Volunteer opportunities for the Davis Cup in Ottawa.

Fellow Davis Cup enthusiasts.

We are now in a position to share information regarding volunteer opportunities associated with the Davis Cup event and explain the process for applying. Please forward this to your members so that they are able to apply and have a chance to be selected. Below is a list of volunteer opportunities with a brief description of how many people we need and what their duties will likely include. Volunteers will benefit from at least one pair of free tickets as well as other “swag” that sponsors will be giving away; depending on their role they might also receive a “uniform”.

Please ensure that this message gets out in a timely manner. Applications are to be submitted by email to info@ncta.ca and will be accepted up to 5.00pm on December 16th. Applicants must indicate which volunteer position (or positions) they are applying for, a phone number, and which OTA/NCTA club they are a member of. In the event that we receive more applicants than we have opportunities, the NCTA will draw the names from a hat to see who is successful. The preferred situation is that all volunteers will be available for all three sessions (rather than have different volunteers on different days). Therefore, the commitment is (typically) for the three game sessions and one practice / briefing session beforehand.
In the case of **ball boys/girls**, there will be a limit of four people per OTA / NCTA member club and 2 per affiliate so that all organizations can have some members participate. For ball boys/girls, the application is submitted through a Google form and not by email: goo.gl/1p0AEm

**Greeters** – 15 volunteers – will be at the doors to the venue handing out various items to the arriving fans  
**Media** – 5 volunteers – will work in the media centre, running errands for the media crew  
**Ball crew** – 18 volunteers – there will be try-outs for the first 60 volunteers in early January and then the best performers will be provided with special training in the week before the event. Minimum age is 12 and maximum is 18.  
**Accreditation** – 1 volunteer – will run the desk where certain people will have to report to receive their “pass”. Will involve some computer work and taking photos.  
**VIP Hosting** – 2 or 3 people – looking after and running errands for the VIPs in the VIP lounge  
**Drivers** – 8-10 – drivers will need to be available for the week leading up to the event. Vehicles are provided and drivers need to be available to take the players and team officials wherever they need to go while they are here.

An additional opportunity might be to help out in an attempt that we are seeking approval for a Guinness Book of World Records attempt to set the record for the largest number of people bouncing a tennis ball on a tennis racket at the same time (aiming for 2000) which we hope to be able to do on the Saturday afternoon. We have not yet obtained approval from the venue or the GBWR organization, so this is something that we may be asking for help with in the weeks to come.

Thanks all, we’ll report back to you on how this volunteer program unfolds in the new year.

Philip Johnson  
NCTA President

PS – we did extremely well in terms of the early sales. Half of all the seats available at the venue sold out via the early sales opportunity. I hope that you were all able to get good seats.