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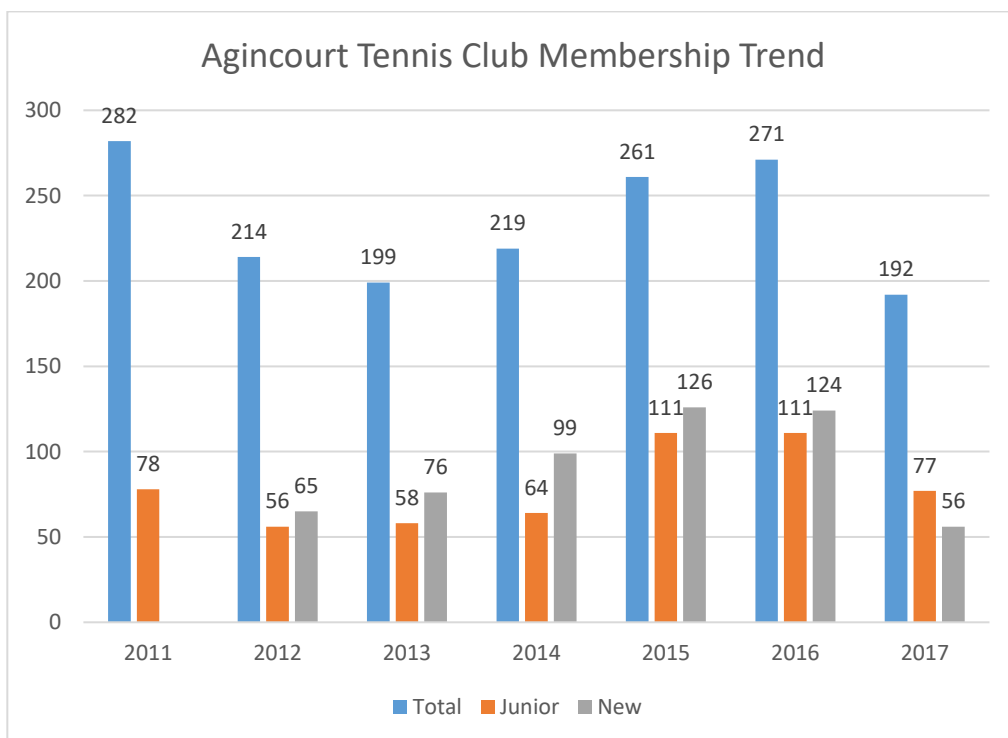
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## Message from the President

Welcome to Agincourt Tennis Club’s 2018 season. This year I am sending this message from Bangkok, Thailand the land of elephants and the place where you can find the best massage at very affordable prices.

This has been a very unusual winter. The weather fluctuated from week to week. In December, we saw snow storms, deep freeze and sunny days followed one another. I even learned a new weather related vocabulary, Bomb Cyclones this year. I thought I can escape this harsh winter by spending the month of January in Asia and California. I am sure most of you are like me and can’t wait for the spring and summer to arrive.

In 2017, we saw a significant decline in our membership. It was an all time low for the past 7 years. I spent days looking over the membership data in our records. I would like to share some of my insights with you. Here is a graphical representation of our membership data.



The first thing that I noticed is that we have significant number of new members every year. In 2015 and 2016, we had 126 and 124 new members joined us respectively. Please note that majority of new members are junior members. In fact, we have the healthiest junior membership base amongst all Scarborough tennis clubs largely due to our excellent programs ran by Eddie Chong, Junior Chair and Edward Punzalan, head coach. The most amazing thing that I found out from the data is that we have a large group (around 140) of loyal members who returned to our club year after year. Even with the large number of membership decline in 2017, we saw 136 old members returned. With the strong support of our loyal members, we need to put in more efforts to recruit new members by promoting our club in various events and opportunities. One suggestion was to provide free adult beginner lessons as we did for juniors.

I am very please to announce that Beri Kerr has agreed to continue as the Triad Chair for 2018. The Triad Committee also consists of Joe Lee and Edmond Quan. Last year, we had a very challenging season in terms of our competitive teams. With 4 teams in STF and one team in Intercounty, we experience major conflicts in playing home matches for these teams. In particular, we had 3 teams in two different leagues played on Thursday evening. With 6 weeks of court conflicts between the two leagues on Thursdays, this created significant problems for the Triad Committee and the captains. Based on the feedback we received, the executive had past a motion to not enroll in the Intercounty league for this coming season. We will continue to offer the ever popular interclub house league with Iroquois Tennis Club.

I would also like to announce the appointment of Ricky Qu to as our membership chair. Ricky is a long time member of our club. We are very delighted to have someone like him who brings fresh ideas and positive energy to our club. Please also join me and welcome Ricky to his new position. I would also like to thank Ning for all his hard work and dedications for our club in the past 3 years. This year, we have an excellent slate of executives working together on a common goal that makes our club better for all of our members. Throughout the winter, we meet regularly to manage our finances and plan various activities for the coming season. We are always looking for volunteers to help us with different programs in our club.

As I mentioned earlier, Agincourt Tennis Club is very proud to have a strong junior tennis development program in the Greater Toronto Area. Our main focus is to assist our juniors in reaching their highest potential in a fun, positive and safe environment. Our Junior Chair, Eddie Chong and Head Coach, Edward Punzalan are planning on introduce new junior programs for the coming season. Please read our Junior Newsletter for further details.

As many of you know, we are very active in our community. This year, we plan to do more promotions at community centres and shopping malls this year. The schedule of these events will be broadcast by email once they are finalized.

This year, you can submit your application on line from our website. Please mail in your payment before February 24, 2018 to take advantage of our Early Bird rate. Please note the time and the location for this year's Winter Social in this newsletter. See you all there!

President

Andy Chen

## Winter Social

Our 20th Annual Winter Social will be held once again at the L'Amoreaux Tennis Centre on **Saturday, February 24, 2018** from 7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. There will be a fee of \$8 per person.

Pre-registration is required, so please email Ricky Qu at [membership@agincourttennisclub.ca](mailto:membership@agincourttennisclub.ca) by **Feb 18, 2018**.

## Early Bird Special

The Early Bird rate will apply for fees received on or before our Winter Social. Mail your application in by **February 24, 2018**, if you are unable to attend the Winter Social.

Early Bird, you can register online from our website. Cheques must not be post-dated after **February 24, 2018**

## Social Events

Official Club Opening	Saturday, May 5	1:00 pm (Juniors 11:00 am Adult 1:00 pm)
Touch of Wimbledon	Saturday, June 23	TBA
Membership Appreciation night	Saturday, July 14	7:00 pm -9:30pm (Juniors 9:30am -12noon)
Rogers Cup event	Wednesday, Aug 8	6:30 pm (Discounted tickets offer)
Club Closing	Saturday, Sept 15	1:00 pm

**Note: All club events are free.**

## Weekly Saturday Round Robins

Round Robins will run every Saturday night starting May 5th to September 15th, from 7:00 -10:00 p.m. All adult members, regardless of playing levels are welcome and encouraged to participate. No pre-arranged partners required, organized group matches will be arranged. Balls & refreshments will be provided. Any time changes will be posted at the clubhouse.

## Weekly Tuesday House League

Returning from last year, we plan to have a house league with Iroquois. Anyone interested in helping to organize the league or captain or co-captain the Agincourt team, please contact the triad chair, Bernadette Kerr at [triadchair@agincourttennisclub.ca](mailto:triadchair@agincourttennisclub.ca). Stay tuned for confirmation and more details.

**Adult Lessons**

Adult Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced Lessons will also be offered during the entire season on Sundays from 1- 3pm. Insufficient enrolment may force cancellation. STF doubles clinic will be offered on Fridays from 7-9 pm starting May. Pre-registration on your application form is required.

For more information on lessons, please email or call Ricky Qu at membership@agincourttennisclub.ca.

**Junior Programs**

The Agincourt Tennis Club is committed to the development of our future stars by focusing our attention on their pleasure and enjoyment of tennis. With the Agincourt Tennis Academy for Kids (ATAK) which includes a variety of programs ranging from kids who want to have fun to a more competitive program, all levels will find a niche area where they will have fun and meet new friends.

For more details, please refer to the attached Junior Newsletter, visit our website or contact our Junior Development Eddie Chong at juniorchair@agincourttennisclub.ca

**Competitive Inter-Club Teams**

Competitive play against other Scarborough Clubs provides excellent tennis competition and good fun. STF matches are played weekly from early May through to mid-August, beginning at 7:00p.m. Matches are made up of 2 Men’s Doubles (3 Men's Doubles in ICT), 1 Ladies’ Doubles and 2 Mixed Doubles. Our club has registered for the following teams this year:

STF A-1 Team	Agincourt's Best	Wednesday
STF A-2 Team	Serious Competitors	Wednesday
STF B-1 Team	Fun Seekers-Turn Serious	Thursday
STF B-2 Team	Up and Comers	Thursday

**Team Selection STF and ICT**

To be considered for participation on a STF Team please indicate (check mark) on the application form and return it no later than March 31st. It is the responsibility of the Triad Committee to place players to the appropriate teams. Please contact the triadchair@agincourttennis.ca

### Team Try-out

Members who have not previously played on a STF Team are encouraged to come down to the courts and participate in the try-outs. STF team dates will be confirmed later. For more details, contact [triadchair@agincourttennisclub.ca](mailto:triadchair@agincourttennisclub.ca).

### Shoe Tags

Shoe tags are issued to identify our club members and must be worn at all times while at the courts. This helps us to protect our members' privileges. Guest Fee will be strictly enforced.

### Guest Fee

Guests and visitors are welcome but are subject to a \$5.00 guest fee per person. Each guest pass is valid for up to 3 hours on the date of issue. Club rules will apply to all guests and visitors.

### Club Hours

**Daily 8 a.m- 11 p.m.**

	<b>Junior</b>	<b>Family</b>	<b>Adult</b>	<b>Public</b>
Monday	4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	9:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	
Tuesday				4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.		6:30 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	
Thursday				4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Friday	4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.		6:30 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	
Saturday	9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	4:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	
Sunday	As per Junior Programs Schedule		8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

*(Intermediates and Juniors assigned with Senior privileges are eligible to play during Senior times.)*

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