

SOUTH COWICHAN PICKLEBALL CLUB MEETING

Wednesday, June 5, 2024

Members Attendees: Linda Rush, Tom Lawrence, Loretta Pollard, Maureen Collister

- 1) **Call to Order:** 3:06 p.m.
- 2) **Land Acknowledgement**
- 3) **Approval of Previous Minutes:** We changed the location to Tom's. Moved by Linda, seconded by Tom.
- 4) **Business Arising from the Minutes:**

We will send out a club email noting changes to limit members to 2 events per week. If there are still openings available one day prior to an EVENT, a person can then sign up for it. Members can only sign up for one of the two events on Saturday due to the high demand.

5) Club Reports

- a) **Membership:** 167 members, 66 male, 101 female
- b) **Finance:** Our current account balance is \$7674.18. Fund raising for the maintenance shed is \$1599. This includes a \$500 donation, \$197 from the 50/50 draw, \$242 from the charcuterie ticket sales, \$365 from pickleball sales, \$294 from PADS registration fees. Loretta will pay Kerry Park Recreation for court rentals every 2 months.
- c) **Communications:** The May Newsletter with contributions from all board members was sent out and was well-received. We have low response to "Come Play with Us". It was suggested that we change the name to "Skills and Drills" for members with a rating up to 3.0.

6) New Business

- a) **Cap Membership:** It was agreed that we cap the membership at 175 for this year.
- b) **Sign-up opening** will remain on Sundays at noon
- c) Questions were raised about how to remove your name from a waitlist. Maureen will check with Colin about this issue.
- d) **Login:** Currently members do not need to login to sign up for events. It hasn't been an issue so far as we check the names of event registrants and are aware of club members' names. It was moved by Tom and seconded by Linda that we start a login procedure. Maureen will check with Colin about how to implement it.
- e) **Waivers:** A question from one of our members regarding a waiver for members while participating in our activities was discussed. On the Tuesday event, the courts were wet and the event was eventually cancelled. If conditions are unsafe, the event will be cancelled. (Following the meeting, an email with an attachment

explained that all members are required to sign a waiver when registering with Pickleball Canada.)

- f) **National Pickleball Day**, Saturday August 10, 2024. Kerry Park Recreation has opened registration for the day's activities. Maureen will include information in the club email alerting members to the early registration.
- g) **Maintenance Shed**: Tom has been in touch with Terry Young and the possibility of converting a large C-Can to an 8x8 one. Several modifications would be required along with possible shelving, painting, etc. Transportation of the unit would also need to be considered in the total cost. Terry will get back to Tom with some estimates. Loretta will check out costs for equipment such as squeegees, blowers, roller, solar panel.
- h) **Fund Raising**: Loretta was offered tickets with a value of about \$100) for a soccer game in Langford which could be raffled off as another fund-raiser. The tickets for Sunday July 28, 2 p.m. might be the best choice. People have been asking about future 50/50 draws. This was discussed following the meeting, but it could be run for June.
- i) **Tom meeting with Kim Liddle**: Loretta informed us of the "shade structure" down the centre aisle at the Shawnigan courts. It is an effective way to offer some relief during hot days. Tom will check to see if that is a possibility at Kerry Park. Loretta will take a photo of the Shawnigan set-up and forward it to Tom.
- j) **Triple Domination**: This event was a success with positive feedback. Linda would like to repeat this activity on Thursday, August 29, one of the two extra Thursdays available that is not already booked.

7. **Date and Place of Next Meeting**: Wednesday July 3, 3 pm at Maureen's

8. **Adjournment**: @ 16.50 p.m.