
MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT – SHYAM RAMCHANDRAN

Hope you have had a great 2017 summer tennis season. On behalf of the board I would like to thank our membership (over 600 members) for making this year a great success for the club. For the last many years, your volunteer board of directors along with several other volunteers have been constantly making improvements to the club in terms of making our club a better place. Some of the highlights for this year were implementation of the online booking system, replacing windows for the clubhouse, improvements to the washrooms especially the lady's washroom. We organized two barbecues, the opening BBQ and end of year BBQ, with a great turn out for both. The open house for tennis Canada day was a lot of fun on and off the court and we celebrated Canada's 150th with a special Canada day cake and of course tennis. The club tournaments were a great success. We had a great season of ladies and men's club leagues. Our Monday night mixed drop in is very popular. Our junior tennis team made it to the Intercounty Tennis finals at the Aviva Centre. Our club Pro, Adrian has introduced several top-class programs and camps for our junior and adult members. Our Lakeshore teams are performing very well in their respective divisions.

Before the end of the year we also hope to replace bulbs for our lighting system so we can have better lights for the courts. The light from the halogen bulbs generally diminishes over time and requires maintenance upgrades. LED lighting was considered but was not found to be viable. Cameras have been installed to allow members to view the courts. This will be implemented by next season. The cameras will allow you to log into the club website to see if the courts are busy or if it is raining.

A lot of great work goes in to keeping our club running seamlessly, some of them less obvious than others like paying our bills, maintaining our books, meeting with city regarding the joint venture partnership, keeping fobs on track, ongoing maintenance issues, meeting contractors, shopping for food, prizes, preparing the food and organizing activities, events etc. are all possible because of your volunteer board and volunteers who always step up and pitch in to help. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the board members and the volunteers for helping to keep our club a wonderful place to play tennis and interact with other members in a fun social setting.

Our current board members are:

- President: Shyam Ramachandran
- Vice President: Deb Yamamura
- Treasurer: Kim Groen
- Membership: Deb Yamamura
- Tournaments: Sasha Curgus, Steve Butt
- Adult Leagues: Larry Carr
- Junior Leagues: Mike O'Neill
- Maintenance: Ed Margueratt, Larry Carr, Bill Cassidy
- Social: Sarah Locke
- Secretary: Matthew Tayler
- Club Pro: Adrian Tollstam

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On a personal note, I would like to thank you all for all your support over the years. It has been a honour serving on the board as President of this wonderful club since 2013. As of this AGM this position becomes vacant and a new President will be elected to lead our club. This club is such a great place and I have met and worked with some wonderful people. I would encourage members to consider volunteering for the club or and join the board and help keep our tennis community alive and strong through your participation.

ATC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- The Annual General Meeting will be held on November 7, 2017 at 7:00 pm at the Club House and all members are encouraged to attend and vote. Your feedback is valued!
- Several motions will be put forward to update the constitution and by-laws and the membership of Board of Directors will be confirmed
- If you are interested in a position on the Board of Directors, submit an expression of interest to info@applebytenniscub.ca

ATC Club Tournament

- The ATC Consolation and Championship Finals were played on September 10, 2017.
- Thank you to Stephen Butt and Sasha Curgus, the Tournament Directors, for organizing a fun and competitive tournament
- Congratulations to the Champions:

Men's Singles:	Sam Parbakhar
Men's Over 60	John Krznarich
Women's Singles:	Kirby Scruton
Junior U18 Singes:	Braydon Butt
Men's Doubles:	Rob McLernon/Yiqin Wu
Women's Doubles:	Linda Schmidtgal/Deb Yamamura
Mixed Doubles:	Zuleima Silva/Bao Do
Parent-Child Doubles:	Stephen and Braydon Butt



- Check out the pictures of the Consolation and Championships Matches on the Appleby Tennis Club Website.

ATC End of Season BBQ

- We had a great day watching exciting matches, enjoying what was finally summer sunshine, and eating some incredible food created by our Social Director, Sarah Locke
- We had over 100 members attend and enjoy the season wrap up BBQ

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- Raffle tickets were a big hit, with Merchant of Tennis Gift Certificates and other items won by many members
- Thank you to Greg and his Dad for doing a great job at the BBQ and Kelly, Heather and Linda who helped Sarah.



Around the Club and Courts

- Special thanks to our new Club Pro Adrian Tollstam for creating such exciting programs for all levels and helping us all raise our game and fitness!! The Summer Camp Program was a huge success with every week booked and a high-performance camp was also newly introduced. Special thanks to our Assistant Pro Connor O'Neill, who has gone back to Western to continue his education.
- Several members have noted the phone is not usually picked up. We maintain a phone line as we need this for any emergency. It is not regularly monitored. Any questions to the board or to the Club Pro should be done by email or by phoning Adrian directly.
- The FOB payment is a **deposit** in case of loss. FOB fees will be refunded when the member leaves the club. It is strongly recommended that you keep your FOB for next season.
- The Tennis Ladder, organized by Gary Robles, had a very large participation this year. Thank you to Gary for such an outstanding job. We hope to have the ladder on the online system next year.

Leagues

- Lakeshore League wrapped up the end of August and our two teams had an amazing season. Appleby1, headed by Captain Deb Yamamura, finished 3rd in Division 2. Appleby2, headed by Captain Deb Hallett, finished 2nd in Division 4.
- Tryouts for the Women's Wednesday am Intercounty League were held this fall and also next Spring. The league runs May to June. Thank you to Pat Fujimoto-Howes for captaining.
- Our Juniors had an exceptional year, qualifying for the Finals at the Rexall Centre September 9, 2017, finishing second overall. It was a great accomplishment – way to go Marko, Braydon, Shruti, Shreyas and Eva. Special thanks to our Junior Director, Mike O'Neill and to our Club Pro Adrian Tollstam for a great season.
- The Mixed Round Robin, run by Sasha Curgus was fun and was enjoyed by members from beginner to expert! The Men's and Women's Leagues were extremely popular. Don't forget to register early next year if you want a regular spot.



Input from Members

- This was the first year with our new online registration and on-line court booking. We worked out many issues based on observations by our Board and members.
- Please email any suggestions regarding improvements to the registration or on-line booking. We will be working with the company to make improvements for next year.
- We are always looking for volunteers to help with social events, building and ground maintenance and leagues. If you are interested please send us an email.