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OAK BAY PROVIDES INDOOR TENNIS FACILITIES FOR THE 2006 RAYMOND JAMES VICTORIA OPEN

VICTORIA, BC – theClayCourts Sport Inc. is pleased that the Municipality of Oak Bay will be providing its indoor tennis facility at Oak Bay Recreation Centre for the 2006 Raymond James Victoria Open Tennis Tournament.

The seven court Oak Bay tennis bubbles provide year-round tennis opportunities for the residents of Greater Victoria. It is part of a larger complex with a swimming pool, exercise area and indoor soccer field.

The facility has provided an excellent training ground for many tennis coaches around the region.

Although the Raymond James Victoria Open Tennis Tournament is slated for outdoor tennis courts, the indoor facilities allow for continued tournament play no matter what the weather. Last year, the Oak Bay bubble hosted the exciting finals for the Victoria Open Tennis Tournament.

In addition, Oak Bay will provide outdoor courts for the tournament, including the idyllic Henderson, one of the main outdoor venues.

Having run the tournament for years, Ed Bakker, Oak Bay tennis co-ordinator, states "at Recreation Oak Bay, we are happy to help the fine tradition of the Victoria Open and ensure its continued success."

"We are so lucky to not only to have such first rate facilities, but also that they are all available to the general public," mentions Ludo Bertsch, Tournament Director of the tournament.

Participants, volunteers and sponsors can check out www.victoriaopen.ca for more information.

Ludo Bertsch, Tournament Director
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Recreation Oak Bay runs an extensive range of tennis lessons and programs. Further information can be found at www.recreation.oakbaybc.org, phone 595-7946 or visit them at 1975 Bee Street, Oak Bay.

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theClayCourts Sport Inc. is a BC-based company that supports the sport of tennis and is the organizer of the 2006 Raymond James Victoria Open Tennis Tournament & Tennis Clinic (visit www.theclaycourts.com for more information or phone (250) 592-1488).