



KUDOS to the The Prez



(Excerpt from the recent October edition of the TennisBC Insider)

National Bank Celebration of Champions 2022

It's been a long time since we could all gather together to celebrate our amazing sport, so this year's National Bank Celebration of Champions was a much-anticipated event! Nearly 200 guests attended in their finery to celebrate everyone's achievements. Not only were we able to acknowledge our many league winners, but we also had the privilege of awarding the Tennis BC excellence awards, a special award recognizing the UBC Men's Tennis Team for their remarkable season and unparalleled success at Nationals, and a Tennis Canada Distinguished Service Award.

Tennis BC would like to congratulate the following people:

Tennis BC Excellence Awards:

Community Coach of the Year: **Phil Dacre**

Tennis Canada Distinguished Service Award:

Phil Dacre

**Congratulations Phil,
for all your efforts to grow tennis, and put Chilliwack
on the provincial and national tennis maps!**



CTS 2022 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Where: The Clover Room
(ground floor at the Landing Sports Centre
Start Time: 7:15 pm

Agenda items to include:

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Adoption of the minutes: September 22nd AGM
3. Various Reports to include
 - President's report
 - Financial Report
 - Indoor Tennis Report
 - Membership Report
4. 2023 Membership fees
5. Proposed changes to fiscal and membership year
 (to make accounting procedures more manageable)
6. Election of CTS Directors for 2022-2023
7. Discussion of future plans:
8. Other: *If there are additional items you'd like to see included in the agenda, please email them to: cts@chilliwacktennissociety.org*

**YOUR INPUT IS VALUED - PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND
 & CONTRIBUTE TO THE DISCUSSIONS AND DECISIONS**

Indoor Tennis

So far all is going well - no major disruptions, closures, etc.
 Fingers crossed for weather that does not throw any nasty curve balls our way over the winter months.

A big thank you to all our spares who are key to keeping our programs running smoothly. This year we have 17 players who are regulars and spare when needed, and 18 who are spares only.



Here are a couple of reminders:

- when trying to book a spare, loop your session coordinator into the communication so they know when you'll be away, and then, who is covering for you
- spares - when someone contacts you please answer as quickly as possible, and let them know if you **ARE** or **ARE NOT** available. Not getting any response slows down the whole process
- not everyone can text, (moi being one, no cell signal at our house) so if all players could also check their emails regularly that will help get messages & requests out in a timely manner.

of Spares booked: October 3 - Present

| Days | # of sessions to date | total # of spares booked |
|-----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Monday pm | 3 | 7 |
| Tues./Thurs. am | 12 | 32 |
| Thursday pm | 6 | 11 |
| Saturday am | 2 | 6 |
| TOTAL | 23 | 56 |

Have a Say.

As you may recall, in the 2022 budget, the construction of an indoor tennis facility was moved to 2030. It is budget time again, and one of our newer members had a timely reminder for us.

"It would be great if all Society members provided input to Chilliwack City Council for their upcoming round of budgeting.

They are seeking feedback before **next Monday, November 14.**

There is an online survey that everyone can fill out, and we encourage you all to do so as soon as possible.

It can be found at: <https://chilliwackbudget2022.ethelo.net/page/welcome>

Filling out the survey doesn't need to take long, and has a high degree of impact that shapes how Councillors budget for the coming years.

While there are other opportunities in the year to discuss visions, it's important that they maintain items like the indoor tennis facility in the long-term budget. It also allows an opportunity for us to advocate for our local outdoor courts.

At the end of the survey they ask "Are there any additional budgetary items or any other general comments you would like Council to be made aware of as they make considerations for the 2023-2032 Financial Plan?".

This would be the place to state support for an indoor tennis facility and continued investment in tennis infrastructure.

Please take a few minutes today to let the Council know we are still very much interested in some kind of a covered option, dedicated to playing tennis year round in Chilliwack.

WANTED - used tennis balls!

Tennis balls are hard to recycle but they are reusable!

Environmental sounds that students with typical hearing can generally tune out, such as the hum of a furnace or the noise of people walking down the hall, can significantly impede the sound of a teacher or fellow student who is speaking.

Recently, a teacher of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing contacted us via our website. She works with students who have hearing loss and use amplification (hearing devices). One of the worst sounds the hearing devices amplify is the sound of chairs dragging across the floor. She reached out to ask if we have any old tennis balls we'd be willing to donate to her students. They are put on the chair and table legs in their classrooms. With tennis balls, the scraping noises are virtually eliminated.

These balls would be able to move with them from year to year as their classroom changes.

For such a worthwhile cause we couldn't say no!

So, we're hoping to gather as many old tennis balls as possible over the next two weeks (deadline November 24). Please round up any old balls you have that are no longer fuzzy and bouncy, and bring them to your next CTS Tennis session.

You can give them to Stephanie on Mondays, Patti on Tuesday/Thursday mornings, and Phil on Thursday evenings.

Thank you for helping to maximize success for these kids.

