

Pickleball Court Operations Committee (PCOC)

Meeting Minutes: Thursday, December 7, 2023

Attendance: Lettie Flerchinger, Abigail Berg, Rodney Diseker, Chris Jafay, Gayle Powers, Kendal Wake, Rob Wright

Who	Description/Action Items/Notes	Due
Gayle	Outdoor Ball Update – 191 out of 200 balls are still viable, and none have broken – good sign	
Rob, Rodney, Lettie	<p>Court Maintenance:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mike Cooper, who maintains and changes the wind sock is buying a new fiberglass pole for it and will install when it arrives. The club will refund him the cost of the pole. 2. A request was made by Robert to fix the rusting pipes on the court. Lettie will check on the status of that request to the city. 3. PA Tennis Club advice – Laural Stipe recommended it would be best to follow a 7-year court resurfacing plan. They use no chemicals when cleaning off the courts, a hose attachment she specified works well. NEW: Katinka has requested a January meeting with the City regarding resurfacing, and other court issues and to make this a periodic meeting. In addition, she introduced Lettie to two (2) City contacts to this end: Hanna, and Emma Jane. 4. South gate entrance sign (Exit Only) appears somewhat successful, will supplement with another to say something like: <i>“Thank you! Using the other entrance helps protect our courts from rocks and mud!”</i> 	
Group	<p>Cork Board Procedures:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Keep it PB centric 2. Posted inside the shed for members only. 3. Place to post calendars of events, used paddles for sale, etc. 	
Group	<p>Court Safety Protocol:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Website was updated, we do not have a defibrillator, may look into if we can get another (City had us remove it?). 2. A 1st aid box will be built to hold the kit and supplies that will be mounted on the inside of the shed door. 3. Rodney will talk to the Fire dept. about what to put on a sign notifying players what address to give if calling 911. 4. Discussed putting up a sign stating, “Emergency call 911, this location is <u>blah, blah, blah</u>” 	
Group	<p>Indoor play at B&G Club:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. K/Q of the Hill – should have appointed players from the list of those signed up in advance, approx. 24 players, rotations went well, would like to try doing K/Q of the Hill once/month and focus on players of more similar level of skill 2. Indoor balls – no one likes the blue balls, yellow is too close to the floor color, and white is hard for some players to see 	

Group	<p>Holiday Mixer scheduled for December 13th at B&G Club</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Doors will open at 6:15 to set-up 2. Lettie and Rodney will co-lead w/ Susie, Betsy, Sheri G., and Drew to volunteer 3. Discussed supplies, and other details needed for event 4. Discussed play set-up – players will be given a ticket when they arrive to put their name on, then return it to the bowl. 4 players will be chosen from the bowl and they'll decide who plays against who, monitor courts, call names for next participants, and play by ear. 	
Lettie	<p>Survey Results - Lettie highlighted the results of the survey taken by Libby, overall, these are the key points (not in order of importance):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ball machines are important 2. Providing balls is important 3. Players want to improve by clinics and drills 4. Ratings are important 5. Open play is appreciated 6. Organized play w/similar skill levels 	
Kendal	<p>Rate Play Draft Proposal – provided detailed hand-out</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do Skinny Singles 1st Saturday of each month – only these would be entered into Pickleball Brackets 2. Skinny Singles are an ideal way to improve your game 3. Other Saturdays have competition by sorting, while keeping it fun and challenging, and don't enter game results to Pickleball Brackets 	
Lettie	<p>A club member requested the club provide a play time scheduler mechanism on the website so that members of similar skill level could syn up during open play.</p> <p>Discussion:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Open play is currently generating a regular body of multi-level players. 2. Scheduling during open play can be done by individuals. 3. The club has an interest in protecting the concept of open play as an informal gathering. 	
Group	<p>Time and Date for future meetings</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Want everyone to be able to meet, next meeting we'll try a 5:30 p.m. meeting at the same location on Tuesday January 2nd at the Lodge at Sherwood Village 	
	Backlog for future discussion	
12/7/2023	Youth Programming	
11/9/2023	Bainbridge Mixer – no firm decision, need to reach out to Bainbridge on what their thoughts are on it for 2024	

