

AUGUST 2011 AT THE OAK BAY TENNIS CLUB

Centennial Dance on Saturday, July 23, from 7:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m

Everyone who attended the “Centennial Dance” on Court 1 must agree that it was a “rocking success”! The Vic High band, “THE MIDNIGHTS” was not only entertaining to watch but also fun to dance to. It was great to see over a hundred people dancing on Court 1. The dancers ranged from 4 years to over 90 years—all moving and shaking to “Devil with the Blue Dress” and numerous other hits.

Dianna Logan and Patti Rush must be congratulated for their professional organizational skills, their exquisite style in the decorations, and their fun-loving personalities. Dianna and Patti got the crowd going with spot dances, hoola hoop contests, and great prizes. Thank you also to those volunteers who sold tickets, set up tables, put up lights, worked the bar, and helped with the clean up. Our two amazing “party princesses” even got the weather gods smiling: it was the perfect summer evening.



John Nichol Old Time “Fun” Mixed Doubles Tournament on Saturday, July 30

As part of our Centenary Celebrations, we held an old time all white “fun” tournament all day on Saturday, July 30. This tournament was dedicated to John Nichol, who served loyally as Club President for 12 years from 1991 to 2003. Even though for years John's youthful appearance has hidden his real age, it was finally revealed that he had turned 80 years young on July 30.

There were over 32 players in the tournament, but many more people arrived throughout the day to give their best wishes to John. John was not only fêted but also roasted. As part of the Tournament program, John was inducted into The Oak Bay Tennis “Octogenarian” Club, and Christine Kirchner presented him with such “dubious” prizes as “The Antedeluvian Award,” “The Not Dead Yet,” Award, and so on—all of which he accepted with much good humour.

John's immediate family participated in the Tournament—some coming from as far away as Wisconsin. In addition, for those who missed it, on Friday, July 29, *The Oak Bay News* had a terrific article and picture of John Nichol commemorating his birthday and The Oak Bay Tennis Club's centenary.



Junior + Senior Family “Fun” Tournament on Monday, August 1 (BC Day)

On BC Day (August 1), we held our annual Family Day at the Club complete with a bouncy castle; the Woody Woodland Children's Orchestra; John “the Money” Clown who distributed chocolate loonies and toonies; a BBQ provided by Bill Birney and assistant Nick Crisp; and of course, tennis. Juniors and Seniors paired up as doubles teams to play either mini-tennis or regular tennis matches. All games counted towards the final score. At the end of the day, the Junior winners were Noelle Skillings and Nicholas Hanwell; and the Senior winners were Henry Ducluzeau and Karin Hanwell. Thank you to all who helped make this a joyous family occasion.



OBTC Tennis Ladders

The OBTC Tennis ladders are up and running. Some players have been very active while others are away. We hope to see increased activity once people return from summer holidays.

The standings as of the end of July were:

Women's Singles:

Player	Points
Gaye Stone	
Carola Daffner	
Martha O'Brien	
Penny Goldrick	
Anne Currie	
Flora Scott	
Mary Kelly	
Barbara Skillings	24
Marion Munro	14
Jill Stainforth	
Jane Grainger	9

Men's Singles:

Player	Points
Trevor Jones	
Ian Daniel	
Lou Timermanis	
Gary Robinson	
Richard Nyren	
Gord Jones	
Dan Young	
Don Bays	
Patrick Doyle	
Ken Stacey	
Julien Daffner	

Mixed Doubles:

Player	Points
Barb & Roger Skillings	12
Deb & Mo Johnson	15
Dianna & Rob Logan	24
Lyn Polson & Dan Young	
Lindsay & Gord Jones	
Claire Kane & Bill Bell	19
Anthea & Steve Marcus	
Christine Kirchner & Henry Lutte	

Women's Doubles:

Player	Points
Carola Daffner & Martha O'Brien	13
Deb Johnson & Angela Lees	
Claire Kane & Dianna Logan	21
Carol Cooper & Patti Rush	5
Anthea Marcus & Pauline Price	
Anne Curry & Mary Kelly	
Mary Beardsmore & Barb Sutton	

Men's Doubles:

Player	Points
John Nash / Scott Judson	
Roger Skillings / TBD	
Ian Daniel / Bill Bell	
Patrick Doyle / Richard Nyren	
Dan Young / Nigel Gillett	
Dennis McCarthy/Jim O'Connell	
Steve Marcus / Tom Pink	18
John Rea/Al Title	
Rob Logan/Gord Rush	
Morley Johnson/Gilles Pellerin	10
Don Bays / Lou Timermanis	
Larry Grainger/Tom Kane	18
Lawrence Jewett / Gord Jones	
Graham Maddock/Al Govender	

Thanks to the coordinators for volunteering their time and energy to benefit us all. Here are the ladder disciplines along with the coordinator. If you want to join one or more of the ladders contact the respective coordinator,

Women's Singles - Jane Grainger (jgrainger@telus.net 250-383-1215)

Women's Doubles - Claire Kane (tandckane@yahoo.com 250-360-9092)

Men's Singles - Steve Marcus (sa.marcus@shaw.ca 250-598-2240)

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OBTC Club Tournament - Aug 12-14 and Aug 15-21

LAST DAY TO SIGN UP: Monday Aug 8 at 5pm--at the clubhouse, or by e-mail:tandckane@yahoo.com

(1.Mixed Doubles TKO--must be avail the whole weekend Aug 12-14 from 5pm Fri 12- --Sun 14 pm.

(2.Men's & Women's Open & 60's Singles & Doubles Aug 15-21 will be a double KO or Round Robin, depending on entries.

Draw will be posted at the clubhouse, and on the Club Website,(www.oakbaytc.com), or you may e-mail: tandckane@yahoo.com. You may play BEFORE your scheduled time if your opponent(s) agree.

Please note that court priority will be given to tournament players from 3pm Fri 12, all day Sat & Sun Aug 12-14, Mon Aug 15--Fri Aug 19,& all day Sat & Sun 20-21.

Team Tennis - Finals Aug 11th

The Team Tennis schedule makers thought they were clever this year and installed a rain make up date on August 4th. However Mother Nature had other ideas and despite one of our poorest summers we did not have one rainout this season.

Team A will play Team C for the Team Tennis 2011 championship, while Team B plays Team D in the consolation match. Final Team Standings are posted at the club and also on the OBTC website www.oakbaytc.com.

Junior Tournament on Sunday, August 28

On Sunday, August 28 (and perhaps Monday, August 29 depending on the size of the draw), is the Junior Tournament. On Sunday, we will have a bbq lunch, and spectators and participants are invited. Please come out to cheer on our marvelous Juniors!

The list of events are as follows: Boys 18 and under singles; Girls 18 and under singles; Boys 16 and under singles; Girls 16 and under singles; Boys 14 and under singles; Girls 14 and under singles; Boys 12 and under singles; Girls 12 and under singles; Boys 18 and under doubles; Girls 18 and under doubles; Boys 14 and under doubles; Girls 14 and under doubles; Mixed doubles 18 and under; Boys mini-tennis 10 and under singles, Girls mini-tennis 10 and under singles; Boys mini-tennis 10 and under doubles; Girls mini-tennis 10 and under doubles; and Mixed doubles mini-tennis. (Mini-tennis matches are 20-minute timed "matches" using the junior nets and the soft balls.)

Please sign up on the Clubhouse door if you wish to participate in the tournament and if you are willing to help out as a volunteer (umpire, bbq, etc.)

Induction of The Oak Bay Tennis Club into the Greater Victoria Sports Hall of Fame on Saturday, October 29

We are pleased to announce that the Greater Victoria Sports Hall of Fame has invited The Oak Bay Tennis Club to be inducted at the 18th Annual Induction Ceremony. This event will be held on Saturday, October 29, 2011 at the Pacific Institute of Sports Excellence on 4371 Interurban Road.

You won't want to miss this thrilling event! The evening will consist of a social gathering prior to a buffet dinner. Following the dinner, the formal presentation to the inductees will be made. As part of the programme, The Oak Bay Tennis Club history, memorabilia, pictures, awards, etc., will be on display and will remain on display in the Save On Foods Memorial Arena for the following six months.

This event creates an exciting finale to our centennial year, and many thanks go to Roger Skillings, Christine Kirchner, George Metcalfe, and others for working so hard to make this possible. Detailed information about tickets, seating, the programme and times will be forthcoming in September.

Reminder to always lock gates and Clubhouse doors before leaving the Club

One of our neighbours noticed that on her early morning dog walk one Sunday, she found one gate on the Cavendish side open. Considering the recent house break-ins in the vicinity, we should all be careful to make sure the gates are closed when leaving in the evening.

Parking at the Club

Members are reminded to be considerate of our neighbors when parking at the club. Specifically please avoid parking anywhere on St Annes St and also avoid parking west of the club on Bowker. Thanks to everyone for this consideration.

Member Feedback

As usual, comments and questions can be sent by email to victobtc@gmail.com and you can view newsletters, calendar of events and event web albums on the club website at www.oakbaytc.com.

