

## SOUTH COWICHAN PICKLEBALL CLUB MEETING

Wednesday, July 3, 2024 (1768 Wilmot Rd)

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

1) **Call to Order:** 3:03 p.m.

2) **Land Acknowledgement**

3) **Approval of Previous Minutes:** Moved by Linda, seconded by Tom.

4) **Business Arising from the Minutes:**

a) Kerry Park has agreed to changing the start time to 8:00 a.m. for our club Saturday morning event for the summer schedule. Jill Dayton canvassed the neighbors and documented their approval as requested by Kerry Park. This will allow us to offer the second Saturday event from 10:00 a.m. - noon. With the lower registration for the second RR event, we will try a new option of a doubles event. Members can sign up as a team of two: M/M, F/F, or M/F.

5) **Club Reports**

a) **Membership:** We will keep the 175 cap on membership. We currently have 16 people on the wait list. We will revisit these numbers again if the participation level in our events changes.

b) **Finance:** Our current account balance is \$7,579.93 generated from registration fees, donations, and fund-raising dollars. Linda Rush received notification of a \$1000.00 grant from Walmart which will arrive within the month. The budgeted court costs remaining are approximately \$2,760.00. We plan on retaining \$1000.00 in the club account for the 2024/2025 season which leaves us with approximately \$4,819. This will be enough for the club to proceed with an agreement with Kerry Park to build the shed. Fundraising and negotiations with Kerry Park will continue in order purchase maintenance equipment such as squeegees, rollers, blower, solar panel.

c) **Communications:** Change the wording on the Tuesday RR events to RR (**up to 3.25**) this will eliminate the "Beginner" label and to RR (**3.5 & up**) Update the Saturday Mixed Doubles: start time 8:00 a.m. and change the second Saturday event to: Doubles (MM/, F/F, M/F) 10:00-noon. This will start Saturday July 13.

The board member emails will be added to the website.

6) **New Business**

a) **Waivers:** A sample waiver form from Pickleball Canada will be edited to meet the SCPC needs. These forms will then be shared with event coordinators who can have the occasional non-member sign the waiver if they are needed to fill in for an event.

- b) **National Pickleball Day**, Saturday August 10, 2024. Kerry Park Recreation has opened registration for the day's activities. It was agreed that we do not have a cake! Plans for the actual day's events: Linda will contact Cheryl Proctor at Kerry Park regarding what they can provide by way of prizes and set-up. She will also check if we can arrange for the Gelato Guy and/or a food truck on site for the day. Maureen will line up volunteers for the different events and will contact Rand Granbois for advice on setting up the events.

We will not have as many prizes offered as last year. Donations were discussed but no action was taken at this time. Tickets will be sold for a GRUVN paddle which has been donated.

- c) **Maintenance Shed:** Tom has been in touch with Terry Young, but no C-Can is available to meet our requirements. It was agreed that we go with Kerry Park building the shed.
- d) **Fund Raising:** Loretta was offered tickets with a value of about \$100 for a soccer game in Langford which will be raffled off as another fund-raiser. The tickets are for Sunday July 28, 2 p.m. and will be available from board members.
- e) **Tom meeting with Kim Liddle:** Tom reported that Kerry Park will not be able to provide a possible shade structure at this point in time...not in the budget.
- f) **Name Tags:** Cindy Paquette has offered to make name tags with a magnetic clasp. The board chose the name tag with the SCPC logo and members will indicate their first name/nickname to be printed on the tag. Cindy is only asking \$1.00 to cover material costs and the club can sell them for \$5.00 as a fund-raiser. Colin will set up a page on the website where members can order and pay online.

7. **Date and Place of Next Meeting:** Wednesday July 31, 3 pm at Tom's

8. **Adjournment:** @ 4:55 p.m.