

SITES AND EVENTS

Richmond Country Club (RCC) Men & Wmn over 35 and Men 40
9100 Steveston Highway
Richmond, BC V7A 1M5 Ph: 604-241-3707
(Matches will be played Sunday - Thursday)

Jericho Tennis Club (JTC) Wmn over 40 & Men/3837 Point Grey Road Wmn over 45
Vancouver, BC V6B 1B3 Ph: 604-224-2348
(Duration of the tournament)

Shaughnessy Golf and Country Club (SGCC)
4300 SW Marine Drive Men & Wmn over 50
Vancouver, BC V6N 4A6 Ph: 604-266-9165
Matches will be played Sunday - Thursday)

The Arbutus Club (AC) Men & Wmn over 55 and Men over 60
2001 Nanton Avenue
Vancouver, BC V6J 4A1 Ph: 604-266-8895
(Duration of the tournament)

Vancouver Lawn Tennis & Badminton Club (MLTBC)
1630 West 15th Avenue Ph: 604-731-2191
Vancouver, BC V6J 2K7 (Duration of tournament)
Wmn 60, Men & Wmn 65 & 70 (hard courts); Men & Wmn 75 & 80 and Men 85 (clay courts)

NOTE: Locations subject to change dependent on number of entries and due to re-locating the matches from RCC and SGCC to AC and VLTBC on Friday August 25 and Saturday August 26.

DRAWS AND MATCH TIMES

Draws and match times will be posted on Tennis Canada's web site on **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16** by **12 noon EST**.

For those **WITHOUT** internet access: Please call Irwin Tobias after 12 noon EST on August 16 at (416) 650-7923.

CODE OF CONDUCT/POINT PENALTY SYSTEM

All players are expected to know and abide by the Rules of Tennis and the Code of Conduct as set out in Tennis Canada's Rules of the Court. *All play will be governed by Tennis Canada Rules*, which will be enforced by the Tournament Committee, the Referee and all other officials. **Full Rule details will be posted on site at each club.**

PUNCTUALITY RULE

It shall be solely the player's responsibility to be dressed and ready to play when the match is called.

If a player is not ready to play when his/her match is called, the following penalties may be assessed:

- Late 5:00 minutes or less: Loss of toss plus 1 game
- Late 5:01 - 10:00 minutes: Loss of toss plus 2 games
- Late 10:01 - 15:00 minutes: Loss of toss plus 3 games
- More than 15:00 minutes late: Default

OFFICIALS

Certified officials will be present at each site. The decision of the official Referee or his/her appointee will be final on all matters.

SOCIAL EVENTS

- Sunday, Aug. 20: Tournament kick-off at Shaughnessy Golf and Country Club.
 - Monday Aug. 21: Welcome BBQ, The Arbutus Club
 - Thursday Aug. 24: Tournament Banquet at the Vancouver Lawn Tennis and Badminton Club.
- * **Above social events are free for players (additional charge for guests, if space permits).**
* **Dress code for all functions is smart casual.**

If space permits, guest tickets for social events can be purchased at the hospitality desk.

On the entry form, please indicate whether you will attend the social events and if you wish to bring a guest. Upon arrival on site, please **re-confirm** with the hospitality desk your attendance at **all** functions.

RANKING CRITERIA

To be eligible for a senior national ranking in singles or doubles, a player must compete in two tournaments, one of which **MUST** be the Steve Stevens Senior National Tennis Championships.

Results from the feed-in event will be used for ranking purposes. This tournament is a Grade 2 ITF event for international ranking points; however, only main draw players, including round robin players, will receive ITF ranking points.

SENIOR TEAMS

Players who are interested in representing Canada on either the Seniors OR Super Seniors teams in 2018 **should play** the Steve Stevens Senior National Tennis Championships, ON: August 20-26, 2017.

It is advisable for those who wish to be considered for a spot on an international team that they participate in both singles & doubles events in their correct age category. The Seniors Committee will then have information on a player's overall tennis ability.

Please be aware that all players competing in a senior international team event must obtain an "International Player Identification Number" known as IPIN: <http://www.itftennis.com/ipin/>
NOTE: An IPIN is **NOT** required for this event.

Sites for 2018 Senior Teams to be confirmed:

- * Young Seniors World Championships (35, 40, 45)
- * Seniors World Championships (50, 55, 60)
- * Super Seniors World Championships (65, 70, 75, 80 & M85)

For more details: www.itftennis.com/seniors

OFFICIAL HOTELS

As summer is a busy time, competitors are urged to make their accommodation reservations **EARLY!** When booking, please specify "Steve Stevens Senior Nationals" to get the preferred rate.

Hilton Vancouver Airport Hotel

5911 Minoru Boulevard, Richmond, BC V6X 4C7
Reservations: 1-800-445-8667
\$219.00 plus tax: 2 double beds or king suite
• Comp. shuttle to/from airport, parking, wifi • 25% discount on breakfast buffet • CUT-OFF: JULY 21

Park Inn & Suites (closest hotel to VLTBC and AC)

898 West Broadway, Vancouver, BC V5Z 1J8
\$224.00 plus tax: 2 double beds or king bed
Reservations: 604-872-8661 or via email: reservations@parkinn-vancouver.ca
• Complimentary fridge, wifi (kitchen: \$20.00 fee)
• Parking: \$15.00 all in • CUT-OFF: JULY 3

Residence Inn Marriott

1234 Hornby Street, Vancouver, BC V6Z 1W2
\$289.00 plus tax: studio suite
Reservations: 1-877-515-4135
• Complimentary hot breakfast, wifi, kitchen • Parking: \$19.00 plus tax daily • CUT-OFF: JULY 10

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

- Gavin Ziv Director, National Events
- Irwin Tobias National Events Sr. Consultant
- Suzanne Brenton Tournament Director
- Zito Baccarani Referee
- Alison Dias Co-Scheduling Manager
- Anne Bees Co-Scheduling Manager
- Cora Wills Seniors Committee Chair

SENIOR NATIONAL TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS
STEVE STEVENS
CHAMPIONNATS CANADIENS DE TENNIS POUR VÉTÉRANS

\$25,000 IN PRIZE MONEY
BOURSE DE 25,000 \$

AUGUST 20-26
AOÛT 2017

PLEASE ENTER BY JULY 24 AT
tenniscanada.com/events/senior

VEUILLEZ VOUS INSCRIRE AVANT LE 24 JUILLET À
tenniscanada.com/tournoisetcompétitions/vétérans

VANCOUVER LAWN TENNIS AND BADMINTON CLUB,
THE ARBUTUS CLUB, JERICHO TENNIS CLUB,
SHAUGHNESSY GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB,
RICHMOND COUNTRY CLUB

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The Arbutus Club
RICHMOND COUNTRY CLUB
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RULES AND REGULATIONS

ELIGIBILITY

In order to compete in an age group, players must reach the required age by December 31, 2017, and be either a Canadian Citizen or a Permanent Resident of Canada.

ENTRY and FEES

The entry fee of \$145.00 (includes tax) covers a maximum of **TWO** events (either 1 singles and 1 doubles, 1 singles or 1 doubles only, or 2 doubles) and three social events. **Refunds will NOT be given after August 7, 2017.**

Please be aware of the "Official Entry Procedure":

1. Each player MUST SUBMIT an **INDIVIDUAL** entry form accompanied by full entry fee by the deadline date.
2. Doubles players must confirm their partnership **BEFORE** signing up for doubles and list their partner's name on the entry form.
3. Each player on a doubles team must submit an **INDIVIDUAL** entry form by the deadline date.
4. Players cannot submit their entry on their partner's entry form.
5. If the doubles partner you signed up with does not submit his/her individual entry form by the deadline date, you will be assigned a partner IF there is one available.
6. If you request a doubles partner by writing "NEED" in the partner column, Tennis Canada will try to pair you with someone who has submitted their entry form by the deadline date.
7. If you indicate that you would like Tennis Canada to find you a doubles partner, you have therefore agreed to play with the partner selected.
8. **No late or verbal entries will be accepted.**
9. **There will be NO exceptions to the above entry procedure.**

All entrants must be members in good standing of their respective provincial association. Please ensure that you have paid any required membership or competitive fees to your provincial association before entering the Steve Stevens Senior National Tennis Championships. Please enter your membership number in the space provided on the entry form.

Enter on-line:

Go to www.tenniscanada.com/tournaments/senior. After you submit your on-line entry, you will receive confirmation by email that your credit card payment has been processed. *NOTE: The credit card charge will appear on your statement as PayPal.*

★ **Post-dated cheques will not be accepted.**

★ **No entries by telephone.**

OR mail/fax your entry form to:

TENNIS CANADA

1 Shoreham Drive, Suite 100

Toronto, Ontario M3N 3A6

Phone: (416) 665-9777 • Fax: (416) 665 6519

Email: itobias@tenniscanada.com (416-650-7923)

Email: cchang@tenniscanada.com (416-650-7905)



It is the player's responsibility to allow sufficient time for his/her entry form and payment to arrive at Tennis Canada **by the deadline date of Monday, July 24.**

ENTRY CONFIRMATION

Your fax transmittal slip or email confirmation is proof of receipt. **PARTICIPANTS CAN VIEW THE LIST OF ENTRIES** on Tennis Canada's website. To avoid the overwhelming number of entries and phone calls to Tennis Canada, and to allow sufficient time to sort out any potential problems, **we ask that you REGISTER EARLY AND NOT WAIT FOR THE LAST MINUTE.**

MATCHES

Main draw singles matches will be best of three tie-break sets. Singles draws will include 3rd and 4th place playoffs as well as a full feed-in consolation, up to and including the quarterfinals, which permit ranking points to be awarded to all players. It is mandatory to play in the feed-in consolation event.

All singles consolation matches and doubles main draw matches will consist of two tie-break sets with ad scoring. At one set all, a 10 point match tie-break will be played to decide the match. **There will be no doubles consolation draws played this year.** In order to complete the tournament on time, the Seniors Committee reserves the right to alter the scoring format for ALL matches on a daily basis if weather (heat, humidity or rain) makes the playing conditions dangerous for competition, or if matches get backed up cre-

ating additional matches for an individual player on a daily basis. This may include the following, in addition to other possibilities: extending the time limit on the 10 minute break; playing a 10 point match tie-break in lieu of a third set for main draw singles matches; playing short sets or suspending play. In addition, we will be adopting the ITF procedure of a 10 minute break at one set all in main draw singles in all age groups. As in the past, there will be no break at one set all in consolation singles or in doubles play due to the 10 point match tie-break to be played in those events."

NOTE: If the player is not on court and ready to play at the end of the 10 minute rest break, the player will be penalized with consecutive time violations by the Point Penalty System for Delay of Game.

"As well, in order to maintain an equal balance of matches played at each site, the Seniors Committee reserves the right to move matches in any age group to another site. All efforts will be made to give at least one day's notice of any changes to match locations, whenever possible."

There will be an elimination draw in ALL categories. A category with six entries or less will play a round robin. Categories with six entries only will play a modified round robin with two groups of three players/teams. The winner of each group will play off to win the event. For singles round robins of six players, there will be a play-off for 3/4 and 5/6. If only one or two entries are received, that age group will be combined with the next lower age category, if feasible.

NOTE: It is important that players play in their correct age group "for ranking purposes" for international team selection.

Please be aware that all draws are done randomly and your opponent(s) may be from your province or your club. Under no circumstances will changes be made based on residence of the players.

SEEDING INFORMATION

For seeding purposes, please submit in writing recent tournament results, ranking information, or any other pertinent information on your entry form.

SURFACE

All matches will be played on HARD courts, with the exception of the over 75, 80 and Men 85 which will be played on HARTRU courts at VLTBC. Please note the potential for the surface to be modified due to weather conditions.

OFFICIAL BALL

Wilson is the official ball for all events: (US Open extra duty for hard and regular duty for Hartru). New balls will be issued for all 3rd sets.



MATCH SCHEDULE AND STARTING TIMES

The tournament will begin on Sunday, August 20 and end on Saturday, August 26. Matches will start at 8:30 a.m. and all competitors must be prepared to play under lights, if necessary. Most singles draws will commence on Sunday in order to accommodate the feed-in consolation draw.

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST BE PREPARED TO PLAY AT THE SCHEDULED MATCH TIME. Due to volume of matches and complexity of scheduling, it will not be possible to give special consideration for start times.

All players must be available to play on all days of the tournament and to not book return flights until late Saturday August 26 as the large size of the draws will create a need for late matches on the final day.

PRIZES

Prize money will be awarded in each age category to the top three finishers in singles and the top two teams in doubles.

Singles	Doubles (per team)
1st: \$500.00	1st: \$300.00
2nd: \$250.00	2nd: \$150.00
3rd: \$125.00	

TRANSPORTATION

There is no shuttle service available.

**ENTRY DEADLINE:
JULY 24, 2017**