

Ludo Bertsch & Art Hobbs

Tournament Coordinators

2005 Victoria Open & Tennis Festival

The 2005 Victoria Open & Tennis Festival is under the directorship of organizers Ludo Bertsch and Art Hobbs. Through their ongoing work in tennis coaching and organization, Bertsch and Hobbs are constantly seeking to further the development of tennis in BC, and particularly on Vancouver Island.

Art Hobbs

Art Hobbs was raised in Victoria, where his ambition for tennis flourished as a youngster. He recently returned home after 20 years of international experience playing and coaching tennis.

As a home-grown Victoria talent, Hobbs won the Victoria Open City Tennis Championships and represented Vancouver Island in the B.C. Summer Games. He received the Prestigious Art Carnish Sportsmanship Award, and he was nominated for best Overall Sportsman. He left Victoria to play U.S. college tennis on a scholarship with McClennon Junior College in Waco, Texas from 1977-1981.

After college, Hobbs played for Singapore in the 1993 Davis Cup, and he coached Malaysia and the Davis Cup team in 1988.

Ludo Bertsch

Ludo Bertsch is the junior liaison of the Vancouver Island Tennis Association (VITA) and the proud father of two advanced B.C. junior players, Kieran and Wesley Bertsch.

As a tennis player, Bertsch competed in Regina as a youth and won local junior trophies. He is quick to point out that his sons have since far surpassed his number of trophies!

As an electronics engineer, Bertsch has used his background in computing to develop websites for VITA and Art Hobbs. He brings several years of organisational, technical and tennis background to the organization of the 2005 Victoria Open.