

Sarnia Lambton Pickleball Club - AGM

November 26, 2024/ 5:30 PM Dante Club

Attendees

Ron Mombourquette

Kathryn Poole

Michael Barron

Bill Lindsay

Heather Moran

Leslie Dugas

Dom Rae

Aldo Adamo

Carrie Cicchelli

Regrets

- 19 members for AGM portion
- 64 members for AGM and dinner

AGM Agenda

1. Mission Statement
2. Introduction of Executive and Board
3. Bylaws of the Club
4. Financial Report
5. Q&A on Financials
6. Committees
7. Motions and voting on acceptance of financials, appointing TurnerMoore as external reviewer for next year and to adjourn meeting

Dinner Agenda

1. In Memoriam
2. Recognition of Volunteers
3. Tournaments - Spring Smash & Club Championships
4. Facility Updates - DeGroots
5. Program highlights
6. Player Development Highlights
7. Pickleball Rating Process

AGM Meeting Notes

1. The SLPC By-laws indicate that only members should be present at AGM unless the Chair invites guests. Ron noted this at the onset of the meeting and welcomed any guests in attendance.
2. Agenda for the meeting introduced

On a motion made by Mario Gonzalez and Kathryn Poole:

To accept the Agenda as presented

All in favour. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Remainder of the AGM presentation ensued

- Financial presentation
- Profit of just over\$29k - should have 6-12 months cash on hand to cover expenses so cash will be kept available.
- All other items covered were in the presentation

Questions:

- Was the flooring expense included in financial presentation
 - No, Flooring not recorded as an expense yet
- No other questions

3. Conclusion of AGM presentations

On a motion made by Vince Peseski and Mary

To adjourn the meeting at 6:02 pm

All in favour. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Dinner Meeting Notes

Commenced at 6:06 p.m.

Aldo - Facilities presentation

- City is keeping SLPC credit to use towards next year fees
- City agreed to keep nets at Baxter park up all winter
- Storage shed at Blackwell hub will keep equipment including first aid equipment
- **Q: suggest to City wifi camera would be good idea so members can see if courts are available**
- SLPC have also suggested lighting, more screening around courts and wind indicator
- SLPC noted it is thankful to City for new positive partnership that has formed
- DeGroots update:
 - Play will start Dec 9, extended hours and days available
 - Programming important to make informed decisions regarding permanent location
- SLPC wants to promote our own club, rather than other organizations that are for profit

- SLPC is in constant conversations about having our own facility.

Bill - Programming Highlights (7:20 pm)

- 300 time slots every week
- Salix will charge credit cards once per month

Questions: (**see separate Q&A document for all questions and answers**)

- How far ahead will Salix be available for bookings?
 - one week
- Guests policy - \$10 fee, can come 3 times before they need to join, and must sign insurance waiver
- Salix bookings - needs 24 hour cancellation in order to avoid credit card charge
- Courts will have 5 slots per court
- What about if someone signs up and no one else signs up?
 - Bill can cancel if not less than 4 players
 - Advise to check salix in advance to see how many have booked
 - As long as there are 4 players, play will proceed
 - Waitlist - will you automatically be placed if a spot opens?
 - Yes, and will get email notification
 - Can you set up to enroll multiple people for individual play?
 - No, need separate sign-ons. Exception is if booking own court, then can sign multiple names

Ron - Ratings

- Needed for tournaments, and personal improvement
- Q - What if someone has been rated by an assessor?
 - present documentation to club and club will use that rating once reviewed
- Q - Is there a charting system that describes all the levels?
 - Yes, there is a checklist on PB Canada website. **We will put it on our own site.**
- Q - What if we don't want to play tournaments to get a rating?
 - member can still play rated play and see results to determine if should be playing up or down at club
- SLPC will perhaps run smaller club tournaments to generate more ratings
- Q - Will we be ready for Dec 9 with ratings? Will the club make rating adjustments before then?
 - We haven't determined if rating adjustments will be made. We will run sessions as is for a few weeks and update for January if needed

General Questions

- Is the City going to mend courts that need it?
 - Mike took some photos, but the discussions are on-going and club will continue to gather court information to provide to City

- Rain - can someone determine if play is actually safe to play rather than up to members only?
 - The court monitors will determine , but safety will be always first
- SLPC is looking for court monitors
 - Q - can you add the ability to book as a court monitor in Salix?
 - Not in salix, but will create a calendar to sign-up
 - Q - what is the responsibility of a court monitor?
 - still need documentation, but generally to ensure the ones that have paid to play are there, to ensure courts are safe and update Salix notes as needed, may have to get waiver from guest playing
 - Q - can the member play as well as monitor?
 - That is ideal, TBD
 - Q - as a monitor, will there be printed sheets or a laptop?
 - TBD, laptop ideal
 - Q - what is power as monitor, can they shut down play?
 - YES, and the members need to be informed and respect monitors decision
 - Q - challenge with salix that the monitors need to be able to view all play regardless of level and gender (currently a member can only view select sessions)
 - Needs to be understood that monitors are not personally liable
- John DeGroot - asks that someone escort out their employee at the end of the night to ensure safety - definitely
- What about Corunna courts, can we implement programming there? - yes we will try, it is a Sarnia- Lambton club. Mike would entertain talking to St Clair Twp mayor
- Q- will the presentations will be available on website>
 - Yes, and the Minutes, and a Q&A document
- Rob C - great praise for whole club and how far we have come in a year

Meeting adjourned : 8:15 pm