

South Cowichan Pickleball Club Meeting

July 13, 2023 @ 4:00pm

3335 Boyles Rd., Mill Bay

Attendees:

Harold Borges, Colin Collister, Maureen Collister, Lynne Phillips, Linda Rush, Shannon Oatway, Laurie Vasey, Kathy Wilson

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:18 pm

Land Acknowledgement shared and expressed by Chair Laurie Vasey.

Approval of the previous Minutes:

Motioned by Harold that the minutes be approved. Seconded by Linda. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Reports:

Financial Report: The Treasurer, Colin reported that as of July 13, 2023, there is a balance of \$2200.58. When all current commitments to the end of September are deducted, there should be a proposed budget of \$1190.58 remaining.

There is a two-week window to submit receipts for reimbursement for the Pickleball grant we received from Pickleball BC. All bills must be submitted by the end of August to Colin.

Communications Report:

There was a discussion with regards to creating a survey for feedback about the instructors from members who participated in the lessons held by SCPC. **Action:** Harold to draft a survey.

There was a discussion with regards to improving the registration for events online for first timers and to reiterate that teams only need one person to register the team.

Upcoming Newsletter to include:

- additional court time for SCPC for structured play
- National Pickleball Day August 12, explanation of dink a thon, registration link through Kerry Park
- Save the Date for SCPC AGM – September 20
- Additional lessons with Marty Stoner

Membership Report: Currently SCPC has 144 members. We are still within the 10% range of those members that are out of the CVRD area.

Social Report: Maureen reported that the feedback from the 'Burger and Beer' social was well attended and positive comments all around.

Business Arising from Minutes:

There are no items arising from the past minutes.

New Business

- 1. Advertising Pickleball tournaments:** It was discussed that any tournaments forwarded from PB Canada, will be posted on the SCPC website with the link to the information. These events will be available for anyone to book directly through the respective club if they choose to participate.
- 2. Pickleball BC emails, and policies review:** It was noted that if SCPC were to host any provincial PB event, alone or in conjunction with other clubs, it would take at least one year in advance to plan. It was agreed that any policy review and changes would be done in the off season, and the policies would be derived from the policies created by BC and National Pickleball Associations.

Events: It was agreed information from the Shawnigan Lake Pickleball Club will continue to be shared by directors who belong to both clubs for planning purposes.

Motioned by Laurie that "SCPC will offer a Friday Night Strikes event every Friday from July 21- August 31 6pm-8pm". Seconded by Colin. **MOTION CARRIED.**

ACTION: Colin and Laurie will meet with Kim Liddle to book extra times for this event.

Motioned by Laure that "SCPC offer another set of lessons in August with instructor Marty Stoner. Seconded by Kathy. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Motioned by Maureen, "SCPC will offer a second 'Burger and Beer' social event by the end of July and a third in August". Seconded by Shannon. **MOTION CARRIED.** The cost of the event will increase to \$20.00 to cover the preset 18% gratuity.

ACTION: Maureen will check date availability with the kitchen staff Jorga at Kerry Park. The event will be advertised on Facebook and our website. There will be organized, social play from beforehand.

- 3. Fiscal Year End:** Motioned by Colin, "SCPC to change the fiscal year to January 1 to December 31". Seconded by Linda. **MOTION CARRIED.** Operationally, events would run from May 1 to September 30.
- 4. National Pickleball Day Updates:** Linda has confirmed 13 gift cards – possibly a couple more to come and 10 jars of pickles. There will be gift card prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place team players for the 90-minute tournament and prizes for the Dink a thon winners, to Anyone who registers and attends the National Pickleball Day, will have their name automatically entered into a draw for a free Gruvn Paddle. Shannon has printed up promotional posters that have been circulated around the

Cowichan Valley. Details about the event will be included in the upcoming Newsletter and possibly an eblast.

Shannon, Lynn, and Kathy will meet on July 31 to plan the Dink a thon and other fun games.

ACTION: Kathy to plan for drinking water and spout for the event.

Meeting Adjourned: 5:58 pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday August 9, 2023 @ 4:30 pm – 3339 Boyles Road, Mill Bay