

SOUTH COWICHAN PICKLEBALL CLUB MEETING

Friday, April 5, 2024

Member Attendees:

Linda Rush, Tom Lawrence, Loretta Pollard, Maureen Collister, Colin Collister

1. **Call to order:** 14:00
2. **Land Acknowledgement:** Shared and expressed by Linda Rush
3. **Approval of Previous Minutes:** Moved by Linda that the minutes be approved, seconded by Loretta
4. **Business Arising from Minutes**

Concern was expressed regarding the number of people from out of the area who are booking courts on the weekend. Last minute bookings continue to be an issue although Kerry Park is unable currently to adjust bookings. The 45-minute time limit on courts 5 & 6 remains unchanged based on the Kerry Park Commission decision. Tom will meet with Kim to discuss the above and to clarify the specifications and cost of the proposed shed.

5. **Club Reports:**

Membership: As of April 4, we have 124 members signed up with 48 males and 76 females. The survey questions regarding level of play currently show 10 beginners, 23 at 3.0, 36 at 3.25, 42 at 3.5, and 13 at 3.75+

Finance:

Year end 2023: Colin submitted financial statements for the year ending 2023-- the report showed an account balance of \$1,985.13.

Current balance: Loretta reported our account at \$6,006.43 which includes the new registration fees as of March 31.

Communications:

Newsletter: We will send out our first newsletter Monday, April 8. Board members will forward information to Maureen by Sunday: Linda-Welcome, Tom-updates (court allotments, porta potties, shed, ...) Loretta-finance, Maureen-PADS, schedule of events, volunteer co-ordinators

6. **New Business:**

Paddles for PADS: Colin has set up the website for this event. Members pay a \$5.00 registration fee and choose the amount they wish to donate to PADS. The

day's plan is to have a Round Robin 10 a.m.-12:00 (Linda), King's Court 12:00 p.m.-2:00 (Loretta), Mixed Doubles Round Robin 2:00 p.m.-4:00 (Maureen & Colin). We will meet at Maureen's on Wednesday, April 17 at 1pm to prepare for the events.

Event schedule: We will continue with the schedule established last year with a change to the Tuesday Round Robin. Based on the year end survey, several members indicated interest in leveled play. We will start with a lower-level RR from 9-11 a.m. and a higher level RR from 11 a.m-1pm.

Registration for events: We will attempt a weekly registration on our website. We will post all events for the week with links to sign up. Members can sign up one week prior to the event beginning.

Fund-raising for shed: Following Tom's meeting with Kim we will have an estimate of our costs. In the meantime, board members will investigate possible fund-raising opportunities. Some suggestions: Friday 50/50 draws, sale of pickleballs (Loretta), Linda's Walmart application for \$1000 which is up for review.

7. Date and Place of Next Meeting:

Wednesday, April 24 3467 Arbutus Dr. 2 pm

8. Adjournment: @ 3:45 p.m.