

**Ludo Bertsch, Art Hobbs,
theClayCourts Sport Inc.
and
the Beaver Lake Claycourt Facility**

***Tournament Organizers for
the 2006 Raymond James Victoria Open
Tennis Tournament & Clinic***

The 2006 Raymond James Victoria Open Tennis Tournament & Clinic is operated by theClayCourts Sport Inc, under the leadership of Ludo Bertsch and Art Hobbs. They have successfully expanded the tournament to the largest on Vancouver Island – plus it is now a national qualifier for the juniors.

Art Hobbs was raised in Victoria, where his ambition for tennis flourished as a youngster. Hobbs won the Victoria Open City Tennis Championships and received the Prestigious Art Carnish Sportmanship Award, and he was nominated for best Overall Sportsman.

Hobbs played for Singapore in the 1993 Davis Cup and coached Malaysia Davis Cup team. He presently “commutes” between his claycourt tennis facility in Singapore and coaching at the recreation centres in Victoria.

Ludo Bertsch is the proud father of two advanced BC 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.

Bertsch is contributing to the tennis community through officiating, coaching of high school tennis, and developing of websites. He brings years of organizational, technical and tennis background to the Victoria Open and theClayCourts Sport Inc operations.

theClayCourts Sport Inc. is finalizing a deal in which a new claycourt tennis facility would be constructed at the recently closed-down Beaver Lake school. Six clay tennis courts would be built to international standards and further help establish greater Victoria as the destination for tennis – including Junior nationals and perhaps even Davis cup events.

Clay is renowned for reducing physical jarring to body joints, so it holds special appeal to older tennis players. Kids love the surface, and professional trainers are supportive of the longer rallies and more tactical play it encourages.

Memberships, investment and sponsorship opportunities are now available for the development of the Beaver Lake facility; phone (250) 592-1488 for more information and to ensure you can take advantage of this unique opportunity.