COURT REPORT

Golf Lakes Pickleball Club (GLPC) Official Newsletter Edition #21 March 2020 Editor Sheila Snape.

The purpose of the Court Report is to keep our club members informed of news, events, developments, and contact information. Hopefully you will find it beneficial towards answering any questions you may have.

The info provided is a result of GLPC board committee meetings and reflects decisions that have received a majority vote and not just the views of the editor of this document.

CHAIRMANS MESSAGE.

Hi Folks,

Well this is my final court report message bringing an end to my executive journey with GLPC and I have to say it has been quite a ride. I have worked alongside some amazing people to bring the club from nothing to what we have today. I am very proud of their accomplishments and their dedication towards making our goals a reality. There have been 2 committees since our inauguration and I want to thank all of those involved in both committees but I would be remiss if I did not make special mention to Mary Lenhard and Sheila Snape. They have completed 6 years of amazing service to this club and besides doing an excellent job as secretary and editor respectively, they were always among the first to help with all and any club activity.

As a closing note, our third committee has been formed and it is with some confidence I feel that this club will continue in good hands whilst they move forwards in achieving their own goals.

Phil Snape, Chairman.

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Ladder Leagues Sub-Committee	•	
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	Bill Blake	
	Larry Van Deventer	
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PAST NEWS AND EVENTS.

COURT LIGHTING PROJECT.

Last night (Mar.7th) at 7 pm, a group of exec members gathered at the courts to meet with Bryan's Electric, the contractor for the floodlighting project. The two lights already installed were readjusted to everyone's satisfaction to obtain maximum lighting coverage from these two existing lights, there was a unanimous decision made by the members present that although these lights were adequate to light up the East court (the court next to the windmill) unfortunately they were not bright enough to illuminate the West court enough for league play.

Phil will now meet with Pam on Tuesday to discuss where we proceed from here. More details to follow.

SAFETY and FIRST AID.

Due to the recent accidents and injuries at the court, the following safety precautions have been discussed and already introduced......

PLEASE read this carefully and really try to adhere to the following suggestions.....

- 1/. Members owning a cell phone, try to remember to bring it to the courts with you.
- 2/. Also bring along your new access fob to gain access to the fitness centre.
- 3/. Inside the fitness centre on the South wall are a first aid kit and a defibrillator, the position of these items has now been clearly marked with a red cross painted on the wall. Please take the time to check out the location of these items on the FC wall, valuable seconds could be saved knowing their whereabouts.
- 4/. Bill Blake and Mike Henderson also carry a small first aid kit each time they attend the courts for use in minor injuries.
- 5/. The address and phone number of the courts are now in place on the court entrance gate, please use this information to inform emergency services if you are the person making that important phone call.
- 6/. Several of our members took a CPR training course on Feb. 3rd. It is comforting to know that we now have some members who are familiar with CPR procedures and the use of a defibrillator, hopefully we never have to use either of them, but a few members are now more knowledgeable in case such emergency measures are needed.
- 7/. Listed inside the court bulletin board are many other safety tips for your information and safety, please take the time to read them for your own benefit.

LADDER LEAGUES.

ALL LEAGUES for 2020 are almost over, last day of play being Thursday Mar. 19th. Upon completion results will be tabulated and awards given in several categories. These awards will be presented at our "End of the Year Celebration" on Monday March. 23rd. More details below.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE. There is now a ladies league on Wednesday starting at 4pm. If you are interested in joining this league please contact Janis Hogan for more information. 16 ladies are already signed up and enjoying this very relaxed league, there's room for more! MIXED PARTNER-PLAY LEAGUE. Has also been recently introduced and is played on Mondays at 3.30pm. Please contact Larry VanDeventer for more information.

There has been a very positive response to this new league in which players play all the games with the same partner for that particular day.

Please note that the times allocated to the women's league and the mixed partner-play leagues are subject to change once we have the floodlights in full operation. It is the intention to play these two leagues later in the evening using our floodlights.

***In order to participate in any league ladder you must be a fully paid up member.

\$20 p/p for the season. Best deal in town!!!

A huge THANK YOU to our Ladder League committee (all named on page one) for an excellent job with the organization of these 3 leagues, all of you have contributed a lot of time and effort into new ventures during this season that have proved to be a great success to further enhance our pickleball experience.

FEBRUARY TOURNAMENT.

32 members participated in our February tournament held on Sat. Feb. 15th.

There were two groups of 16 players, split into morning and afternoon playing times. Everyone participating had a lot of fun, the weather was perfect, delicious snacks were provided to keep players and spectators refreshed throughout the event.

Mike Henderson did a wonderful job organizing this great event and is to be commended. It is not an easy task, GREAT JOB MIKE! Many thanks to all who bought food for the snack table your thoughtfulness was appreciated.

The tournament winners were as follows.....

MORNING......1st Place.....Janis Hogan

2nd. PlaceMike Henderson

3rd Place.....Glen Spraetz

AFTERNOON......1st Place......Tom Thelan

2nd Place.....Lori Mathos

3rd Place...... A tie between Sandy Tiell and Phillip Leif.

CONGRATULATIONS! To all the winners, awards were presented at the Feb. Social.

FEBRUARY SOCIAL.

This event took place on Mon. Feb. 17th 1.30 pm (lunch) @ The Anna Marie Oyster Bar. Approx. 40 members chose from a delicious menu, the food was excellent and we enjoyed fellowship with other members of the pickleball club.

February tournament awards were presented by Mike Henderson.

A big THANK YOU to our social committee for their organization towards planning another great social event, a fun time was had by all who attended.

WOODY WRIGHT CONCERT.

On Feb. 22nd, Woody Wright returned for his 3rd appearance at GL to help raise funds for our pickleball club. As always he graced us with a truly professional show leaving all residents who attended truly uplifted and entertained.

179 tickets were sold @ \$10 per person. Woody took 50% and we grossed \$895. After taxes were deducted and donations of \$40 added on we ended up with \$876. Another boost for our treasury. Many thanks to all volunteers who helped make this show another success, your time was appreciated. A very special THANKS to Jim & Bev Dean who hosted Woody during his visit and helped promote and advertise the show.

TREASURY.

Our treasury is now standing at \$9,112.04. Approx. \$3,924.25 of this will be spent on the floodlighting project. As you can see we end the 2019/2020 season in a good financial place. Our treasurer Bonnie Frye is doing an excellent job, keeping very accurate records.

UPCOMING EVENTS.

This upcoming Saturday March 14th, the GLPC will be hosts for the Sat. morning coffee hour. Our theme, as in other past years, will be ST. PATRICK'S DAY. Volunteers are needed to help with this event, please contact Phil Snape if you wish to assist, there are various tasks for you all to do. WE NEED YOUR HELP!! All volunteers need to be at the clubhouse by 7.30 am to set up and receive instructions. PLEASE TRY TO WEAR SOMETHING GREEN!!! Don't forget your name badges!!! We will be having a 50/50 Raffle Draw, so bring money if you wish to buy tickets. Let's all have a fun morning and spread some Irish pickleball cheer to GL residents.

MARCH TOURNAMENT.

Will be held Saturday March 21st.

It will take on a similar format as the February tournament. If we get enough response, two groups of 16 players will be split into morning or afternoon playing times. If there isn't enough response for two groups there will be just one morning session. Mike still needs more participants and names for substitutes if you wish to play. Please contact him. Fee... \$3 to be paid to Mike Henderson at the time of signing up. His fee goes towards

tournament prizes which will be awarded at the social on Monday March23rd.

All participants need to be a fully paid up member for the 2020 season.

Please come early if you wish to warm up. Spectators are encouraged and welcome. Food donations are always welcome (but not mandatory) for our ever popular snack table to keep everyone nourished throughout the event.

END OF THE SEASON MARCH SOCIAL/CELEBRATION.

Will be held on Monday March 23rd at the GL clubhouse. Dinner served at 6 pm. This event will be catered by Cracker Barrel Restaurant.

MENU includes.....

Roast Chicken OR Meat Loaf, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Green Beans, Cole Slaw, Corn Bread and Biscuits.

A choice of 2 fruit cobblers for dessert. Iced tea and water. COST \$12 p/p. Please let Debbie Atkinson know by March 16th if you are attending. She needs to let the caterers know numbers to cater for. Payment due Mar. 18th. Guests are welcome! Throughout the evening awards for the March tournament winners will be presented. Awards for the 2019/20 Ladder Leagues will also be presented by Mike Henderson. Phil Snape will make his retiring speech and new members and returning members of the executive board for 2020/21 season will be introduced.

Please plan to attend this last social event for this season, it may be your chance to say your good-byes to members who will shortly be travelling back North for the summer months. Once again, volunteers are needed to help with this event, please contact Debbie Atkinson to offer your assistance.

GLPC ELECTIONS FOR 2020.

Three members have volunteered to assist on the new executive committee. Bill Blake, Kevin Hogan and Larry VanDeventer. A huge THANK YOU to you all for stepping up and offering your help towards the running of the club. Because there were just the three nominations and three vacancies to fill, the nominees were accepted by acclamation which meant there was no need for an actual election process.

Sandy Tiell, Debbie Atkinson, Janis Hogan, Bonnie Frye and Mike Henderson will continue as board members for another term.

Phil Snape, Mary Lenhard and Sheila Snape are retiring following 6 years of service. The first board meeting for the new executive committee will be held shortly after the "End of the Year Social", at this meeting board members will be selected by vote for the various positions and responsibilities for the 2020/21 season.

COURT EQUIPMENT AND UPGRADES.

Sandy Tiell is investigating and obtaining quotes to install wind screens around the courts, she has already received a lot of info with still more to come. The new 2020/21 committee will revisit this project at future meetings along with a presentation for approval before the GL Board. Still more improvements to enhance your pickleball experience folks.

PICKLEBALL LESSONS.

Jerry Ash our pickleball coach is continuing to recover from knee surgery and is progressing well, however, in his absence Phil Snape, Bill Blake and Dave Harris have been doing the instruction.

Every Wed. from 11am until noon. If you know anyone interested please advise them to just show up at the courts at that time, no sign-up needed.

A big THANK YOU to the guys for giving these lessons in Jerry's absence.

WEBSITE.

Please check out our website..... lvandev2.github.io/GLPC/ for club news, tournaments and league standings etc. etc. A great source of information for you all. A big thank you to Larry VanDeventer.

This concludes the communication news items for March 2020.

It will be my final Court Report. It has been a pleasure communicating with the GLPC members, I have enjoyed my position on the board, it has been rewarding to watch this club grow from its' humble beginnings into the wonderful organization it is now. I hope you will all continue your support for the new executive committee, sometimes it is not an easy task, but having support from the members inspires everyone.

For those travelling North soon, have a safe journey, for the year round residents continue to enjoy this wonderful park and all its' facilities. ENJOY YOUR SUMMER GUYS! HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL BACK NEXT SEASON!!!

Sheila Snape (Communications).