



THE SCORE June 2022

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Wimbledon is here, hooray!

Young contenders from around the world go all out to take on the best in the game.

Wimbledon really signals the start of summer tennis around the globe it is a shining beacon of tennis excellence.



This year Centre Court and the AELTC are hosting many special events and marking the occasion with some changes during the tennis fortnight, including play on the middle Sunday. One such treat is the film release of King Richard, the story of Serena and Venus Williams' father and their road to tennis history.

No doubt here on the Sunshine Coast, tennis fans will be glued to their screens – some with champagne and strawberries with cream - to watch our idols play the best game in the world!



Iga Świątek - Poland (French Open Winner 2022) and Novak Djokovic – Serbia (Wimbledon defending champion 2021) in practise sessions pre Wimbledon 2022.



Sad news..... Ralph Meyer RIP

It is with great sadness that we learned this week of the passing of our dear friend and loyal supporter, Ralph. He passed away peacefully at Sechelt Hospital on Tuesday. He will be remembered as a family-loving husband and father and for his love of tennis and our Club. Our sincerest condolences to June and all the family at this very sad time.

Members' Memorial Tournament 2022

What a special day this was, as we celebrated the lives of past members who we enjoyed playing tennis with at SRC!

We had a good tourney with 24 players in the 3.5+ group and 8 in the 2.5 group and some spectators too from the friends and families of those being celebrated.

Gautam, Tamara and Jacques organized the day's play into the appropriate groups/pairings and made sure everyone had good games. A healthy competition followed with close matches.

We can now proudly announce our Champions -

In the 3.5+ group and overall champions - Adele and Kevin Wood, a strong pair who played really well, congratulations!! Their names will now be engraved onto the Loretta Copping and Doug Lawson Memorial Plaques.

Colin and Tamara Jacobsen were runners up – strong competition for Mr & Mrs Wood!

Peter Forster and Christina Schellenberg were in third place – fighting to the finish!

Winners of the 2.5 group were Barry Kaufman and Bex Pfeiffer – great teamwork!
And, our consolation prize-winners were Rita and Manfred Roehri

Well done everyone who took part to make this a great day's tennis. It was also great to see friends and family of those being celebrated at this event, so thank you for coming and making the day a special one.

We also held a 100Square Raffle which Gautam organized, to raise funds and as a Community Club to make a donation to the Sunshine Coast Hospice Society which was a fitting organization to receive funds from this Memorial event.

Gautam asked Google to 'decide' the number for the 100-square draw: Google chose "5" then Donna Stevenson pulled the letter from a cup to go with this and pulled a 'B' = the winner of B5 for the \$900 West Coast Wilderness Lodge raffle was no less than Gautam Rakhit himself! Would you believe it!

Lots of fun, laughs and good times! Great BBQ, yummy burgers and salad - fun, social time. Many thanks to everyone who took part and special thanks go out to those who helped organize the day, cook the BBQ and help out on the day.... See photos at end of this Newsletter.

Here's a special note from Ralph Meyer about this event – it is very poignant given this was written in his last days before he passed away.

"It was a good idea to introduce, as an annual event, the Club's Memorial Tournament, on Saturday. As I have been "home-bound" for 2 years now, it took a special effort to attend. June and I could only stay for about one hour.

It would have been nice to see, on the Notice Board, photos and names of those being honoured, perhaps this could be done at future Tournaments.

I am not sure how many members now remember these past enthusiasts, but they all had their little idiosyncrasies. I had the pleasure of playing with some of them, on a regular basis and some only once or twice, or not at all.

A few comments are warranted here, so, in alphabetical order, here are mine:-

Margaret Fahlman was a determined lady, she did her best to constantly improve her game and was well-liked.

Shirley Hall was a veritable ball of fire, feisty and determined.

David Johnston, a former Chair, was like a brick wall, everything came back at you.

Doug Lawson was a steady baseline player, yet loved to come up to net to close out a point.

Paul Meyer was a powerhouse, full of energy and hard to beat.

Mac Norris was, to me, the Club Clown, his sense of humour was infectious.

Doug Reid, a steady player, worked hard for the Club when contemplating a move to a new location.

Raymond Schami was known for his love of the lob, he also worked hard for the Club.

Richard Spence, a hard hitter, and seemed to get to every awkward shot, also a regular volunteer for whatever was needed. He and David were the “go-to” boys on the occasions when the bubble collapsed.

John Stevenson scampered around the court like a teenager, he chased everything down and did a great job organizing the Men’s Tuesday and Thursday morning sessions, also an avid volunteer for whatever needed doing.

All-in-all a great group of people to know and enjoy our favourite sport together.”

And a few more tributes from Donna Stevenson -

“Jack David – played with the Club for years and had been in the carpeting industry until he had a stroke and was unable to continue. The flooring at our new Club premises were kindly arranged by him.

Loretta Copping – played at the Club during the time we were in the Bubble at Mason Rd, she was a very sociable and lovely lady but became ill with Churg Strauss syndrome and passed away in her 50’s, she had been a fine player.

Lee & Janis Brown – lived in Selma Park and ran the local Ford dealership, they were keen players, Hackett Park in Sechelt was partly funded by them and there is a commemoration to them there.”

The Sunshine Coast Open Tournament

A fun, competitive tennis event that’s now celebrating its 44th annual Open here on the Sunshine Coast. The Draw includes Men’s and Women’s Doubles, Men’s and Women’s Singles and Mixed Doubles.



After two long years, we are very happy to say that The Sunshine Coast Open is back!

The tournament will be held JULY 29 - 31, 2022 at the Dougall Park and Parkland courts in Gibsons, on the grass in Roberts Creek and indoors from 3.30pm Friday July 29 at the Suncoast Racquet Club in Sechelt in the event of rain.

Entries will open June 1. Draw sizes are limited so enter early to avoid disappointment!

Book your ferries now! 🚢

For more information and to enter go to: www.sunshinecoastopen.com.

We can't wait to see you all again. Shelley and Darcy Lawrence
The Sunshine Coast Open Tournament Committee

Summer Youth Tennis Camps – July 25-29, 2022

We will be holding a summer camp that will have the courts booked from 10am to 3.30pm Monday to Friday for one week July 25 – 29.

As a Community Club it's important we offer our SunCoast youth the opportunity to discover the game of tennis or improve their skills – they're the future! We apologize in advance for any inconvenience this may cause some of our regular midweek groups but hope you can reschedule your games during the week to a different time and be supportive of this initiative.

Do please share this sheet with as many friends, family and neighbors as you can so we can reach as many school age children as possible this summer, now that they're already on summer break.

The children really do benefit hugely from these sessions and their confidence grows enormously. Here's our 9-11 year old group who've just finished their Spring Camp. Well done to everyone of you who took part.



Youth Tennis Camps July 25 – 29, 2022



We're delighted to announce our Summer Youth Tennis Camps

Camps will cover a variety of skills and game confidence-building

To sign up & for more info call –

Club coach: Jacques Joyal on 604-741-7858

Learn new skills and improve your game

Camps will take place in the SRC indoor courts at

6000 Lighthouse Avenue, Sechelt (next to Kinnikinnick School)

So come rain or shine, you can guarantee your kids' tennis camp!

Bookings are open now so be sure to book your places early

Get your booking in with Jacques by phone or text or by email to Albert at:

info@srctennis.ca

Ages 6-8 years old	Ages 9-11 years old	Ages 12-16 years old
Mon – Fri daily 10.00 – 11.30am	Mon – Fri daily 11.45am – 2pm	Mon – Fri daily 2pm – 3.30pm
\$165+GST For 5 sessions	\$240+GST For 5 sessions	\$170+GST For 5 sessions

Come along to have fun, improve your tennis, make new tennis friends to play with this summer and be inspired to play tennis regularly!

Pro Coach Uros Budimac's invitation to SRC Members for the Van Open in August

The VanOpen professional tennis tournament takes place at Hollyburn Country Club this August (www.vanopen.com). It's a super nice venue with some of the best views in the City if some of you have never been before. To add some excitement, here is what Uros is organizing:

A DAY AT THE VANOPEN - Thursday Aug 18 and Friday Aug 19.

Part 1 – Morning Drills

Start the day with Morning tennis drills and movement/fitness 7am – 9am which includes 60mins of tennis (subject to court availability).

This will run over two days –

Thursday August 18th will start at Burnaby Tennis Club

Friday August 19th will start at Kitsilano Tennis Courts.

Part 2 – 10.00-11.30am Brunch

Drive to Hollyburn Country Club where for breakfast as a group – thanks to Uros VIP pass, we would be set up nicely on the Hollyburn patio with views over the tennis courts and the city.

Part 3 – Watch tennis matches

After breakfast, watch some tennis matches with objectives until 2-3pm. Uros will give each participant something specific to look for and observe.



There will also be an opportunity to spend a few hours on the tournament grounds. You'd be free to leave any time you wish... If any of you have a spouse or friend who wishes to join in just for the breakfast and event (without the tennis and fitness in the morning) that is also ok.

If you have any questions get in touch with Uros. His email is - uros@budimactennis.com

Cost including ticket for event, breakfast, and tennis:

\$175/person+tax (Thursday)

\$180/person+tax (Friday) - tickets are more expensive for Friday.

This would need a minimum of 6 people to make this work. Feel free to invite a friend / forward this if you think someone would love to join us.

Please note: In case of rain, all portions except the event ticket would be refundable (they don't give refunds to professional tennis events generally).

Plus, coming soon....

Uros will be teaming up with Jacques to run monthly Sunday 'Skills & Drills' clinics at the Club for adult members. These will include 8 players per session (4 on each court). These sessions are likely to be 2.5-3.00 hours long and timings will be confirmed shortly. Get your calendars out and start planning!

Uros' 'Skills & Drills' Clinics are as follows:

Each session will be \$135 per person. Jacques will be providing some follow-up clinics (at lower cost TBC) in between so you can build on what you've learnt from Pro Coach Uros, plus some skills based sessions based on members interests/wants. More detail on this as soon as we have it. In the meantime, if you're interested, please get in touch with Tamara in the first instance so we can get an idea of number of participants and confirm details.

Sunday Sept 11, 2022	Net Play
Sunday Oct 9, 2022	Serve & Return
Sunday Nov 6, 2022	Building & Attacking with Groundstrokes
Sunday Dec 11, 2022	Attacking and Net Play

Welcome to New Members

And not so new members.... welcome to Rita Roehri and Peter Forster who have both re-joined the Club as full members. Nice to have you both back!

In keeping with last month, here's a little piece from Peter Forster

'I originally joined the Club about 8 years ago and was on the Board for a few years. My focus then was on managing the Club's maintenance needs.

When did you start playing tennis? I started playing tennis when I was 8 yrs at the Richmond tennis club, I only played during the summers till I was 12. Then I got back into tennis by joining our club 8 yrs ago

Who is your favourite tennis player and why? Favorite player is Domenic Thiem, I like his one hand back hand and the fact that he is Austrian like my family, also because he works hard and trains hard.

What is your favourite tournament? My favorite tournament growing up was the Stanley Park open, now it's Wimbledon.

What's the funniest moment you've had on court? Funniest moment was chasing an overhead lob back to the baseline, changing my grip to a full on western, lobbing it back with a wing and a prayer, keeping the ball in play for my partner to make the next point on a good volley.

Who would you love to have a 'fantasy tennis match' against and why? Would like to have fun game with Mieke Babel, I think she is an amazing coach and player. Hoping my future has many winter tennis games outdoors in the warm tropics."

Tennis Drop In's

All welcome. These are always on at these times:

- o Men's Doubles – Saturdays 09:30am - 12.00 and Wednesdays at 12:30pm - 2pm. Organizer: Rod McColl.
- o Women's Doubles – Thursdays 11am - 12.30pm. We'd like to open this up to become a women's doubles drop-in. Organizer: Freda Cronk. If you're interested, please get in touch with Freda at: communications@srctennis.ca
- o Plus starting in the Fall, General Play/Social Tennis on Friday evenings from 6.30pm - An evening of social tennis across mixed abilities. Stay tuned!

Reminders

And if you're still reading, just to remind you the Friday night Tennis & Pizza nights are on the last Friday of each month!!! It's a social drop-in, so a 'turn up and play' evening, with the two courts booked for you in the Club Court Calendar from 6.30 on these last Friday's, so you can just turn up and join in. The next one will be Friday July 29**.

We hope to see this becoming the regular fun evening it used to be and you get to play with some new/interesting players.

If we find that this is not being taken up then we can remove the bookings, but for the time being it's open and ready for members (and their guests) to play.

**** Exception: If the weather is wet on Friday July 29th, the Sunshine Coast Open Tournament will have the courts made available for them for their annual SunCoast event, so possibly no Pizza night, but it will return on August 26th.**

And please..... REMEMBER TO TURN OFF THE LIGHTS WHEN YOU LEAVE. Easy to forget during these light evenings, but regardless of the time you leave it's very important to turn them off. Thank you.

Volunteer Hours

Please don't forget your Volunteer Hours! Summer's a good time to catch up on some of those things.

Our volunteers' help is very important to the Club so if you can arrange to give an hour of your help for the tasks assigned it would be much appreciated. Rod McColl is our contact for Volunteer Hours/Activities so if in doubt please get in touch. Rod would like to extend a huge thank-you to all our volunteers and especially to our 'Dustbusters' who help to keep our courts clean week in, week out and to Dave Munro in particular for his tireless support throughout the year.

Thank you everyone, have a great Canada Day weekend and summer of tennis!

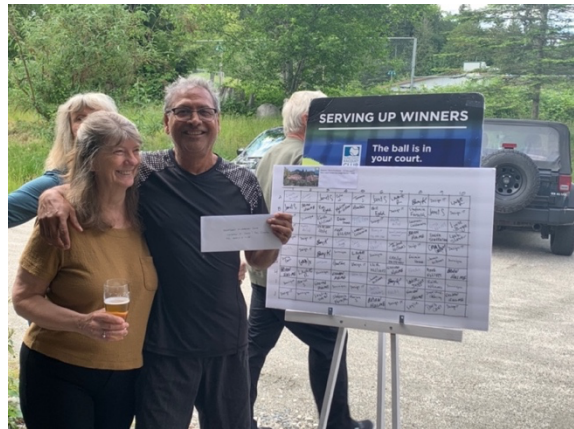
Memorial Doubles Tournament 2022



Adele & Kevin Wood receiving their Winners' plaques



Donna Stevenson reflecting on the day and the job in hand



Gautam very pleased with his Raffle win



BBQ fun in the sunshine for all the family



Tamara & Colin Jacobsen happy with their 2nd place



Bex Pfeiffer and Barry Kaufman – happy 2.5 winners



Christina Schellenberg and Peter Forster 2.5 runners up



Rita and Manfred Roehri accepting their consolation prizes