



## KEW GARDENS SUMMER NEWSLETTER

### Feeling Hot, Hot, Hot

June and July have been very exciting at Kew. We had our French Open, Canada Day and Wimbledon Socials and the Ontario Junior Closed Tournament. The Junior Programs have continued to be enthusiastically supported and the Summer Camps are now in full swing.

In addition, the last leg of our Ladder Matches are underway with finalists to be announced in August.

Kew Men's A2 (Team#2) plays at home in the quarter finals this Thursday July 22 at 7:30pm and the other Kew A2 (Team#1) will host the league semi-finals at 7:30pm on Thursday July 29<sup>th</sup>.

The Ladies League and Kew teams are finished for the season on Monday nights.

### Message from the President

We are one of the largest community clubs in Ontario with a very active membership. We offer varied programming for all age groups and playing ability. It is great to see so many members playing and enjoying tennis. We continue to try to find innovative ways to encourage members to come out and play.

The City of Toronto is currently reviewing public tennis court operations and its policy related to outdoor tennis clubs. . As part of this review, the City hosted a series of public meetings to get input from users, non-users and members. There is also an opportunity to provide feedback through the online Tennis Court Survey, which will be available from May 20<sup>th</sup> to August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015. We encourage all members to provide feedback.

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### Adult Clinics

Adult clinics for the rest of the summer are posted online for all ability levels. Why not take the opportunity to improve your game and take a lesson or clinic with our Pros? Click here for clinic information; <http://kewgardenstennis.ca/lessons/adult-clinics/>

### Socials

Turnout was superb for the French Open, Canada Day and Wimbledon special event socials. In addition to some fun tennis, members feasted on French cheeses and pastries, Canadian burgers and sausages, strawberries and freshly-whipped cream. Several wonderful volunteers came out to help with preparations. Staff worked especially hard to ensure the success of these events. Special thanks to...Brendan Morrissey, Maureen Neville, George Westel, Mary Ann Raaymakers, Paul Pelletier, Tom Rebane and our frontline staff.

Our Wilson Rep, demonstrated new equipment and videotaped members individually. Congratulations to Anita Hertlova whose fastest serve was clocked at over 90mph!!!

Wednesday and Saturday socials are extremely well attended. Registration starts from 6:30pm each evening and is capped at 80 players. Come early to play and socialize.

### Ladders/Tournaments

Our Men's and Women's ladders are in full swing with over 60 members participating. There has been a very high completion rate for most boxes, so well done to everybody who have helped ensure the ladders have been successful and competitive. We would also like to thank Ira Sherman, Assistant Pro, for doing such a great job organizing the ladders.

The tournaments begin in mid-August, so it's a good time for members to start thinking about which tournaments they would like to participate in. Sign up at the clubhouse-fee \$10. The dates are as follows;

Men's Singles (A/B/C): August 17<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup>

Mixed Doubles (A/B): August 24<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>

Ladies Singles (A/B): September 8<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>

Ladies Doubles (A/B): September 21<sup>st</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>

## Teams

### **The Ladies League Team finishes:**

Premier Team: finished 5<sup>th</sup> of 6 teams

Division One: congratulations finished tied for FIRST place

Division Two: Finished in last place

Division Four: Finished in 4<sup>th</sup> place out of 10 teams

### **Day League:**

A1 finished in last place

B1 finished in 7<sup>th</sup> place of 8 teams

### **The Men's League finishes:**

A1 teams finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, A1 (Scott Biel's team) loss in the quarters. A1 (Adrian Winger's team) made it to the semi-finals against Toronto Lawn Club. Results to be reported at end of season.

## Courts and Facilities Update

**Sunday Maintenance** - A reminder that clay court maintenance on Sundays is from 5:00-6:00pm, with member play from 6:00-9:00pm.

**Team Evenings** - The Team season is almost over, but until the season ends, clay courts on Tuesdays and Thursdays still can still be booked from 6:00-6:45pm and from 6:45-7:30pm. There will be a reminder when team season is over. Clay court bookings on Tuesdays and Thursdays nights will then revert back to the normal one hour time slots from 6:00pm.

**Clay Court Watering** - Our Staff work hard to keep the clay courts in the best condition possible. However, there may be times when the courts are not ready for play at 8:00am, noon and 6:00pm. Extra maintenance may be needed during dry/hot/humid weather. The need for additional watering and maintenance during these periods and by glitches in our 14 year old irrigation system will require extra time. When this happens, please be patient and respectful with our Staff. We do apologize for any delay and inconvenience caused to our members.

### Saturday Morning Court Availability

The Junior Program, using all ten courts will end on August 22nd (rain date August 29th). General play will commence after this date. There will be no Fall session this year.

This coming Saturday July 25<sup>th</sup>, we are hosting a Mini Rogers Cup Tournament, from 9am-12pm. All Clay Courts are in use for this event.

### Rogers Cup

Tickets to the Rogers Cup are available online for Kew Members. Click here to get your Kew Discount Promo <http://kewgardenstennis.ca/news/rogers-cup-kew-discount-promo/>

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