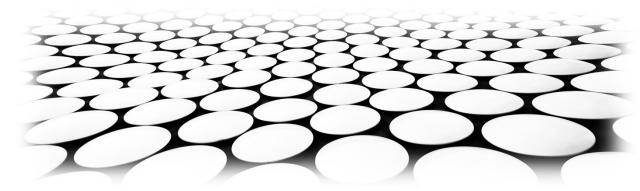


## 2022 Annual General Meeting

June 9th, 2023

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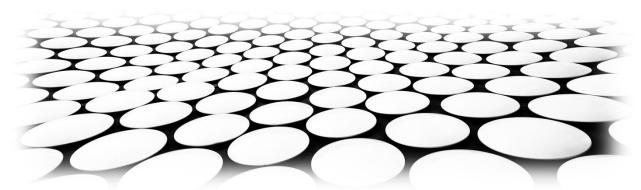




# 2021 Annual General Meeting Executive Report to Members

Garth White, President, Whistler Pickleball Association

June 9th, 2023



## THE WPA - VISION AND MISSION

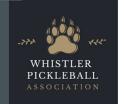
#### **VISION**

The Whistler Pickleball Association (WPA) aims to support the Whistler community in developing, promoting and growing Pickleball as an inclusive sport throughout the Whistler area

#### **MISSION**

The purpose of the Whistler Pickleball association is to facilitate the growth of Pickleball in Whistler and surrounding areas for the enjoyment, health and social engagement for all players by offering organized recreational and competitive play. We endeavor to create opportunities for continued development for all players in a safe, respectful, and inclusive environment.

<u> http://whistlerpickleball.com/whistler-pickleball-association/</u>



<u> https://www.facebook.com/whistlerpickleball/</u>

## **Long-time Whistlerites**



#### **OUR GUIDING OBJECTIVES**

Reference Quality Sport: <a href="https://sportforlife.ca/quality-sport/">https://sportforlife.ca/quality-sport/</a>

#### **MEMBERSHIP DESIRES COMPILED:**

Membership Survey of February 2020 (pre-Covid)

- ☐ Affordability 'On Par' with the Lower Mainland
- ☐ Accessibility:
  - By Neighbourhoods;
    - > Transit
    - > Trails
    - Parking
  - By Time;
    - > Seasonality
    - Day of Week
    - > Time of Day
- Dedicated Facilities
  - Outdoor Courts
  - Indoor / Bubbled
- ☐ Intro & Improvement Clinics
- Volunteer Opportunities



## PEER COMMUNITY LEARNINGS

What's worked well?

What hasn't worked so well?

Pitfall avoidance

- Noise Pickleball is loud mostly due to court density
- Mixed-use court challenges
- Mixed-use indoor facility challenges
- PB included in Master Plans for "Sports"
- Community Pickleball Associations add value/ streamline growth
- Court Bookings / Rentals



## **STRATEGIC PLAN 2021**

Outcome 1:

**Grow Pickleball** 

#### Measures:

Create new Intro Programmes

Populate PB Equipment Lending Library

#### Outcome 2:

Encourage Quality
Pickleball Facilities

#### Measures:

Inform RLAC (RMOW's "Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee")

Solicit member's desires (at a minimum):

- ✓ Locations
- ✓ Amenities

Compile and Broadcast
Survey Results

#### Outcome 3:

Foster Player Development

#### Measures:

**Identify Providers** 

Market offerings to Members first then backfilling with the greater community

#### Outcome 4:

Increase Membership and Populate Board of Directors

#### Measures:

Re-structure Annual Fees

Increase Community
Awareness of the WPA

Approved: May 10, 2021

#### **OPERATIONAL PLAN**

#### Outcome 1: Grow Pickleball

- Virtually;
- Complete WPA Website, Update Social Media Accounts
- 3 Dimensionally;
- Done/Ongoing Requires Technical Lead
- Collaborate with S2S Communities, Neighbourhoods, Stratas, School Boards & Peripheral Association
- Coach and Provide Ambassadors for local Intro Clinics
- Procure "Loaner" Equipment: Nets, Paddles, Balls, etc. and manage their distribution

#### Done/Ongoing - ATM, Storage is an Issue!

#### Outcome 2: Encourage Quality Pickleball Facilities

➤ Inform RLAC (RMOW's "Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee")

**High Priority - Completed** 

- Undertake "Needs Assessment" and Compile member's desires toward;
  - Court Locations and Facility Types, including
  - Specific Amenities and/or Peripheral Activities
    - High Priority Completed
- Interpret, Analyze and Compare with Pertinent Outside Jurisdictions
- Communicate with the Greater Community and External Stakeholders

#### Outcome 3: Foster Player Development

Identify and Vet Qualified Coaching Providers

- On-going Planning...
- Train and Champion "Physical Literacy" in the Sea to Sky Corridor
- > Market WPA Program Offerings to our Members first, then backfilling with the greater community

#### Outcome 4: Increase Membership and Populate Board of Directors

- Re-structure Annual Fees and Explore Fundraising Opportunities
- Increase Community Awareness of the Association
  - Print Advertising and Online Marketing

**Ongoing** 

Updated as of June 9 2023

## **SUMMARY**



### WPA in Whistler, Key Points...

- Planning for RMOW facilities and programs
- Encouraging diversity in new players
- Supporting low cost-to-entry & to stay playing

## Whistler Pickleball Association, Key 2023 Objectives...

- Encouraging and Organizing Strategic Partnerships
- Nurturing cost-respective options for PB in the S2S Corridor
- Reviving the WPW Ambassador Program!