



Newsletter



President's Message



Greetings to my fellow Waterloo Tennis Club members.

I took over as Club President this past fall from Bill Sherifali. First, I would like to thank Bill for his time and many contributions to the club over his six years of service on the Board, including four years as President. Many of you already know me, but for those of you who may not, I'd

like to introduce myself... I am a mother, financial advisor and sports enthusiast. My husband Paul and I have four wonderful, grown daughters (none of whom are avid tennis players, but I have not given up hope yet). We joined the club as summer members in 2005 and we are now full year members. I became a Board member in 2016 because I wanted to give back to the sport and club that I had grown to love. I have served in a few positions on the Board, including the previous three years as the Vice-President. I have made many great friendships at the Waterloo Tennis Club and I look forward to building many more. If you see me at the club, please say hello and introduce yourself. I'm always happy to chat with anyone, whether it's about tennis, board activities or simply about the weather.

thank them for this and we also thank our members for following our ever evolving new procedures. It has not been easy but everyone's efforts have allowed us to avoid outbreaks and keep our doors open for play.

Unfortunately, in an effort to keep everyone safe, we have had to limit many of our club events. But, despite the limitations imposed by COVID-19, we were able to enjoy a very successful club championship this past summer and fall. I can't speak for others, but cheering on our fellow members and watching some great tennis brought me a very welcome feeling of 'normal' times.

As you are all aware, we have had to close the club a few times, as per provincial restrictions. We have used the multiple shutdowns to get some needed repairs and renovations done, including a new upstairs deck and front door, amongst many others. We are currently making arrangements to replace the fencing, as well as the bubble, which is now over 17 years old. We are also looking into renovating the upstairs lounge area and the women's changeroom, as I believe you will agree both are tired and dated.

We are all looking forward to the club re-opening, so we can get back to the sport we love and be with our friends here at the club. Personally, I

This past year has proven to be another challenging one, as we navigated through the challenges presented by COVID-19. That said, our club membership continues to be strong and we are looking forward to when life returns to normal.

Throughout the pandemic, the management and staff at the club have endeavoured to keep our club safe for everyone. They responded quickly to ever-changing provincial mandates to ensure that everyone was able to play tennis and work safely. We

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am also looking forward to warmer weather and being able to enjoy a beverage on our new deck!!

Please continue to self-assess before coming to the club. If you have any COVID-19 symptoms, follow provincial guidelines and quarantine. We will continue to do our part to ensure that the Waterloo Tennis Club is a safe place to play tennis.

And finally, I would like to make a request to all club members to consider becoming a Board member. Ours is a member-owned club, and as such we rely on volunteers to sit on the Board, to give our club guidance on how it is governed. Personally, I have found my time on the Board to be interesting and rewarding. I have learned a lot about the club and have a

new understanding of the issues the Board faces. If you are interested in being a Board member, please send us an email at board@waterlootennis.com.

Michelle Rogers
President
board@waterlootennis.com

Manager's Message



One bright spot about the club being closed in January is that it allowed me to watch the Australian Open in the middle of the night and not have to worry about going in to work the next day. I was inspired to write an article on all the women competing in the Grand Slam who played on our courts (pages 6-8). It was also thrilling to see my friend Kasia Radwan-Cho in the chair umpiring some of the matches (page 10).

Another benefit from the club being closed is that it

allowed us to get a lot of things done around the clubhouse. The Property Committee (Monica Heinrich, Bill Roth, Helen McArdle and led by board member Nancy-Lee Ledgley) met to discuss what projects needed to be done this year and get estimates for the costs. The first thing that is being tackled is the women's changeroom. Andrew Gillard has completely repainted it and Bill Roth has installed a new drop ceiling. The highlight however, is the mural painted by Nancy-Lee Ledgley and Kelvin Hui. We have to wait a month to get the new lockers, vanity, sink and new flooring in the toilet area but I think you'll agree when you see it that it's already a huge improvement.

One of the things I love about the club is that because it is member-

owned, members are always looking for ways to improve it. From the festive decoration at the front door, to suggestions passed on to me, to the gifts and cards given to staff over the holidays, we appreciate them all. We've received three great suggestions that we've already implemented. The first was installing a mirror at the one-way roadway to the club so you can see whether you need to wait for a car leaving the club. Unfortunately, while we were closed the mirror was stolen so we must purchase another one. The second was installing a buzzer in the men's and women's changerooms so that you know when it's time to go on court. The last was installing orange tape on the fence in the parking lot so that even if the snow is covering the lines, you'll know where to park. If you have a suggestion, please

put it in the suggestion box or if it's a maintenance issue, email our Maintenance Manager, Bill Roth at bill@waterlootennis.com.

We've lost quite a few of our tennis friends in the last year and as a result of questions from members on how to memorialize them, a Memorial/Donation Committee (Casi Zehr, Heather Wakeling, Helen McArdle and led by board member Michelle Rogers) was formed. You can see what they decided by reading the article on page 9. Pat Craton has written a

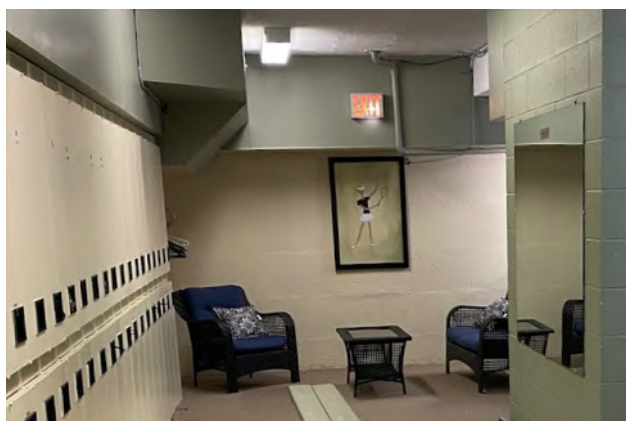
beautiful tribute to two of these tennis friends who played a big role in the club's success (pages 10-12).

Whenever I'm playing, I constantly get asked, "Who is that junior hitting that amazing topspin forehand?" or "Wow, who is that junior with that wicked hard serve?". So we thought we'd feature our Elite junior players by creating "Player Cards" for them. Take a look at them from pages 14 to 17.

I look back at the last nine years as Club Manager and feel like they have gone by in the blink of an eye. Thank

you to every staff member, coach, board member, volunteer, student, parent and member who have made these years so rewarding. I look forward to this tenth year as we make the club even better by installing a new bubble, replacing the fences around the outdoor courts and redoing the lounge area in anticipation of all the great parties we will be able to hold when COVID restrictions are finally lifted!

Helen McArdle
Club Manager
helen@waterlootennis.com



Before picture of women's change room



After picture of women's change room

DONATION OF \$1000
On behalf of WTC I would like to thank the University of Waterloo Tennis Club for their generous donation of \$1000 to us.
Helen McArdle (Club Manager)

Club Championships Results - Singles



Women's Singles
L-R: Michelle Rogers (Champion)
Evi Zafiris (Finalist)



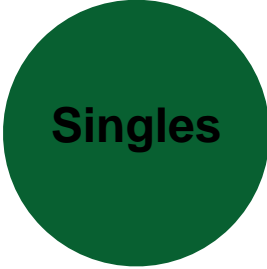
Men's Singles
L-R: Kristian Kopic (Finalist)
Filbert Nghiem (Champion)



Women's Singles 'B'
L-R: Ann MacMillan (Finalist)
Marta Andrevovic (Champion)



Men's Singles 'B'
L-R: David Perez (Champion)
Paul Falco (Finalist)



Club Championships Results - Doubles



Women's Doubles 'A'

L-R

**Michelle Rogers & Helen McArdle (Finalists)
Aldiana Lazoja & Thea Bozsitz (Champions)**



Men's Doubles 'A'

L-R

**Matt Buckley & Kristian Kopic (Champions)
Filbert Nghiem & Steve Nieboer (Finalists)**



Women's Doubles 'B'

L-R

**Liz Demers & Katrina Fleming (Champions)
Gail Lockyer & Kirstie Golden (Finalists)**



Men's Doubles 'B'

L-R

**Sam Ghazi & Alex Costea (Champions)
Tony Pace & Marek Gwozdz (Finalists)**



Mixed Doubles 'A'

L-R

**Filbert Nghiem & Aldiana Lazoja (Champions)
Evi Zafiris & Alex Siuda (Finalists)**



Mixed Doubles 'B'

L-R

**Ryan Hummel & Roxanne Chartrand (Champions)
Kirstie Golden & Sam Ghazi (Finalists)**

WOW Women

Where are they now?

For six years, from 2008 to 2013, the Waterloo Tennis Club hosted a women's ITF Challenger event. It was called the Waterloo Open Women's (WOW) Challenger from 2008-2011 and the Cooper Challenger from 2012-2013. For the first 3 years the prize money for the event was \$25K and in the last 3 years it was increased to \$50K. The tournament attracted professional women tennis players from around the world as they attempted to accumulate points in order to improve their world rankings. Many club members donated time and money to ensure that the event kept getting better each year for the players, fans and the sponsors of the event.



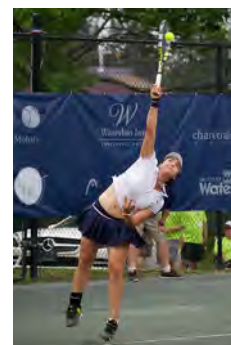
With the Australian Open on our TV screens, I thought it might be nice to showcase some of the players that played in our WOW Tournament. Did you know that ten of the players competing in this year's Australian Open played on our very own courts? Rebecca Marino (CAN), Alison Riske (USA) and Ons Jabeur (TUN) are in the singles draw and Shuko Aoyama (JPN) seeded 2nd, Nicole Melichar-Martinez (USA) seeded 5th, Gaby Dabrowski (CAN) seeded 6th, Asia Muhammed (USA) seeded 13th, Monique Adamczak (AUS), Eri Hozumi (JPN), Alison Riske (USA) and Erin Routliffe (NZL) are competing in the doubles.

Of the players that played on our courts, the one that reached the highest ranking was Johanna Konta (UK). Johanna won our event in 2009 and went on to reach a career high ranking of #4 in the world. She won four singles titles on the WTA Tour and reached the semifinals of the Australian Open, Wimbledon and the French Open. Johanna retired from professional tennis last month.



Canadian Eugenie "Genie" Bouchard also competed on our courts for many years. In fact, we were the first Canadian ITF tournament Genie competed in. She was 14 years old at the time. Many club members got a chance to play either with or against Genie in our Pro-Am events over the years. She achieved a career high ranking of #5 in the world becoming the first Canadian woman to break into the top 5. She also made the Wimbledon finals before losing to Petra Kvitova in 2014.

Ons Jabeur from Tunisia lost to Canadian Gaby Dabrowski in the semi-finals of our 2013 event. Pat Craton wrote this in our tournament notes, "It was a rough end to an otherwise good tournament for the talented Jabeur who at 18 years of age is still learning." Ons continued to learn and it's taken her to #7 in the world. Her style of play is highly entertaining with dropshots and lobs mixed in with lots of power. Her creativity and finesse on the court make it always enjoyable to watch her matches.



WOW Women

Alison Riske was the #1 seed in our tournament in 2011. She lost in the semis to the eventual champion Canadian Sharon Fichman. The American player has won three WTA titles and has achieved a career high ranking of #18 in the world.



Canadian Rebecca Marino also competed on our courts. She went on to achieve a world ranking of #38. Rebecca took a break from tennis for many years after struggling with depression and the cyber bullying she experienced on social media. She is back on tour and just made it all the way through the Australian Open qualifying draw to make the main event.

Another player you may have heard of is American Alexandra Stevenson. In 1999, Alexandra made it all the way through the qualifying tournament and into the main draw of Wimbledon where she got to the semifinals before losing to eventual champion Lindsay Davenport. During the tournament it was revealed that her father was basketball legend Julius “Dr. J” Erving. She reached a career high ranking of 18 in the world in 2002. She injured her shoulder in 2003 and was unable to compete at the highest level in WTA events. During her attempt at a comeback, she competed in our 2009 event as our number 1 seed (ranked 229 at the time). While her comeback on the court was unsuccessful, Alexandra has gone on to do well in broadcasting. Since 2019 she has been part of the ESPN commentating team at the US Open.



A lot of players went on to a successful career in doubles on the WTA tour. None more so than Canadian Gaby Dabrowski. Gaby was a fixture on the Waterloo courts, competing the last four years the tournament was held (2010 – 2013). She also played in the Pro-Am with local tennis players. Are you one of those lucky players who can say that they have played tennis with a Grand Slam winner? Gaby won both the Australian and the

Wimbledon Grand Slams in the mixed doubles event. She has reached a career high ranking of #5 in women’s doubles. She won her first WTA doubles title with another WOW player, Shuko Aoyama from Japan. In fact, the pair first played together on our courts in 2012 and made the finals.

Shuko Aoyama has continued to do well in doubles. Her career high ranking is #5 in the world in doubles and is seeded #2 in this year’s Australian Open women’s doubles.



Every tournament has wild cards to give to players who would not be able to get into the tournament based on their ranking. This allowed us together with Tennis Canada to provide opportunities to up and coming Canadian juniors to play and gain valuable ranking points. As a result, many Canadian players competed on our courts over the years. A few you may have heard of are Sharon Fichman, Heidi El Tabakh and Erin Routliffe.



Sharon Fichman is still competing on tour in doubles and has won 4 WTA doubles titles and is ranked #21 in doubles. Heidi El Tabakh made the finals of our event and is now the Canadian Fed Cup captain. Erin Routliffe trained with local pro Harry Greenan for many years. She is now competing under the New Zealand flag but we still consider her our own. She is playing with Leylah Fernandez in this year’s Australian Open.

Over the years the tournament gave wild cards to local players Sandra Dynka (Kitchener) and Sonya Molnar (Guelph). Dynka is currently a pro at the GSM Tennis Club in Kitchener and Molnar is a pro at Royal City in Guelph.



We’ve been lucky to see so many talented players compete on our courts and feel fortunate to have been a small part of helping them get to where they are now!

Helen McArdle
 Tournament Director
 WOW Challenger



Pictures courtesy of Mark McArdle

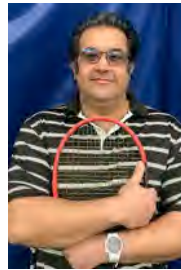
Coaches Corner



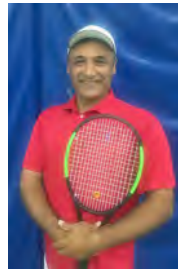
**Martin
Holy**



**Mike
Ratcliff**



**Raj
Solanki**



**Mohsen
Soleimanipour**



**Kye
Allen**



**Ned
Lazoja**

Interested in lessons with one of our coaches? Log on and click 'Book A Private Lesson' under the 'Register for Programs, Lessons, Camps & Events' tab. You will see the contact info and pricing for coaches offering lessons.

MEMORIAL/DONATION STONES

The board formed a Memorial/Donation Committee after getting questions about ways to memorialize tennis friends, donate to the club or leave money to the club in a will. The committee decided that the best way to handle these was to offer memorial/donation stones.

You may have noticed the memorial stones upstairs by the fireplace for Julia Riley and Mary Murray. These will be installed on the walkway from the clubhouse to the outdoor courts in the Spring.

If you would like to donate to the club either on your own or on behalf of someone please contact Club Manager, Helen McArdle at helen@waterlootennis.com.



Donation levels

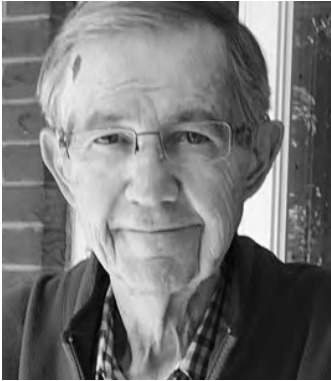
\$100 - \$199
4x8" brick 2 lines

\$200 - \$399
8x8" brick 4 lines

\$400 +
12x12" brick 6 lines



Lew Bradich & John Pezzack



The Waterloo Tennis club lost two steadfast supporters in 2021. They each contributed a tremendous amount of their time and effort to the development of the club during their years as members and even when they were no longer members. The Club has largely been dependent on volunteer support and active participation from the members for its entire 106-year existence, much more so in the earlier years than at present. It is fitting, therefore, that the club acknowledge the contributions and honour the memory of individuals whose dedication and service to the club impacted the organisation in a positive way. Their contributions have been the warp and weft of the fabric that is forever our club's illustrious and enduring history. Lew Bradich and John Pezzack were two such dedicated individuals whose deaths bookended the year 2021.

Lewis "Lew" Bradich passed away January 27, at the age of 90. He and his wife Joan, still active on the tennis court, had the distinction of being the longest married couple at the club before Lew gave up tennis and his membership. Lew joined the club circa 1951 when the club was still establishing a post-war identity for itself. He met Joan in 1953 when she joined the club and they married in 1954. It was the beginning of a life-long partnership for these two and they, with the Club.

Lew served the organisation in a variety of ways during his 65 years-long association with it. He was a generous volunteer member giving of his time, efforts and resources particularly the years from the mid-50s to the early 80s. It was no coincidence that during these years the number of social activities and events was at its peak; events were organised for a variety of reasons; be they for fund-raising to pay for capital expenses or just fun-raising to build community spirit. The club's vibrant social culture was the reason why many of its members and their families regarded the club as a second home during those years; to them the club was a community, not just a facility.

From fund-raising raffles (e.g. to replace the roof of the club house) to fun-raising events (e.g. Mardi Gras and Hawaiian-themed parties), helping with bar-b-ques during tournaments and leading sing-alongs with his ukulele, Lew was a tireless contributor. His contribution to the social aspect and its resulting effect on fostering club spirit is where he made the most impact. Lew also served as Club Treasurer 1955-56.

A great supporter of Joan and her tennis, he was happy and proud to be her travelling companion and unofficial coach when she was a Tennis Canada team member. In his mid-80s he suffered a heart-

related crisis from which he made sufficient recovery that allowed him, for a short time, to once more enjoy gentle half hour hits with Joan. It was a last hurrah at playing the sport he loved and with Joan, the love of his life. When these gentle half-hour hits were no longer possible, he continued to grace the club with his presence up till 2020. More often than not, he came to the club with Joan when she played her bi-weekly games. He would read in the lounge and then go down to the courts for the last half hour to watch, still supportive and analytical of her play.

The second notable passing occurred December 30 when John Pezzack, a past president died from complications due to brain cancer at the age of 73.

John, originally from East York, Toronto and a tennis family, (his parents founded the East York Tennis club 1950)) moved to the area to attend the University Waterloo in the late 60s. He joined WTC when an undergraduate and was a member of the university's varsity team. He later served as team coach. John met his future wife, Yvonne at the club. She had been a member since 1962, but it wasn't until 1973 when they met at a dinner hosted by mutual friends that their relationship began its transformation from being mere acquaintances to something more meaningful. It was the same year John began his master's degree in Kinesiology.

Tennis had been growing in popularity everywhere since the 60s and 70s and this region was no exception. When John was elected president in 1977, his main problem was dealing with the large number of membership applications. The membership had been gradually rising in the years prior but during John's time as President the number rose to eight hundred (800) with a waiting list of two hundred (200). No doubt an added appeal of WTC was the acquisition of two bubbles in the mid-70s partnering with the University of Waterloo.

The number of applicants in 1977 posed a dilemma for John and the Board as a whole, because though membership numbers were already high, there were no other comparable tennis facilities in the K-W area. WTC was the only club with indoor facilities until 1978. Yvonne, in a recent conversation said, "John so loved the sport that turning away applicants was difficult for him." Eventually reality dictated that membership numbers be capped but by then and in hindsight, eight hundred members were far too many for the club to have accommodated comfortably.

However, to ensure members had a fair share of playing time, a system was developed to monitor usage; games were limited to playing doubles during peak hours. It was fortunate that John was a very organised and detail-oriented person because with the club situation as it was, so many things could easily have gone awry without a capable person at the helm. He was also well placed to handle the interests of both club and university as by then he was an employee of the university (he was the senior lab demonstrator in biomechanics). Mary Liz Hearn, a current member who was secretary of the Board at the time, said she had the utmost respect for John's capabilities and admired his conscientious nature and honesty. She was grateful also for how efficiently he conducted board meetings because it made her job easier.

As a former competitive player, John was naturally keen to improve the junior tennis program. He felt that the club junior tournaments should be reorganised to accommodate various age groups and to

that end he sought out sponsors to donate trophies to the winners for each of the age categories. He was also a keen supporter of the Inter-Urban league.

John's active participation in tennis began to decline both in frequency and level of play in the 1980s when problems with his back took their toll. By the early 90s, he had to stop completely. This, however, did not mean the end of his association with the club. Though no longer a member, he, together with Yvonne were regular volunteers at the club's annual Spring cleanups. In 2015, the year of the club's 100th Anniversary, John's pride and commitment to the club were very much in evidence from the many hours he and Yvonne worked mainly in clearing and sprucing up club grounds, and helping in other areas wherever help was needed. Always a people's person, his genuine pleasure meeting and reminiscing with old acquaintances at the celebratory events was obvious and so was his pride in the club.

On October 4, John's 73rd birthday, he asked to be taken to Waterloo Park to celebrate the occasion on what was a very rare outing that was not medically related. The weather was accommodating and on this lovely Fall day, John returned to the club for the last time. Because of covid restrictions he was only able to view the club from the outside, where for a while, seated in his wheel - chair, he watched four individuals on court 1 play the game that he, himself once played proficiently and continued to love, long after those days had passed.

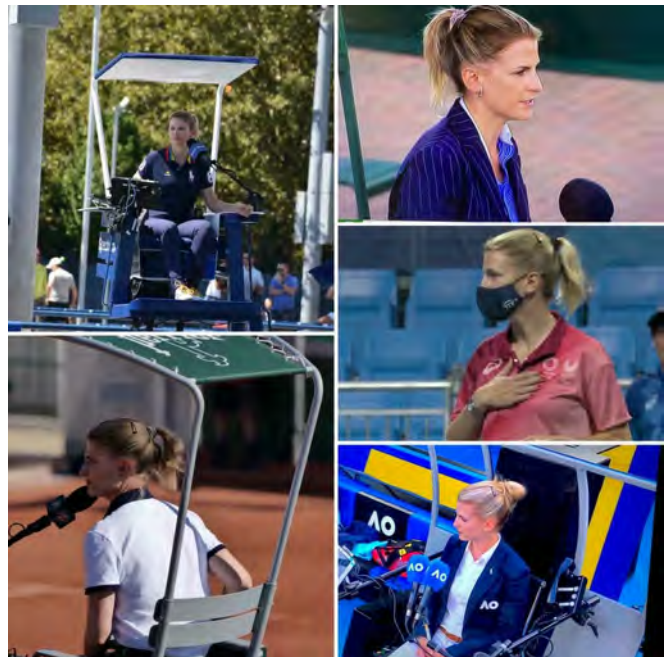
Our heart-felt sympathies go out to Joan, Yvonne and their families. WTC owes a great debt to Lew and John for their years of dedication and volunteer service to the club.

Written by Pat Craton

Waterloo's own Gold Badge Pro Tennis Chair Umpire

When Kasia Radwan-Cho isn't travelling around the world to tennis tournaments, she calls Waterloo home. Kasia is a chair umpire and 2021 was a great year for her. She completed a "Golden Slam" by umpiring at all four Grand Slam tournaments as well as the Olympics. Her year ended on a high when it was announced in December that she was promoted to be a Gold Badge Chair umpire. This is the highest level a chair umpire can attain and she is one of only twelve women around the world with this rating.

You may have seen her in the chair at this year's Aussie Open. It was an eventful tournament as she was hit by Naomi Osaka in the first round, chaired Felix Auger-Aliassime's five set first round match and had to hear from an upset Alize Cornet in the third round when she called a time violation.



Summer Ladder Results



The singles ladder was very active this summer. Congratulations to Joaquin Bandera for winning the top box of the ladder. Congrats also to Daniel Joseph and Julie Zwarych for winning their respective boxes.

Winter Ladder

Our winter singles ladder has started with 3 boxes to play in. The box ladder format we're using is a good way to encourage more competitive and consistent play for all players. With this format, ladder participants will begin each period in a box consisting of players of similar levels. Within a certain time period (usually a month and a half), players will arrange to play each of the other players within their box. At the end of the period, our tennis coordinator Andrew Gillard will regroup the players in the boxes to ensure that the level of play is fairly even. Typically the top two players will move up a box and the bottom two players will move down a box. If you are interested in joining the ladder you can sign up on the club website or at the front desk. New players are normally added at the start of each month. However if you're keen to start, send an email to andrew@waterlootennis.com to let Andrew know and he'll do his best to get you in.

Congrats to those currently at the top of their boxes: Joel Bilt (Box 1), Marco Riquelme (Box 2) and Karen Saunders (Box 3).

Juniors

Under the leadership of Ned Lazoja along with Kye Allen, Martin Holy, Mohsen Soleimanipour and fitness coach Milos Jovkovic, our small Elite program continues to produce promising juniors. We thought we'd highlight them in this newsletter so you get to know them too.

SUNANDITA (NIMI) PAL

AGE:
6

FAVOURITE COLOUR:
Pink

PLAYS:
Right handed

FAVOURITE FOOD:
Ice cream

COACH:
Ned Lazoja &
Mohsen Soleimanipour



BEST RESULT:

Still to come!

ARI BERBATOVCI

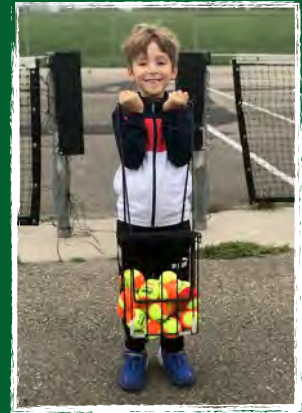
AGE:
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FAVOURITE COLOUR:
Red

PLAYS:
Right handed

FAVOURITE FOOD:
Beef Burgers

COACH:
Ned Lazoja &
Mohsen Soleimanipour



BEST RESULT:

Still to come!

PARIS RADOVIC

AGE:
8

FAVOURITE COLOUR:
Purple

PLAYS:
Right handed

FAVOURITE FOOD:
Homemade soup

COACH:
Ned Lazoja &
Mohsen Soleimanipour



BEST RESULT:

Little Mo Internationals
2021 Mixed Doubles U8 Finalist
Palm Beach Gardens, FL

EMMA DOBREAN

AGE:
9

FAVOURITE COLOUR:
Peach Pink

PLAYS:
Right, two hand backhand

FAVOURITE FOOD:
Pasta

COACH:
Dad



BEST RESULT:

Little Mo Internationals Girls 8G
2021 Singles Champion
Palm Beach Gardens, FL

Juniors

RIONA BERBATOVCI

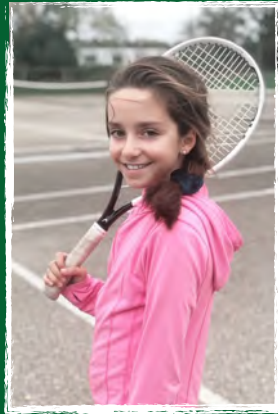
AGE:
10

FAVOURITE COLOUR:
Pink

PLAYS:
Right handed

FAVOURITE FOOD:
Spaghetti with meatballs

COACH:
Ned Lazoja, Martin Holy



BEST RESULT:
U10 Burlington Future Stars
2020 Semi-finalist
Burlington, ON

SEEMONTINI PAL

AGE:
10

FAVOURITE COLOUR:
Purple

PLAYS:
Right handed

FAVOURITE FOOD:
Pizza

COACH:
Ned Lazoja, Martin Holy



BEST RESULT:
Little Mo Internationals Girls 10G
2021 Singles Consolation Finalist
Palm Beach Gardens, FL

ANNA PENG

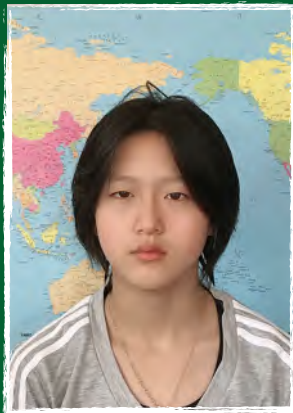
AGE:
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FAVOURITE COLOUR:
Green, Black, Red

PLAYS:
Right handed

FAVOURITE FOOD:
Sushi

COACH:
Ned Lazoja, Martin Holy



BEST RESULT:
Still to come!

MIA VESIC

AGE:
10

FAVOURITE COLOUR:
Lavender

PLAYS:
Right handed

FAVOURITE FOOD:
Spinach & Eggs

COACH:
Ned Lazoja, Martin Holy



BEST RESULT:
Still to come!

Juniors

ILYA SHERIFALI

AGE:
10

FAVOURITE COLOUR:
Blue

PLAYS:
Right handed

FAVOURITE FOOD:
Sushi

COACH:
Kye Allen



BEST RESULT:
Yonex Junior Doubles Championships
2021 U12 4-star Finalist
Aviva Center, Toronto

KYDEN HO

AGE:
11

FAVOURITE COLOUR:
Blue

PLAYS:
Right handed

FAVOURITE FOOD:
Pizza

COACH:
Kye Allen



BEST RESULT:
ATI @ Veneto Future Stars
2020 U10 Finalist
Woodbridge, ON

PETER NEMETH

AGE:
11

FAVOURITE COLOUR:
Blue & Yellow

PLAYS:
Right handed

FAVOURITE FOOD:
Sushi

COACH:
Kye Allen



BEST RESULT:
2021 NAT 3 star Provincial Circuit
U12 Semi Finalist
Vineland, ON

ERIN P.

AGE:
12

FAVOURITE COLOUR:
Blue

PLAYS:
Left handed

FAVOURITE FOOD:
Sushi

COACH:
Kye Allen



BEST RESULT:
2020 Adventure Valley
U12 Transition Tour Champion
Thornhill, ON

Juniors

DAVID PEREZ

AGE:
12

FAVOURITE COLOUR:
Blue

PLAYS:
Right handed

FAVOURITE FOOD:
Sushi

COACH:
Mum



BEST RESULT:
Top 8 player in Ontario
U12 2021

LEV SHERIFALI

AGE:
14

FAVOURITE COLOUR:
Purple

PLAYS:
Right handed

FAVOURITE FOOD:
Spaghetti

COACH:
Milos Jovkovic



BEST RESULT:
Yonex Junior Doubles Championships
2021 5 star U14 Doubles Champion
Aviva Centre, Toronto

CARLA PEREZ

AGE:
14

FAVOURITE COLOUR:
Purple

PLAYS:
Right handed

FAVOURITE FOOD:
Pasta

COACH:
Mum



BEST RESULT:
ACE 3 start Provincial Circuit
2020 U16 Finalist
Burlington, ON

THEA BOZSITZ

AGE:
16

FAVOURITE COLOUR:
Blue

PLAYS:
Right handed

FAVOURITE FOOD:
Sushi

COACH:
Martin Holy



BEST RESULT:
Total Tennis
2020 U16 Champion
Green Hills, London

Juniors

ALDI LAZOJA

AGE:
16

FAVOURITE COLOUR:
Lilac

PLAYS:
Right handed

FAVOURITE FOOD:
Lasagna

COACH:
Ned Lazoja, Luca Appino



BEST RESULT:
\$7000 Yonex Open
Women's Singles Semifinalist
Aviva Centre, Toronto

LAUREN OKRAINEC

AGE:
16

FAVOURITE COLOUR:
Green

PLAYS:
Right handed

FAVOURITE FOOD:
Lemon Chicken

COACH:
Martin Holy



BEST RESULT:
2019 IMG Discovery Open U14 Champion
IMG Academy
Bradenton, FL

"Let's Be Thankful" Century Tournament

We held our first ever "Let's be Thankful" Century Mixed Tournament on Thanksgiving Monday. Thanks to those who participated and brought an item for The Food Bank of Waterloo Region. The club also donated all the entry fees to the Food Bank. We hope this event grows each year. What a great way to show how thankful we are that we can safely play our wonderful sport at any age. To prove it, our most senior female member partnered with one of our top younger players and won the tournament! Congrats to Joan Bradich and Krisitian Kopic!



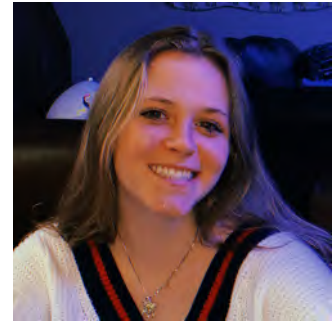
WTC STAFF



Neil Fogarty



Andrew Gillard
Tennis Coordinator



Lauren Kilpatrick



Kristian Kopic



April Manahan
Assistant Manager



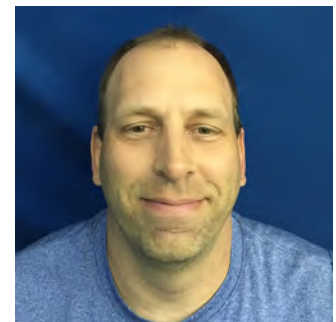
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Manager



Bill Roth
Maintenance Manager



Spencer Tully



Nick White

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