



NIAGARA TENNIS NEWS

JUNE 6, 2010

Hello Tennis Friends!

It's a short newsletter for you today as your reporter has been afflicted with a bug all week. The current status is a case of laryngitis which is proving very inconvenient.

But there's every hope of shaking it off by tomorrow (Monday) morning in time for the **Ladies Round Robin at 9:00**. Please come out to offer moral support and to see what soundless tennis is like.

The week we've been pointing toward for the past couple of months has finally arrived. Preparations for **Opening Night for our 40th Anniversary Season on Friday June 11th** are falling into place and we sincerely hope many of you planning to attend. This is traditionally a "welcome night" for all our new members, as well as a renewing-acquaintances night for returning members.

Suggested gathering time is around 6:00, though early birds are welcome to come and hit some balls from 5:00 onwards. First stop should be the Welcome Center, where you'll be invited to fill out a ballot for draw prizes and pick up your nametag and your hot-off-the-press copy of the 2010 Member Directory.

Potluck contributions can be dropped off at the buffet tables or at the kitchen door, where volunteers will be waiting for you. The club will supply plates and cutlery as well as soft drinks and coffee. Cake and ice cream will be served for dessert.

Pam's Pro Shop will have demo racquets for you to try and lots of tempting bargains for shoppers. For June 11 only, prices are all "tax-included" (no additional charges); payment can be by Visa, Mastercard, cheques or cash. Worn out racquet grip? ... get it replaced on the spot!

Lord Mayor Gary Burroughs will be stopping by to participate in the festivities, and we hope to get a large group photo which will become a historical record and perhaps gain us some space in local papers.

Highlight of the evening will be Forty Minutes of Merriment (a minute for each year of our history) : on-court drill games to accommodate all who are able to participate. The event is under the direction of tennis professional Shawna Macfarlane, with the very capable assistance of our ace Instructor Team. We'll divide into four teams and play four different games as we move from court to court ... lots of fun for all.

For the remainder of the evening, foursomes will be organized for a few games at a time, providing an opportunity to try the new equipment and enjoy more tennis. Those not playing can mingle in the pavilion over an extended supper and a beverage.

If you have any questions about the event, please feel free to drop a note to rosemarygoodwin@mac.com. Phone calls are a problem at the moment.

In the event of rain, we'll try again on Saturday June 12th.

There are still a few spots available for the **OTA Tennis Fair on Friday June 18th** ... but the window is closing fast. This is the time to act if you think you'd like to participate. It should be another excellent event.

This week's schedule can be found on the website : www.tennisniagara.com. Click on Court Availability and check out the Google Calendar. Highlights:

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| MONDAY | 9:00 | Ladies Round Robin (no advance registration required) |
| | 10:30 | Regular Game (3 courts) |
| | 5:30 | Men's Night |
| TUESDAY | 5:00 | Junior Lessons |
| | 6:00 | Tennis 101/102 with Shawna Macfarlane (1 or 2 courts) |
| | 6:30 | Regular Game (2 courts) |
| WEDNESDAY | 9:00 | Men's Advanced League (2 courts) |
| | 5:30 | Ladies Night |
| THURSDAY | 4:00 | Junior Lessons |
| | 5:00 | Junior Lessons |
| FRIDAY | 9:00 | Regular Game (3 courts) |
| | 10:30 | Regular Game (2 courts) |
| | 6:00 | Opening Night |
| SATURDAY | | Courts are wide open! |
| SUNDAY | 9:00 | Go Tennis with Shawna Macfarlane |
| | 10:00 | Junior Lessons |
| | 11:00 | Junior Lessons |
| | 12:00 | Junior Team Tennis (3 courts) |
| | 12:00 | Tennis 101/102 with Shawna (1 court) |

Shawna's clinics require pre-registration. Contact Shawna at addintennis@gmail.com or by calling 716-531-5862.

Best regards,

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