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Date: November 27, 2023

To: Mark F. Miller, City Manager

From: Robert J. Bruner, Deputy City Manager
Megan E. Schubert, Assistant City Manager
Brian Goul, Recreation Director

Subject: Troy Racquet Club 2022-2023 Overview

The Troy Racquet Club, an indoor tennis facility with 8 courts, has been in operation for over 40 years. Air structures are erected over the City of Troy outdoor tennis courts every September, giving Club members an indoor winter retreat until the bubbles come down in May. This is a club featuring great lighting and background, locker rooms with showers & towels, a lounge with TV & fireplace, child care, ice & vending machines, and a filtered water bottle filler. In 2018, the courts were completely re-surfaced, and new air structures with sky-lights were erected.

The Troy Racquet Club leases the land from the City of Troy and makes updates and repairs to the facility.

Attached is the Troy Racquet Club overview for the 2023 fiscal year.

From: [Michele Shoan](#)
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Subject: TRC Annual Report
Date: Friday, October 20, 2023 7:20:38 AM

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Good morning Brian.

Below is our update for the 2022-2023 Season.

Please let us know if you have any questions or would like to get together to discuss.

Best regards,
Michele

Troy Racquet Club Overview.

The 2022-2023 season was busy and productive. Membership increased, participation in programs continued to be strong, and our facility received a facelift.

Club Manager

Kathy Del Dotto has retired after 25+ years at TRC! Luckily, Cathy Curtis-White joined us in mid-August as our new Club Manager. Would you please add her to your contact list; cathy@troystennis.com.

Membership

Overall membership has grown to just over 1,000 (approximately 50% are Troy residents):

35%	Family
42%	Individual Adult
18%	Junior
5%	Pickleball Only

Leagues

Continued interest and sign-ups for league play.

- Coordinated sixteen 2022-2023 leagues, including men's, women's, mixed doubles, and pickleball.
- Organized 5 Suburban teams.
- Hosted 30 USTA teams.

Lessons

Steady enrollment for instruction. Unfortunately, not enough room to satisfy the demand.

- Troy Racquet Club Academy "TRCA" continues to serve both children (as young as 4 years old) and adults, beginners through intermediate. Approximately 80% of TRCA students are Troy residents.

We offered up to 80 classes per session. During the indoor session, we had as many as 575 students and 480 during the outdoor session. It is not uncommon during any given session, for our program to be instructing 24 adults who are *new* to the sport of tennis!

- Several weekly sign-up drills for advanced beginners to intermediate level players, available to both members and non-members.
- Began developing monthly match play opportunities for juniors in middle school and high school.

Improvements

Happy to have completed several renovations last season:

- Manager/Pro offices and the Multi-purpose room were completely updated including new cabinets, counters, lighting, and floors. This provides more effective work surfaces and brighter overall space.
- Cleaned out and improved storage spaces, installing sturdy shelving to use the limited space more efficiently.
- Created a kitchenette area with new cabinets, counters, lighting, floor, and appliances for use by Members, staff, and guests.
- Revamped the men's locker-room to accommodate the kitchenette, which allowed for shelving for towel service, reducing clutter and improving walk flow in the lobby.
- Installed new icemaker.
- Installed new server and improved network security.

Summary

Our primary challenge continues to be limited capacity. We require more courts to accommodate the needs of our Members, Pros, Troy Racquet Club Academy, and Pickleball enthusiasts. TRC entered into discussions with the Troy School District and received Troy School Board approval on a proposal to invest in a tennis facility partnership at Troy High School. We've encountered some delays/hurdles we hope will be resolved soon. If not, plan to revisit TRC proposal presented to City of Troy Recreation Director & City Manager to add additional courts adjacent to our current facility or at an alternate property within the City of Troy.