

**Yukon Pickleball Monthly Meeting  
October 24th, 2023  
12:00 -1:30 Sport Yukon**

**Attending:**

Jim Gilpin, Brenda Dion, Walter Brennan, Hector Campbell.  
Regrets: Erik Hoenisch

**Call to Order:**

Jim called meeting to order at 12:05

**Adoption of Agenda:** Moved by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> Hector.

**Minutes of August 10th, 2023:** Motion to adopt: Hector, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim

**Old Business:**

**New Business:**

**1. Treasurer's Report:**

Erik is out of town and will be back for the next meeting in November. There is nothing pressing currently that needs Erik's attention until then.

**2. Update on Gord's Presentation to City Council – Permanent Courts:**

Gord is out of town until early December and Caroline Sparks has been unavailable to meet with Gord or Hector due to other commitments and constraints on her time.

Given the delay and the importance of moving ahead to make a presentation to City Council the Board will start to prepare an outline and a draft Power Point presentation for Gord's review and input. Hector will contact Gord to let him know our intentions.

**3. Contacting Inactive Members: Why are they not renewing :**

We would like to get some feedback from those members who have not signed for Takhini and from those who have not renewed their memberships from last year. Jim has made some direct communication with some members who have since signed up for Takhini. He has volunteered to draft a note to members who have not renewed, ask for feedback and pass on programming that is happening this indoor season.

**4. January 6, 2024, Tournament Format / Planning:**

Presently we will have 6 courts at the CGC and will go with two levels – Intermediate and Open divisions, with possibly 24 in each division. We still need to sort out the exact format to maximize participation for those who sign up. Given the time constraints we may have to limit games to 15 minutes. We will have further discussion and a notice of the tournament going out in November. There may be a possibility of a Novice tournament the on the same date if we get Elijah Smith for the Christmas Break.

Hector will confirm our needs with Jeremy at the CGC. We will use the same process for Tournament Registration (\$15) through our website. An automatic reminder will be coming to members from PCO to renew their annual membership which expires at the end of December. YPA will send a reminder to sign up for the Winter Takhini pass.

**5. Sunday Takhini Schedule:**

Takhini Schedule for Sunday Round Robins will be divided into four divisions:  
Advanced: 8:00-9:45, Strong Intermediate: 9:45-11:30, Intermediate: 11:30-1:15,  
Facilitated Novice: 1:15-3:00

**6. Saturday Facilitated Round Robin - Brenda:**

Facilitated Intermediate Round Robins will take place on Saturday's at Takhini 2:00-4:00 with at least two instructors facilitating each week. The Board will monitor sign ups and If there is very strong demand we may ask individuals to sign up on alternate weeks unless there are still openings on the Friday before.

**7. Christmas Vacation Schedule Takhini / Elijah Smith:**

Christmas Break at Schools December 21 - January 7<sup>th</sup>. Restart at Elijah Smith on January 12<sup>th</sup>, and Takhini on January 13<sup>th</sup>.

The following are also excluded: Takhini November 11<sup>th</sup> and December 2<sup>nd</sup>, Elijah Smith November 24<sup>th</sup>.

During the Christmas break time is available at Porter Creek, Elijah Smith, and Golden Horn ( December 23rd, 30th and January 6<sup>th</sup>). Hector will check with Jeremy to see if we can get these times at Elijah Smith for 2:00-6:00.

## **8. November Instructor Update**

## **9. School Coverage November**

**Note: Combine Item 8 and 9 agenda items**

**Instructor Update:** Pickleball Fundamentals Course Instructors. Classes on Thursdays, 5:30- 7:30, limit of 8 participants. Naoto will e-mail class lists and contact info to Jim. Jim will pick up a class folder with information and waivers at the front desk and Brenda will provide equipment box to Jim.

November 2,9, and 16: Jim, Walter, and Hector.

November 23, 30 and December 7: Jim, Walter, and Colleen.

Brenda will finalize Instructor assignments for Round Robins at Takhini in next few days and circulate.

### **School Coverage November:**

Walter responsible to open/close and provide all equipment for Elijah Smith on November 3rd, 10th, 17th.

Jim will take care Takhini School on Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> weekends ( no Takhini on Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>). Brenda will give Jim all the equipment bins for Takhini.

## **10. Six-Month Strategic Plan Review:**

Tabled to November 16<sup>th</sup> meeting. Review the priority items for next meeting.

## **11. General Information for Members on Website**

Brenda has developed a few notes on the following and will forward to Jim to post in an information note to members:

- Elijah Smith / Takhini
- Sign -Up Etiquette
- Drop-In Play – Round Robins are not drop in
- Equipment Set-Up / Takedown

## **12. Canada Senior Games August 2024 – Quebec City**

ERA has an in person meeting on November 9<sup>th</sup> at Mt Mac to discuss the upcoming games in Quebec during the last week of August 2024. "I Might Go" forms will be passed out with a deadline to have in by January 12<sup>th</sup>. Individuals sport selection process will not be discussed at this meeting. For Pickleball there will be 2 age

divisions, 55+ and 65+ and 3 three skill divisions categories (3.0, 3.5 and 4.0). Recreation division will be 3.0 and the other two competitive. YPA will be regarded as the Sport Governing Body for Pickleball and will take care of the selection process for the Games but note that individuals do not have to be YPA members to attend the Games but must be ERA members. More information to come as we move forward.

Meeting adjourned at 1:46 pm.

Next Meeting: Thursday November 16th, Brenda will use Zoom. Walter to arrange.

Prepared by W. Brennan