

Agenda
KPI Annual Meeting
July 22nd, 2026 @ 10:00 AM
Kingsville Arena Complex - 1741 Jasperson Dr, Kingsville, ON N9Y 2E4

REQUESTED TO BE PRESENT: Helen Dean, Rob Dalley, Patrick Cleminson, Rahul Gupta, Dan

With the short notice for the meeting Rob and Helen will run the meeting.
Patrick and Dan are working this morning. Rahul is out of the country.

President Helen Dean or designate to call meeting to order at 10:00am

Welcome and requested for all KPI members in attendance to sign in.

Motion to approve last KPI meeting

Rob and Helen motioned and seconded to accept the minutes from the last meeting.

BUSINESS ARISING

No business arising from the minutes

INDIVIDUAL DIRECTORS' REPORTS

President

Spring Elections- 3 positions- 2-year term for Helen, Patrick and Rahul are up.

Watch for the notice in the spring for elections- we encourage people to put their name forward to be on the board.

The season fee was reduced this year due to the shortened time frame that we expected on the courts. Our season fee will go back up next year to \$50. Right now, the registration is closed for obvious reasons, with the court's closing and reconstruction. In early September Patrick will open registration back up, and members can register for the next year which will mean season fees are paid through to December 2027. The advantage of that is simply that you are registered and have your insurance throughout the wintertime. Anyone who is playing with Jen, for example, on the school indoor courts, needs to be a part of pickleball Canada.

We are getting brand new courts. The tender went out throughout the month of June and came in more than \$125,000 over budget.

On July 13 at the Town council meeting, it was approved with that overage. Jules and Helen have been attending the meetings with the town and were very pleased with the input allowed on behalf of the club. There were a number of provisional items that they put on the tender that got approved. For example, lights, footings for shade down the alleyway between courts, electrical outlets, and fence gates on every court. Each court will be fully enclosed. The fence will be industrial as opposed to residential.

The posts will be bolted into cement rather than dug into the ground. They will be raising the courts and proper drainage will be put under the courts and this is a large part of the reason the courts need to be started now. This needs to be completed before any possibility of ground freeze. Court construction begins on Monday, July 27 and our season ends as of Sunday, July 26.

The courts will be the proper size for USAPA sanctioned tournament play with 10ft behind the baselines and 7ft between sidelines and the fences.

Jules acknowledged all of the work Helen has put into getting the courts, both the initial courts and now these new courts and shared that she deserves a lot of the credit for getting to where we are today with the courts and the work she has done with the town.

Helen also thanked Jules for attending all of the meetings with her and sharing his expertise with court plans and sizing.

As well thanks was shared to all of the members for their continued support and flexibility in working around the present issues with the courts and now shortening our season to await the new courts.

Litigation is ongoing over the issue with the present courts - we do not have an update

Questions answered:

There will be no formal KPI play for the remainder of the season as there are no viable options for club play. There are 2 courts that are usable in Cottam, indoor play in Leamington, Essex and Windsor are other options. The ice pad is going in the arena so we can't use the arena floor. The school gym is presently being cleaned and then school will begin. Please continue to post on Facebook and through Team Reach to invite people to play at locations you attend.

An email will be sent out to all members informing them of the court closure as of July 27

The tender was awarded to the Jones Brothers- the same contractors that constructed the Amherstburg courts. The courts will be the same colour as the current ones are.

Please do not approach the contractors. If you have questions about the construction while it is ongoing direct them to our email and Jules and Helen will address any concerns with the town.

Water- the pipes by the ball diamonds cannot be guaranteed to provide drinkable water. The water fountains across the street are available.

Wind screens and the shade sails are provisional items which we will be able to spend our money to purchase if they are not included with the town construction. As well, the shed we were unable to install is another item for purchase by the club. These are all items discussed over the years by the club that were desired by the members.

The town will remove the benches and bins and store them during construction. They will be put back on the new courts.

The grant money must be spent before this calendar year. So, either way, the courts will be finished this year and should be ready to go in the spring.

Treasurer - Dan

In Dan's absence Rob gave the treasurer's report:

We started this year with \$24,324.79. And now we have \$31,292, which is almost a \$7,000 difference, which we collected in fees. That's not including the two GICs we have. In total, we have almost \$66,000. We have all this money because we weren't allowed to use it because of the court case. Now we will use that to get any of the things that the town is not going to provide. Any of the extras we need will use up that money pretty quickly, and then we'll always have around \$5,000 to \$10,000 in the bank as a minimum balance.

Question answered: yes, members provide input about how the money is spent - at our board meetings for example. Over the years the members have been clear that they want shade,

screens and storage. We will purchase these if they are not paid for by the town. This is money we have saved for these purchases. We will maintain the bottom-line budget in order to be able to buy balls and pay our season fee for our court usage. Our registration fee will be \$50 next season. Our court fees paid to the town are set for 15 years at \$3,000. In future if there's something that we decide as a club, we would like in addition to what we have, then we would have to determine the cost and decide if we want to raise the funds for the purchase. This would be decided on with feedback from the members.

Vice President - Rob

Communication- Rob shared the ways in which members are able to communicate and receive communications from and with the board.

We have two Facebook pages that Wayne and Jude, take care of.

Communication board out here at the courts, and the whiteboard at the gate entrance.

KPI website

KPI emails, - email the board at any time Kingsvillepickleball@gmail.com

Monthly board meetings- are all welcome and encouraged to attend

-The communication board we have in the courts includes courts set up- Wayne Biggley set up this year. Emergency contact information, what to do if you're injured, the insurance that you're getting for the year allows you to play anywhere in Canada on regular courts.

- We also put up our meeting information league information on the board

- Regularly check the board for communication items

- Attend board meetings to provide input

- Email input, questions etc. to our email address

Volunteers- Thank you and acknowledgement for all of their hard work.

Wayne took on our court setup this year and did a phenomenal job- thanks for taking that lead. Wayne, Jules, Jack, Dave, Rick, Brian, Joanne, Peter, and Perry were our people that showed up once every two weeks to set up things. So, thanks for that group.

One tournament this year, and that's Marcy and Nicole that are taking the lead on that. Thanks to Jules, also for helping with that. Jules will be here this weekend, doing all the scoring. And then we have Jude and Wayne, Brian, Stu, and Deborah helping volunteer in the tournament.

There are lots of ways to help out, and if you talk to Marcy and Nicole, you're going to see that a lot of their work was done at home. A lot of work on the computer. So, if you're looking for ways to volunteer, it doesn't always have to be at the courts. For example, what Wayne does for set

up is at the courts, but a lot of tournament organization, league organization is done at home on your own time. So just think about that. We also want to thank Van for making the trophies for this weekend's tournament. Did it on a 3D printer. We have 30 teams entered, so that's 60 people, which will donate \$600 this weekend from the tournament.

Thank you to Diane-she always helps with the courts when she's here, keeping us organized. We always thank Jude for making sure all the pouches and the screens are repaired.

Thank you to our convenors for league play. We had lots of leagues, and our convenors were Jen, Rose, Penny, Terry, Melissa, Darlene, Deb, Marcy, Marilyn, Hope, Linda, Christine, Nicole, Lydia, and Pauline.

Thank you to Van for running our Thursdays from 4 to 5 with his ball machine. People are always welcome to come and hit with him.

Thank you to our board members, Helen, Patrick, Dan, Rob and Rahul for the volunteer hours and work they do.

Every year we set goals- This year we had leagues every morning at 11:15. Every night, Monday to Friday, from 6 till 8. Saturdays, we had two leagues at 9 and 11, and Sunday 9-11. We've maxed out that time, because on the weekends and the night, we don't have 8 courts. We're looking next year to use the 4 to 6 time more, and with lights, after 8 o'clock. So hopefully that works out. But without the conveners, we can't run this. So, thanks to all the conveners again. We were able to offer leagues at all levels, which is nice.

One thing we're considering but we have not fully made this decision, is we're looking as a board to have one night next year just drop-in play with no league. Because we have a lot of people that work during the day, and if they're an intermediate player, and there's only a beginner at night, or only competitive at night, they only have two courts to play. So, something the board is considering is having one free night a week. You know, maybe Wednesday, Friday, whatever, that is just drop-in play. So, it's not a decision that we've made, but if you have an opinion on that, send it to Kingsville Pickleball email please. No matter what, whenever we have leagues, there are always two courts available for drop in. So, if you're not in that league, you can always drop in and play.

Goals for next year- We want to offer more tournaments, and get more four to six playing time involved. So, if you have suggestions or you want to get involved doing something between 4:00 and 6:00, for example- for teenagers, for new members, and get them to come out to practice, that would be great. Jules and Rob are always available to help behind the scenes. Rob tapped on a few people to come and do things this year, and if they could, they always say yes. So, if you need a little push, we'll do that, and we're always there to help you out.

Other volunteer positions- the social committee, we're always looking for more things to do as a social with this group, and we thank what's gone on this year. Court set up will take place again next year, clinics, conveners, court monitors. There's always more for people to do and

need your help to get it all done. Being a board member, watch for elections and nominate yourself for a position.

We need volunteers- Lots of things to do, and you don't have to take on everything. If you want to just do the marketing behind the scenes or just be a contact or just come and help out the day of an event, you can do that. When you sign up, that doesn't mean you're taking on everything.

Positives we can share- one thing we do have -when people ask, anytime you come, there's courts to play on and you don't have to wait for hours, as other courts do. And this is a great club. Everyone gets along and, you know, the play is great and a lot of smiles and a lot of laughs. So, it's a great club that all of us have built.

Director at Large

N/A

Secretary

N/A

NEW BUSINESS

Helen ended with the following-

Thank you, Rob. Thank you to all of you. Helen shared a very big thank you again to all the members. It's been a short but a wonderful season. We've certainly had a lot of fun as Rob has said, and when we get visitors in, it is always positive feedback about how welcoming they feel when they come to play with us and be in our court. So, it's a great atmosphere, and we want to really work hard to maintain that positivity that we have with each other. It is terrific.

Thank you again to all of you for everything.

Our next meeting is already set for September the 8th. We decided as a board to skip August. One because we're all so busy doing things, but also it will give time for some of the things to happen on the court. Our meetings are always at the arena, and they start at 6:15pm. Anybody is welcome to attend.

Pizza will arrive around 11:00- enjoy a slice, play some games and socialize.

Thank you for a terrific season!

Meeting adjourned

Date of next meeting

Next meeting September 8 at 6:15 pm.