



BARRHAVEN TENNIS CLUB INFORMATION BOOKLET
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2025 SEASON

On behalf of the Executive Committee, we 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.

If you wish to receive emails from us regarding news and upcoming events, please place our address barrhaventennisclub@gmail.com in your address book to avoid having our mail blocked by your email filtering program.

You can also check us out on socials:

Facebook: barrhaventennisclub **Instagram:** BarrhavenTennisClub **Twitter:** @barrhaventennis

As well as @PLMTForPhil on Twitter for the Phil LeBlanc Memorial Tournament

WHAT'S NEW (PLEASE READ)

- Starting May 1, 2025, there will be a slight increase in Membership fees for 2025 to offset increased operating costs. Take advantage of last year's rates by registering online before April 30, 2025! Details can be found at www.barrhaventennisclub.com
- The BTC has a new door lock code for the 2025 Season - once we have processed your membership registration, we will email you the door code. Please do not share the door code with non BTC members. When entering the courts, ensure the door is closed properly and be mindful of who you let into the courts.
- We have 2 new programs this season: Friday Adult Mixed Doubles Social and Wednesday Daytime Mixed Doubles Social (See details below).
- Please remember to cancel your reservation if you or your partner(s) are unable to play. This is to allow fair play to other members trying to reserve court time. During Prime-time hours (see details under Booking Rules), all members listed on the reservation are considered a NO-SHOW if they have not checked-in within the first 10 minutes of their reservation. You will be sent a warning for the first NO-SHOW. If you have 2 NO-SHOWS, you will **LOSE COURT RESERVATION PRIVILEGES for ONE WEEK** and will only be able to reserve a court through contacting the court attendant.
- During Prime-time hours no baskets of balls will be allowed. Lessons through the NTS will be exempt. Failure to do will result in a **LOSS OF COURT RESERVATION PRIVILEGES for ONE WEEK**
- Remember to check-in with the court attendant on duty before your court time. If you have not checked in, the court attendant will visit each court during the beginning of play to check members in.

REMINDERS

- There will be no court attendants on weekdays during daytime hours. Players must book courts using CourtReserve.
- Please make sure to review rules on court booking later in this booklet



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ADULT PROGRAMS (For Members Only)

1. FREE STROKE OF THE WEEK - by Club Pro

Tuesdays 8:00 pm -9:00 pm for Beginners Starting May 20th
Tuesdays 9:00 pm -10:00 pm for Intermediates

Spaces will be limited to 12 people per session. Note that you can only register for one session per week.

Please make sure you are registered in the appropriate level.
Sign up is available via CourtReserve 7 days in advance.

2. HOUSE LEAGUE:

See details later in the booklet.

3. DOUBLES CLINIC by OTA Pro:

We will be announcing the date for the clinic via email and sign up will be available via CourtReserve.

4. *NEW* ADULT MIXED DOUBLES FRIDAY SOCIAL (No Coaching)

Session 1: Fridays 6:30pm - 8:30pm May 23rd - July 11th

Session 2: Fridays 6:30pm - 8:30pm Aug 1st - Aug 29th (Tentative)

Format: 4 courts of round-robin mixed doubles play. ALL levels are welcome to this round robin doubles event. Each round is 20 mins in length (with a 5 min warm-up). Players will then move one spot to the left, for the chance to play with different players.

Spaces will be limited to 16 people per session to make sure participants have a pleasant experience.
Sign up is available via CourtReserve 7 days in advance.

5. *NEW* DAYTIME ADULT MIXED DOUBLES ROUND ROBIN (No Coaching)

Wednesdays 9:00am-11:00am Starting May 21st

Format: 2 courts of round-robin mixed doubles play. For Intermediate and above levels only. Each round is 20 mins in length (with a 5 min warm-up). Players will then move one spot to the left, for the chance to play with different players.

Spaces will be limited to 8 people per session to make sure participants have a pleasant experience.
Sign up is available via CourtReserve 7 days in advance.

6. ADULT TENNIS LADDER:

Sign up is available via CourtReserve. The ladder begins May 1 and ends September 30. (Rules will be posted online and in the Club House.)

7. NCTA ADULT SUMMER INTERCLUB LEAGUE

Last season, BTC participated in the NCTA Adult Summer Interclub League with great success. This year, we will again put in a team (Men's Doubles, Ladies Doubles, Mixed Doubles). More details to come – keep an eye out for an email

JUNIOR AND FAMILY PROGRAMS

1. JUNIOR SOCIALS:

Sundays 12:00-1:00 starting May 18th.

Format: Experienced instructors will be running the program, offering drills and games. The junior



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social will be replaced once a month by a family social where parents and juniors can participate in fun games and drills.

2. 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 CourtReserve.

3. AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR JUNIOR MEMBERS IN MAY AND JUNE:

- Session #1 Fridays 4:30- 5:30 Starting May 2
- Session #2 Fridays 4:30- 5:30 Starting June 6
- Session #3 Fridays 4:30- 5:30 Starting Sept 5 (TBC)

Format: Club Pro will be running our free after school program for junior BTC members (age 5-14).

CLUB PRO:

TBD

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

See our website, CourtReserve and in Club House for our other major events and tournaments.

| DATE | EVENT |
|---|---|
| April 26th (Rain date: April 27 th) | Spring Clean Up (weather permitting) |
| May 1st | Opening Day |
| June 13th-15th | Men's Doubles Tournament |
| July 4th - 6th | Women's Doubles Tournament |
| July 19th | Phil LeBlanc Memorial Tournament (PLMT) – Kick off BBQ; many prizes and games |
| July 16th - 28th | PLMT Singles Tournament (Open and Women's) |
| August 15th - 17th | Over 55 Singles Tournament |
| September 5th-7th | Mixed Doubles Tournament |
| October 1 st | Clubhouse Closing Day |
| October 18th | Fall Clean up (weather permitting) |

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

From the Barrhaven Tennis Club Executive



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BTC Executive

The following is a list of volunteer Executive members:

| Name | Position |
|-------------------|---|
| Khine Thinn | Club President |
| Charlene Spinella | Operations Manager |
| Dana Geber | Treasurer |
| TBD | Facilities |
| Jane Meddings | Membership |
| Pat LeBlanc | Junior Socials / Adult Tournaments |
| Claude LeBlanc | House League / Special Advisor to Executive |
| Julie Newell | Club Secretary |

We welcome new members to the Executive. If you would like to participate on the Executive Committee, please contact the Executive. 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 us barrhaventennisclub@gmail.com. If you are able volunteer your time on a part-time or one-off basis. High School Students who are looking for volunteer hours are also welcome.

HOURS OF OPERATION

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

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

| May, June, September | | |
|----------------------|--------------|-----------|
| Weekdays | 4pm-9pm | |
| Weekends | 830am- 130pm | 4pm - 8pm |
| July, August | | |
| Weekdays | 4pm - 10pm | |



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The club remains lighted and available to **members and their guests** until around 10:50 pm. The city controls the time at which the lights go off.

BOOKING RULES (MEMBERS ONLY)

You can book a court up to a maximum of 48 hours in advance and must be made at least 1 hour before the court time.

The preferred method for booking will be through our online booking system CourtReserve (<https://app.courtreserve.com/Account/Login>). 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 - or partners in the case of doubles - will be allowed to book two consecutive hours. In other words, players occupying a court cannot reserve another court within a two-hour time frame. (Example: If you have a reservation for a court for 1:00pm, then the next possible reservation would be at 3:00 pm.)

With the CourtReserve platform, the person booking the court will need to identify from a pulldown menu all players who are playing at that time.

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. 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.

Out of courtesy to other players, if they are unable to play, we urge members to cancel their booking. During **Prime-time** all members listed on the reservation are considered a NO-SHOW if they have not checked-in within the first 10 minutes of their reservation. You will be sent a warning for the first NO-SHOW. If you have 2 NO-SHOWS, you will LOSE COURT RESERVATION PRIVILEGES for ONE WEEK and will only be able to reserve a court through contacting the court attendant.

The Club will continue to monitor court bookings to make certain **BOOKING** rules are 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.

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.**

During **Prime Time** (see times below), all courts must have a minimum of 2 players and no baskets of balls will be allowed. Lessons through the NTS will be exempt. Failure to do will result in a **LOSS OF COURT RESERVATION PRIVILEGES for ONE WEEK**



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The following take precedence over the above booking rules:

- House League play
- Club events such as mixed socials, house league, and tournaments

Prime Time Hours are defined as:

Monday to Friday: 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm

Saturday and Sunday: 7:00 am to 1:00 pm

GUEST FEES

- Guests must pay an hourly fee of \$15.
- Guests must be accompanied by a member if booking online.
- Payment must be made online in order to make a reservation
- It is the member who books and pays for the guest.
- Walk-on guests can play without a member, but they must pay before they begin play.
- BTC members are responsible for their guests and should acquaint them with the Club rules including the rules governing proper tennis attire.
- Non-members are not permitted to play in any BTC programs or socials. The same goes for tournaments, other than the Phil LeBlanc Memorial Tournament (PLMT).

NTS LESSONS, CLINICS & SUMMER CAMPS

Contact the National Tennis School at 613-723-1101 or info@nationaltennisschool.com or www.nationaltennisschool.com

The National Tennis Club is the only entity authorized to provide lessons or run camps and clinics at the Barrhaven Tennis Club. (This excludes informal instruction to family who are members.)

LOOKING FOR A GAME

To assist new members and others looking for a partner or foursome, please look for the contact information for others interested in a match on CourtReserve. Registration for Looking for a Game will be open beginning in May. We will provide details on how to register in the coming days.

TENNIS BALLS

- New tennis balls are provided by the Club for 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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HOUSE LEAGUE

- The Club will continue with the House league on Thursday nights, beginning May 22nd
- We will also continue with a rating system for new 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 (information about the rating system is posted at the clubhouse)
 - The rating sessions will be held on May 13-15 (Details to follow).
 - New players to the house league will be contacted to arrange for a rating session.
- House League is intended for Intermediate/Advanced level players.
- Play will consist of a team format.
- 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 top) is required on court. Track suits are acceptable. Cut offs, jeans, and beach wear are NOT acceptable.
- 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.
- Disrespectful behavior towards fellow members, court attendants WILL NOT be tolerated and will result in losing 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 to minimize disruption 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.
- 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:



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- 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.