



COUGAR DOME CHATTER – 11th EDITION

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Happy Autumn Chatter Readers! Some of you may have seen me at the Dome already but I'm still pretty new. I have been here almost a month now and am starting to get the hang of things. Tanya thought it would be a good change up to have me write the chatter so that you guys can all get to know me.

I love it here at the Cougar Dome so far. Everyone has been very kind and understanding. I have actually never played Tennis before so Tim has told me he is going to turn me into a pro (he doesn't know what he is in for). For the record I have absolutely terrible hand-eye coordination.

On a tennis note, The Davis Cup was an incredible success! The Metro Centre did a great job hosting. Our own Nicole Bagnell was lucky enough to get a photo with Milos!! Hopefully they will consider us again for the next Davis Cup. It is a great opportunity for us to have big tournaments like this one take place in our province. It spreads the excitement about tennis, new players may start to join us as they hear more about the sport.

So, the outdoor tennis season is coming to a close soon. For us this means we will be busier with all of the players moving indoors. Our fall sessions for lessons are in their fourth week, two weeks to go until we get registration going for the next set. School visits have been going very well this season. We have had Tim doing visits at schools in the area and also three or four gym classes in a week.

We are starting a bunch of new recreational sports this season. We are going to have pickleball, flag football, ultimate frisbee and lacrosse. Anyone who is interested please let us know! We are taking names and preferred days/times right now to make sure we choose a day when all of those who want to play, can. If you're interested, please send us an email (info@cougardome.ca) or give us a call (843-4171)! As soon as we have numbers and a set date we will be getting things started.

The Truro Tennis Club Picnic was last weekend and it was a success! Heading into this weekend the club has its last outdoor recreational mixer. All players are welcome, even if you haven't tried a mixer before. The Cougar Dome is the rain location for the event!

As you know we had a Summer Café Series at the Dome this summer. A variety of talented local performers took the stage to showcase their amazing abilities. We had two who stood out very

strongly. Our winner was Joey Blenkhorn, she is an incredible singer with a beautiful voice. Also, we felt that Rick Pidgeon showed a unique and entertaining talent. He is a basketball freestyler who has since received a position performing and sharing his talents with the world.

That wraps up all of the new items that have been going on here. I hope you have been enjoying some of the warm sunny days we have been lucky to have. Hope to see you here at the Dome soon!