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CAN WE PLAY YET?

Opening Day—Two months away!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Stuart Teather

If you are like me, then you have been checking your mailbox a little more carefully over the last couple of weeks. You have been hoping that at some point soon, this newsletter would arrive and signal the beginning of another year at Davisville. Well...your waiting is over and now spring is officially right around the corner.

This is your 2005 membership newsletter. In it, you will find information about how to join (or rejoin) Davisville. Please take this opportunity to either fill out this form and mail it to

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us (with payment) or **new this year**, go online and make sure that you get your membership information input correctly by entering it yourself. You still have to send us a cheque, but you are guaranteeing the club has all your information correct and up to date. And...you are saving Alireza HOURS of work!

And, while you are online at: davisvilletennisclub.com, enjoy our new and improved site. All things being equal, it should be up and running and active when you get this letter. If not, check back in a couple of days...it won't be long. The website will grow with information throughout the spring and by Opening Day will be a valuable resource for all things Davisville. We are going to try to make the site 'the place' for you to go (when you are not at the courts).

Last year, we had the thrill of looking forward to new courts. What's new this year? Well, lets see...new tags; new socials; new barbeques; new House League; improved ladder; more beginner involvement; more timely information; new bathrooms and all the other things that I haven't thought to mention here. And, we will have new courts without having to wait for them to be finished!!

So, get your membership application in now. Returning members are guaranteed until **Fri., Apr. 15**. After that, new members will be accepted—we look forward to meeting you. We expect Davisville to sell out in 2005.

Don't miss out—Opening Day is April 30!

DTC OPENING DAY 2005

Join us on **Sat., Apr. 30** at 10:00 am for Davisville Tennis Club's Opening Day.

Orientation Sessions

Familiarize yourself with the club. Orientation sessions will be held throughout the day for those new and returning members that are interested.

Sign up!

2005 calendars will be available, on Opening Day, providing dates of tournaments, lessons, rating sessions and social activities. Renew your membership, sign up for sessions with the Club Pro, join the ladder and plan your summer.

Mix 'n' Mingle

Catch up with old friends and meet new ones. Participate in friendly round robin games starting at 11:00 am and then savour a complimentary barbeque lunch at noon. The fun lasts all day, hope to see you there!

A & B INTERCOUNTY TEAM TRYOUTS

Tryout dates for the teams are as follows:

A & B Team Tryouts

Sun., May 1 & Sun., May 8
1:00–4:00 pm

Tues., May 3

7:00–10:00 pm

If you are unable to make any of these tryout dates you will not be eligible for team play in 2005. Additional dates and times may be added if necessary due to weather or number of individuals trying out.

COACH'S CORNER

Chris Field

The court is big—bring it into play.

It will take you approximately three or four steps to reach most of your opponent's ground strokes from the center mark along the baseline. But it will take you ten or eleven steps to reach the ball if your opponent hits a good drop shot. Instead of just hitting the ball back and forth, every stroke you strike should have an objective. Take advantage of the whole court. Make sure your opponent is forced to cover every centimetre of the court, not just the baseline.

NOW HIRING—COURT STEWARDS! for the 2005 season, May through September

Court stewards are an integral part of the workings of the club, from managing the operations of the clubhouse to the enforcement of club by-laws and rules. This is a great opportunity to further develop leadership, communication and problem-solving skills in a fun environment.

Some advantages of the position:

- **Free membership**
- **Work outdoors**
- **Friendly members**
- **Competitive pay**

If you are a bright, personable and energetic individual and work well under minimal supervision (or know someone who is), we would love to hear from you. Please contact: vicepresident@davisviletennisclub.com

BRUSH WITH FAME!



DTC members Chris Quinn and Leila Rickett recently had the opportunity to meet and play with World No. 1 Doubles player Daniel Nestor in a local charity event.

Do you have member news? Email your photos and stories to: communications@davisvilletennisclub.com.

FAREWELL & GOOD LUCK!

Best wishes to members David How and Mack Kitagawa who have recently moved from Toronto to pursue their careers in both Vancouver and Japan respectively. Their smiling faces will be missed around the courts.



In Memory

Beverly Morris

Davisville Tennis club fondly remembers Bev Morris who passed away this past January.

Bev was a member of Davisville for over 20 years. She simply loved the game, often coming to the courts well into December to whip up a net and play. Bev could just as easily be found at the tennis club as at home.

Many of you will remember Bev for her wonderful, engaging nature and willingness to be involved. A fixture at barbecues, opening days, tournament finals and club parties, Bev was the kind of person that made you feel like you belonged at Davisville.

Her loss will be felt at our club by all of those who knew her.

OOOPS...WE GOOFED!

In our last issue, we mistakenly included Adrian Alphonso as one of our lifetime members. In actual fact, it is Gabriella Alphonso that is a lifetime member—Adrian is still trying!

2005 DAVISVILLE TENNIS CLUB EVENTS CALENDAR

- Mar 19 Winter Tennis (Bingo Night)
- Apr 9 Winter Tennis (Winter Wrap-Up Party)
- Apr 23 Davisville Preparation Day (10:00 am)
- Apr 30 **OPENING DAY** ~ (10:00 am)
OTA Day at Sporting Life
- May 1 Intercounty A & B Team tryouts (1:00–4:00 pm)
- May 3 Intercounty A & B Team tryouts (7:00–10:00 pm)
- May 8 Intercounty A & B Team tryouts (1:00–4:00 pm)
- May 28 Davisville 2005 Opening Party (7:00 pm–1:00 am) ~
'A Monte Carlo Night', Leaside Memorial Community Gardens
- June 4 House League #1 (6:00–9:00 pm) ~ Mix 'n' Mingle
- June 11 House League #2 (6:00–9:00 pm) ~ Billiards night
- June 18 **DAVISVILLE CUP** ~ (10:00 am)
- June 25 House League #3 (6:00–9:00 pm) ~ Davisville Idol
- July 9 House League #4 (6:00–9:00 pm) ~ Movie night
- July 11–17 *Mixed A, B & C Doubles Tournaments*
- July 17 Gourmet BBQ #1 (11:00 am–2:00 pm)
- July 23 House League #5 (6:00–9:00 pm) ~ Driving range
- Aug 1–7 *Men's A Singles, Women's B Singles & Women's C Doubles Tournaments*
- Aug 6 House League #6 (6:00–9:00 pm) ~ Salsa! (with lessons)
- Aug 7 Gourmet BBQ #2 (11:00 am–2:00 pm)
- Aug 8–14 *Women's A Singles, Men's B Singles & Men's C Doubles Tournaments*
- Aug 13 House League #7 (6:00–9:00 pm) ~ Live band
- Aug 14 Courtside Breakfast (8:00–11:00 am)
- Aug 22–28 *Men's A Doubles, Men's B Doubles & Women's C Singles Tournaments*
- Aug 27 House League #8 (6:00–9:00 pm) ~ Social at a local restaurant
- Aug 28 Gourmet BBQ #3 (11:00 am–2:00 pm)
- Sept 5–11 *Women's A Doubles, Women's B Doubles & Men's C Singles Tournaments*
- Sept 11 Gourmet BBQ #4 (11:00 am–2:00 pm)
- Sept 12–18 *Men's & Women's Masters Tournaments*
- Sept 18 Courtside Breakfast (8:00 am–1:00 pm)
- Sept 26 Annual General Meeting ~ Hodgson Public School
- Oct 2 Last day of the 2005 season
- Oct 21 Year End Awards Banquet & Dinner Dance (6:00 pm–1:00 am) ~
'A Medieval Celebration', Fantasy Farms

DTC Opening Party 2005 Monte Carlo Night

Date: Sat., May 28

Time: 6:00 pm–1:00 am

Place: Leaside Memorial Community Gardens

Cost: \$20/members, \$25/guests of members

Advance tickets only ~ tickets are limited!

Get yours at Opening Day

- Social gaming
- DJ & Dancing
- Buffet
- Great prizes



Davisville House League

Eight Saturday nights of organized round robin tennis followed by après tennis socials

Dates: June 4, June 11, June 25, July 9, July 23, Aug 6, Aug 13 & Aug 27

Time: 6:00–9:00 pm

Cost: \$15/eight Saturdays or \$2/Saturday

Après socials include: karaoke, salsa lessons, movies, live bands & more...

Sign up on Opening Day to get in on the action!



Davisville Cup

Date: Sat., June 18

Time: 10:00 am

Join us for a day of fun, with a spotlight on charity. Highlights of the day will include:

- A full day of tennis and other activities
- Friendly competition and team spirit
- The chance to win great prizes!
- The opportunity to give back to our community

For more information, please contact Jenn Smith, vicepresident
@davisvilletennisclub.com.

Don't miss it!



Event Crew Volunteers Needed!

No Experience Needed ~

Just a friendly smile and go get 'em attitude!

We are looking for...

- **House League Captains**
- **Opening Party Event Crew**
(Tickets, Black Jack Dealers, Wheel Hosts & Hostesses, Horse Race Caller)
- **Gourmet BBQ Team**
(Cooks, Refreshment Stand Attendants, Tickets, Strike Crew)

All volunteers will be appropriately thanked ~ your efforts are appreciated!

For further information on any of these social events, for tickets, or volunteer information, please call Allison Sharpe at **416-224-0562**.