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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Sandy Barker

Hello tennis fans.

It's hard to believe that 2012 is coming to a close and I hope we are all so grateful for the sunshine we are experiencing while other parts of the country are not so privileged.

We don't have it so bad with periodic excessive rainfall, do we?

STANS has sent out a larger than usual number of get well cards this year. I hope the recipients of these are recovering and able to be back with the jovial gathering on the courts as soon as possible. For those of you who have suffered losses, I hope you know that you are in a lot of prayers. Life isn't always about understanding. Sometimes we must just accept and be thankful for the many blessings we all have.

We have seven new members since our last newsletter. I would like to welcome you and I hope you are all able to enjoy getting to know STANS members. A good place to meet socially and also participate in the Round Robin is the Christmas Social. This will be held Sunday December 2nd, at Grant Connell Tennis centre. Details by Ian Dirom.

Anyone planning to attend, it would make Ian's job easier if you would kindly let him know in advance. I would like to thank you for your cooperation in this regard.

I want to thank the executive for their time and effort on behalf of STANS. You all do such a good job, and are always such a pleasure to be with.

See you December 2nd at the Christmas Social.



STANS EXECUTIVE

Your new Executive Committee is now hard at work with the following responsibilities:

Sandy Barker	President & Newsletter
Variath Kutty	Vice-President & Publicity
Ian Dirom	Programs
Alf Orr	Treasurer
Judith Bicknell	Cards & Social
Kirsty Milligan	Secretary & Social
Will Phillips	Membership

CHRISTMAS TENNIS SOCIAL

The Christmas Social and Round-Robin will take place at the Grant Connell Tennis Centre (280 Lloyd Ave.) on **Sunday, December 2, 2012**. All STANS members are cordially invited to attend, whether or not you want to play tennis that evening.

Time: **6:30 pm: Registration**
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm: Play
9:00pm+: Social

Cost: **\$10.00 for players**
\$4.00 for party only

As well as good tennis, there'll be lots of friendly people to socialize with before Christmas and we'd be delighted to have you join us. Light refreshments will be provided by STANS.

Please tell us if you are coming by calling or emailing Ian Dirom **on or before November 28th**.

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NEW MEMBERS

Our Membership Chairman, Will Phillips has advised us of the following new members:

- ↪ **Hugh Eisler**
- ↪ **Patricia Claire**
- ↪ **Susan Holtom**
- ↪ **Linda Wong**
- ↪ **Lynne Gardiner**
- ↪ **Alice Vollet**
- ↪ **Don MacKinlay**

Welcome to STANS . . . and if you or any reader of this newsletter knows people who play tennis, we would love to welcome them as new members. Please direct them to our website www.seniorstennis.ca where an application form can be downloaded. Or call any member of your Executive and we'll send a membership application form.

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ROSSECCLES

August 21, 1922 - September 11, 2012

Elmer Helm

Ross Eccles is remembered as an avid tennis player always ready to play whenever asked if not already committed. He was very modest and unassuming downplaying his speed and consistency on the court.

Ross was a long time member of STANS and the North Shore Winter Club. Ross recommended a young promising tennis player for a STANS scholarship which was approved.

When I needed a tennis partner in the 80s category for the B.C. Senior Games held in Prince George Ross agreed to be my partner. Since he had never participated in the B.C. Senior Games our opponents decided to play Ross rather than me. Needless to say Ross was great and we won the gold. This year he again agreed to be my tennis partner at the B.C. Senior Games to be held in Burnaby. He found out that he had to decline because his children had made plans to take an Alaska cruise to celebrate his 90th birthday. As you can see, pushing 90 years of age he was still willing to compete against 80 year olds. What an attitude!

Ross leaves many good memories and will be missed by all those who knew him.



PICNIC AND ROUND ROBIN

Our annual picnic and round robin was held on August 9th under perfect weather conditions. About 50 players and guests came to enjoy the play, food and socializing. Many prizes were given out from local supporters: Highland Chevron, Travel Concepts, Racquet Hut and Delaney's.

The Brenda Sacre trophy was presented to Kirsty Milligan. The three other contenders for the draw were Dennis Murray, Alf Orr and Wolfgang Sollors.

Credit must be given to the many volunteers who help Ian Dirom, Programs Director, make this annual event successful and enjoyable.

INDOOR TENNIS AT THE GRANT CONNELL TENNIS CENTRE

Ian Dirom

STANS has again booked the GCTC for early morning indoor tennis on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays running from 7:00 am to 9:00 am.

Many thanks go to the devoted Court Captains that are assisting the Programs Director: John Kennedy, Will Phillips and John Boston (and his able sub: Bob Hardman).

All regulars spots are filled, but we are always looking for spares. So, if you are interested in joining our early morning group, please call or email Ian Dirom.

Say YES to Savings!



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GRANTS TO YOUNG PLAYERS-AN UPDATE

Kyryll Kryvchun

- Currently ranked #6 in Canada in his first year of Boy's Under 16's in Canada
- Currently ranked #1 in BC
- Just returned from Atlanta, GA where he played in his first International ITF world ranking event. He won his first two matches.
- Has played in three tournaments in the USTA PNW this fall and has on all three events.

On behalf of Kyryll thank you again for your valued support of his tennis.

*Chris Stead,
Head Coach, WVTC*



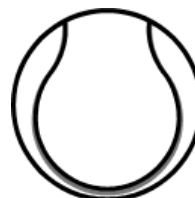
Alexis Prokopiuk



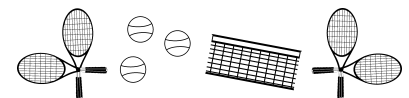
After winning the U16 national championships, Alexis was selected to train and live at the National Centre in Montreal. This is the same program that Filip Peliwo is in. Since

September she is travelling and playing around the world through that program. She also won the Tennis BC Junior female player of the year.

Wayne Elderton, ChPC



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