

BARRHAVEN TENNIS CLUB INFORMATION BOOKLET
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2022 SEASON

On behalf of the Executive Committee, I would like to welcome you to another season at the Barrhaven Tennis Club (BTC). We are one of the largest public tennis facilities in Ottawa. The Club features 8 lighted plexipave courts for day and night enjoyment. The Club is run by a volunteer executive under the auspices of the Community Services Branch of the City of Ottawa.

We are optimistic that the club will be permitted to operate the clubhouse (although we might have to institute restrictions on entry depending on the situation with the pandemic), have staff on hand, and be able to offer our full range of programs to members when we open in the spring. If we are compelled to trim our programs because of issues related to COVID-19, we will advise you by email.

- 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* page (barrhaventennisclub), *Instagram* account (BarrhavenTennisClub), *Twitter* accounts for the Club (@barrhaventennis), and for the Phil LeBlanc Memorial Tournament (@PLMTForPhil).

REGISTRATION AND MEMBERSHIP RATES/GUEST FEES:

- Membership fees for 2022 are posted on our website - www.barrhaventennisclub.com. (see early bird specials).
- We have not set aside official registration days. You can continue to register online (www.barrhaventennisclub.com) or at the club starting May 1st at 4:00 pm. You can obtain your membership cards at the club house during operating hours.
- 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.
- The Club will waive guest fees for the month of May and on all Friday evenings. Guests must be accompanied by a member. Normal booking regulations apply.

WHAT'S NEW

- **AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR JUNIOR MEMBERS IN MAY AND JUNE**: The Club is hoping to find certified staff to host a *free* after-school program for junior BTC members. If we are successful in finding appropriate staff, the event would be held every **Tuesday from 4:30-6:00 in May and June**. Participants will need to be a member of the Barrhaven Tennis Club to partake in this activity. This would complement our already very popular Sunday socials for junior members and NTS lessons. More details to follow.

SOME REMINDERS

- There will be no Court Attendants on weekdays during daytime-hours. Players must book online – link can be found on our website.
- Members **must be prepared if asked to** present their membership email confirmation or membership card to use the courts.
- When the Clubhouse is open and Court Attendants are working, **all members and guests must sign in with before proceeding to their assigned court.**
- Make yourself familiar with all rules on court booking on page 4 of this booklet

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SOME OF OUR RETURNING PROGRAMS/ACTIVITIES (WHERE WE DO NOT HAVE EXACT START DATES, THEY WILL BE EMAILED TO MEMBERS OVER THE COMING WEEKS)

1. **LADIES NIGHT:** Friday evenings from 7:00 -9:00 . **Li Yu**, who is a certified instructor, will run the program. You must be **18 years or older**. The event is offered to all female BTC members and their guests, regardless of caliber. Guests do not pay a guest fee if accompanied by a member. Start date to be determined.
2. **ADULT TENNIS LADDER:** You can sign up online. The ladder begins **May 1 and ends September 30**. (Rules will be posted online and in the Club House.)
3. **JUNIOR TENNIS LADDER:** You can sign up on our website. The ladder begins **May 1**. (Rules will be posted online and in the Clubhouse.)
4. **JUNIOR SOCIALS:** Offered to junior members on **Sunday mornings starting May 22**.
5. **FAMILY SOCIALS:** Once a month, beginning in June, 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:** See details later in the booklet.
7. **DOUBLES CLINIC:** Details to follow.
8. **FREE STROKE OF THE WEEK/TENNIS CLINICS FOR ADULT MEMBERS ON TUESDAYS:** 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 up on our website.
9. **FREE RATING SYSTEM:** We will be holding a rating session for all new players who wish to join the house league. (See further details under House League in this booklet).
10. **Barrhaven Elementary School Tournament** in May/June timeframe: details to follow.
11. **Two 3-star NCTA/OTA Tournaments: June 10-12 and September 9-11**. Details to follow

CLUB PRO: To be confirmed

ACCESS CODE (for after hours access to courts) - Please see Court Attendant

MARK YOUR CALENDAR (See our website and Clubhouse for our other major events and tournaments.)

| DATE | EVENT |
|---|--|
| April 16; Rain date April 23 | Spring Clean Up – Volunteers needed |
| Sunday May 28 – from 10:00 - 12:00 | <i>Johnny Loucks Children Tennis Day (to be confirmed)</i> |
| Saturday July 16 | <i>Phil LeBlanc Memorial Tournament (PLMT) – Kick off BBQ; many prizes and games</i> |
| Wednesday July 13 – Sun. July 24 | <i>PLMT Singles Tournament</i> |

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

From your President,
Claude LeBlanc

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Executive

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

| Name | Position | Phone # | Email |
|----------------------------------|---|-----------------------|--|
| Claude LeBlanc | Club President | 825-2148 866-7445c | claud2148@hotmail.com |
| Brendan Ross | Operations Manager | 716-2268 | rossb15@mcmaster.ca |
| Dana Geber | Treasurer Junior Tournaments | 866-5824 843-7545 | dana.geber@sympatico.ca |
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| Jane Meddings Russell Coleman | Membership | 808 1665 823-5875 | janemeddings@hotmail.com russellc@rogers.com |
| Pat LeBlanc | Junior Socials Adult Tournaments IT House League | 291-7459 | leblanc.patrick16@gmail.com |
| Bina Pearce | Drinks and misc. services | 825-1270 | thepearces@rogers.com |
| Theresa Latour- Holmes | Promotion IT | 843-9343 | tlaturh@rogers.com |

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.

The club continues to be guided by City policies and protocols on COVID-19. At the present time, the policy requires that all members of the BTC Executive and paid staff are to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

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HOURS OF OPERATION

The Club opens officially on **May 1st**. However, courts will be available for online booking before that date. We will be providing you with further information in due course.

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

| SEASON | Weekdays | Weekends & Holidays |
|---|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| SPRING May 1-June 26 | 4-9pm | 8:30am-5:30pm |
| SUMMER June 29– August. 28 | 4-10pm | 8:30am-5:30pm |
| Fall Sept 1- Sept 30 | 4-9pm | 8:30am-5:30pm |

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 at the Clubhouse, once your membership has been paid.

The club will remain lighted and available to **members and their guests** until 11:00 pm.

BOOKING RULES (MEMBERS ONLY)

New! You can book a court up to a maximum of **48 hours** in advance. The preferred method for booking will be through our online booking system. You will be given access to it once you become a member. If you do not have access to the internet, you can book in person or by calling the Clubhouse at 613-825-5337 during hours of operation.

To ensure everyone has a chance to play, **we will not permit back-to-back court bookings**. In other words, neither you nor your partner will be allowed to book two consecutive hours. In other words, 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 1:00 pm, then the next possible reservation would be at 3:00 pm.)

The Club will monitor court bookings to make certain the rule is followed. **If a member tries to book two consecutive hours, we will cancel the second hour of your double booking** and allow someone else to take the court. The Club will notify you of the cancellation.

Please note that **you are allowed to continue playing on the court you booked if there is no one after you**. If there is someone after you, you can move to an adjacent court if it is unoccupied. otherwise, your time is up. In addition, you are allowed to book two hours during the same day – so long as they are not back-to-back.

Courts 1-4 will be booked on the ½ hour, and Courts 5-8 on the 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 5:00 or 6:00, but not for 6:30. **These times will be strictly enforced. However, they are subject to change because of programming.**

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 may result in forfeit of booking privileges.

During prime time (Monday-to-Thursday evenings starting at 7:00 pm, and Saturdays and Sundays from 9:00-12:00 pm), all courts must have a **minimum of 2 players and no baskets of balls** will be allowed. Lessons through the NTS will be exempt.

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PRACTICE COURT: Court 4 will be the only practice court during prime time (7:00 – 10:00 pm – Monday to Wednesday). No practice court will be available on Thursday evening, due to House League.

The following take precedence over the above booking rules:

- House League play
- Club and other tournaments

ACCESSING COURTS when Courts Attendants are on duty:

- When there is a Court Attendant, members **must** present their membership card and **sign in** before accessing the courts.
- Guests must pay their daily guest fee **BEFORE** accessing courts.
- Players must play on their assigned court.

GUEST FEES

- Non-members and guests of members must pay the following daily fees:
 - **Adult - \$10 (\$5 Sat and Sun from 12:00 - 4:00 pm)**
 - **Junior - \$5 (\$3 Sat and Sun from 12:00 - 4:00 pm)**
- 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.
- **NEW POLICY ON GUEST FEES IN THE MONTH OF MAY AND ON FRIDAY EVENINGS:** The Club will waive guest fees for the month of May and on all Friday evenings. Guests must be accompanied by a member. Normal booking regulations apply.

LESSONS, CLINICS & SUMMER CAMPS

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

info@nationaltennisschool.com
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 website link. If members are interested in viewing online, we will provide you with an email. Registration for Looking for a Game will be open beginning in May and can be found at the following link by clicking on the trophy icon:

https://www.barrhaventennisclub.com/btc/?page_id=654

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.
- Balls are available for sale at the courts for \$5/can.

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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 Socials:** per page 2 of this booklet.
- **Junior Socials for members**
 - **SUNDAYS FROM 12:00 TO 1:00 PM (DETAILS ON START DATE TO BE EMAILED IN DUE COURSE).** 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.
 - **AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR JUNIOR MEMBERS IN MAY AND JUNE:** The Club is hoping to host a free after-school program for junior members. It will be held every **Tuesday from 4:30-6:00 in May and June.** It will run by a member of the staff of the National Tennis School. You must be a member of the Barrhaven Tennis Club to participate in this activity. More details to follow.

TOURNAMENTS

Dates are posted on our website and in the Clubhouse.

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 an assessment on all facets of the game using the USTA rating system.
 - The rating sessions will be held on **May 14** and **May 16.**
- 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 in late May
- 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

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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 Executive, 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.

When entering your court

- Please **do not walk across other courts** when a match is in progress:
- Wait until the point has been played, then walk quickly behind the baseline to your court,
- Avoid unnecessary crossings (ideally limited to the beginning and end of your scheduled time),
- If people are already on your court, don't disturb them until their time is up.

Etiquette (some reminders)

- Minimize the use of extra practice balls, if this is disruptive to play on adjacent courts.
- When your ball enters another court, please wait for the other players to finish playing the point before calling for your ball. Do not enter their court, unless permission has been given.
- If a ball rolls onto your court from an adjacent court:
 - a. If you are rallying and not playing a game - stop playing and return the ball:
 - b. If a point is in progress- if the ball disturbs either you or your opponent, stop playing immediately and return the ball, or else return the ball at the completion of the point.
- If your opponent has served a fault and the ball is outside the playing area, wait until your opponent's second serve is over before retrieving the ball. Interruptions between the first and second serve will disturb your opponent's rhythm.
- Limit conversations to meetings at the net during crossovers when there are active matches taking place around you.

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- Each player is responsible for line calls on their side of the net. If in doubt, it is better to err by calling “out” balls “in” than calling “in” balls “out”. If a ball has touched even a portion of the line, it is “in”. Never call lines on your opponent’s side of the court, unless your opponent asks for your help.
- Avoid arguments with your opponent:
 - a. To avoid disagreements about the score, call the game score before each game, and the point score before each serve,
 - b. If you cannot agree on the score, consider returning to last score on which there is agreement.
- Be positive - have fun!

RULE CHANGES

- Please note that the Club Executive reserves the right to modify these rules at any time.