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From the President

Hello members and Happy New Year,

Your Executive is hard at work preparing for the 2019 tennis season. We are introducing some changes to our House League programming. This is a very popular program and we want to ensure that it delivers on your expectations. We are trying to juggle the popularity of the program with all our other adult programming. Please read the section on House League below.

At our AGM in the fall, we voted on an increase to our membership fees. Membership fees have not increased for over 5 years and it was becoming difficult to continue to maintain the level of programming and ensure proper financial balance. The increase will also help us fund some capital expenditures geared towards investments in our facilities. Last year we needed to replace wind screens and rollers for the courts. This year we are ordering new nets and looking into a locking mechanism to keep our courts safe. There is also a project to investigate the possibility of renovating our washrooms. Our clubhouse and grounds are unique to our club and we want to make sure that we continue to invest in our facilities to maintain the charm of our club.

We also have a very social club. It is important to have a good balance of free court time and valuable programs. We want to ensure that everyone can enjoy the club and facilities equally. Communication with you is very important and we have a good plan in place to ensure that you are all informed of events happening. The calendar of activities on our website is a great place to familiarize yourself with events and open court times.

We value your opinions and feedback. Please do not hesitate to communicate with us.

Sincerely,

Kristian Gravelle – President, Scarborough Bluffs Tennis Club



NEW House League Format

House League is trying out a new format for 2019. The revamped format will have the aim to mix participants to ensure a good rotation of opponents. The league will also merge the Novice and Competitive players. We are taking care however to ensure that players face similar level players.

House League will be held on Mondays from 6:30pm to 10:30pm and will utilize 4 courts. With this format, there are 64 spaces open to play. Similar to last year, each match will be 1 hour in length. Linda Yang will be recording the scores. Each player will be placed in one of 4 divisions. At the end of a 4 weeks cycle, Linda will re-rank players and distribute a new schedule. Players finishing at the bottom of a division will move down, while players finishing at the top of a division will move up. Linda will also be monitoring players requesting subs and ensuring that appropriate subs fill in.

As a replacement for the Novice House League, Linda will be running an Adult Doubles night on Thursday Nights. This will run on weeks when the B2 Team is not playing at home. We are waiting for the B2 STF Schedule to come out before we open up the registration for this Double Night. Players will be able to select as many or as little of the available dates to suite their schedules. Registration and Payment for this league will only happen after the STF schedule is published. We will communicate to you when and how to register once we have the schedule. This will accommodate an additional 32 players.

COMPETITIVE

5 Adult Teams

- 1 - STF C1 Team (play on Tuesday nights)
- STF B2 Team (play on Thursday nights)
- STF A2 Teams (play on Wednesday nights)
- Intercounty B Team (play on Tuesday nights)

We will also have 1- TLTL Team (Toronto Ladies Tennis League) that plays during the day on Wednesdays.

Adult Team Tryouts

Adult Team tryouts will be held on Sat, April 20th between 10:30am - 2pm (exact times to come in next newsletter). You must be a paid member of the club before you can try-out.



JUNIORS

Our Junior program continues to grow and players' skills continue to improve. Our competitive Juniors had a very good season last year, winning many STF Tournaments and finishing again at the top of the Jr STF League. Our goals for this year are the same as last year's... introduce new kids to tennis, improve the skills of our returning players and offer a chance for Juniors to compete against other clubs.

The programming will be similar to last year:

- Saturday morning lessons May to August
- After school programs in May & June
- Competitive team play in May & June (Saturday Mornings)
- Tournaments
- Fall House League after school in September
- Club Championships

All program details will be available on our Website and our application form on February 17. If parents are interested in additional information, please contact our Club Pro – Sharon Arnold, at rarnold000@sympatico.ca or 416-266-4394.

The Junior Committee



For the keen eyes out there:



Did you spot the junior appearing in the Rogers Cup ad that ran during the Australian Open?

A container of balls to the first person with the correct answer to email the Newsletter Convenor.



2019 Tournament & Events Schedule

Date	Event	Time	Details	# of Courts
July 20	Luck of the Draw	Noon - 5pm No Rain Date	Tournament is doubles format. As the name suggests, players won't know who they will be paired with until start of the tournament. This is an opportunity to meet and play with folks who you may not usually play with. Registration is required, with the 1 st 32 being accepted. \$5 per person	4 to start, courts will become available as teams are eliminated
Aug. 24	Micky & Minnie Tournament	Noon - 5pm No Rain Date	Doubles format, with up to 9 men's & women's teams. Registration is required. \$10/ team	4 to start, courts will become available as teams are eliminated
Sept. 6 – Sept. 22	Adult Championship	7 - 9 pm	Categories include; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mixed Doubles • Ladies' Doubles • Men's Doubles • Ladies' Singles • Men's Singles \$5 per person	4 – Matches will played on the weekends, with a few on weeknights after 6.

The online and mail in registration will go live on February 17th.

It will be available from the website either as a PDF to mail in or online through PayPal.

Interested in Volunteering your time... please contact the Executive

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