



Newsletter July 2006

Unionville Tennis Club
P.O. Box 64619
4721 Highway 7 East
Unionville, ON L3R 0M9
(905) 470-7059
www.unionvilletennisclub.com

Summer 2006 Newsletter

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- Wednesday Evening Round Robin Summer Session sign up June 28, 7:00pm - 9:30pm
- July Bash (Mixed Round Robin) – July 7, 7-11 pm
- Juniors Round Robin Party July 16, 3:30 – 6 pm – see party flyer invitation attached
- Wimbledon (Singles) – July 22 Sat & 23 Sun
- Tuesday Morning Ladies Doubles Round Robin Fall Session sign up Aug 22 & 29, 9 am to 11 am
- Year End Tournament - entry deadlines , Singles Aug 21, Doubles Sept 4, Mixed Doubles Sept 11
- Wednesday Evening Round Robin Fall Session NOW starts on September 6th, sign up August 30, 6:30-9:30pm
- OTA (Ontario Tennis Association) UTC Fall Class A Event-Women's Singles Class A, Men's Singles Class A – Sept 22nd - 24th, 2006.

President's Report

The 2006 tennis season is now well underway. Rafa and J2H picked up the French and Roger's on a grass court streak to top Borg. At UTC all nine courts are fully operational and waiting for you. I hope you are all finding time to get out and chase the yellow ball. Remember - warm up before you play, stretch and drink lots of water. It is too easy to pull muscles and we would like to have everyone play safely at all times. Also please respect the rules as posted in the clubhouse and accept decisions of the monitors. It's a tough job and we rely on them to keep order at the club. If you have concerns about the current court rules, please raise your concerns to the UTC Executive.

There continues to be some reluctance in using the clay courts. I understand that we need to do a better job of maintaining them and to that end some of us recently attended a clay court seminar. What we already know is that at this time of the year they need lots of watering so if they look too dry, tell the monitor and we'll get them watered. We have also been informed that brushing the courts without immediately watering them afterwards is not a good idea as it raises more dust. We have ordered a new power roller and some special brushes which will help in maintaining a more predictable bounce. Ultimately clay is the best surface for avoiding injuries, lengthening rallies and playing just after the rain, so our goal over time is to make these courts at least as popular as the hard courts.

Our teams are all in full flight and we are looking for a very successful season. Good luck to all. Mark and Sally have extremely active instruction programs underway but are always looking for new interest from members. Check the website for information on how to participate in lessons and camps.

The Wednesday night Round Robin summer session will be available for sign up on June 28th. This is a very popular event but please don't sign up unless you plan to attend. We've had a few no-shows and this is not fair to the many people who would like to join but cannot due to full sessions.

We have kicked off a very successful social agenda. We recently held an extremely popular round robin and party for new and returning members and our "wings night". Our first tournament of the year (the "French Open") was suitably competitive. Congratulations to our mixed doubles winners Heidi Strassguertl and Kosta Nicolaidis and our men's doubles winners Clayton Madokoro and Charles Liang. Unfortunately we didn't have enough interest for a women's doubles contest.

Thanks to Heidi and all those who are supporting her in organizing our social events (including sitting in the rain at the Unionville festival!). There's a lot more to come as you will see in this newsletter.

The clubhouse and decks are now completed. Take a look at our new south deck and let us know what you think. Congratulations to David for completing this major project.

As you can tell, it takes a team effort by a number of volunteers to keep the club going. Everyone I talk to outside of UTC is envious of our busy club but we continue to need new blood for critical positions. If you are as enthusiastic as I am about continuing the fine tradition please consider a term on our Executive Team. You will be surprised how much you will get out of it. If you are considering volunteering for the 2006/2007 season or would like information on the positions and what they entail, please send me an email and I will be happy to provide you with additional information.

Have a great summer on the courts.

Mark Wakefield

NEWSLETTERS VIA THE WEBSITE

FOR ALL MEMBERS: please go to the website to subscribe to receive email bulletins and newsletters so you know what's going on in YOUR CLUB! You simply go to the homepage at www.unionvilletennisclub.com, enter your email address in the indicated box (upper right corner of page) and click subscribe. If your email address changes, you will need to unsubscribe and then subscribe again with your new email address. This function is done directly on the website. We are not mailing out the newsletters anymore.

Extra copies will be available in the Clubhouse and off season Newsletters will still be mailed until our subscription participation level is higher.

If you have any questions or comments do not hesitate to contact our Communications Director, Suzanne Grattan at communications@unionvilletennisclub.com or Harry Eaglesham, our website coordinator at info@unionvilletennisclub.com.

When Can You Get A Court

Please check our website at www.unionvilletennisclub.com. As well, we have posted this important information at the Club House.

Clubhouse Update

The improvements to the Clubhouse have continued from last year with the replacement and expansion of the south deck. The South deck is double in size and boasts a large shaded area to offer our members shade during the hot summer months. We have also made improvements to the Clubhouse electrical systems by installing a new electrical panel that has allowed us to add electrical circuits and redistribute the electric load through the Clubhouse. We can now operate the coffee maker and the microwave at the same time!!! We hope that you enjoy these improvements! David Spisak

Social/Recreational News

Social Committee:

The Social Committee members, Marie Chen, Regina Doebel, and Heidi Strassguertl have planned an exciting year with lots of activities for participation at all levels. (See the calendar of activities below).

To ensure that the season is fun for all, we want to invite members to contact us with any suggestions/ideas that might enhance our social activities. We are also looking for volunteers to help us run the various activities. Please speak to any of us (Heidi, Marie or Regina) at the club or via E-Mail or phone (see our web site www.unionvilletennisclub.com for contact information) or call Heidi at 416-835-4439.

2006 Calendar of Activities July to September

Event	Date	Time
July Bash (Mixed Round Robin)	July 7	7 to 11pm
Juniors party/round robin	July 16	3:30pm-6pm
Wimbledon (Singles)	July 22 Sat & 23 Sun	To be announced
August BBQ – (Mixed Round Robin)	August 18 Friday	7 to 11 pm
Juniors Round Robin	August 19 th Sat	3:30 to 5:30 pm
Year End Tournament Singles Doubles Mixed Doubles	Sat Aug. 24 to Aug. 27 Sept. 7 to Sept. 10 Sept. 14 to Sept. 17	To be posted on draw sheet To be posted on draw sheet To be posted on draw sheet
OTA – UTC Fall Class A Event (Women’s Singles & Men’s Singles)	Sept 22 – 24 th	To be Announced
Volunteer Appreciation, AGM and Year End Bash: Dinner - Dance - Tennis	TBA – Nov 2006	To be announced

Wednesday Night Mixed Social Tennis

Sign up for the Summer Session (July/August) will be on Wednesday, June 28th 7:00 to 9:30 and for the Fall Session (September/October) on August 30th sign up at 6:30 – 9:30. Preference will be given to members who have not played in the earlier sessions and then opened to all members. Players of ALL levels are welcome, just state whether you are a beginner, intermediate or advance player at sign up. You do NOT need a partner to play.

Summer (July-August): **START DATE** Wed. July 5th

Fall (September-October): **START DATE** Wed. September 6th

Tuesday Morning Ladies Doubles Round Robin

This is an extremely fun event for all levels of players. The games run for one hour between 9:00 am and 12:00 noon, every Tuesday. Availability on a weekly basis is a requirement for this activity. This program is run by volunteers, therefore if you would be interested in helping out, please advise José Rochon at email ladies@unionvilletennisclub.com. Registration for the Fall Session will take place on August 22nd and 29th, at the club house from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. Note that there is a minimum fee to join this activity.

Competitive News

Wimbledon Singles Tournament– July 22/23

The UTC Wimbledon Singles tournament, our annual warm-up event to the illustrious UTC Year End Singles tournament, will take place on July 22/23. Sign-up sheets and tournament rules will be posted in early July.

2006 Year End Tournaments – Aug/Sept

Once again this year, the Year End Tournaments will have each event taking place over a single weekend. Sign up sheets and tournament rules will be posted in the clubhouse in mid-August. Players will be notified of their first match time via email on the Tuesday night preceding the start of each tournament. Thereafter, the draw sheets will be posted with the times and dates for each subsequent match. You must be available to play each day of the tournament. If you have a conflict, you must advise the tournament director, Kathy Rintoul (competitive@unionvilletennisclub.com), **prior** to the Entry Deadline to determine if it can be scheduled around before the posting of the draw sheets.



2006 UTC YEAR END TOURNAMENT DATES		
EVENT	EVENT DATE	ENTRY DEADLINE
Singles All levels & ages	Thursday, Aug. 24 - Sunday, Aug. 27	Monday, Aug. 21
Doubles All levels & ages	Thursday, Sept. 7 - Sunday, Sept. 10	Monday, Sept. 4
Mixed Doubles All levels & ages	Thursday, Sept. 14 - Sunday, Sept. 17	Monday, Sept. 11

Juniors Activities:

Juniors Competitive:

UTC entered three competitive Junior Teams in the Intercounty Tennis League this spring, two boys' teams and one girls' team. Combined, 35 junior members between the ages of 9 and 17 years old participated. The teams complete their 10 week schedule on July 8, 2006. The teams play every Saturday morning at UTC or away. Schedules are posted in the clubhouse.

Juniors Round Robins:

We held two very successful Round Robins in May and June. Thank you to Sally Coles and volunteers: Alvin Lo, Lily Lo and Emily Lam for assisting with food and beverages!

Juniors Round Robin/Party:

Sunday, July 16: 3:30pm – 6pm – sign up on the bulletin board – all Junior members welcome – activities for all ages, food, beverage, prizes, games... FREE.

For more information please contact juniors@unionvilletennisclub.com or call Nalin Khosla at 905-474-3997 - parent or junior volunteers are welcome. See flyer attached.

Juniors Ladder:

The Juniors Ladder is in operation. Any junior members who are not signed up and wish to participate – please add your name and contact information onto the list. The ladder provides an opportunity for junior members to challenge another player in their group to a singles match which takes place at UTC. For ladder rules, please see them posted on the bulletin board or visit: www.unionvilletennisclub.com - Nalin Khosla, Junior Development Director

Hey UTC Juniors!! Come out to the Junior Round Robin/Party

Date: Sunday, July 16

Time: 3:30pm-6pm

**FREE-BBQ, Refreshments,
Games, Prizes....**

**FUN ACTIVITIES FOR ALL
AGES!!**

Sign up in the clubhouse.

ALL JUNIOR MEMBERS WELCOME.

**For more information, please contact Nalin Khosla at:
juniors@unionvilletennisclub.com**



NEWS AND EVENTS FROM OUR PROS:

Mark Fainblum – Tennis Canada Coach 111

It's good to see UTC up and running and busy as usual, the club continues to grow! As usual we maintain great courts and our club house has recently been renovated. Looking forward to a warm and sunny summer and seeing you all on the courts!

Junior Elite Information

The junior elite program is offering a great tournament program to develop the student's ability to use his/her physical, psychological, tactical and technical skills in a competitive yet friendly environment.

July - August:

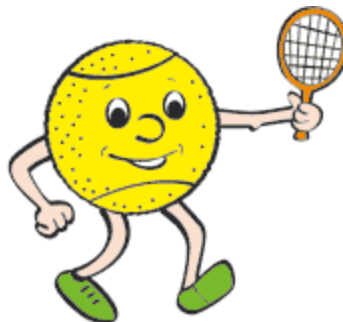
- Summer sessions will run daily from 11:00 - 2:00 starting on June 26th and ending on September 1st

- This will also include specific fitness training and a soccer game

- Participation cost is \$40 per day or \$180 per week, and registration is available on a weekly or daily basis.

All new students need to be assessed to ensure that their technical and playing level is on par with the other players in the program. For assessments and additional information, interested parties should contact Mark Fainblum at UTC.

Please see the Unionville Tennis Club website to download your registration form at www.unionvilletennisclub.com



2006 SUMMER JUNIOR TENNIS CAMPS

At
Unionville Tennis Club

FOR MEMBERS ONLY

Directed By **Sally Coles** (Tennis Canada Coach III)

“PROGRESSIVE” CAMP For ages 8 & UP (Mon-Fri 1:30-3:30pm)

This camp is for both players new to the game and more experienced players. Groups are split into levels so students can develop at the right pace. Drills are geared to the different levels. All basic strokes are covered with technical instruction, and lots of hitting practice and games. The emphasis is on fun and learning. The ratio is 6 students or less, to one teacher.

Cost is \$120.00 per student per week, including tax. No refunds for classes missed for personal reasons. When necessary “rain dates” will be organized. **On week #6 (Aug 8-11) the cost will be \$96.00, as it will be four days only.**

“STARTER” CAMP For ages 5-7 (Mon-Fri 3:30-4:30pm)

A minimum of 4 students is required per week.

Basic hand/eye co-ordination and racquet/ball skills developed. Basic Starter Strokes introduced. The emphasis is on fun and learning. The ration is 6 students or less, to one teacher.

Cost is \$60.00 per student per week including tax. No refunds for classes missed for personal reasons. When necessary “rain dates” will be organized. **On week #6 (Aug 8-11) the cost will be \$48.00, as it will be four days only.**

WEEK 1	JULY 3-7
WEEK 2	JULY 10-14
WEEK 3	JULY 17-21
WEEK 4	JULY 24-28
WEEK 5	JULY 31-AUG 4
WEEK 6	AUG 8-11(four days only)
WEEK 7	AUG 14-18
WEEK 8	AUG 21-25
WEEK 9	AUG 28- SEPT 1

- Hats, sunscreen and water bottles are required
- Completed form accompanied by payment confirms placement

2006 SUMMER JUNIOR TENNIS CAMPS

At

Unionville Tennis Club

FOR MEMBERS ONLY

Directed by **Sally Coles** (Tennis Canada Coach III)

REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY-HAND INTO CLUB MONITOR

Name of Student: _____ **Age:** _____

Address: _____

Home Phone #: _____

Parent/Guardian name & daytime #: _____

Emergency name & daytime#: _____

Relevant Medical/other information: _____

Week(s) signed up for: _____

Cheque (payable to Sally Coles) for \$ _____
(No post dated cheques permitted)

I, the undersigned parent or guardian understand and accept that Unionville Tennis Club, its Agents or Employees, Sally Coles, her Agents or Employees, accept no responsibility for expenses resulting from loss or injuries incurred while participating in any activity whatsoever, either on or off club grounds.

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____