



March 2010 Newsletter

Welcome returning members and new members to **Scarborough Bluffs Tennis Club** for another exciting season of tennis. We are starting 2010 strong with all our executive positions filled. If any member would like to help with socials, tournaments, house league etc. please contact the appropriate executive member. Our large roster of volunteers means that we can offer a wide range of activities and social events that are the core of a great club.

We welcome two new executive members, Elaine Fletcher as Social Convenor and Paul Mitskopoulos as Junior Convenor. Thanks Elaine and Paul for volunteering!

Below are important dates for your calendars. Be sure to sign up for Adult House League ASAP. Rate your skill level accurately using the rating guide included with this newsletter to ensure enjoyable matches. The rating guide can also be found on the SBTC website.

Please Note: This newsletter and the notice for AGM meeting in September will be the only mail outs for 2010. Only members who do not have access to e-mail will be mailed further notices. Future communication will be done via e-mail or the Scarborough Bluffs Tennis Club official website www.sbtennis.org.

Thank you for keeping SBTC informed of your current e-mail address.

OVEN NEEDED: Our clubhouse is in need of a new stove. Is anyone thinking of updating their gently used stove, and would be willing to donate it? If so, please let one of the executive members know and we will arrange for its pick up.

IMPORTANT DATES – MARK THEM ON YOUR CALENDAR!

Members- please check court availability on the SBTC website and signs on courts.

- April 17** Clean up/Set Up Day 10am
Light Refreshments provided and then tennis for all the workers!
- April 25** Adult Competitive League Try outs including STF, Intercountry and Toronto Ladies Day League:
9:30am STF A2 Team/Intercountry
11:30am STF B1 Team
1:30pm STF B2 Team
Note: You must be a paid up 2010 Scarborough Bluffs tennis member to qualify for a team spot
- April 27** Junior Competitive Team Tryouts 4 to 6pm

May 3,10,17 & 31

Since Adult House League will not start until the beginning of June there will be organized round robins for 4 nights in May.

- May –June** Saturday Junior Lessons ages 4-6 11:00-11:30 - ages 7-10 11:30-12:30 - ages 10+ 12:30-1:30
- May 1** **OFFICIAL SBTC OPENING DAY** – Juniors 11am to 1:30pm: Adults 1:30pm to whenever
Bring a good appetite as there will be lots of good food for all!
- May 4** Tuesday - Junior STF Practice 4pm
- May 5** Wednesday - Intermediate and Advanced Junior lessons 4-6pm
- May 6** Thursday – **NEW! TEENAGER TENNIS** (aged 13+) 4-6pm
- TBA** Toronto Ladies Tennis League starts 10am
- May 7** Friday nights - Adults Beginner Lessons 7-9pm Four week period until May 28
- May 9** STF Member Appreciation Day 9:30-1:00pm at National Sports store McCowan and 401 – lots of specials
- May 9** Sunday Nights - Recreational Drop In Tennis begins 7pm
- TBA** Adult STF and Intercounty Leagues
- May 15** Junior STF League matches begin
- May 30** Sunday - Adult Doubles Strategy Lessons start 1 to 3pm Four week period until June 20
- June 4** Friday – Intermediate Adult Lessons 7-9pm. Four week period until June 25
- June 7** House League matches begin
- June 12** **WELCOME SOCIAL – 1:30-4:30pm Club members welcome new club members!**
Recreational play and appetizer buffet provided. Come one and all and make the new members feel the welcoming spirit of SBTC.
- June 19** Child/Adult Tournament
- July 16** **Friday 7pm BRING A FRIEND NIGHT**
Round Robin - Cold Buffet provided. Hand in a questionnaire about your views on SBTC and enter a ballot for a chance to win one of the many prizes that will be offered!
- July 24-25** Ladies Singles and Doubles Round Robin Tournament
- August 6** Friday. ROUND ROBIN PIZZA NIGHT 7pm-11pm
- Sept 7-11** Junior Tournament
- Sept 12-26** Adult Club Tournaments: Singles, Doubles, Mixed. **Finals Sunday Sept. 26**
- Sept 18** STF Dinner & Dance Awards at Tam Heather 7pm
Karaoke was a big success last year so it will be Karaoke again this year
- Oct 3** Annual General Meeting 1 to 3pm at Clubhouse
Round Robin after meeting-weather permitting!

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- ◆ Guest fees for non-members are \$5.00/day. This grants the guest the same court privileges as members for one day.
- ◆ SBTC will be sending out flyers to the schools and local community centers inviting community members to join the club

- ◆ Reminder – All members must wear Club shoe tags (YELLOW for Adults and GREEN for Juniors) on proper tennis shoes (no soles that leave marks).
- ◆ 2010 application forms are ready for downloading from the SBTC website and there will be application forms placed in the mailbox on the fence beside Court 2.
- ◆ The Junior Program will be incorporating “Progressive Tennis” using special balls and mid size court boundaries - the latest from Tennis Canada!
- ◆ Check our official website, www.sbtennis.org for more SBTC information

Welcome to Scarborough Bluffs House League!

House League Convener: Rob Nicholls

LADIES ONLY - this year we are offering ladies who would prefer not to play ANY games in a mixed doubles format the option to play ladies doubles only. IF YOU WANT TO PLAY LADIES DOUBLES ONLY PLEASE INDICATE THIS ON YOUR APPLICATION. Otherwise you will be scheduled to play a mix of mixed and ladies doubles matches as in prior years

Playing on a House League team is an excellent way to improve your tennis skills and meet new people. Every year we welcome new members to the club, and House League is designed to emphasize the social and recreational aspects of tennis.

Participants compete with players near and at their own level. In order to ensure matches are challenging and enjoyable for all, it is important to rate your skill level accurately using the self rating guide included with this newsletter. On the membership form please indicate your skill level in the Adult House League box. House League matches will be played on Monday evenings. All courts will be devoted to house league for the full evening.

STF level players will be allowed to play House League only as spares or if slots are available – preference will be given to non-STF players.

Team captains are important to a successful House League. Players at any level can volunteer to be a captain of a House League team. The duties are few, the rewards are many, and your efforts are always appreciated.

Don't forget:

- Send your application in as early as possible so that the teams can be organized in a timely manner.
- Give yourself a numeric rating using the self-rating guide included with this newsletter. Include this number on your membership form in the House League rating box. The House League Convener reserves the right to “re-rate” players based on prior performance.
- There is an extra cost of \$15.00 per person to join House League. Please include this fee in your total registration fee.

A reminder to parents of junior members. If you like to play tennis, join our club (see family rates) so that you can enjoy all the activities that the SBT tennis club offers.

We are looking forward to a great 2010 season and hope to welcome some new volunteers. It is a great way to meet new people, contribute to the community and have some fun!

See you at the courts!

Scarborough Bluffs Tennis Club Executive