



# Quaker Park Tennis Club

## *on the ball*

Fall Newsletter 2017

### President's Report

#### FORGE HAMU

Another successful season is coming to an end.

The Club made a number of changes this year which will be carried over to 2018:

- The 8-815 a.m. priority calling for courts was eliminated, with courts now being assigned on a first come first served basis;
- Mid-day court maintenance was staggered, allowing better use of courts;
- A new method of laying clay was implemented which allowed us to save almost half of the original clay delivery. This will reduce costs for next year.

The Club participated in Peterborough Pulse with the help of the OTA smash cage. It was an extremely successful event for Peterborough and the Club.

The following Executive positions are currently vacant: Junior Development Director, Fundraising Director, and Tournament Director. Please consider putting your name forward for one of these positions. The time commitment is an estimated 3-5 hours per month over the full year.

Closing date for the Club is set for 14 October. One court will remain open past this date and can be booked on-line by members. However the clubhouse will not be open and hydro will be turned off.



### Year-end closing

Help put the courts to bed for the winter Saturday 14 October starting at 10 am. Please bring work gloves. If you are available to help, please email [president@quakerparktennis.ca](mailto:president@quakerparktennis.ca). If you

have questions, please call Jerry Raper, 705.743.5353.

### Treasurer's Report

#### MARC ROCHON

The Club is financially healthy. Overall revenue has increased by approximately 5% over last year, in part due to the membership fee increase. Expenses have remained consistent with last year. Other revenues expected in 2017 include proceeds from the Fall Gala and other fundraising initiatives. Minimum wage increases over the next two years will be incremental costs going forward.

Canada Revenue Agency reviewed the Club's 2016 GST/HST filing (it was for a nearly \$20,000 refund related to all capital expenditures in 2016). The refund was accepted. The Club is now awaiting further information on a letter from CRA indicating its intent to audit the Club for fiscal years 2015/2016. An audit is a much more robust and time consuming review of all finances.

The Board has approved membership prepayments for the 2018 season.

Prepayments were put into practice last season and

allowed the Club to make an early payment on the six-year loan secured to cover remaining renovation costs, thereby reducing interest charges. This year, the Board reviewed liquidity and cash flow concerns in making its decision to allow prepayments for 2018.

I am grateful to provide my skills and advice on financial/accounting matters to the Club. I enjoy playing here and plan to be a long time member. Any questions or concerns in regard to club finances can be sent to [treasurer@quakerparktennis.ca](mailto:treasurer@quakerparktennis.ca).

### Fall General Meeting

Wednesday 11 October

7 pm

Activity Haven, Room 1

180 Barnardo Av

Plenty of free parking

Come early to purchase Gala Tickets (\$40) and draw tickets to win a \$5 QPTC membership for 2018(to be drawn at the Gala).

Spring 2017 Meeting Minutes are available on the Members' page of the [QPTC website](http://www.quakerparktennis.ca).

### 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary

QPTC will celebrate its 100<sup>th</sup> season in 2022. The Board is looking for Committee members to take the lead in planning this big event.



# Social Committee Report

## RACHEL BRONSON

**Tennis in Canada:** The annual Try Tennis Day took place Saturday 3 June featuring lessons, BBQ, bake sale, raffle, and face painting. It was another successful event. Thank you to the executive for organizing, and to Janice, Ted, and Ryan for teaching the adult and junior lessons. Most of all, thank to our members for attending and showing your support!

**Spring Social:** In effort to promote interclub play, members from Quinte Tennis Club, Belleville attended the Saturday 17 June Spring Social. It was a great day for tennis play, camaraderie and laughs. Thank you to Wendy for organizing and making this day run so smoothly, and to all those who helped and participated in the event.



**Peterborough Pulse:** This year marked the first time QPTC participated in Peterborough Pulse. More than 100 people visited the Club's booth and participated in the activities offered. Thank you to Forge Hamu, Carolyn Condon, Diane Pagett, Pat Smith, Rayce Manger, Sam Bronson, Marc Rochon and the OTA team for donating their time to promote tennis and the Club.

**Themed Tuesday Night Social:** Our first themed Tuesday Night Social "Wear it Loud" was held 15 August with members wearing loud socks and bright shirts. Our second themed night, "Sports Night at Quaker Park Tennis Club" on 12 September had members wearing their favourite sports jerseys or shirts. Thank you to all those who participated!

**Gala Slideshow:** It's not too late to submit photos for the slideshow to be shown at the Gala. Please share your favourite snapshots from the 2017 season by emailing them to [social@quakerparktennis.ca](mailto:social@quakerparktennis.ca).

## Manager's Report

### TED LUCAS

Many new members joined the Club this year, and along with long-time members kept the courts busy. Court 1 was also used by ducks in early May!

Janice, Ryan, Andrew, Robert and Jared did a wonderful job of maintaining the courts and providing top notch tennis instruction.

Thank you to the many volunteers who helped out at the Club this year.

## Men's League

### JERRY RAPER

The League is into its final session. Thanks to John Curley for great scheduling. Also, thanks to those who offered to sub for Dave Simpson. The year-end barbeque was held at Tom Passarello's home Wednesday 4 October. Thanks to Tom and Yvonne for hosting the lunch.

To contribute to the annual tip collection for Ted, please see Arthur.

## Advance Payment of 2018 Memberships

In 2016 members were asked to help the Club with its cash flow by purchasing 2017 memberships in the fall at a discounted price. This year, the Club will accept advance 2018 paid memberships applications at a discount of \$30. This is being done to again help with cash flow, to spread the administrative load, and to offer full members an attractive discount in return for their loyal support.

Members will receive an email mid-October with further details and link to a 2018 Advance Payment Membership Application form. Printed forms will also be available at the Fall General Meeting. This offer is valid **only** when payment, along **with** a completed Advance Payment Application form, is received before 30 November 2017.



## Tournament Report

WENDY WALLACE

2017 started off with some folks contemplating ark construction! Despite the rain, the club hosted four tournaments and one social with almost 100 total participants and more than \$800 raised for the Club. This year's social included guests from the Quinte Club who, along with QPTC members, had a very enjoyable time playing tennis and sharing a meal.

Unfortunately the Tennis Access Tournament was postponed by a week due to impending weather and then sadly cancelled due to not enough players. And surprisingly, the Fall Classic was also cancelled due to low numbers.

A big thank you to Ted Lucas for his help throughout the season; a special thank you to Rachel Bronson for her help creating the lovely tournament posters as well as assisting with tournaments and the social; and to Mark Arbogast and Ryan Romig for running the Men's Doubles and Singles tournaments respectively. And of course a big thank you to all members who came out and supported the Club tournaments and made them so much fun.



## Fundraising Report

DIANE PAGETT & DEB PAGETT

This year's fundraising events included:

- Mother's Day Draw (gift basket, plus secondary prizes)
- Try Tennis Day Draw (featuring a tennis package and pickle ball package)
- Try Tennis Day bake sale and barbeque
- the sale of snacks at the Club House

and the following new ventures:

- Tupperware sale
- 'Serve It Up' preserves sale
- Peterborough Pete's game

Still to come is the Club's major fundraising event - the End of Year Gala and Silent Auction Friday 20 October.

Thank you to all of the volunteers for their assistance with events and activities.

