



**SENIORS TENNIS ASSOCIATION
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Sandy Barker

Hello tennis fans! Another two weeks and the courts will be booked for outdoor play. Please note the change in time for the Ambleside Courts. We have added the courts @ 29th & Marine Drive for our use as well.

I've been told that the indoor tennis went well and a few new members were introduced to the early morning humour on the courts. Thanks to John Kennedy, Will Phillips and John Boston for keeping the games running smoothly. I'm looking forward to joining you eventually.

I would like to thank John Hill for his enthusiastic contribution to the STANS Executive this past year. John has resigned for personal reasons and I want you to know we very much appreciated how you tackled the Publicity role. John is not leaving STANS, but I think he has a desire to spend more time chasing the sun. Good luck to you and thanks again.

As you will see elsewhere in this newsletter, our Annual General Meeting is taking place on Wednesday April 11, 2012 beginning at 4pm. Please join the gathering of old friends and welcome the new faces. Also, we value your input, and this is your opportunity to let us know if things are running smoothly the way they are, or if anything requires change.

See you on April 11th.

MEMBERS & COMMUNICATIONS

We encourage all members to check our website often.

www.seniorstennis.ca

Thanks to Paul Kennedy for the creation and maintenance of this site. Potential members can also easily navigate the site and learn what we're all about.

Availability of courts for spring and summer tennis will be posted on our website as well as the Newsletter.

**2012 SOCIAL AND
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Our Social and Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 11, from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m., in the Marine Room (cafeteria) at West Vancouver Seniors' Centre (695 - 21st Street).

We are pleased to announce that the following members have agreed to stand as Directors:

**Sandy Barker
Ian Dirom
Variath Cuttyl
Kirsty Milligan
Alf Orr
Will Phillips
Moirra Wotherspoon
Judith Bicknell**

Further nominations will be accepted from the floor during the meeting.

Refreshments will be served and we will look forward to seeing you there. Membership renewal forms will be available so you can sign up for 2012 if you haven't already done so.

MEMBERSHIP

Will Phillips

We are pleased to welcome the following new members to STANS:

☞ **June Barnes**
☞ **Joan Gray**
☞ **Mick Matheusik**
☞ **Alex Pawlovich**
☞ **Judi Sommer**
☞ **Terry Jonat**

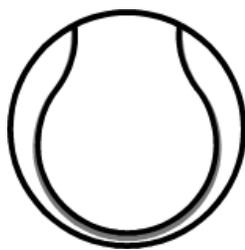
We always welcome new members.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL & FUTURE NEWSLETTERS

If you are a paid up member of STANS, you will receive our newsletters three times a year. If you have not registered as a member and/or have not yet paid your membership, we would encourage you to do so now to avoid disappointment. This will be your last newsletter and we'll miss you, so please renew so we can all stay in touch. And one other point: the liability insurance we carry applies only to members of STANS and it is therefore doubly important that you be a paid-up member so you can play on the courts reserved for STANS members.

CHRISTMAS PARTY AND ROUND-ROBIN

Something to think about. Numbers were down for the annual Christmas Social and Round Robin due to illness, travel, etc. There will be an opportunity for discussion at the AGM regarding pre-registration commitment, in order to simplify the running of the event for our very efficient Programs Director.



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GRANTS FOR YOUNG PLAYERS

Coaches from Grant Connell Tennis Centre and West Van Tennis Club have given us the names of two young dedicated athletes they feel are deserving and would benefit from our grants.

Alexis Prokopiuk Coach Wayne Elderton

15 years old

Finished top 8 @ 2011 U16 National Championships

Provincial U18 Champion

Trains daily with the National squad at GCTC

Coaches remarks: Alexis is a hard worker who always stands out to the coaches at GCTC for her internal motivation and sportsmanship in all her matches.

Kyryll Kryvchun Coach Chris Stead

Previous recipient of a STANS grant

U14 category

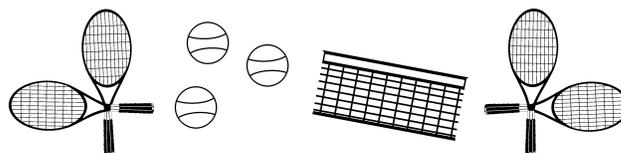
Coaches remarks: Steadily improved over the past few years, and now participating in ITF tournaments in North America. By far the player who trains the hardest and wants to make tennis his career. As a child of a single parent, the STANS Grant would be gratefully appreciated by Kyryll and his family.



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SPRING & SUMMER TENNIS PROGRAM

April 1, 2012 to October 1, 2012

North Vancouver (8:00am - Noon each day)

Murdo Frazer	3 courts	Monday through Friday inclusive
Cates Park	2 courts	Tuesday, Thursday
Cloverley	2 courts	Monday through Friday inclusive

West Vancouver

Ambleside	3 courts (7:00am - 9:00am)	Monday, Wednesday Friday
Benbow	courts 1 & 2 (8:00am - Noon)	Tuesday, Thursday
29th & Marine Drive	(8:00am - Noon)	Monday, Wednesday Friday

BC SENIORS GAMES

The BC Seniors games will take place in Burnaby, from August 21-25 2012. For more information on the tennis front, you may contact Colin McLean, the Tennis Coordinator for Zone 4. You can also find out more about the games at, www.bcseniorgames.org.

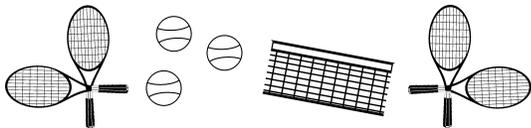
All STANS and other North Shore Tennis players are invited to join the fun! Age Categories will be for Men and Women: 55-59 years of age, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, and 80+ years of age. Events in all age categories will be: Men's Singles, Women's Singles, Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles and Mixed Doubles. Each player may enter a maximum of two (2) events.

If you are interested in playing tennis in the 2012 BC Seniors Games, please get in touch with either Colin for more information on tryout/playoff dates and how to get involved in the BC Seniors Games. We'll look forward to hearing your stories.



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and Social.



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NEW MEMBERS . . . WELCOME

We welcome new players to STANS and we invite you to tell your friends and colleagues about us. We are grateful for the reserved access we have to courts across the North Shore (see above) and if you join us you will find that play is on a drop-in basis. When the weather is good, you will usually find STANS members on those courts around 8 in the morning. If you're new to STANS or if there's someone you don't recognise, please introduce yourself. The rules are straightforward:

Play During Reserved Court Times

- ❖ Arriving players should note the order in which players arrive and the first comers should make up foursomes to play on the unoccupied reserved courts.
- ❖ When there are players waiting, those playing must play sets on the short game basis.
- ❖ Waiting players are to choose partners for their games from players whose sets have ended. Choices of partners can be made on any basis that is acceptable to the players.
- ❖ If there are still players waiting when all courts are occupied, they shall be first in line to choose partners when one of the existing games finishes.
- ❖ There may still be players arriving while the above procedure is being carried out, and these later arrivals must determine their positions in the waiting line and wait until it is their turn to play.

During the winter and until the weather really improves, STANS players can often be found at Cloverly Park, with games beginning around 1pm on decent weather days. We have also been able to organise indoor tennis at Grant Connell Tennis centre this past fall and winter, and we welcome you to join the early morning crowd.

We have three social occasions during the year. Our AGM features tasty nibbles and invigorating conversation, we have a picnic and round-robin at the Murdo Frazer Courts in August and then a Christmas party and round-robin in December, this past year at Grant Connell. All members are welcome, whether or not they intend to play tennis at the event.

If you have access to the internet, you will find us there too. We're at www.seniorstennis.ca and you'll find archived copies of our newsletters as well as information about STANS, our upcoming events and links to community resources of interest.

You can reach us via surface mail at the address on this newsletter or by email at seniorstennis@yahoo.com.

Once again, welcome . . . we'll see you on the courts.

GRANT CONNELL EXPANSION-AN UPDATE

The North Vancouver Tennis Society tells us that meetings are being held bi-weekly with the participation of all the parties involved with the GCTC expansion project. Factors still needing work include finding ways to accommodate the required number of parking spaces and making sure that set back requirements from the waterways are being met. Planning is currently being based on creating five indoor and one outdoor court and court dimensions will likely match the court dimensions we currently have at GCTC. All of this work is geared to an approach to the District of North Vancouver to firm up its intention to fund an expansion project. Construction timelines for the expansion are still in place and we expect to see shovels in the ground this spring and look forward to opening the expanded facility by the fall of 2013.

The North Vancouver Tennis Society promotes and advocates for tennis development and acts as the voice of the tennis community in North Vancouver. Membership in the Society costs \$5.00 per year and you are encouraged to join and show your support for tennis in our community.

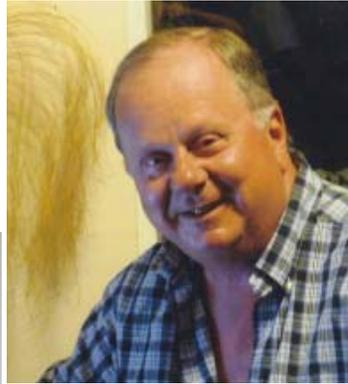


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