

## Valley Tennis Club, Spring 2011

# Smashing News

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Welcome back to the Valley Tennis Club for the 2011 Season! Our new Executive has been working throughout the winter to make 2011 another great year at “the Valley”. I am pleased to report that Brian Panovka will once again be our Head Tennis Pro and that we will continue to have our very popular House League on Wednesday nights and an extensive line up of social, team, and instruction opportunities for the membership. We are finally moving forward with modest improvements of the club house and upgrading of the lights on courts 4 and 5. We have gone “green” in 2011 – for the first time there will be no paper membership mailing. The intent is for all future communications to be through email. Here is a complete line-up of what is going on at the club this year.

See you on the courts .....

David G. Maples - President

### Executive 2011

President – David G. Maples

Secretary – Tulla Bateman-Parkin

Membership – Andrea Kraus

Outdoor Facilities – Dennis Gurwitz

House League – Katy Paradiso

Tournaments – Barry Litman

Social – TBD

Vice President & Communications – Andrew Baise

Treasurer – Hossein Honarmand

Junior Director – Lina Cheung

Past President, Teams, Monitors – Cindy Sigesmund

Inside Facilities & Pro Liaison – Jim Anderson

Renovations – Graeme Sperber

### Membership

To register for the 2011 season, please go to <http://www.valleytennisclub.com/membership.php> to sign up. If you have any problems contact Andrea Kraus: [membership@valleytennisclub.com](mailto:membership@valleytennisclub.com). Rates have been increased slightly in 2011, however much of the increases are to cover an increase in our OTA fees for all members and HST on dues. There will be no shoe tags in 2011.

Please note:

- Returning members may renew as of March 14
- We will not be accepting new members until April 16, 2011.
- **Returning and new members must register online - <http://www.valleytennisclub.com/membership.php>**
- We do plan to cap membership this year – so don't miss out – SIGN UP ONLINE NOW!

## **Opening Day is Saturday, April 16 from 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM.**

- There will be a BBQ, round robin, and an opportunity to meet new and returning members. The sign up for our House League on Wednesday nights will begin at 11 AM.
- Sign up for team tryouts – Junior, Vets, Ladies A (now 2 teams – Monday & Wednesday), Friday Participation and Intercounty A&B. Times and dates are posted on the website.
- Meet the Pro and learn about his program offerings for this season.

## **House League Sign-up – April 16 at 11 AM**

- Sign up for House League is in person on Opening Day April 16<sup>th</sup> at 11 am.
- House League is on a first come basis.
- **It is mandatory that you register in person.**
- We will arrange a partner for you, however if you are requesting a particular person to be your partner, we will certainly try and accommodate you.

## **Plus ..... Social Events**

- Saturday, May 28 - 7-10 PM
- Saturday, June 25 - 7-10 PM
- Tuesday, July 19 - 7-10 PM
- Wednesday, August 17 – Club Social and House League Party - 7-10 PM
- Sunday, September 18 – Year End Party & Annual General Meeting Noon – 4PM
- New for 2011 – Family Social – date and time TBD

## **Lessons, Camps, & Drill Groups**

Brian Panovka, our Head Tennis Pro and his staff offer a full range of lessons, camps, and drill groups for children and adults at all levels. This year he will also offer a High Performance Program for competitive and tournament level Juniors. Adults can enjoy the Sunday Morning Interactive Clinic as well as the Monday and Tuesday Drill Groups. Brian's information is posted on the website in the Pro's Corner section. Brian can be contacted at [tenten@rogers.com](mailto:tenten@rogers.com) and 905-771-7511.

## **Teams**

We will have seven teams at the Valley TC this Season including: Ladies A (NYTA -Monday mornings), Ladies A (TLTL - Wednesday mornings), Intercounty B (Tuesday nights), Intercounty A (Thursday nights), Friday Participation (Friday nights), Mixed Vets (Saturday mornings), and Juniors (Saturday mornings).

Tryouts will be: A& B teams (April 16, May 1), Ladies A (April 29), Vet's & Friday Participation (April 30), Junior Team (May 3). Times will be posted in the clubhouse and on the website. If you have any questions about playing for our teams, please contact Cindy Sigesmund our Teams Director at [teams@valleytennisclub.com](mailto:teams@valleytennisclub.com).

## Club Tournament

We had a great tournament in 2010. Here are the results:

|                | <b><u>Champion(s)</u></b>        | <b><u>Finalist(s)</u></b>   |
|----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Men's Singles  | Peter Giacomelli                 | Pavel Otchkassov            |
| Ladies Singles | Cindy Sigesmund                  | Sandra Cimetta              |
| Vet's Singles  | Barry Litman                     | Pat Palozzi                 |
| Men's Doubles  | Ben McConnachie/Pavel Otchkassov | Rob Lee/Mathew Porter       |
| Ladies Doubles | Andrea Kraus/ Inna Sorochkin     | Elissa Back/Sharona Yermus  |
| Mixed Doubles  | Cindy Sigesmund/Reza Mikhchian   | Sandra Cimetta/Barry Litman |

In 2011, we will be playing the Club Tournament during the week of August 22, 2011. We are convinced that this will add excitement to the Tournament and make the finals weekend on August 27&28 the biggest weekend of the season. Stay tuned for more details.