, Jeremy will be available for private and semi-private lessons. Jeremy proved himself to be a popular and helpful instructor last season and members should feel free to approach him with their (tennis) problems.

He will also be offering a series of group lessons beginning May 10. The schedule for the first sessions is as follows:

Mixed Beginners	Mon. and Wed.	5:30 - 6:30
Mixed Intermediates	Tues. and Thurs.	5:30 - 6:30
Ladies	Tues. and Thurs.	10:30 - 11:30 AM

Each group consists of two lessons per week for three weeks -- six lessons in all. The fee is \$30, the same as last year. The groups are limited to eight players each and interested players are asked to register at the club as early as possible. Similar sessions will be offered as the season progresses.

If members are interested in group lessons at times other than those above they should speak to Jeremy or the stewards. If there is sufficient demand it is possible that other groups could be arranged at different times. Private lessons, of course, may be arranged at any time.

Group lessons are particularly recommended to new members who not only will develop their tennis skills, but will find the lessons a good way to meet people to play with.

These lessons, by the way, are not restricted to club members. Anyone who is considering joining the club or taking up tennis is more than welcome, and will find the beginner group lessons an excellent introduction to the club and the game.

## JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT

The club's junior development activities were stepped up another notch last summer with a very well-attended program of free weekday morning clinics run by Jeremy Walker. In recognition of our excellent junior program and our growing horde of discouragingly good juniors, the KTC was selected from all Eastern Ontario clubs as the site for a special OTA junior clinic with provincial coach Bob Wood.

Beth Tu and Ameena Jaffer will assist Jeremy in coordinating junior activities this year.

Group lessons will begin May 10, with Monday and Wednesday classes, 4:30 - 5:30. Each group (limited to eight juniors) will consist of six lessons at a cost of \$30. Junior lessons are traditionally very popular. To avoid disappointment juniors should register at the club as early as possible.

The morning clinics under Jeremy Walker will be divided into two groups this year. Group One will be for more advanced and experienced juniors with competitive ambitions. Group Two will be for younger and less experienced players who are interested in working on their tennis games primarily for enjoyment. Each group will run two mornings a week starting after school is out and they are FREE. There will be an organizational meeting for interested juniors and/or parents on Tuesday, June 1 at 8 PM.

It is expected that the Saturday morning program of supervised play for juniors will also continue. Watch the bulletin board for details.

## COURT BOOKING REGULATIONS

The club will be open from 9 AM to 11 PM. As in the past, courts will be booked for one hour periods (two hours for doubles before 8:30) with bookings on the half hour.

As before, members may book in person or by phone up to three days in advance. Advance phone bookings will be accepted between the hours of 8 PM and 10:30 PM only. Please do not ask the stewards to stretch this rule. In a minor rule change, bookings in person may be made at any time after 8 PM on the third day in advance.



*above At the age of two, in 1552, Charles IX of France was probably the youngest junior champion in history.*

As always, members are asked to wear proper tennis clothes, particularly shoes, as improper soles will mark the courts. The steward on duty will be the final arbiter of any disputes, but, of course, these never occur. Due to school commitments stewards will be on duty in the evening only for the first week and members are asked to refrain from violent altercations during this period. A detailed set of booking rules and of senior-junior playing privileges (unchanged from last year) will be posted in the clubhouse.

### TOURNAMENTS AND SOCIAL EVENTS



### Mixed Doubles Social -- Friday, May 15

Under the dedicated direction of Fiona Gallant, the mixed doubles socials were a lively highlight of last season. The first one on May 15 will feature chicken, pizza and a lot of mediocre tennis, and is an excellent way for new members to meet people and get involved with the club.

Fiona will also have a try at organizing something that hasn't been tried at the club in a while -- a men's and women's league. Watch the bulletin board for details.

### The Jack Campbell/ City Sports Invitational -- May 21 - 23

Now in its fourth year, this tournament in memory of Jack Campbell, a longtime club member, is well on its way to becoming a club institution. Always well run by Gary Quinn and Frank Kosatka, it promises to be even bigger and better this year.

City Sports is joining the event as a sponsor and will be providing prizes in addition to the traditional trophies and medals. There will also be a draw for door prizes giving many of us our best chance ever of actually winning something at a tennis tournament. The Saturday barbecue, under the professional guidance of Slavo Steklac for the first time, should be better than ever as well. All in all an event not to be missed.

McDonald's Open Championships -- July 3, 4

Sponsored by McDonald's, this growing event is now in its third year. Newly CTA sanctioned, it should attract an even larger and more outstanding field than in the past. It is an excellent chance to see high calibre tennis players from across the province and beyond. And it's free.

The Buick Challenge, Mixed Doubles -- July 17 or 24

This unique tournament is open to all Kingston area mixed doubles teams, whether club members or not. Local interest in the event should be sparked this year because last year's winners, Jenny Ellis and Gary Quinn, went on to win regional and provincial playdowns and were one of ten teams to reach the national finals in Montreal -- an outstanding accomplishment.

Club Championships

Men's and Ladies' Singles -- August 7, 8

Men's Ladies' and Mixed Doubles -- August 21, 22

All draws will have a B flight so everyone will be guaranteed two matches. Tournament director Paul Kelly has contacted Bjorn Borg's manager Lennart "Chuckles" Bergelin and extended a special invitation to Borg to play without qualifying. Borg hasn't said no. In fact, he hasn't said anything but Robin Walker is worried.

The Whig Standard Junior Championships -- September 4 - 6

The traditional Labour Day weekend tournament for top juniors in all age categories. Volunteers will be needed to help run the event and to billet out of town players.



Alfred Lord Tennyson  
The father of lawn tennys

GAME, SET AND MATCH

As if this isn't enough there will be monthly socials, perhaps some interclub play, and probably a free adult clinic or two.

As mentioned at the outset, we encourage you to join early and new members are always welcome.

And if anyone thinks all of this doesn't make the KTC the best place to play tennis for miles around -- like, take off, eh?

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