



# Quaker Park Tennis Club

## *on the ball*

Spring Newsletter 2017

### President's Report

#### FORGE HAMU

The 2017 tennis season is fast approaching. It's time to dust off those racquets.

Plans are underway to participate in this year's

Peterborough Pulse, Peterborough's largest free recreation program. The event transforms the downtown core into a car-free zone allowing businesses and organizations to show their wares. Our new Social Director Rachel has arranged to have the Smash Cage at this event to promote tennis and increase our club's visibility. We are looking for volunteers to help staff the QPTC booth and make this event a "smashing" success.

The Board continues to struggle with a shortage of board members. Currently we have openings for a Junior Director and a Treasurer.

We are ending 8 to 8:15 priority calls. While staff will be able to take calls and book courts during this time, preference will be on a first come first served basis.

Everyone is urged to attend the Spring General Meeting. Please review the meeting agenda and if you have items to add, please contact a member of the Executive prior to the meeting.

### Spring General Meeting

**Tuesday 25 April**  
**7 p.m.**

Activity Haven  
180 Barnardo Av

Please attend to receive your 2017 shoe tag and to participate in club decision-making.

Membership applications will be received prior to the start of the meeting. Please arrive early if you wish to take advantage of this opportunity.

Review the agenda and the Fall General Meeting minutes on the [QPTC website](#).

### Property Report

#### JERRY RAPER

The annual Club Work Day takes place Saturday 29 April, beginning at 10 am. Help is needed to install wind screens complete outside chores, and clean the club house. All those assisting will receive a can of tennis balls.

The Club is looking 2'x2' cement patio slabs to support pallets of clay. If you have patio slabs you can donate, please speak with Ted.

The south wall panels of the shed need to be replaced. If you have carpentry skills, and/or a nail gun, your help would be appreciated.

### Try Tennis Day

Saturday 3 June

11:30 am-4 pm

Free lessons for adults and children 4 years and older.

Racquets provided.

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Free lessons

Noon-1 p.m.

BBQ

1-4 p.m.

Round Robin Tournament

Bake sale, raffle, face-painting.



## Men's League

Tuesdays and Thursdays

8-10 am; 10 am- noon; 1-3 pm

Sessions run May to Thanksgiving. Sign up for an entire session, as a spare or for dates you are available.

Last year's participants will automatically receive a registration form on-line. If you are new to the league, call Jerry at 705.743.5353 to register.



## Ladies League

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8-10 am  
All skill levels welcome.

### 2017 Ladies League Executive

**Co-Captain:** Shirley Bacigalupo 705-799-7231  
**Co-Captain:** Chris Cordy 705-741-0132  
**Treasurer:** Sandy Valentine 705-876-1739  
**Phone Chair:** Helen Briggs 705-742-2746  
**Social Chair:** Marg Hughes 705-876-1838  
**Rogers Cup:** TBA  
**Newsletter:** Joan Livingston

Opening day TBA.

\$10 registration fee, social fee (non-players) \$5.  
A light breakfast will be available compliments of the executive committee. Courts available weather permitting.

### 2017 Social Events

June and August pot luck lunches  
Red and White Canada Day Tournament  
Rogers Cup ladies day  
End of season lunch (September)  
Christmas party (December)

## Love to bake?



Try Tennis Day, Saturday 3 June, will feature a bake sale. Please contact Lillian Horn ([lhorn@cogeco.ca](mailto:lhorn@cogeco.ca), tel: 705.742.8595 or by text 705.741.6774) if you are willing to donate baked goods. Proceeds will be used to help pay down the member's portion of club upgrades.

All items will be collected Friday 2 June in the QPTC kitchenette.

## Fundraising Report

Diane Pagett and Deb Pagett are returning as Fundraising Directors.

Last year's fundraising events included a Mother's Day Draw, Opening Day Raffle of new tennis racquets, garage and bake sale, and an end of season Gala and Silent Auction. All were successful.

We are continuing with some of these events and are looking for new ideas. Suggestions are welcomed.

The Mother's Day raffle will be the first 2017 fundraising activity. Tickets will be available for Executive members to sell in early April. The draw will take place on 25 April, prior to the Spring General Meeting.

## Social Committee Report

The annual Try Tennis Day is set for Saturday 3 June starting at 11:30 am. The day gets underway with an hour free lesson provided by club instructors, followed by a BBQ at noon, and a round robin tournament from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Face painting will be available for kids (and to those young at heart). Please spread the word and encourage family, friends and neighbors to attend. Flyers will be available at the clubhouse to distribute around your neighborhood.

New on our calendar is QPTC's participation in the [Peterborough Pulse](#) event, Saturday 15 July in downtown Peterborough. More details will be available at the club. We are also considering themed events - suggestions include superhero night, loud t-shirt or socks, and pro-team shirts.

Social Committee Chair Rachel Bronson hopes to put together a slideshow for the end of the year Gala to summarize and share memories from the 2017 tennis season. Members are encouraged to take photos of club events and email your best snaps to [jogs3547@gmail.com](mailto:jogs3547@gmail.com).

## Manager's Report

Ted Lucas returns as Club Manager. He, along with Janice Longhurst and Ryan Romig, will provide lessons.

Jared Thomas will once again assist with court maintenance and other chores.

Ball sales available by the case through the pro shop.

### Adult/Student Free Group Lessons

All Student and Adult members are welcome to attend any or all of the eight free group lessons. Three instructors on three courts will provide 12 hours of tennis instruction in eight 90-minute installments.

Lessons get underway Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:00 to 7:30 pm. beginning Tuesday 9 May.

**June** lessons are **on Tuesdays only**. After the eight freebies, one hour lessons will be given Tuesdays from 6-7 pm for a fee of \$5/person.

No Racquet?? No Worries!! We have some to lend.

### Tuesday Night Social

Begins Tuesday 9 May, 7:30 pm following lessons. All QPTC members and skill levels are welcome. Meet people and find playing partners while enjoying the evening air.

A QPTC Pro (likely Ryan) will make up doubles teams for 30 minutes (20 minutes if it's busy). You'll be in a new foursome on every changeover.

### Saturday Morning Famous Players

A short lesson and lots of play makes for an enjoyable two hours of tennis. A pro organizes this weekly event aimed at the Adult/Student lesson crowd, but open to all. \$4/person.

### Thursday Morning Clinic

Improve your game at the Thursday Morning Clinic with Janice. Begins 11 May, 8:30-10 am. Arrive early to warm up.

Early Bird Special \$9/person through May and June for 90 minutes of quality tennis instruction and doubles strategy.

## 2017 Tournament and Social Schedule

This year we're going to have more evening tournaments, stay tuned for details! Tournament information and sign-up sheets will be posted on our website and on the club bulletin board.

**Saturday 3 June**  
1-4 pm

**Try Tennis Fun Round Robin**  
Recreational mixed doubles  
No entry fee

**Saturday 17 June**  
10 am start

**Spring Social**  
Recreational mixed doubles  
Potluck lunch  
Play with different partners & meet new people!

**Sunday 25 June**  
10 am start

**Zoomer's Tournament (over 55)**  
Recreational mixed doubles  
3 guaranteed matches  
Lunch and snacks provided

**9-10 July**  
Saturday Evening  
Sunday Morning (if needed)

**QPTC Club Tournament - Mixed Doubles**  
3 guaranteed matches  
Lunch and snacks provided

**22-23 July**  
Saturday Evening  
Sunday Morning (if needed)

**QPTC Club Tournament - Doubles**  
Men's and Women's Doubles  
Recreational and Competitive draws  
3 guaranteed matches  
Lunch and snacks provided

**Saturday 12 August**  
10 am start

**Tennis Access Tournament**  
Open tournament  
Mixed Doubles  
Sign up as a team or individually  
3 guaranteed matches  
Lunch and snacks provided  
Silent Auction/Pro Shop/Door Prizes

**26-27 August**  
Saturday Evening  
Sunday morning (if needed)

**QPTC Club Tournament - Singles**  
Recreational and Competitive draws  
3 guaranteed matches  
Lunch and snacks provided

**23-24 September**  
9 am-4 pm Saturday  
Sunday morning (if needed)

**QPTC Club Tournament - Fall Classic**  
Mixed doubles  
Recreational and Competitive draws  
3 guaranteed matches  
Lunch and snacks provided

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## 2017 Summer Tennis Camps

Racquets are available for all participants who do not have one.

**Junior Tennis Instruction (Ages 5 to 9, 10 to 16)** Improves all skill levels. Children grouped by age range (5-9) or (10-16) and skill level. Each program is comprised of eight lessons given over two weeks. Cost: \$103.

Days	Times	Dates
M/Tu/W/Th/F	4-5 pm	8-19 May
M/Tu/W/Th/F	5-6 pm	8-19 May
M/Tu/W/Th/F	4-5 pm	23 May-2 June
M/Tu/W/Th/F	5-6 pm	23 May-2 June
M/Tu/W/Th/F	4-5 pm	5-16 June
M/Tu/W/Th/F	5-6 pm	5-16 June

### Junior Tennis Camp (Ages 5 to 9; 10 to 16)

Half-day camp develops hand-eye coordination, teaches basic stroke skills, including serves and basic offensive and defensive strategies, and introduces game play. Players grouped according to experience and skill level, with each group having separate instructors. Cost: \$103.

Days	Times	Dates
M/Tu/W/Th/F	1-4 pm	10-14 July
M/Tu/W/Th/F	1-4 pm	24-28 July
M/Tu/W/Th/F	1-4 pm	7-11 Aug
M/Tu/W/Th/F	1-4 pm	21-25 Aug

**Le Petit Tennis Instruction (Ages 3 to 5)** Promotes motor skill development and teaches the fundamentals needed to begin playing tennis. Half hour lesson using special kids' nets and soft sponge tennis balls on a play area smaller than a regulation tennis court. Cost: \$44

Days	Times	Dates
Sat	10-10:30 am	29 April-3 June
Sat	10:30- 11 am	29 April-3 June
Sat	10-10:30 am	17 June-29 July
Sat	10:30-11 am	17 June-29 July

**Mini Tennis Program (Ages 6 to 9)** Teaches tennis basics and promotes skills progression. Above all, enjoying the game and having fun is the priority. Each one week program is comprised of eight, one hour lessons. Cost: \$54.

Days	Times	Dates
Tu/W/T/F	2-3 pm	4-7 July
Tu/W/T/F	3-4 pm	4-7 July
Tu/W/T/F	2-3 pm	17-20 July
M/Tu/W/Th	3-4 pm	17-20 July
M/Tu/W/Th	2-3 pm	14-17 Aug
M/Tu/W/Th	3-4 pm	14-17 Aug

### Quaker Aces (competitive team for youth players, generally at U14 and U18 levels)

Aces participate in the InterCounty Tennis Association (ICTA) Juniors League, (8 week schedule during May and June) and may compete in select tournaments. Aces practice Friday evenings from 7-9, \$10 fee per session. All Aces are encouraged to attend a second, supervised, practice Sundays from 5-7 p.m. Practices are expected to begin the week immediately following club opening.

We are currently in discussion with a Head Coach for the 2017 season. Parents of Aces are asked to assist with the program, specifically by acting as liaison for the season. Duties include serving as ICTA contact person, maintaining the player roster, and helping coordinate travel to away games. If interested in participating in the 2017 season, please contact the Club Manager.