

Port Hope Racquet Club  
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# PORT HOPE RACQUET CLUB



## The Ball's in Your Court !!!

Spring 2010

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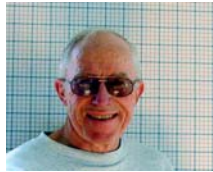
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### PRESIDENT'S VOLLEY

**BARRY WALKER**

With the spring-like balmy conditions leading up to the Easter weekend, we were able to have the nets put up earlier than any year in recent memory. We hope it bodes well for the coming season.

The Club has a full schedule of tennis and social events again this year along with some new wrinkles (no, that is not a senior's pun). On **Opening Day, Saturday, April 17**, we invite all returning members and prospective new members to come down to turn in their completed application forms and play some tennis once the windscreens have been put up. Help with the physical job of installing the windscreens is always needed and appreciated. This all takes place between 9:00 am and 1:00 pm.

In March, we distributed a survey to help us better gauge what the membership would like to have. We were very pleased with the feedback – well over 50% of the membership responded. The resulting was information used to develop this season's program. Thanks to all of you who responded!

For adult members we will have:

- **Monday and Wednesday adult doubles**, starting **May 17 and May 19**, respectively. This continues to be a core activity of the club
- **Saturday morning competitive**, starting **May 29**, 10:00 to noon, every Saturday.
- Other tournaments and Round Robins throughout the season.
- **Adult lessons** starting Tuesday, **May 18**.

Our Junior program has been expanded considerably. Once again we will provide first-rate instruction and on-court time with the Tuesday series of six one-hour **junior lessons** starting **May 18**. In the summer, we partner with the Parks and Recreation Dept. to run five weeklong tennis camps. The **summer camps** are a great opportunity for young players to follow up the lessons with more court time under the guidance of a qualified instructor. Ken Crosina and his staff at the Campus Tennis Centre in Oshawa provide all our instructors.

We are very excited to announce more junior events this year:

- **Sunday Junior Competitive** tennis starting **June 27**, 10:00 to noon. The year will finish on August 29 with a year-end Junior Tournament.

### Members of the Ontario Tennis Association

- **Tuesday Junior Clinics** start **June 29**, after the Tuesday lessons are finished.
- Two weeks of **junior clinics** at the **end of July** and beginning of August
- We are also promoting **Free Junior Thursdays** every Thursday in **May and June**.

All of this will take place under the supervision of tennis teaching pros.

Please refer to the **Calendar of Events** in our Newsletter for dates. The Club's application form will indicate where a cost is involved. Applications for the summer camps will be available from the Rec. Centre later in the spring.

New this year is the **practice hitting board**, which will be mounted on the east wall of the Rec. Centre. The "blue monster" should be up by the end of April. Thanks goes out to Spencer Main for promoting this addition.

The "official" start of the social season is the Annual **Family Barbecue** on Saturday, **June 12**. This is a great way to meet the new members and renew old acquaintances. Juniors and their parents and our badminton members are all welcome.

For **badminton** players in the fall and winter, we have **adult and junior nights**. Adults play on Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 10:00 pm. On Tuesdays and Thursdays we run an excellent junior program under the direction of Jolyon Thompson. A number of our juniors have gone on from this program to distinguish themselves in tournaments outside our area.

To close out the year we are changing our format from a dinner/dance to an informal **Cocktail Evening on Saturday, September 11**. Our gracious host will be Young Mee Kim.

Our **Annual General Meeting** will be on **Thursday, October 28** at 7:30 pm at the Rec. Centre.

And don't forget to check out our web site, [www.porthoperacquetclub.com](http://www.porthoperacquetclub.com). The site promises to be much improved by providing up to date information on what is happening. You can download application forms and the Newsletter, see photos of some of our activities, and check the schedule for upcoming events.

See you on the courts!

Registration Saturday April 17<sup>th</sup>, Town Park Recreation Centre, 62 McCaul Street

# 2010 Calendar of Events

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- **Saturday, April 17th - Club Opening, Registration and Court Set up.** Town Park Recreation Centre, 62 McCaul Street 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Register, help put up the windscreens and play some tennis.
- **May 6th - Free Junior Thursdays begins 4:00-6:00 p.m. every Thursday in May and June** (available to junior members and non-members)
- **May 16th - Mixed Doubles Tournament 10:00-2:00 p.m.** - Light lunch will be served.
- **May 17th - Monday League Play begins 6:30-8:00 and 8:00-9:30 p.m. every Monday**
- **May 18th - Junior Tennis Lessons 4:00 p.m.** and next 5 Tuesdays to June 22
- **May 18th - Adult Tennis Lessons 7:15 p.m.** and next 5 Tuesdays to June 22
- **May 19th - Wednesday League Play begins 6:30-8:00 and 8:00-9:30 p.m. every Wednesday**
- **May 20th - Thursday Social Tennis begins 6:30-9:30 p.m. every Thursday**
- **May 29th - Saturday Morning Competitive Tennis begins 10:00-Noon every Saturday**
- **June 12th - Family BBQ (Rain or Shine)**  
Tennis at the courts in the afternoon (Noon-3:00 p.m.) followed by a BBQ (5:00 - 8:00 p.m.) at Don Roger's home, Penryn Homestead, 82 Victoria St. S., Port Hope **BYOB**
- **June 20th - Mixed Doubles Pot Luck\*\* 10:00-2:00 p.m.**
- **June 27th - Junior Sunday Competitive Tennis 10:00-Noon**
- **June 29th - Junior Tennis Clinics begin 4:00-6:00 p.m. every Tuesday to Aug.31\***
- **July 4th - Junior Sunday Competitive Tennis 10:00-Noon**
- **July 5-9th - Junior Tennis Camp (Week 1)**
- **July 11th - Adult/Junior Fun Tournament 10:00-2:00 p.m.** - Light lunch will be served
- **July 12-16th - Junior Tennis Camp (Week 2)**
- **July 15th - Pub Night** - Beamish following Thursday Social Tennis
- **July 18th - Junior Sunday Competitive Tennis 10:00-Noon**
- **July 19-23rd - Junior Tennis Camp (Week 3)**
- **July 24th - Northumberland Hills Tennis Tournament** (begins at 9:00 a.m.)
- **July 25th - Junior Sunday Competitive Tennis 10:00-Noon**
- **July 26-30th - Junior Tennis Clinic 10:00-Noon each day**
- **Aug. 3-6th - Junior Tennis Clinic 10:00-Noon each day**
- **Aug. 8th - Junior Sunday Competitive Tennis 10:00-Noon**
- **Aug. 9-13th - Junior Tennis Camp (Week 4)**
- **Aug. 15th - Mixed Doubles Pot Luck Tennis\*\* 10:00-2:00 p.m.**
- **Aug. 16-20th - Junior Tennis Camp (Week 5)**
- **Aug. 19th - Pub Night** - Beamish following Thursday Social Tennis
- **Aug. 21st - Club Singles Tournament 10:00 a.m. start**
- **Aug. 22nd - Junior Sunday Competitive Tennis 10:00-Noon**
- **Aug. 28th - Racketlon Tournament**
- **Aug. 29th - Junior Club Tournament**
- **Sept. 11th - Club Mixed Doubles Tournament 10:00- 2:00 p.m.** - Light lunch will be served
- **Sept. 11th - Membership Cocktail Evening** (6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.) at Young Mee Kim's home, 94 Dorset St. W., Port Hope (rain or shine) (\$15.00 per person)
- **Tuesday, Oct. 5th - Junior Badminton begins 5:30-7:30 p.m.** every Tuesday till April
- **Tuesday, Oct. 5th - Adult Badminton begins 7:30-10:00 p.m.** every Tuesday till April
- **Thursday Oct. 7th - Junior Badminton begins 6:30-8:30 p.m.** every Thursday till April
- **Thursday, Oct 28th - Annual General Meeting - 7:30-8:30 p.m.,** Program Room A, Town Park Recreation Centre, followed by Pub Night at the Winchester Arms

\* Except July 27th and August 3rd

\*\* Bring your favourite dish, drinks will be provided on ice

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**Need a Tennis or Badminton Racquet Strung?**

Call John Haché at:  
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John has developed the experience to string all makes and sizes of racquets. He provides all types of string, but can also order any type of string required.

**PORT HOPE RACQUET CLUB**

Welcome to the Port Hope Racquet Club - a Club organized and managed by a group of volunteers. We were incorporated as a non-profit organization on January 21, 2002.

The Club operates through an executive committee elected annually by its members and is supported by the Municipality of Port Hope.

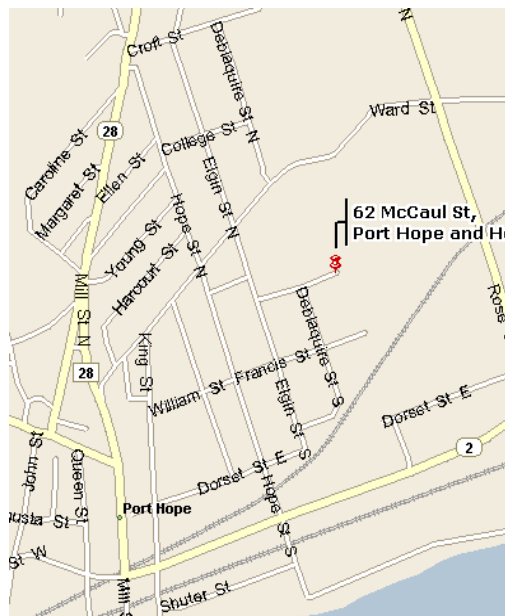
The Club has three lit outdoor tennis courts at the Town Park Recreation Centre. The Facility, also includes a gymnasium (for winter badminton play) and washrooms in close proximity to the outdoor courts.

**We Offer:**

- Junior Tennis Lessons and Clinics
- Adult Tennis Lessons
- Adult Doubles League Play
- Competitive Tennis
- Junior Tennis Camps
- Junior Badminton
- Senior Badminton
- Great Social Events
- Ball Machine

**LOCATION:**

Town Park Recreation Centre  
62 McCaul Street, Port Hope  
(905) 885-7908



**ADULT DOUBLES LEAGUE PLAY**

Intermediate and Advanced competitive league play. The Monday or Wednesday night league, respectively, works on a rotating schedule (6:30 or 8:00 pm start time). Please call or e-mail Mike Stevens (905-885-4966), well in advance, if players cannot attend that evening.

All players registering or subbing for a league must be a member of the Port Hope Racquet Club

**JUNIOR AND ADULT GROUP LESSONS AND CLINICS**

Junior and Adult lessons and clinics will be provided for all ages and levels of play. Please check calendar of events for details.

**TENNIS CAMP**

The Junior and Intermediate Tennis Camp will run five weeks this season. The camp dates are as follows:

- July 5 - 9
- July 12 - 16
- July 19 - 23
- Aug. 9 - 13
- Aug. 16 - 20

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*“PROFESSIONAL TENNIS INSTRUCTION COMBINED WITH ALL THE FUN STUFF OF CAMP”*

Tennis instruction in the morning then, at your option: Swimming, Games, Crafts, Indoor and Outdoor Play in the afternoon

DAILY 8:30am to 4:30pm

Extended Care Available 7am to 6pm

Campers need to provide their own racquets, non-marking shoes, lunch, sunscreen and hat.

Presented by: The Municipality of Port Hope, Department of Parks, Recreation & Culture, Crosina’s Court and the Port Hope Racquet Club

## CLUB HOURS

- Monday to Friday 5 pm to 11 pm.
- Wednesday 9 am to 12 noon.
- Saturday 10 am to 11 pm.
- Sunday 10 am to 6 pm.

Non-Members can play during club hours if the courts are free, but members are given priority over non-members.

## EMAIL ADDRESS

Want to stay in the loop this season for all social, league, and current events? Please make sure to include your email address on your Membership Application Form. We will make sure to get you information on a timely basis. We promise not to share your email address for solicitation purposes.

The Club also has a website that will be used to provide information to all our club members. The website is a working website that will provide league information, tournament information, plus many other features.

## WEBSITE

The Port Hope Racquet Club website is constantly being worked on and updated. Check it on a regular basis for the latest events, social functions, and new features. Our domain name is:

[www.porthoperacquetclub.com](http://www.porthoperacquetclub.com)

Check the site for:

- League Schedules
- Photos
- Calendar of Events
- Lessons and Clinics
- Junior News
- Membership Fees
- Upcoming Events

## JUNIOR BADMINTON

The badminton section has had a successful season. All members had fun and the juniors did extremely well at their tournaments. Coach Jolyon Thompson has done a wonderful job yet again.

## SENIOR BADMINTON

It's been a busy year for badminton. Great turnouts each week, excellent play at all levels and, of course, beer and wings at the Winchester Arms to cap off the evening.

Badminton Registration is during the month of October. All badminton players are welcome to come out to the annual BBQ on June 14th.

## SOCIAL EVENTS AND CLUB TENNIS

Pot lucks, mens, ladies and doubles weekend tennis events are open to all adult club players at all skill levels. Come out and have a great time.

Thursday Evenings is Club tennis. We encourage all skill levels to come and play.



## BALL MACHINE

Looking to improve your forehand or backhand? The club has the lobster ball machine. Usage is controlled by the executive. Call a member of the executive to make arrangements and make use of the 'lobster'.

## Court Etiquette

These few simple rules of etiquette will make tennis more enjoyable and safer for all.

### On Your Court

1. Always give your opponent the benefit of the doubt on close line calls. If you're not sure whether your opponent's shot is in or out, it's in. This includes serves.
2. If a ball or player from an adjacent court comes onto your court in the middle of play, immediately call a "let". This situation can be dangerous and stepping on or tripping over a stray ball can seriously hurt a player. If a ball rolls onto your court between serves, causing an interruption, you should call a "let" and allow the server to take two serves.
3. Tennis rules state that a shot is considered good unless it is called "out." It may seem to you that a ball has landed well past the baseline, but it might not be obvious to your opponent. Call balls "out" unless they hit the fence.
4. The point goes to your opponent if the ball touches you or your racquet (except if you volley) before the first bounce, even if you are standing outside the court. So let it bounce. If you catch an "out" ball in the air, it is considered your opponent's point.
5. In doubles, you should not call balls wide when they land near the far sideline, unless the call is obvious and your partner was hindered from seeing the ball land. If you are the receiver, and your partner is on or near the service line at the start of a point, your partner has the best view of whether a serve is in or long. You can make a call if he doesn't, but always defer to his/her judgment. (You generally shouldn't disagree with your partner's calls anyway.)
6. Be courteous to others on the courts – no pagers or cell phones; no yelling; no open water bottles on court.

### On Neighbouring Courts

1. Wait until play has stopped before you cross behind a court or enter onto the courts.
2. When returning a ball to another court, wait until their point is finished. Otherwise, you can create a hazardous condition. Return the ball at the first opportunity to the back of the court.
3. When calling for your ball from another court, please don't interrupt play on the other court – wait until the point is finished.
4. Do not walk across a court when a match is in progress. Wait until the point has been played, then walk behind the baseline to your court.
5. Never argue with your opponent. If players cannot agree on the score, they may go back to the last score on which there was agreement and resume from that point.