



## MESSAGE FROM THE PREZ (& THE CTS EXECUTIVE)



I want to thank all the members I had a chance to speak with during your scheduled tennis times. I appreciate your time and enjoyed speaking with you much more in person than by sending an email. For those members I was not able to connect with, my message was this:

In order for your amazing CTS to grow and prove to the city that we are in need and deserve a facility of our own, we need to continue to grow our sport and our culture within the community and within our group.

In order to do that we need to create more opportunities for our members to play, for beginners to play and for youth to play. The only way that will happen is with help. Help from volunteers - VOLUNTEERS LIKE YOU! We can not successfully continue to grow with the same handful of people so we are reaching out to our members to help us take the next steps necessary to grow this amazing sport we love so much here in Chilliwack. We need volunteers for scheduled drop-in times during the summer, tournament help for adults and kids and social events. The CTS exec has tentative dates for activities for the coming summer. If you could PLEASE let us know if you are willing and able to volunteer for any of these, that would be great!

*Please welcome these new members*

**Ken Graham  
Marilee Jones  
Lisa Knight  
Daryl Mitton  
Felix Salomon  
and his grandsons  
Ryan & Russell  
Cabungcal**

I have had the privilege of knowing many of you for many years now and our community of CTS members is an amazing group of people. I know we can count on you to help us continue to grow this awesome sport we love so much here in Chilliwack, and prove to the city that we need an indoor tennis facility... a place to call our home.

Thank you again to everyone for enduring all the challenges we have faced over the last few years and your continued commitment to the CTS.

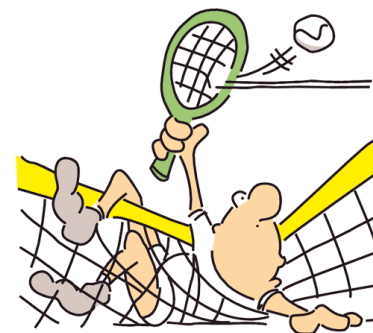
It doesn't go unnoticed, and we appreciate all of you! Thank you again for your time and we'll see you all on the courts this summer!

# SUMMER FUN.

After these past two years we all need to return to a normal summer that offers a variety of fun and competitive tennis options. The Executive has put together a tentative schedule of ongoing and one-of events. We hope there's something here for everyone.

For some of the activities we will need a few volunteers to help. The coordinator of each event will ask for volunteers in advance. You can reply directly to them.

The following chart gives you an idea of the kind of help needed for each event/activity.



Oops - haven't renewed your 2022 CTS membership yet? Don't worry, it's never to late!

**The 2022 Membership Dues are:**

Youth (<19) = \$25;

Adults (>19) Singles = \$45: Couples = \$65

Families (3+ members) = \$75

| Event/activity  | Tentative dates<br>(alternate dates – following week)  | Coordinator                 | Tasks for Volunteer's   |
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| Portage Courts – Clean-up/work party  | Sunday May 22 am   | Mark Turner                 | bring clean up equipment<br>leaf-blowers, brooms)   |
| Portage Courts – Public Open House  | Sunday May 22 pm   | CTS Executive               | set up/take down equipment,<br>“play” with visitors (children & adults)   |
| Season Opener Tournament<br>Portage Courts (same format as 2021)  | Saturday June 4  | Lana Guthrie & Patti Turner | bring snacks, help with sign-in, record scores, take photos, etc.   |
| Youth Tournament  | July 23  | Phil Dacre                  | bring snacks, help with sign-in, record scores, take photos, etc.   |
| End-of-Season Tournament<br>Portage Courts (format still TBD)   | August 13  | TBD                         | bring snacks, help with sign-in, record scores, take photos, etc.   |
| Drop-ins (informal & organized)<br><br>If court availability becomes a challenge, we will try to reserve courts for some of the busiest time slots. | <b>Watson Glen Park Courts:</b><br>Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday mornings<br><br><b>Portage Park:</b><br>Monday evenings<br>Tuesday/Thursday mornings<br><br>These mornings have always been very popular, and will remain “informal”. |                             | For organized drop-ins: (possible tasks)<br>hang up the CTS banner, ensure everyone is involved, encourage player rotation after sets, mix players up after sets.<br><br>Invite new people to participate, provide them with information about the CTS, and encourage them to join. |
| Ladders: Singles & Doubles<br>uses an online ap for issuing challenges. etc.  | June - August  | Patti Turner                | Once the ladders are set up, volunteers can help “manage” a ladder.   |



# THE BILLIE JEAN KING CUP



*submitted by Lana Guthrie*

As many of you are aware, the World Cup of Tennis returned to Vancouver this year at the Billie Jean King Cup by BNP Paribas on April 15-16. Team Canada was led by phenom Leylah Fernandez and British Columbia native, Rebecca Marino. These ladies took on Team Latvia, and Team Canada rocked the stadium with a dominant 4-0 sweep.

Our very own Coach Phil Dacre spent the weekend in the city with some of his students, our local youth players. It was an dynamic, powerful and exhilarating experience for these youth to be a part of such a momentous occasion. Phil's tennis students walked away feeling energized and inspired after watching their Canadian idols work the court. Events like this, of any magnitude, are what our local youth need to become engaged and encouraged to continue with their tennis journey. As Phil was chosen by Tennis Canada to be an ambassador and Community Champion, he was asked to join the tournament festivities in the Tennis Canada VIP lounge throughout the weekend. Thanks to coach Phil's VIP passes, one of his most promising athletes, Arlie, was able to meet Team Canada's Rebecca Marino in between the matches.



Coach Phil with students,  
Arlie and Sydney

What a positive experience for kids to meet athletes to inspire them to follow their athletic dreams! It is our hope that the Chilliwack Tennis Society can continue to support court time, tennis events, and opportunities for our youth to help grow the sport in our hometown and beyond. We welcome any CTS members to contact us with ideas of ways to support and encourage youth tennis in Chilliwack.



Rebecca Marino &  
Arlie Guthrie

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