



# *PASSING SHOTS*

## *SPRING 2021*



Welcome to 2021 at the New West Tennis Club. We look forward to a great season of tennis. The battle of Covid 19 is not yet won but your NWTC Executive is confident that they can rely on your continued cooperation to follow all precautions to maintain a safe, healthy and fun environment for everyone.

Our appreciation goes to members of the Board, most of whom have agreed to serve another term after a very challenging year in 2020. Our thanks to Vaso Leposavic who is stepping down after several years on the Executive and to returning directors Janet Dickie and Fabio Prado.

### ***YOUR 2021 NWTC EXECUTIVE***

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### ***Schedule of Events:***

#### ***Ladies Night***

***(begins) Tues April 20***

#### ***Mixed Organized Play***

***(begins) Sat. April 24***

#### ***Open House/New Members Day***

***– Sunday May 16***

***Stay tuned for future announcements and member updates.***

If you wish to sign up for either Ladies Night or Saturday mixed doubles play or wish to have your name removed from the list, please contact Natalia Leposavic for Ladies Night or Chris Morrey-Jones, for mixed doubles play.

We invite you to take advantage of a variety of lessons being offered by coaches, Shelley and Diego (see recent member update).

The unapproved minutes of the Annual General Meeting are now posted in the Member's Area/Members Update of Clubspark, as are the Club Rules of Play and Code of Conduct. We encourage all members to familiarize themselves with these.

## *IN TRIBUTE* *to MARILYN*

Many of you now know the sad news that our long-time member and friend Marilyn Aldworth, has left us, to quote husband Chris, “for the tennis courts in the sky”.

Marilyn fought a year-long, courageous battle against acute myelogenous leukemia. She remained optimistic to the end and her determination saw her back playing tennis last summer. She won the Women’s 60+ doubles final in the club tournament with partner, Amelia.

Marilyn was first a teacher but changed her career, obtained a master’s degree in library science and spent many years as District Librarian in North Vancouver. She had many interests, travelled extensively but her main passion was tennis and she won many awards and trophies.

It was in 2006 that Marilyn and Chris joined NWTTC. They became active members, not only on the courts but also by volunteering in countless ways. Marilyn organized Tuesday Ladies Nights for many years. She could regularly be seen helping in the kitchen, assisting with events or

welcoming new members. She was a keen gardener and would often bring flowers to decorate the club or a bundle of rhubarb to share.

Marilyn was a devoted member of the NWTTC Double Dares Ladies league team. She loved the competitiveness and the camaraderie. A proud moment came when the team took first place in Division 3 and qualified to play in the coveted Miele Provincial Playoffs. Played over the first weekend of August 2017, under Captain Sig’s leadership, the team took the championship by one point! Marilyn will be greatly missed by her teammates who have recently honoured her on the tennis courts in their own way to give her a special farewell.

Apart from competing in many other tennis events around the province, Marilyn and Chris hosted their own annual ‘Griffledon Tournament’, an event which both of them treasured.

Marilyn died at home on her own time with the assistance of MAID and as told by Chris, “with the sun shining on her face and looking as beautiful as ever”.

NWTTC has lost a wonderful ambassador, tennis player and friend. Her warmth and kindness will be greatly missed. A Celebration of Life for Marilyn will be held later in the year.

Our heartfelt condolences go to Chris and family. To share memories of Marilyn, please visit: <https://www.affordablecremationandburial.ca/memorials/marilynaldworth/4580217/index.php>.

