

Niagara-on-the-Lake Tennis Club

July 15, 2021 Newsletter



A RECORD NUMBER OF NEW MEMBERS

Just in case you haven't noticed, the Club has had an incredible number of new members. At last count about 87- and they are still coming in!

This is about 2-3 times our experience in previous years.

This wonderful interest can be attributed to a number of factors

- Our beautiful new courts and publicity generated by the 2022 Canada Games.
- The pent-up demand for sports and exercise.
- New residents in our town.

We welcome all of these new faces and look forward to their involvement with our Club and all it has to offer.



Tournaments!

Mixed Doubles - August 6 & 7

Men's Doubles - August 16 & 22

Ladies Doubles - August 18 & 21

Challenge Yourself, Have Fun, All playing levels can be matched.

This will be the Club's first "Gathering" event since summer of 2019.

How Exciting is that!!

New members are encouraged to come out -- to enter the tournaments, or volunteer, or simply meet fellow Club members in a social environment.

If you have questions about the Tournaments contact the Directors as follows:

Mixed Doubles, Holly Anderson, hollycanderson@yahoo.com

Men's Doubles, Rick Sherk, rsherk@live.ca

Ladies Doubles, Marilyn Francis, marilyn@marilynfrancis.ca

If you'd like to volunteer to help on any of the Tournament Days, contact Holly Anderson at hollycanderson@yahoo.com

MORE EXCITEMENT! THE CLUB INTRODUCES THE NIAGARA ON THE LAKE TENNIS CLUB CAP



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Adjustable strap.

White embroidered logo.

\$25.00

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JUNIOR PROGRAM IN FULL SWING!

62 Youngsters on the Courts Wednesdays



Congrats to our Club Pro, Shawna Macfarlane and her team.

GAMETIME UPDATE

It's great to see members take advantage of GAMETIME, the Club's online court booking system. **Just a few friendly reminders:**

Please ensure that your court booking is updated with the names of players actually using the courts. This is required COVID protocol, to maintain a list of players on courts, if needed by the Health Department. We know that player names can change, but it only takes a second to update the booking, and it is a great way to ensure that the correct players get a reminder about their tennis commitment.

We know also that plans change. When this happens, please take a moment to cancel the court as a courtesy to your fellow Club members --- someone else might want to book the court if you are not using it!!

NEW COURT BOOKING FEATURE. *MEMBER GUEST Privilege*

As COVID restrictions begin to relax, the Board has decided to reinstate the options for Club members to bring a Guest. GAMETIME has been upgraded to allow Guest Bookings. Just type in your guest's FULL NAME and select the "Guest" box beside the player name.

As per our standard Club policy, members are allowed 5 Guest bookings per season and a \$5. guest fee is due. This is an "honour" system and the money can be deposited in the white box between Courts 4 & 5.

Members must accompany Guests on the courts.

Guest privileges are for Member Guests only. The general public is currently not provided "guest privileges". This option will be reviewed when we return to a post-COVID environment.

As always, if anyone has questions regarding GAMETIME or requires assistance in getting set up please contact Marilyn Francis marilyn@marilynfrancis.ca

And one further general reminder ----- Please make sure the Gates are closed when you leave the courts.

MEMBER DROP INS

Looking for extra games? No sign-up required. All levels of play welcome. A great way to meet other Club Members for fun competitive tennis. Competitive matches can be had by all.

Wednesdays 10 - 11:30, 3 Courts ably managed by David Rodgers. Questions contact David dvdrdgrs@gmail.com

Saturdays 11:30 - 1:00, 3 Courts ably managed by Rosemary Goodwin. Questions contact Rosemary rosemarygoodwin@mac.com

Sundays 10 - 11 a.m., 4 Courts (additional courts can be assigned if demand increases). Contact Rosemary Goodwin OR JUST SHOW UP.

NEW ON THE WEBSITE!!

Check out the "Gallery" for Return to Play 2021 Photos. You may find yourself, or your friends. Click here to see great 2021 photos <https://niagaratennisclub.com/Gallery-Photos>

Information For New Members



In addition to "Open 'Registrations" Club groups - Men's Night Mondays, Ladies Nights Wednesdays, and Mixed Fridays - there are also 18 groups created and led by individual members. While there is no "Open" registration to these groups, the captains of these groups are open to the introduction of additional players.

If you're wondering how to get involved in the member-led groups, you could look over the court chart (on Game Time) to see if there is a group that would be a good fit for you, and contact the court captain, or you could contact Rosemary and let her know your availability, rosemarygoodwin@mac.com



On June 22nd members received an all-club email outlining the enhancements which will be the Games' Legacy to our Club. This is a tremendous opportunity for the Town and for our Club. We will update you as new information becomes available.

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