



## MANOTICK TENNIS CLUB NEWS – AUGUST 2018

Hi everyone!

July has been a busy month both on and off the courts with great success for our league teams. Manotick A won the NCTA mixed doubles Division A for the first time in living memory (see more below). Also, some of us have even had time to enjoy the Rogers Cup events in Toronto and Montreal.

As we enter the second half of the season, we will shortly be arranging the club competitions across a range of groups and sign-up sheets will be appearing in the clubhouse in the next few days.

We told you last month that our registrations had exceeded last year and we are now pleased to report that we have 417 members which means that we have 60 members more than in 2017. This includes 29 Pickleball only members

If you know of potential new members, don't forget that we can now offer them half price membership so tell your friends to register online and use the code **HALF2018**.

As usual we start with the calendar for the next few weeks so that you are aware of what is coming up.

**Tomorrow Thursday August 16<sup>th</sup> - Social Night after the Round Robin.** Tennis starts at around 7pm and the 'Social' begins at about 8.30 pm. This is always a lot of fun and we had over 40 tennis and Pickleball members at last month's Social. Catering and organising the Social is a voluntary effort so do come out and support your fellow members

**Weekend August 24/25/26** - There will be the last OTA junior tennis tournament of the season to be held at the club. Stop by to see potential future City champions! Courts will be limited during the day so do check for availability if you plan playing this weekend.

### PICKLEBALL

Pickleball players have been enjoying their new painted lines. We now have 4 pickleball courts on court 6. Turnouts for our scheduled pickleball drop-ins are excellent.

Beginner drop in: Mondays 4-6 pm, Thursday 7-9 pm

Intermediate drop in: Tuesday 4-6 pm, Thursday 5-9 pm, Friday 5-9 pm followed by a 'Social' on the deck. Sunday 4-7 pm

Advanced – Wednesday

Our club pro, Mike Gauthier is available for lessons. Check out his website for more information, [Group Clinics – Pickleball Strokes](#)

Also come try out one of our beginner sessions. The club has paddles for you to use. For further information, please contact [pickleball@manoticktennisclub.com](mailto:pickleball@manoticktennisclub.com)

## INTER-CLUB TENNIS

Great news this month as Manotick A (aka "Tennis the Menace") improved on their second place finish in the first half of the summer to **win the league** in the second half. Manotick B improved on their performance from the first half and came close to winning division 2. Manotick C finished bottom of division 3. All of which goes to show the range of talent that we have at the club and the spirit demonstrated from the competitive A team to the recreational C team. We are the only club in Ottawa that enters three teams in the NCTA league reflecting our high level of engagement.

If you would like to pass on congratulations to the team members for Tennis the Menace they are:

Phil Johnson (captain), Paula Jokiel (vice-captain), Erin Schellings, Hannah Johnson, Regina de la Campa, Eamonn Garry, Lawrence Springstead, James Hartley and Nathan Smith (with support from Steve Bisson and Janet Henaghan as call-ups), not forgetting coach Javier.

We also ran teams in the Ottawa Women's Inter-City Tennis League on a Thursday. We had fun playing and hope to have better results next year. We would love to have new people join us next year to strengthen the teams. Thanks go to Debbie Cowan and Jane Wilson for their efforts in organizing the two teams this year.

## CLUB COMPETITIONS

We are in the throes of organising the end of season club competitions which will take place in September (date to be confirmed shortly). We have competitions for Mixed Doubles, Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles, Men's and Women's Singles and Men's and Boys Singles.

Application lists to play will be posted in the Clubhouse soon and don't be afraid to sign up and play against those people that you may not normally come up against.

We will also have a competition for the group of round robin players that play in the mornings with more details to follow.

Finally, a note about the **2018 NCTA Championships**

2018 NCTA City Championships will be held between August 25-September 2 @ Ottawa Tennis and Lawn Bowling Club

\$50 (includes beverage and tournament t-shirt, x2 for doubles)

Full singles and doubles consolation - 2 matches guaranteed

Singles deadline: Wednesday, August 22

Doubles deadline: Friday, August 24

Register online: Categories: MS, WS, MD, WS, MXD

Prize Money Breakdown

MS: W \$500, F \$250, SF \$125, QF \$50

WS: W \$500, F \$250

MD, WD, MXD: \$150 each, \$75 each

**This is the biggest / most prestigious tournament of the year. We encourage you to enter if you are a strong player or to go to watch the finals (free admission, proper umpires and line officials, televised by Rogers, etc.).**

Well that's it for this month. Enjoy the tennis and most of all have fun!