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Who could have imagined a year ago what these past 12 months would bring. Throughout it all, our players have diligently followed the COVID Safety protocols, and we are proud to report we have had **NO COVID** transmissions linked to any of our sessions.

- Doubles?

In December, when COVID restrictions increased, our Doubles sessions came to an abrupt halt, and the future of our Indoor Tennis Season was left in doubt. There was some hope that the number of new COVID cases might lower to the point the doubles sessions could be re-started.

- SINGLES?

In early January it was still not clear how long these increased restrictions would be in place. The CTS Executive wanted to provide an opportunity for people to continue playing, and decided to offer, for the first time, a mini-season of singles.

A small group of determined players made the switch to singles, with some very positive reactions from the players.

In early February when Dr. Henry announced the restrictions would continue indefinitely, we realized there was only a VERY slim chance we would be able to play doubles again before the end of March. The decision was made to offer a second Singles mini-season, from February 15 - March 30.

People seem to be having a lot of fun, and have found playing singles isn't as hard as some may have feared.

We've even had players ask if there's any chance for playing more singles in the future!

Maybe we can even get back to doubles in April.





2021 MEMBERSHIP FEES

MANY THANKS to everyone who paid their annual CTS Membership fees so promptly.

The **January 15th** deadline to pay the 2021 Membership Fees has passed but we hope those of you who have not yet rejoined will decide to do so, and continue being CTS members.

Your membership fees provide benefits for all players. They subsidize insurance costs which in turn reduce the rental fees at The Landing. Last summer your fees helped pay for the court rental costs for the Watson Glen courts. Membership fees also provide balls and other miscellaneous supplies for social events and tournaments. Equally important, the CTS provides a respected voice for tennis in Chilliwack. This year we are planning some additional "Benefits of Membership" (see page 3 for a preview!

NOTE: To participate in TBC tournaments or certification programs, people must be Tennis BC members. The CTS has recently changed it's Tennis BC (TBC) member-club designation.

This change means people will now have to pay their own TBC membership fee.

Membership fees for 2021

Seniors: (60+) Singles - \$45.00 Couples - \$70.00 (2 seniors)

Adults: (<60) Singles - \$60.00 Couples - \$90.00 (2 adults)

Students: Singles - \$45.00

Fees can be paid by E-transfer to ctsbiz@hotmail.com There is no need for a security question. In the message section, please include your name and "2021 CTS membership fee".

CREDIT WHERE IT'S DUE!

In the second Singles mini-season, players were able to apply the credit accumulated from the missed days of the original doubles season towards their fees.

EVERYONE who paid to play indoors this Fall/Winter will receive credit for the doubles sessions cancelled between December 5 - March 30.

At the end of March we will notify all players how much credit they have accrued, which can be applied to future tennis fees.

PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Our numbers continue to grow!

Join us in welcoming these new players.

Carolyn Anderson, Adam Edgeley, Lana Guthrie, Steve Ratzlaff
We look forward to seeing them on the courts in 2021





WHAT YOUR DUES CAN DO FOR YOU!

The CTS Executive has met at least once a month since November via ZOOM to discuss the evolving COVID-19 situation, and to respond with indoor tennis programming accordingly.

A second major focus has been to explore new ways to "add value" to your CTS Membership.

We are working on the details for 4 new ideas:

- **one-time free** racquet stringing with your membership when you join the CTS. Renewing members are considered to be "joining" in 2021 (for the purpose of this offer).
- one free coaching session with Phil Dacre (once the weather improves)
- more reserved court times on the outdoor courts in the summer
- some organized playing opportunities during the summer outdoor season

We are also looking at ways for members to book outdoor courts during some of those reserved times.

Stay tuned for more details.

One-time Free racquet stringing for CTS members offered by the CTS and Mark Turner

I strung my first racquet as a teenager in 1975. I purchased my first stringing machine in 2013, and upgraded a couple of years ago.

I am looking for the opportunity to increase my knowledge of racquets, strings, and stringing options.

I also want to support the CTS and my fellow members.

By volunteering I hope to accomplish all these things.

I have a varied stock of **Golden Set** tennis strings on hand (www.goldensettennis.com).

I've used these myself, and to string racquets for a lot of CTS members, who have either been satisfied with the results or at least haven't complained.

So here's the deal -

Starting this year, members are entitled to **1** free racquet stringing as a benefit of membership. The Chilliwack Tennis Society is covering most of the cost of the strings.

- I will string your racquet to your choice of in-stock gauge and tension, including hybrid stringing.
- If you have a special string preference and supply that string, I will install your strings for free.

In addition, I can help you with most racquet customization including: (cost of supplies apply to the following)

- Re-gripping
- Overgrips
- Increasing grip size
- Balance adjustment with lead tape

I'm ALWAYS happy to discuss special stringing options for arm problems or other issues you're having.

To schedule a convenient time/way to get your racquet to me, you can contact me at: