



Tennis Season is Officially Open!!



Our annual Spring Social held on Sunday, May 26th was a great success; good food, great weather (finally!!) and a wonderful member turnout.

We'd like to thank the members who gave their time to help us out:

- Terry Francis demonstrated the merits of the Ball Machine and many interested players tried it out.
- Renzo Bianchin was on hand with a selection of racquets for members to try and answered questions about new racquet technology.

- Dwywyn Droppos answered questions about physical ailments.
- Shawna Macfarlane got everyone on the courts for some fun tennis drills, games and the famous "1 Point Tournament".
- Mike McBride picked up 2 large containers of water when we found out that morning the Town had turned off the water to repair the water fountain.
- Joanne Dow, Enzo Mancuso and others helped with the delicious buffet prepared by GoodDine Catering.

Lots of raffle prizes were won with the first prize of "Shawna's Tennis Party for 8" going to Bel Michalski. Congratulations Bel!! Thanks to all members who supported the club by purchasing raffle tickets.

Continuing Programs

Drop In's

Our weekly Drop In's continue all season. If you are looking for some extra games or simply want the practice, don't hesitate to join us. All skill levels are welcome. No sign up required; just drop in.

- Ladies: Monday mornings 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.
- Mixed Doubles: Wednesday mornings 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Go Tennis Clinics

- **Is Your Game Ready?**

Join Shawna Macfarlane, Tessa Macfarlane and Jacqueline Ross on court. Tessa recently graduated with a General BA from Guelph University and a Niagara College degree as an Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy Assistant. Jacqueline has extensive tennis experience as the recent Head Tennis Professional at Southampton Tennis Club and is also a practicing chiropractor working at both White Oaks and in Niagara Falls at the Sports Chiropractic and Performance Centres. We have an excellent team to take care of you on and off the courts:

- Shawna: addintennis@gmail.com
- Tessa: tessamacfarlane@gmail.com
- Jacqueline: drjacquelineross@gmail.com

- **Rusty Racquets "Tennis Fundamentals"**

Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 4:30 - 5:30pm. Great for members new to the game or those that have been away from it for awhile and want to get "back into the swing of things".

- **Go Tennis "Game Based Practice"**

Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. The Go Program emphasizes the fitness attributes of hitting tennis balls. Shawna's innovative lesson program matching fitness, repetition practice and game based drills are great for all levels. Players are welcome to join weekly (\$15/class).

- **Juniors**

Check out our web site for our Junior programs at www.niagaratennisclub.com

- Wednesday Junior Tennis Zone - program directors Shawna & Tessa Macfarlane can be contacted at addintennis@gmail.com
- Kids 5 Day Multi-Sport Summer Camps - program director Reggie Vasquez can be contacted at notltennispro@gmail.com

Lord Mayor's Volunteer Awards

Our own Karen Wright and Lisa Andreana were recently the recipients of the Lord Mayor's Volunteer Awards. The following are excerpts of the recent write ups from our local news.

Karen Wright - Sports and Recreation Award



Karen has spearheaded a new tennis program called Tennis 4 Kids, geared specifically at children ages six and up, which she runs out of the community centre. Her program has allowed children from NOTL to engage in fun, safe and engaging lessons. She provides all the equipment, coordinates additional volunteers so the child/teacher ratio is very small which allows for more one-on-one instruction.

Karen is a huge advocate for tennis and her love and enthusiasm for the sport is inspiring. She is energetic, passionate and extremely professional and she encourages children and parents to maintain an active lifestyle. Her commitment to player development is unwavering and has earned her a well-deserved award for sports and recreation.

Lisa Andreana - Contributions to Culture Award



Lise has been awarded for her dedication to the Niagara Pumphouse Arts Centre board of directors, her incredible leadership skills in her role as chair and passion for the arts in Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Since being elected to the board in 2016, Lise has taken on the role of chair and has worked tirelessly to advance its mission: to engage, enrich and celebrate our diverse and growing population through the visual arts. She has volunteered 1,617 hours just over the past year toward this mission. As chair, she was determined to build the board, in her words, "one skill set at a time." She sought out the unique skill sets complementary to those of the existing board members and built an exemplary board.

Lise has a unique ability to recruit new volunteer support which has enabled the Niagara Pumphouse to grow existing events, develop new programming and take on new challenges, and is well-deserving of the volunteer award for her contribution to culture.

Congratulations Karen & Lise!!

Wendy Dell, President