



2021 Bridgewater Tennis Club Information Update

CLUB NEWS

President - Jon Risser • Vice President - Jessica McDonald • Treasurer - Samantha Crouse-Eldridge
Secretary - Sandra Joudrey • Junior Program - Evan Monahan

Get involved! We are always looking for volunteers to help keep the club and its programs running.

Junior Program - This will be Evan Monahan's final year organizing the Junior Program. We are looking for someone who would be interested in working with him this year so they can take on next year's programming with ease!

Fundraising and Sponsorship Committee - We still need to raise the rest of the funds to repair all 3 courts and are looking for members to help us find the last \$10,000 we need to make our courts safe and enjoyable to play on. And prepare for a future move to Generations Active Park.

NOTICE: COVID-19 Global Pandemic is still impacting our community. BTC follows all public health guidance and the Tennis Nova Scotia Return to Play guidelines. Rules and public health directives may change from time to time. Members will be expected to follow any rules in place at the time and to sign the member waiver form.

Stay Informed

Facebook: www.facebook.com/BwatTennisClub

Email us: bdubtennisclub@gmail.com



All information up to date on the new website: www.bridgewatertennisclub.com

Rules and Regulations

COVID-19

Due to the recent health crisis, protocols remain in place to ensure the health and safety of all members and the community at large. It is extremely important that you read the guidelines below very carefully and sign the COVID waiver as part of your membership application. Anyone feeling unwell, is asked to stay home.

OFF THE COURT

- **No junior member under age of 14 is to know the key code for the clubhouse and main gates under any circumstance.**
- Members will be required to record their date, time and members playing on the sign in sheets. Must have membership submitted and confirmed before playing.
- Each member will purchase or get their own balls.
- Clubhouse is not to be an indoor gathering space. Members may use the washroom but must wipe down all surfaces after with the supplies provided. (COVID RESTRICTIONS MAY PREVENT USE)
- Gates and clubhouse must be locked by the last player to leave the courts. Lights must be turned off.

ON THE COURT

- Members will maintain a physical distance of 6ft (2m) at all times unless they are part of the same 'bubble'.
- Members will refrain from gathering at centre court. When changing ends, they will go to opposite sides of the court.
- If members under the age of 14 come to the courts unsupervised, they may only have access to Court 3.
- Under current COVID restrictions, no more than 5 people on a court at one time (unless from the same household/family unit).



JUNIOR PROGRAMS:

- Will be offering daily lessons throughout July and August.
- Information will be provided when it becomes available (via email, facebook and website)
- Lessons are on Courts 1 and 2. Members may play on Court 3 during lessons if it is not in use.

ADULT PROGRAMS:

- Rally nights will begin in July, start time of 6PM (weather permitting)
 - Beginner/Intermediate on **Tuesdays** (Self-Rating of under 3.0)
 - Advanced on **Thursdays** (Self-Rating of 3.0 and above - Tennis Canada [self-rating guide](#))
- During programmed rally nights, priority access to all courts will be given to the rally night participants.
- Periodic clinics or events may happen and will be posted to the club's Facebook and website.

COURT REPAIRS

- Club operates and maintains 3 courts which are undergoing a major repair in 2021.
- Have received grants from the following government agencies
 - Town of Bridgewater \$20,000
 - Municipality of the District of Lunenburg \$7,000
 - NS Communities, Culture & Heritage \$5,000 (received) \$20,870 (applied)
- Still in need \$10,000 to complete the repairs
- Club is bringing in a **voluntary** capital fund charge in addition to the cost of membership
 - Any donations over \$50 for the tennis club can be eligible for a tax receipt - see attached form for details.
- As court repairs progress, one court will become out of commission for a short period of time. The Board will attempt to provide as much advance notice as possible.

MOST IMPORTANT:

- Get out on the courts this summer and have some fun while staying safe!

These are unprecedented times we are in right now but we are fortunate enough to be able to enjoy tennis with these restrictions. As long as everyone follows the above guidelines and adheres to the rules that are in place, we will be able to enjoy tennis in a safe manner. Any abuse of these rules or not following the rules laid out here might result in tighter restrictions to be in place or the cancellation of any tennis. We all want to be able to get out and enjoy tennis, so let's all stick to the rules and make sure the courts are safe for everyone.

ETIQUETTE

- Courts are first come, first serve. We do not have pre-bookings.
- Sign in sheets provided - at Court 3 and at Clubhouse.
- Club lessons or rally nights take priority on the courts, regardless of if members arrive wanting to play.
- During non-programmed times, if others are waiting to play, maximum suggested court time is 45 minutes for singles, 1 hour 15 minutes for doubles (including warm-up time).
- Appropriate conduct and language is expected.
- Rollerblading, skateboarding, scootering, ball hockey and cycling are not permitted on the courts
- Dogs, either leashed or unleashed are not allowed on the courts at any time.
- Use caution: surface may be slippery when wet or icy.
- General public may use Court 3 at no charge and at their own risk. BTC suggest a donation of \$5 drop in fee which can be paid via e-transfer or can be dropped in the drop-box at the clubhouse if it is open.

COVID restrictions may prevent public access - please check BTC website for most up to date information.

NOTE: If you have questions, then please reread the document above to make sure the answer isn't provided. Check the Club's website and send any questions to bdubtennisclub@gmail.com



COVID ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19 has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is known to spread mainly by contact from person to person. Consequently, local, provincial and federal governmental authorities recommend various measures and prohibit a variety of behaviors, in order to reduce the spread of the virus.

I have read all of the Pre, During, and Post Play Regulations and agree to abide by them. I agree to follow any further restrictions or regulations that may be necessary as the tennis season unfolds, and I will be respectful of my partner, my fellow tennis players, the attendants, and the community at large.

COVID RESTRICTIONS UPDATE - May 4, 2021

Members only. Everyone must sign-in on sheets provided.

No more than 5 people per court. No gathering on clubhouse deck.

Someone in each group to be designated as 'ATTENDANT'

Attendant is responsible to ensure all players adhere to COVID protocols:

- Mask to be worn when not playing
- Physical distancing at all times
- No socializing at courts
- No access to clubhouse
- Hand sanitizer for use before/after play