

Gordon Alcott Tennis Club - Newsletter

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NEW COMMUNITY TENNIS CENTRE PROJECT

This is the second newsletter, in a series, intended to provide updates on the new community tennis centre to be built at the Gellert Recreation facility. It briefly provides details on the vital role our tennis club has played in getting this project to become “real” and the equally important role we will play, going forward.

On July 11, 2011 the Town of Halton Hills (THH) unanimously approved the revised budget for the construction of the new Centre. This is great news for our tennis club and for tennis in Halton Hills. It confirms that we will, indeed, have a new tennis centre and it will be ready for the spring of 2012. A landscape drawing of the Centre is posted in our club house. Visit our web site www.georgetowntennis.com to read the report on the council decision, information on the approved budget, and our tennis club going forward.

This year we close a chapter in our 30+ year of history at the MoldMaster Sportsplex facility as the “Gordon Alcott Tennis Club (GATC)”. We’ll begin a new chapter in our story, in 2012, as the “*Halton Hills Tennis Club (HHTC)*”. This name change will become more prominent in the community, as we start to promote ourselves in events such as the Community Open House to be held on October 15, 2011 at the Georgetown Market Place.

Update on the Fundraising Campaign:

As many of you know, we launched a fundraising campaign in the spring, to ensure that the best possible tennis programs can be put in place with the needed financial support and the proper administration. While THH provides the lion’s share of the capital budget for the project and is supported by any funds realized from the HHTC / GATC’s application to the Ontario Trillium Fund, the actual delivery of our planned enhanced tennis programs requires additional funds from the community.

The fundraising campaign is an important, critical and required initiative that needs support from club members and residents of Halton Hills at large. We are pleased to report that approximately \$5000 has already be generated to date – primarily from the notice placed in the membership renewal form and we thank you for your contribution.

A professional looking pamphlet has been developed and 2000 copies printed for use by the campaign committee (please see attachment included with this email). It is being used in the campaign aimed at three groups of possible contributors: sponsorships opportunities (Gold, Silver, Bronze) are being offered to select corporations in the community; local businesses are being approached for donations and a mass appeal targets club members and individuals for an offering. **As a Club member, we are asking you to support this worthwhile project to build up a first class teaching and coaching resources for programs aimed at not only juniors, but adults and seniors. Please use the donation form on the back page of the pamphlet to make your donation.**

Please also visit our web site www.georgetowntennis.com where you’ll find the original *Vision for Tennis in Halton Hills 2010 – 2013* document as well as the fundraising pamphlet. If you would like to volunteer your time to help your club make the transition to our new facility the best it can be – contact John Dallison (905 873-8107). Watch for Issue # 3 coming soon – we’ll provide more details on the project plan, time lines and key milestones.

Regards,
John Dallison, Murray Jans, Jim White