

View Point Tennis Club Board Meeting

Minutes

Tuesday, March 4, 2014, 3 p.m.

President, Ramona Rees, called the meeting to order.

Roll call was taken.

Those present were: Ramona Rees, Deena Burns, Maria Bitman, Pam Ouellette, Ron Lane, Bonnie Boushele, Don Foley, Ali Garcia, Sue Twyman, Bob Boa, Doug Wiebe, Blaine Murray, Gene Rees, Bob Brownell, Judy Nixon, Pickles Tuell, Ron Stewart, Ken Gamble, Chuck DeWolf, Donna Lesko, Jim Gerhardt, Maureen Sharp, Diane Hudson, Clive MacRaild, Jody Sander, Linda Decker, Joe Morton, Jan Allan, Dale Bowen, Roger Vigland, Del Stitt, Ed DeWald, Ralph Sharp, Bob Allan, Larry Warnke.

Absent: Gary Hagert, Rachelle Bigelow, Al Warren, Kathy Johnson, Steve Johnson, John Coombs, Deanna Hammer, Jim Eggen, Bev Latrace, Cyrene Moore.

Secretary's Report – Pam Ouellette

Sue Twyman made a motion, seconded by Clive MacRaild, that we accept the minutes of the previous Board Meeting as posted on the website. Approved.

Treasurer's Report – Maria Bitman

We have 373 members.

Capital Fund	\$5,492.23
General Fund	\$123.68
Arizona Tennis & Golf Academy Fund	\$1,088.76
Petty Cash	\$23.50
Total	\$6,728.17

All receipts must be handed in to the Treasurer by the third week of March as the books for this year will be closed on March 31st.

When taking the food handlers course, hand in a note with your name on it to the Treasurer for reimbursement. Judy DeWald does not reimburse this expense, but does require a copy of your certificate.

Committee Reports

Ed DeWald/Bob Allan talked about the Code of Conduct which PPAC were drawing up to be added to the Captains' Handbook. In the meantime another Code of Conduct which is kinder, friendlier and more centered towards inclusion of both players and captains has been offered. Bob Allan further stated that the PPAC would take the best of both documents to come up with a revised version over the summer. The main

difference between the two is that the new form calls for a Mediation Committee before going to the Executive Board. After much discussion a motion was proposed that the Executive Committee be the Mediation Committee in the Code of Conduct. Motion proposed by Dale Bowen, seconded by Bob Allan. Motion carried.

The Board members also agreed that the new Code of Conduct, when it's approved by the board, should be incorporated in the Captains' Handbook to be distributed in October 2014 as well as added to our website.

PPAC will tackle looking at our by-laws which need to be updated.

Bob Allan – Pro Liaison

There have been a few problems this year, but members seem to be generally very happy with the coaching at the moment. Bob has looked around for other professional tennis instructors to come to Viewpoint and encountered a few problems such as:

- Most do not want to come to Viewpoint, but want to coach out of their own facility
- They do not want to do group lessons, but would rather coach private or semi-private lessons
- One could not handle volume of students

Some ladies would prefer a female pro – Chris will look for one over the summer. Tell your members that when lessons are booked, ensure that you get an e-mail confirmation so there is no confusion about what is actually booked. Joe Morton was thanked for doing this job for so many years. Everyone expressed great satisfaction with the coaching of Chris Langdon's team.

It was decided that Chris' contract be extended so that in future years it will expire at the end of our season instead of the beginning. This would make it easier for us to approve a renewal of contract each year, which has to be done at General Meetings. A motion was proposed by Doug Wiebe, seconded by Donna Lesko to extend Chris Langdon's contract with us until March 31, 2015. Motion carried. This will now be presented to the General Meeting on March 10, 2014.

Ralph Sharp – again brought up a proposal that level 3, 4.0 team players should not have to move down due to their unique situation whereby they sometimes have to play 4.5 players in league. As the move-down policy is in our by-laws it needs to be approved at this meeting before taking to the General Meeting for approval. A comment was made that perhaps we should have a 4.5 team, but that isn't feasible as there are not enough 4.5 players throughout the league to form teams. Doug Wiebe found that his team understood when the reasoning was explained to them. Dale Bowen proposed a motion, seconded by Jody Sander, that Ralph's new policy be adopted. Motion carried. This will now be taken to the General Meeting.

Venture Out Fall Classic tournament October 27th to November 1, 2014 – application forms are on our notice board. March 15th is deadline and cheques go directly to Venture Out. \$50 per team.

Ed DeWald presented many reasons why our park should change its name to include the word tennis. This information is attached to these minutes. Diane Hudson proposed, seconded by Don Foley, a resolution to be presented to Sheri to change the name of our park to Viewpoint RV, Golf and Tennis Resort. Carried.

Larry Warnke explained the process to organize the teams for next year due to so many players moving to higher levels. The 2.0 captains will arrange their own teams. To help realign the teams on March 17th all captains are asked to rank their players in more detail, e.g. 1, 2, 3, 4 and A, B, C, D.

Vice President's Report – Deena Burns

The in-park tournaments were a great success. Ted and Rosemary Burgess will be coordinating these tournaments next year and will be training Len and Donna Grant to take over this huge job the following year. Next year Greenfield will not be participating in these tournaments, otherwise the schedule will be similar to this year.

All levels except the 1.5's will be represented at the Monte Vista team tournament.

For the first time there was a Mesa Regal tournament for the 1.5 team. Our club did very well.

The tennis carnival was postponed due to rain until Sunday, March 9th, 2 to 5 p.m.

Our Spring Fling will be off-site at Tia's Royal Islanders on Sunday, March 16th.

The ranking sheets must be completed in time for the realignment of teams. Players should be ranked 1 – 4 as well as A – D, to make team placement easier. The whole team should be ranked.

Courts will still be reserved for practice time and round robin play all through March unless Deena is advised that the courts are not needed.

Congratulations to our teams. Out of our 15 teams, 1 was undefeated, 5 had one loss and 4 had 2 losses.

Proposals for next year:

- A hitting board that makes no sound for the East Courts by court 6.
- Reduce the number of board meetings
- Meetings will be changed to 3:30 p.m. on Wednesdays
- Under the lights in-park tournaments
- Ball machine drills throughout the season, every day a different level, each week a different stroke, with a person there to help. Mondays, 2.5; Tuesdays 3.0; Wednesday, 3.5; Thursdays, 2.0; Friday, 4.0.

Roger Vigland – 75+ league. Now have 42 members, Greenfield has dropped out. Cyrene was instrumental in getting this league going and is now retiring, so Bev Latrace will be taking over.

President's Report – Ramona Rees

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- Will be suggesting that players must attain their stats by playing with at least 2 different partners rather than the same one every match.
- MCI (Membership Club Information) need to know how many teams will be playing next year so that they can start working on the scheduling
- No-add scoring has been suggested in all league matches due to the courts being tied up for too long. Our club definitely does not want no-add scoring and suggested that the games be moved along faster by game etiquette being taught at all levels.

Sunscreens for courts 1 and 2 will be installed with new frames. These will be paid for by the park at a cost of \$4,779. The old sunscreens from these courts will be moved to court 10.

We are paying for the new windscreens on the south fence at the East courts and netting between courts 2 to 6. These will be installed before next season.

Trilogy – we have been negotiating with them since January and finally received \$200.

Reminders

- General meeting Monday, March 10, 2014 in the Kokopelli room at 7 p.m. We need a quorum to vote in new officers.
- Captains' meeting at Northpoint Gathering Room, Monday, March 17, 2014, 7 p.m. for the realignment of teams.

Ed DeWald

Experimenting with on-line reservation of courts. Program will be set up over the summer on our website, it's a free program, would like people to play with the program over the summer.

On our website the phone numbers of players have been misaligned. Ed will send out an e-mail asking members to check on line and send in corrections to our webmaster.

It was suggested that all the forms that are used should be in the same place on the website to make it easier for Captains to find.

Motion to adjourn at 4:50 p.m. Pickles Tuell, seconded by Donna Lesko. Carried.