



Tuxedo Tennis Club

Spring 2007



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Message from the Pro

Driving by the courts recently, it's hard to believe that in less than two months we will be back at it! We are all looking forward to the spring thaw and getting outdoors to play some tennis. In May and June we will be holding the after-school programs and introducing more kids and their families to the game of tennis. As well, we are all geared up to have another great year of summer camps and will get those rolling for the months of July and August. I also look forward to reconnecting with some students for lessons, and meeting new ones. Don't forget as well, about our Tuesday night clinics and Wednesday night team tennis, and would like to encourage everyone to come out to our tournaments. Last summer we all enjoyed a warm season with lots of play time, let's hope this upcoming summer holds much of the same. I look forward to seeing you all this summer!!

- Roland Burrell

What's New for 2007

2006 was certainly a great year for tennis in Winnipeg, and TTC joined in the fun. We had over 300 members and many guests enjoy our club last year, and we look forward to another great year in 2007. As I am writing this the wind is howling and the snow is piled high, and I find it hard to believe that in a few weeks we'll be putting up windscreens and preparing for another season.

We had a few changes to the board at the AGM in November last year. John Yarema stepped down after doing a great job as treasurer the last couple of years, and he was replaced by Mohammed Ismath. Thanks to both of you for your past and future service. Stephanie Scherbain joined as a "member-at-large", and we look forward to her contributions. The board welcome your comments, concerns, suggestions or questions, and can be reached via the website at www.tuxedotennis.org

Those of you that have driven by the courts over the last few months will have noticed the lights are

gone and the parts of the fence are removed. This will eventually be a good news story. The lights were a safety and liability issue as they were almost falling down and needed to be fixed or replaced. Thanks to some excellent negotiating work by Brian Wilding, the lights from the old Winnipeg Canoe Club courts will be installed on our facility this year, including courts 5 and 6. We will then have 6 fully lit courts for our membership to enjoy. We will also be looking to make some further improvements to the club (backboard, nets...) as well as continuing to explore financing and granting options to eventually build a new clubhouse. This will be a long process but one that will hopefully result in a great new facility for us all to enjoy.

We are all looking forward to a great year this year, and hope you will be able to come out and enjoy the season with us in 2007.

For the board,
Tom Neufeld

In the Community

BINGO

Thanks to Tennis Manitoba for allotting Tuxedo Tennis Club a bingo this year. We had 10 members come out Feb 16 to the Club Regent Casino for 2 hours. Thanks to Brenda Lybacki, Barry McIntyre, Selvi Varathapan, Phil Spevack, Hugh Malcolmson, Elaine Thompson, Tracey Thompson, Lorica Finley, Stephanie Scherbain, Mohammed Ismath and Tom Neufeld. The club will receive funding of \$1200 from Manitoba Lotteries.

SOCIAL

We have a few members that are exploring the possibility of hosting a fundraising social in late summer/early fall. The purpose of this would be to begin raising funds toward the construction of a new clubhouse, as well as a way to bring together the tennis community in Winnipeg and have a great social evening together. Look for more information at the club and on the web as the dates draw closer.

VOLUNTEERS

As always, the perception of the club and events

that we hold reflect positively (and negatively) on the success of Tuxedo Tennis Club. We need volunteers to help create a positive and fun atmosphere for all of the tournaments and events that we host. Please make an effort to help out whenever you can. Sign up sheets will be at the clubhouse and we encourage you to make a difference in your community.

JUNIORS

Congratulations to Evann and Kylie Waschuk, Emily and Erika Fridrik, Alex Minuk and Ahmed Faraq for qualifying for the Prairie Indoor Regional Championships in Saskatoon. We could see one or all of them at the National Indoor Championships later this year. Good luck to you all and awesome tennis this year. You can see some of our future stars at the Tuxedo Junior Open in late May, and some of our current excellent tennis players at the Tuxedo Open in late July.

STAFFING

We are looking for a manager and staff for the year ahead. If you wish to apply or know someone who would be interested, please feel free to let one of the board members know.