

PICKLEBALL MEETING

NOVEMBER 29, 2009

Dave called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM welcoming all. He asked if there were any topics from the audience, not on the agenda they would want to discuss. He stated that the structured play and court usage will be tabled until the board could meet to review all proposals before making a recommendation.

Dave asked if there were any questions on the minutes of Oct. 30th meeting, hearing none Jane made a motion to accept as written and Rod seconded, unanimously passed.

Priscilla stated the current balance of the account is \$3226.00, due mainly to the upcoming tournament. The bill paid for balls was \$314.55, (6 dozen of these being held for tournament.) The Halloween costs were \$98.00 and pickleball made \$292.80 for this event. Joan motioned to accept the report as written, Rod seconded; voted unanimously.

Priscilla made a motion to change the organization's bank account to a non interest bearing account as rates are so low and it eliminates taxable interest income, Joan seconded; voted unanimously.

Meet and greet will be held Wed., Dec. 2nd. There will be turkey wraps and veggie wraps. Rose has volunteered to make the veggie wraps, Jane buying the turkey wraps from Costco. The side dishes and desserts will be provided by individual pickleballers. You may bring your own water or soda. Nancy Jordan volunteered to bring the beverages for visiting guests. There will be no volunteer breakfast after this tournament, but we will honor all volunteers for both tournaments in January after the Senior Olympics, at the hero's breakfast.

The New Years Eve party will be a black and white theme. Tom Chestnut will be the DJ. His fee for the evening will be \$1750.00. Tickets will be sold at \$12.50 each. After expenses, pickleball will receive 80% of balance.

The fences were due in Phoenix last week and scheduled to be installed starting tomorrow, Monday, Nov. 30th. Dave to check on this. The shed has been wired. The bulletin board has been repaired and is back up. The wind screens are back up on court one. Neil Whitfield has turned the nets up. Neil and Dave will check the courts to see about power washing them prior to the tournament.

Nancy Jordan reported that there are 38 XLG and 30 LG long sleeve, grey T-shirts and lots of pins left. These will be available at the meet and greet, tournament and within park. We will postpone ordering new T-shirts for now.

For the month of Dec. there will continue to be card draws on Tues. and Thurs. and ladders on Wed. The Board will review proposals and report back at next meeting.

Reserve time will continue on court one and court two will be added as a reserve court on a trial basis for the month of Dec. On court one only, you may reserve a block of two hours with eight or more players. All eight players must be present for the two hours or the court reverts to an open court. You may not play on another reserve court that day. John Watts reminded all that when your hour/hours are up you must exit the court regardless of the score of the game. If there are any problems with the reserve courts report these to Joan or Rod.

Neil Whitfield is looking into the purchase of a clock for the reserve court.

Joan and Rod reported that there were 24 that took beginner classes in Nov. Beginners and beginner plus will be taught in Dec., adding a Wed. clinic in Jan. Beginners will continue Tues. from 11:00 to 12:30, plus will be Mon. 11:00-12:00 and the clinic Wed. from 11:00-12:00.

Rod reported that the balls are not as good as in the past. The best were held for the tournament. We use USAPA approved ball and there is no choice on the quality control. Nancy is ordering the balls for the Senior Olympics and 10 dozen more for the park, previously approved last season. Nancy mentioned that the Senior Olympic maybe in jeopardy for next year due to Tucson budget cuts.

Dave made a motion for the new numbering of the courts. Court one to remain, two near volley ball, three near court yard, four, five, six and seven will replace the present two, three, four and five. Joan seconded, unanimously passed.

The Dec. tournament is this week. Jane and Chuck are still in need of referees. The runners are all lined up. There are other volunteers for line judges. It was brought up that non medal matches can be self refereed. The first aide station will be headed by Garry Yeakle. The first aid kit has been upgraded. Rod will be in charge of the medals and Mel Cope will again do pictures for the tournament. Nancy Jordan is working on sponsorships. There are none for Dec. but may have secured Tucson Ortho for the Olympics. The park has offered a discount on sites for those coming in for the tournament. There will be vendors selling goods, providing services and donating give a ways.

Welcome our out of town guest. Those coming in for the tournament early are welcomed in our structured play Tues., Wed. and Thurs. There are 150 registered for the tournament. 70-75% of these players are members of the USAPA.

The stat desk will be located at the tennis shelter area. Joanne Oehlenschlaeger will be at the registration desk. The lunches this year will be provided by the restaurant, preorder forms will be at the registration desk. Pickleball will receive a \$1.00 for each sandwich order. Priscilla has arranged for recycle barrels, think green. We discussed the possible use of tennis courts and volley ball courts for warm up, to be determined.

Dave made a motion to bring board back to eight members, Jane seconded, unanimously voted. Dave made a motion to appoint Peggy Cashen (has agreed to take) to the position of treasurer and Claudia Ehli to co chair structure play. Passed unanimously.

Jane mentioned the library is currently in the shed; content is posted on the bulletin board.

Dave went over a list of possible proposals, making motions which were all seconded and unanimously voted.

1. All recommendations, proposals or suggestions are presented to the board, via Dave as coordinator no less than one week prior to schedule meeting in order to be considered for that meeting. Motion made by Dave, seconded by Rod, unanimously voted.
2. The Goodwill Committee become official committee, for the purpose of making recommendations to the board about issues concerning player relations, and placed under the direction of Rod Farley and that all committees present and future be chaired by a current board member. Motion made by Dave, seconded by Priscilla, unanimously voted.

3. All committees act as a unified group, with all members being invited to attend all meetings so that all have the opportunity to provide opinions on all discussions. Motion made by Dave, seconded by Rod, unanimously voted.

4. That all committees must get board approval before making changes to existing schedules. Motion made by Dave, seconded by Priscilla, unanimously voted.

5. That board member's spouses may serve on a committee as long as the board member is not responsible for that committee. Motion made by Dave, seconded by Joan, unanimously voted.

Mary Whitfield asked about trying a new ladder in Dec. for two weeks on a trial bases. Paul made a motion to do so, Rod seconded, five voted for, and one against. Novice play will be tabled until next meeting.

There was a request to go back to dated T-shirts, will revisit this when ordering new shirts. Also, questioned was the previously suggested sale of hats and visors. Dave Jordan reported did not go over well at National level.

If there is a problem, please go through coordinator and he will channel to the correct people.

Steve Almeter reported good feedback on structure play.

The next meeting will be on Dec. 20th, with a special called meeting to be held on Dec. 8th, to discuss structured play time and the court sign-up sheet system.

Dave made a motion to close the meeting at 3:05 PM, Joan seconded, unanimously voted.

Respectively submitted.

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