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Toronto Condo Squash Initiative

Do you have a squash court in your condo building that doesn't get used enough? Want to find other players nearby who match your skill level — or maybe you're looking to learn the game for the first time? The Condo Squash Club is for you!

This exciting pilot project aims to connect condo residents across Toronto with each other and the wider squash community.

Whether you're looking for a casual hit, some friendly competition, or to improve your game, this is your chance to get on court more often and meet new people along the way.

Program Highlights:

- Free for Squash Ontario members
- \$10 one-time admin fee for non-members

How to Join:

1. Create a free Club Locker account: [Register here](#)
2. Email Bryan Chin from Squashabout to get started:
bryan.squashabout@gmail.com

Why Join the Condo Squash Club?

- Meet new players and enjoy friendly matches
- Get involved in your city's growing squash community
- Connect with Squash Ontario leagues, tournaments, and events
- Track your improvement with a ClubLocker rating

Whether you're dusting off your racquet or stepping on court for the first time, the Condo Squash Club is your new way to play. Let's

grow the game, one condo court at a time.

Lots of cool things happening through Squash Ontario:

<https://www.squashontario.com/news>

A Note from the U.S. Jesters – Invite open to anyone:

Hello fellow Jesters!

From Montreal to Newport to Detroit, this summer is coming alive quickly! As you kick off your plans, register for a spectacular finish in Detroit for the Annual Weekend. Registration is open and info is on the website, click [HERE](#) to sign up. We will have the South African tour wrapping up its Midwest circuit at a blowout September event, including a racquets exhibition and all the history of Motown...



72nd Jesters
Annual Weekend
Sept. 24-28, 2025
The Motor City

ANNUAL WEEKEND 2025 **DEEE-TROIT**

Squash Singles &
Doubles • Racquets
Padel • Golf • Tennis
Tomfoolery • Gaffes

[Here's the lineup](#). Go to the website for the full description, location, cost, and registration link for each event.

- Wednesday, Sept. 24
 - Golf at Country Club of Detroit
- Thursday, Sept. 25
 - Golf at Oakland Hills CC
 - Racquets at the Detroit Racquet Club (DRC)
 - Squash at the Detroit Athletic Club (DAC)
 - Welcome reception at the DAC
- Friday, Sept. 26
 - Golf at Bloomfield Hills CC
 - Morning squash at RacquetUp Detroit
 - Detroit Art Institute docent tour
 - Afternoon squash at DAC
 - Padel at Zmash
 - Racquets Exhibition match and cocktails at the DRC
- Saturday, Sept. 27
 - Jester games at the Birmingham Athletic Club (BAC)
 - Cranbrook Schools and Art Academy tour

- Jester Annual Meeting at the BAC
- Motown tour of Hitsville USA
- Detroit River dinner cruise on the Detroit Princess riverboat
- Afterglow at the Cambria Hotel rooftop
- Sunday, Sept. 28
 - Brunch at the DRC

In addition, we are working on Lions tickets for Sunday. In short, it will be a terrific weekend. Thanks to the organizing committee of Thomas Howe, Joe O'Connor, Nick and Tom Post, Manny Tancer and Joe Maiorana, Henry Payne, Rosemary O'Connor, Kirk Haggerty, John McRoberts and Jess Berline for their work.

South African Tour

A reminder to all Jesters that a touring side of six South Africans will touch down in Atlanta on September 12 and begin a two-week junket around the Midwest. From the ATL, they will visit Cincinnati (Sept. 15-17), Louisville (Sept. 17-19), St. Louis (Sept. 19-21), and Chicago (Sept. 21-23) before arriving at Detroit for the AW. There will be a R&R stopover with me in Holland, Michigan (Sept. 23-25) as well. You are hereby invited to show up for these tourists and take part in their activities at any of these venues. Please contact the regional captains for more info: Atlanta, Chad Hood; Cincinnati, Addison Lanier; Louisville, Jay Hatcher; St. Louis, Clark Amos; Chicago, Jay Beidler; Holland, Bob Burton.

May in Montreal

Liam Culman writes:

Six U.S. Jesters ascended to the city of Montreal before Memorial Day Weekend to experience the charms of Quebec life. Jim Zug Jr., back from his England and Australian sabbaticals, joined Alvin Wolff, Carlisle White, Julian Mohr, Bob Bolling , Liam Culman , and new Montreal native Randy Goodleaf. The trip kicked off with dinner on Thursday night at Hillside Tennis Club.

Friday, we all ventured out to Mount Bruno Golf Club for a round of golf in some mist and slight rain. After a quick libation and a sandwich, we headed back into town for some Padel.



Friday night we all ended up at the Montreal Racquet Club with a group photo on the Racquets Court followed by a fun dinner down in the wine cellar. Alvin Wolff and Julian Mohr were kind enough to

bring some wine cross-border that everyone enjoyed. Jim Zug Jr. surprised Captain Liam Culman with a ceremonial "Captains" Hat.



L to R: Geoffrey Heward, Bart Sambrook, Alvin Wolff, Julian Mohr, Liam Culman, Dan Fisher, Bob Bolling, Keith Flavell, Randy Goodleaf, Peter Smale, Jim Zug Jr., Carlisle White, Steve Wren, and Andrew DeCourcy-Ireland.

Saturday morning, several U.S. Jesters tried their hand at learning Racquets. Dan Fisher, fellow Canadian Jester and head pro at the MRC, gave some lessons and then put on an exhibition with Bart Sambrook. U.S. Jesters got a taste of a "Montreal Smoke Meats deli" sandwich for lunch with a couple "Champions" drinks as a sidecar. Randy Goodleaf hosted Bob Bolling for a "Rose All-Day" lunch at a French Bistro off campus and both seemed very smiley after their walkabout. Randy "BadLeaf," as he was coined, made sure we had multiple beverages after squash doubles at the Atwater club in the afternoon.

Saturday night started with drinks at Pub Saint Pierre followed by dinner at Holder. Julian Mohr decided to host us, which is definitely remembered as a high point. We called it a night and prepared for our journeys back to the U.S. the following morning.

Play up !

Newport

Newport, R.I. June 20th -22nd: Jester Jackpot: Activities include striper fishing, a lobster meal or two, squash singles and doubles at the YMCA and St. Georges, padel, court tennis at the International Hall of Fame, picnic dinner at Brenton State Park, kayaking, a cliff walk and coffee! You may be able to sneak in the door by contacting Hope Prockop.

Early Early Save the Date

Jesters Centennial Jubilee in the UK

The founding of the Jesters Club will be celebrated in England in September 2028, with a weekend in Cambridge followed by a week in London. This will be in lieu of our annual weekend, and all Jesters are encouraged to attend. We have had terrific turnout in past Jubilee years and expect to show up in force again!

Haberdashery Update

We are excited to partner with Turtleson to offer both men's and women's Jester apparel for on-court or on-course. The Jester website link to this new assortment is [HERE](#). All orders will get embroidered, so please expect a 2-week turnaround time after placing your order. For more personal service, please reach out to Carson at carson@turtleson.com if you have any questions!

All the best and get back to the 'T'!

Alex Carter

Co-Chair of the Ontario Jesters