



MINUTES

North Shore Pickleball Club Directors Meeting

July 12, 2018

Present: Linda Sullivan, Allan Gauthier, Dale Harvey, Larry Harper, Pat Crawford, Ed Orlovsky, Anne Watson

Call to Order: 1:30 pm

Tasks assigned last month were reviewed. All were completed:

- \$450 including taxes and eco fees bought 2 leaf blowers so that each outdoor venue now has one.
- Pat designed business cards with the Club website which were distributed to the directors to promote Club membership
- The Drills & Skills email was sent out for Murdo Fraser
- Lessons were added to our website

Motion: Approve the minutes of June 14 – Moved Pat, Seconded Larry, all in favour.

1. Financial Position

a. The bank balance as at June 30 was \$8800. Revenue to date was \$4400, expenses were \$2700 and outstanding bills \$1200.

b. Registration records have been reconciled to paid memberships. We currently have 240 paid members.

Two members who joined this spring misunderstood the Club rules around the use of courts. Balls and nets are available when we have scheduled court hosts. Everyone is encouraged to become a scheduled court host to maximize the times that balls and nets are available to all members.

Motion: Reimburse the membership fees to these two members, net of monies paid to Pickleball BC and Pickleball Canada, on an exceptional basis,



with the website updated to state clearly that nets and balls are provided to Club members when scheduled court hosts are available. Moved Allan/ Seconded Anne. All in favour.

Action: Larry.

2. Canada Day at Murdo Fraser

81 members enjoyed the extended social play and pot luck luncheon. Suggesting pot luck contributions by last name has worked well on the last two events and will continue for future events.

3. Court Host Reports

- a. Murdo Fraser averages 28-31 players most mornings. Monday and Wednesday evening all-level play is well attended. Tuesday and Thursday advanced level play is being discontinued July 17 as no one has stepped forward to host this time.
- b. Little Cates has about 21 players on Monday and Wednesday, with less on Fridays. It was suggested that the "white board" system may help to organize play on busy days.
- c. West Vancouver started outdoor play at 29th Street on July 1. It is scheduled for Monday, Wednesday, Friday and has had up to 14 players per day since. The club has once had to accommodate tennis players for a 30 minute period. The lines will not be painted and nets installed until September. Some players continue to not be Club members. They will be given one more opportunity before they are removed from the email list. Non-members will be asked to bring their own balls and organize their play independently. Ed and Allan continue to work with the District Parks Board.
- d. Level play continues on indoor courts.

4. Communications

- a. Email lists are current and managed by Allan and the court hosts.
- b. Larry was asked to consider a newsletter for Club members. Alternatively, it was mentioned that a new heading called NEWS could be added to the website to update members. Larry will report back at the next meeting.

Action: Larry

c. It was decided to use the website and email rather than to complicate communications with other platforms (i.e. Facebook).

5. Beginners information brochure/ lessons

Pat distributed the previous brochure, “Basic Rules Overview”, that was produced but never used. Larry was asked to compare the Club website to the Overview and recommend changes to our next meeting.

Action: Larry

6. Pickleball designated facility/courts

a. West Van – discussions are on-going with the WV Parks Board. Work is to begin on the 29th Street courts in September. Ed has spoken with the contractor to ensure regulation courts are marked.

b. Mickey McDougall – two improved tennis courts are included in the new Harry Jerome Redevelopment project. As this means the elimination of two designated PB courts, we are requesting those courts be replaced.

Action: Allan

c. Institute Road has been designated multi-purpose. Allan has identified possible other sites and continues to work with the City of North Vancouver and the District of North Vancouver to have designated pickleball courts. We have the approval of the North Vancouver Tennis Club to get permanent nets and posts at Murdo Frazer, but this won’t happen before September due to contractor availability. We continue to have a good relationship with the tennis club who share sandwiches with our Murdo Frazer courts when they have an event. Allan and Bruce continue to supply them with tables for their social gatherings.

7. Social Activities

a. Labour Day: It was decided to do a BBQ in line with the type done for Canada Day last year. The Club will supply the BBQ and members will provide the salads, desserts etc. The cost is estimated at \$300 as there will be no cake.

Action: Allan will determine how to get a permit

Action: Anne will get the permit, recruit some newer club members, and organize the event.



b. Christmas – it was decided that we should encourage members to host groups as has happened in the past.

8. Pickleball BC and Pickleball Canada

It appears that the merger of PB BC and BC PB is close if not complete. The value of continuing our Club membership will be evaluated for the upcoming year.

Pickleball Canada – a direct link from our website to the PBC site plus one to the PBC insurance site are now up.

9. Other Business

a. Accepting credit cards on our website costs \$10 per month and about \$0.70 per transaction. We will review this at each meeting and decide if it should be turned off until next spring. Our year runs May 1- April 30.

b. Randy Wrixon will be invited to our next meeting to explain the on-line systems that are available to us.

Action: Linda

Meeting adjourned at 3:30.

Next meeting August 16 at Allan's home, 1670 21 Street, N. Van.