

**Yukon Pickleball Monthly Meeting
March 10th, 2022
12:00 -1:00 Sport Yukon**

Attending:

Jim Gilpin, Hector Campbell, Walter Brennan, Gord Clark

Regrets: Sue Staffen, Gord Clarke

Call to Order: Jim Gilpin called meeting to order 12:00

Agenda:

Motion to adopt with power to add: Motion Jim , 2nd Hector
Carried

Minutes of Last Meeting:

Motion to adopt minutes as presented: Jim, 2ndBrenda
Carried

New Business:

1. Treasurer's Report:

Two invoices sent to City of Whitehorse for Pickleball Fundamentals Courses (\$400).
YPA paid for Mark Renneson's Dinner after NCCP Course.
Jim reimbursed for supplies to set up courts at Vanier school for NCCP Course and Clinics
Walter reimbursed for Pickleball Machine from Pickleball Depot.

2. Summer Court Bookings:

City is offering school gym bookings for summer months at three gyms. Looking at the options, the Porter Creek large gym is our best option. Booking request must be submitted to City by April 1st. We do not want to Friday evenings or weekends during the summer. Suggest asking for two 4- hour slots on two separate days between Monday and Thursday bur not Thursday evening if possible (one day slot and one evening slot). Examples might be one day from 1:00 – 5:00 and another evening from 6:00 – 10:00. Jim will contact City of Whitehorse to find out what times are available and book.

3. Yukon Pickleball Day:

Date set at May 1st . Brenda will meet with Keri at the City to confirm the details regarding advertising, sign-ups and to modify the poster. We will need all our instructors and Board members to help at this event. Brenda will book 3 Takhini courts for Sunday, April 24, 1:00 – 3:00 to do a dry run through our

program for Pickleball Day with Instructors. The idea is to have one lead and two helpers at each of the sessions with some variations.

The Invitations will need to be sent out soon and replies monitored. Three volunteers have stepped forward to help with this task and administrative duties on May 1st (Gaylene, Karen L. and Anne-Marie). Thanks to Brenda for taking the lead on this file.

4. Ball Machine

Ball Machine, 150 outdoor balls and two ball caddies have just arrived. Paperwork has been submitted to Lotteries for reimbursement. Lotteries will pay for the ball machine and balls (\$2770). YPA will cover the cost of the two ball caddies (\$130).

Lotteries is asking YPA to put a Lotteries Logo on the machine and their logo on our website in recognition of their support to YPA. They will forward their specs to Walter electronically.

Jim has not had a chance to check if we can rent secure storage with power at CGC. There appears to be a secure storage area at the end of the flexi hall. It is important the machine is plugged in when not in use.

Board will book some time at Takhini to get oriented on the operation and capabilities of ball machine and to set up parameters surrounding its use at the next Board meeting.

5. Pickleball Canada Website Transition:

Ian has sent an update to Hector noting that the new site is nearly 80% complete. He has already posted the minutes of meetings, newsletters, new Board from the AGM and the Store (how to book the CGC as a member). New site hosted by PCO does most of what we want to do. Ian has included a button for SignUP Genius which we will continue to use in the short term. PCO is putting in an Event Management System in the future that we can transition to and move away from SignUP Genius when that is up and running.

Moving to the PCO site now will save us approximately \$600 for the year as we do not have to pay the cost for our domain name or costs associated with hosting our website. As we are now under 200 members there is no charge from PCO. The consensus from the Board is to transition to the new system as soon as possible.

There is a small fee for service when we do financial transactions. It is minimal as compared to the money we are saving transitioning to PCO.

Presently members will not have access our membership list. This restriction is in place due to privacy concerns. PCO has a privacy expert on their Board and they are working on possible solutions.

Ian has done all the technical work for us to move to the new system and needs to be thanked for that effort.

6. NCCP Coaching Course Proposed Date – March 5th – 6th:

Mark Renneson from Pickleball Canada delivered the NCCP Basic Instructor course on the March 5th and various levels of skills Clinics on March 6th. He is a valuable resource and an excellent instructor.

The course was overall a success as were the clinics. Mark did not share the lists of who was to attend the clinics beforehand. The clinics were in addition to the course and organized by 3rd Shot Sports. His program is what we are using to deliver the Pickleball Fundamentals Course at CGC with some modifications. Brenda has a complete list of Lesson Plans purchased from 3rd Shot Sports.

7. Takhini School Teacher Request:

Brenda was approached by a teacher at Takhini School to ask if they could borrow up to 10-12 paddles to run a short program at the school. They have nets, balls and several paddles but need a few more.

Board has decided we will lend the school the requested paddles. We need to reserve enough for the classes we teach at CGC. As these paddles were purchased via a Lotteries Grant it is a good way to show Lotteries we are being pro-active in helping the school set up a program.

8. Takhini School Programming March /May:

Saturdays: We will have 8 Saturdays available between March 26 and May 28th. Starting on March 26th the Round Robins will alternate between Open Round Robin from 2:00 - 4:00 and Stratified Round Robin the following Saturday (ABC 2:00 -4:00, DEF 4:00 -6:00). On Open Booking Round Robin days the 4:00 – 6:00 time slot will be open for private booking.

Sundays: Ladder League ABC (9:00 -11:00), DEF (11:00 – 1:00). Open booking 1:00 – 3:00.

On April 9th-10th weekend the school is not available to us and will not be available on May 1 due to Yukon Pickleball Day. It is to be determined if we will have any programming on May 21-22 as it is the Victoria Day long weekend.

9. AGM VP Position Vacant:

Hector has stepped up to take on that position again. “Thank you” Hector.

Walter will file Annual Report (signed Financial Statements), new directors and addresses with Societies. We can use Sport Yukon as our mailing address.

10. Tennis Yukon Professional Coach:

Tennis Yukon contacted Jim to let us know they are hiring a professional coach and that this person has been teaching Pickleball in his past employment history. There may be an opportunity to use that resource next winter

Adjourn 1:50 Next Meeting Thursday, April 14th, 2022

Prepared by: Walter Brennan