**2017 SEASON**

On behalf of the Executive Committee, I would like to welcome you to another season at the Barrhaven Tennis Club (BTC). Please make yourself familiar with this information booklet and our web site. The BTC has several programs to offer, both social and competitive. We are sure there is something of interest for everyone.

* If you wish to receive emails from us regarding news and upcoming events, please place our address in your address book to avoid having our mail blocked by your email filtering program. - barrhaventennisclub@gmail.com
* In addition, the BTC has a facebook group (barrhaventennisclub) and a twitter account (@barrhaventennis; and for the Phil LeBlanc Memorial Tournament: @PLMTForPhil).

**REGISTRATION AND MEMBERSHIP RATES/GUEST FEES**:

* See registration form for details on membership rates, including new rates for young adults.
* Guest fees (see details later in this booklet)
	+ As in past years, standard non-refundable guest fees will be charged, without exception after May 1 until membership fees have been paid.
* We have not set aside official registration days. You can register online beginning March 1 ([www.barrhaventennisclub.com](http://www.barrhaventennisclub.com/)) and at the club starting May 1st at 4:00 pm. We will continue last year's practice of issuing membership cards. This card must be presented to the court attendant each time you play.
* The BTC remains a member of the Ontario Tennis Association. Those who were members of the BTC last year and were issued OTA membership cards can continue to use the same card.

**What`s New**

* New Young Adult Memberships
* Each member will be granted one free guest pass
* Drop-in for women on Fridays from 7-9. The Club will kick off this new program on May 26 with a special round robin. The Club will waive guest fees for the event. More details to follow
* Barrhaven Elementary School Tournament in May/June timeframe.
* 3-star NCTA/OTA Tournament in late July
* New times for stroke of the week
* New tennis cardio: Instructors will be on hand to provide drills that mix tennis instruction and fitness
* Canada Day celebration: June 24

**some of our Returning Programs**

1. **adult Tennis Ladder:** You can sign up online on February 1. (Rules will be posted online and in the Club House.)
2. **JUNIOR LITTLE ACES**: details to follow.
3. **JUNIOR LADDER**
4. **Junior Socials**:First Session on Sunday May 21.
5. **Family Socials**: Once a month, the Sunday junior social will be replaced by a family social where parents and juniors can participate in fun games and drills. See dates on our website.
6. **House League:** includinga playoff format (see later in the booklet)
7. **Doubles Clinic:** May 30 from 7:00 -9:00 pm for inter. and advanced players;***limit 12 players.***
8. **Free Stroke of the Week/CARDIO Tennis Clinics for Adults on Tuesdays**: The free program returns for another year. The first hour will be set aside for developing players and the second hour for stronger players. *Spaces will be limited to 12 people per session* to make sure participants have a pleasant experience. Those interested can sign online. **The first session will be held on Tuesday May 16 from 7:00 - 9:00 pm.**
9. **Free Rating System**: We will be holding a rating session for all new players who wish to join the house league on May 9 and 11 from 7-9p. (See further details under House League in this booklet).
10. **Senior`s Doubles Socials:** Tuesday mornings from 930-1130 beginning July 4. Call Claude LeBlanc if you are interested in participating.

**CLUB PRO**: Nick Patterson.

**ACCESS CODE (for after hours access to courts) -** Please see court attendant

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR (**See our website and in Club House for our other major events and tournaments.)

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| **DATE** | **EVENT** |
| **April 15; Rain date April 22** | Spring Clean Up |
| **Sunday May 28 – from 10:00 - 12:00** | *Johnny Loucks children tennis day* |
| **Saturday July 15**  | *Phil LeBlanc Memorial Tournament (PLMT) – Kick off BBQ; many prizes and games*  |
| **Thursday July 13 – Sun. July 23** | *PLMT Singles Tournament* |

I hope everyone has an enjoyable season. I look forward to seeing you on the courts.

From your President,

**Claude LeBlanc**

**Executive**

The following is a list of volunteer Executive members (all 613 prefixes):

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We welcome new members to the Executive. If you would like to participate on the Executive Committee, please contact Claude LeBlanc. In addition, if you cannot participate as a member of the Executive but are willing to volunteer your time to help us in other areas, we would love to have you.

**Please contact Claude LeBlanc as well if you have a skill that you think we could use and are willing to volunteer your time on a part-time or one off basis.**

**HOURS OF OPERATION**

The club opens officially on **May 1st**.

Court Attendants will be on duty only during the hours listed below:

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| **SEASON** | **Weekdays** | **Weekends & Holidays** |
| **SPRING****May 1-June 28** | **4pm – 9pm** | **8am – 8pm**  |
| **SUMMER****June 29– Sept 6** | **9am-1230pm****3pm-10pm** | 8am – 8pm |
| FallSept 7 Sept 30 | **4pm – 9pm** | **8am – 8pm** |

**When no court attendants are on duty, the courts may be accessed by the combination lock attached to the gate. The code for the lock may be obtained ahead of time from the attendants in the clubhouse, once your membership has been paid.**

The club will remain lighted and available to **members and their guests** until 11pm.

**BOOKING RULES (MEMBERS ONLY)**

The attendants will accept court bookings for **members** up to a maximum of 24 hours in advance. Bookings may be made at the clubhouse or by phone at 613-825-5337. Refer to regular booking schedule on last page for scheduled events.

Courts are booked for 1 hour durations and you can only book one hour at a time.

**Courts 1-4 will booked on the hour and courts 5-8 on the half-hour. These times will be strictly enforced**

Failure to occupy the court within 5 minutes of the booked time frees the court for waiting players.

Failure to show up for booked courts on 2 or more occasions will result in forfeit of booking privileges

A player occupying a court cannot reserve another court within a two hour time frame. Example, if you have a reservation for a court for 1pm, then the next possible reservation would be at 3:00 pm.

**PRACTICE COURT:** Court 8 will be the only practice court during prime time (7-10pm – Monday to Wednesday). No practice court will be available on Thursday evening, due to House League. During prime time, all courts must have a minimum of 2 players and no baskets of balls will be allowed. Lessons through the NTS will be exempt.

Courts 1-4 will be booked on the hour, and courts 5-8 on the ½ hour. If you want to book a specific court, you must comply with the time schedule for this court. (i.e. court 5 may be booked for 5:30 or 6:30, but not for 6:00.

The following take precedence over the above booking rules**:**

* + Competitive League and House League play
	+ Club and City tournaments

**ACCESSING COURTS**

* Members **must** present their membership card to access courts.
* Guests must pay their daily guest fee **BEFORE** accessing courts.
* All members and guests must sign in with the court attendant before proceeding to their assigned court (waived during silent hours).
* Players must play on their assigned court.

**GUEST FEES**

* Non-members and guests of members must pay the following fees:
	+ **Adult - $7 ($4 Sat and Sun from 12:00 -4:00 pm)**
	+ **Junior - $4 ($2 Sat and Sun from 12:00 - 4:00 pm)**
* NOTE: **Court hours for non-members are from 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. ONLY (waived for guests of members)**. Guests may be accommodated after 7:00 pm only if the courts are not busy. Non-members and guests must pay the court attendant before accessing the courts.
* Barrhaven Tennis Club members will be responsible for their guests and should acquaint them with the Club rules including the rules governing proper tennis attire. Non-members will not be permitted to play in any socials or leagues.

**LESSONS, CLINICS & SUMMER CAMPS**

* Contact the National Tennis School at 613-723-1101 or

info@nationaltennisschool.com

[www.nationaltennisschool.com](http://www.nationaltennisschool.com)

**LOOKING FOR A GAME**

* To assist new members and others looking for a partner or foursome, please leave your contact information, and look for the contact information for others interested in a match, on the sheets provided on the clubhouse bulletin board or on the website link. If members are interested in viewing online, we will provide you with an email.

**TENNIS BALLS**

* New tennis balls are provided by the Club for inter-club and House League matches. These balls are then used for Club Social nights and Round Robins.

**CLUB SOCIAL TIMES**

* **Adult Social:** Tuesday nights from 7:00-10:00 pm. Show up at the club and you will be able to find a game. We generally mix up the players about every ½ hour so that you will get to play with lots of different people. Beginner/novice players will be assigned a separate court when required. We encourage members to take advantage of these nights. This is an excellent way for new members to meet players and set up future matches. Sorry, no Juniors. Up to three courts will be set aside on Tuesday nights in conjunction with Stroke of the Week (of which one court will be for beginners as required).
* **Women’s Doubles Socials: on Friday evenings.**
* **Junior Social:** Sundays from 12:00 to 1:00 pm beginning May 21. The BTC offers free of charge to our junior members drills and games. Experienced instructors will be running the program. The junior social will be replaced once a month by a family social where parents and juniors can participate in fun games and drills. The first family social will be held on June 11.

**COMPETITIVE TENNIS**

**TOURNAMENTS**

**Dates are posted on our website and in the Club House.**

**HOUSE LEAGUE**

* The Club will continue with House league on Thursday nights.
* We will also continue with a rating system for all players who wish to play house league. The rating system helps us not only in making the House League but also dividing the groups for the adult clinics; organizing Social Round Robins; setting up the tennis ladders; and helping out those who are simply looking to organize a game and would like to play with someone of similar caliber.
	+ The rating will involve a brief 10-15 minute assessment by the Club Pro on all facets of the game using the USTA rating system.
* A sign-up sheet and a USTA rating system information sheet will be available at the Club House.
* House League is intended for **Intermediate/Advanced** level players.
* Play will consist of a team format.
* Thursday evenings, beginning May 18 (2 sessions- 7:00 pm or 8:30 pm)
* Commitment Fee: $10.00 per player. (Fee helps to cover cost of tennis balls)
* For further information contact: Claude LeBlanc at 613-825-2148 or at claude2148@hotmail.com
* The season will end for a playoff format. More details to follow.

**BARRHAVEN TENNIS CLUB RULES**

**Responsibility of Membership**

* Membership of the club is contingent on acceptance of and compliance with the Club Rules.
* Enforcement of the Rules is the responsibility of the court attendants and Club Members.
* Complaints should be made in writing to the Executive Committee c/o of the Club House.

**Safety**

* Young children (not playing tennis), pets, skateboards, bicycles, lawn chairs and roller skates are strictly prohibited from being on the courts.
* No glass containers are permitted on the courts.
* Litter must be placed in the containers provided.

**Dress & Conduct**

* Proper tennis clothing (including a shirt or blouse) is required on court. Track suits are acceptable, cut-offs, blue jeans, and beach wear are NOT.
* **Soft-soled regulation tennis shoes** must be worn on court - **no exceptions.**
* Throwing of tennis equipment, smashing balls into the fence, abusive language and other disruptive behavior WILL NOT be tolerated and will result in the player losing his playing privileges.

**Temporary Day Membership:**

* Non-members may play up to 7:00 pm, for a daily fee. (This time may be extended past 7pm if the courts are not busy.)
* Guests of members may play up to 11:00 p.m. for a daily fee, providing the sponsoring member is present

**Etiquette**

* When entering or exiting your court: if in order to reach or exit from your booked court, you must cross behind a court with a game in progress, please **wait** until the players on that court have finished the point, then **quickly** cross behind.
* It is distracting to other players and dangerous to all, to chase a ball into another court with a game in progress. If you should happen to have a ball enter into another court, don’t worry most players will finish their point and send the ball back to you. If for some reason this does not happen in a reasonable amount of time, wait for the players to complete their point and then politely call to them. The easiest way to call for ball is to call out the court number it is in. For example, if you are in court number 4 and your ball ended up in court 2, wait for the point to complete and call out "court two" to get the players on that court’s attention.
* Please keep conversations limited to meetings at the net during crossovers when there are active matches taking place around you.

**RULE CHANGES**

* Please note that the club executive reserves the right to modify these rules at any time.

**ONTARIO TENNIS ASSOCIATION**

In 2013, the BTC joined, along with 11 other clubs in the Ottawa area, the Ontario Tennis Association. The OTA is working on developing the following programs:

* Little Aces programming **($35,000 for Ottawa)**
* OTA Ottawa Regional Coordinator: John Wins-Purdy – The OTA coordinator manages the administration of all OTA tournaments, events, leagues and programs in Ottawa.
* Discount Programs for clubs (balls, nets, racquets, court equipment etc.)
* Discount Programs for club members (ie: Club Card, Member Appreciation Day, discounts for Rogers Tennis events)

More details on OTA Benefits on our Web Site.

The following table shows permanently booked club activities:

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| **REGULAR BOOKINGS** |
| **DAY** | **EVENT** | **TIME** | **COURTS** | **CONTACT** |
| **MONDAY** | RAIN DATE for House League (only required if reg. matches are rained out) | 7:00 - 10:00 PM | 1-4 | Club house 825-5337 |
| **TUESDAY** | STROKE OF THE WEEKBegins May 16CLUB SOCIAL | 7:00 - 10:00 PM | 1-4 (as numbers warrant) |  |
| **WEDNESDAY** | GROUP LESSONS | 6:00 - 10:00 PM | 1-2 | National Tennis School 723-1101 |
| **THURSDAY** | HOUSE LEAGUE | 7:00 - 10:00 PM | 1-4(BEGINS May 18) | Claude LeBlanc825-2148Gary Burke825-3277 |
| **FRIDAY** | Women’s SOCIAL | 7:00 – 10:00 PM | 1-4 (as numbers warrant) |  |
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| **SATURDAY** | GROUP LESSONS | 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM | 1-2 | National Tennis School-723-1101 |
| JUNIOR LEAGUES – Little Aces | 2:00-4:00pm(details to follow) | 1-4 | National Tennis School – 723-1101 |
| **SUNDAY** | Junior Socials – Begins May 21 | 12:00 - 1:00 | 1-4 | Patrick LeBlancCell 291-7459 |