

COURT REPORT

Golf Lakes Pickleball Club (GLPC) Official Newsletter

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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.

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE.

Hi Folks,

6 years ago Jay Penna and I presented to the GL Board on behalf of our newly formed GLPC. We requested pickleball courts, offering to assist the Board with money we did not have, just promised to us.

We were dumbfounded when in October of that year the GL Board actually approved the installation of our 2 courts. We scrambled around (mainly Jay) calling in all the promises and we came up with the pledged money.

On February 12th 2020 we will have reached the 5th anniversary of the installation of our courts and am pleased to say that our club has continued to prosper.

Although we have a fine facility it does need maintenance from time to time. This summer our courts will be resurfaced taking away a few blemishes that have appeared. We actually got an extra year out of our courts, they are slated for resurfacing every 4 years.

Hopefully our membership is giving serious consideration to volunteering as a GLPC committee member in our upcoming elections. Without volunteers this club does not happen.

Phil Snape, Chairman.

GLPC BOARD MEMBERS AND SUB COMMITTEES FOR 2019/2020 SEASON.

Chairman.....	Phil Snape.....	New.....	941-242-2960
Treasurer	Bonnie Frye.....		269-290-0220
Secretary	Mary Lenhard		920-841-0497
Communications.....	Sheila Snape	New.....	941-242-2960
Tournaments.....	Mike Henderson.....		865-599-7133
Equipment.....	Sandy Tiell.....		419-277-1571
Socials Sub -Committee.....	Debbie Atkinson (coordinator).....		765-661-3956
	Janis Hogan.....		941-348-0253
	Teri Vinovich.....		606-219-0700
	Sheila Snape.....		941-242-2960
	Sandy Tiell.....		419-277-1571
Ladder Leagues Sub-Committee...	Mike Henderson (coordinator).....		865-599-7133
	Janis Hogan		941-348-0253
	Bill Blake		508-345-3338
	Larry Van Deventer.....		765-744-3275

PLAYING SCHEDULE.

By now everyone should be familiar with the new additions to our playing times schedule, anyone who isn't, please check the courtside bulletin board there is a copy on display there.

REGISTRATION.

Registration fees are the same as last season. \$20 p/p. For the whole season.

Registration forms for new members are available on the clubhouse bulletin board in envelope provided, please pay your fees to Bonnie Frye our treasurer.

If you have new/different contact info from last season, please make sure that Bonnie has it updated; we cannot keep you informed with emails etc. without correct information.

PAST NEWS AND EVENTS.

COURT LIGHTING AND EQUIPMENT.

Update.... One brighter lighting panel has been added AND NOW readjusted, a second light of the same brightness is on order with the lighting contractor to be installed and correctly adjusted as soon as it arrives, once both lights are operational we will have a better idea as to whether they will be enough to provide adequate SAFE lighting. An assessment will be made at that time as to how to proceed for future night time play. Thanks to everyone for their cooperation in this long drawn out affair, however, we are getting there slowly; we are unfortunately at the mercy of our extremely busy contractor. Two new nets have now been installed, one on each court.

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.

THE MAIN LADDER LEAGUE for 2020 is now well on its way into the season and will run until late March at which time awards will be given in several categories. This league plays on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, you can play in either or both. For members wishing to participate in either of these ladders please contact Mike Henderson (Coordinator) at the above info.

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!!!

JANUARY TOURNAMENT.

32 members participated in our first 2020 season tournament held on Jan. 25th

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.....Mike Henderson

2nd. PlaceSteve Augsburg

3rd Place.....Joel Pinker

AFTERNOON.....1st Place.....Glen Spruetz

2nd Place.....Lori Mathos

3rd Place.....Bugs Caskey

Huge CONGRATULATIONS! To all the winners, awards were presented at the Jan. Social
Photos of the winners will appear in the March edition of The Banner.

JANUARY SOCIAL.

This event took place on Mon. Jan. 27th in the GL Clubhouse.

Our social committee ladies catered a dinner for us in the clubhouse kitchen, 60 members and guests, and one very cute little girl, enjoyed a splendid home cooked meal,

WHAT A DEAL that was for \$7 p/p. A lot of people worked very hard as a team to make this event such a success, however, it would be remiss not to give a special mention and thanks to our social coordinator Debbie Atkinson for her guidance and leadership.

Prizes were presented to the Jan. tournament winners, our chairman made a few announcements. Members stayed behind to participate in a variety of games and socialize.

All in all it was a huge success for everyone involved.

ANNUAL GL SPORTSMIXER.

Took place on Friday Jan. 31st. Our pickleball facility was used and Pickleball volunteers headed by Sandy Teill introduced pickleball to many GL residents in the form of fun games and challenges, everyone participating had lots of fun, it actually also inspired several residents to participate in the pickleball lessons and learn more about the sport. WAY TO GO SANDY! And thanks go out to the volunteers who helped out.

UPCOMING EVENTS.

FEBRUARY TOURNAMENT.

Will be held this upcoming Saturday Feb. 15th.

It will take on a similar format as the January tournament. Two groups of 16 players will be split into morning or afternoon playing times. Most of the spots are now taken but Mike still needs a few more players 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 Feb. 17th.

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.

FEBRUARY SOCIAL.

Will be held on Monday Feb. 17th. LUNCH at 11.30am at The Anna Marie Oyster Bar . 6906 14thSt. West, Landside. 758-7880. Members will pay for and select from the menu. February tournament prizes will be presented and a few announcements made from our chairman. Anyone wishing to attend please contact Debbie Atkinson, she needs to let the restaurant know how many for seating arrangements.

THE WOODY WRIGHT CONCERT PICKLEBALL FUNDRAISER.

Woody is returning to GL for his 3rd season by popular demand.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 22nd at the GOLF LAKES CLUBHOUSE.

SHOWTIME 7PM. DOORS OPEN 6.30PM

TICKETS \$10 p/p

Tickets available from Sheila Snape 242- 2960 or at Saturday morning coffee hour beginning Feb. 8th onwards.

So far this is the only fundraiser scheduled for 2020 to help raise funds for court improvements, we are hoping many of you will attend Woody's very professional and entertaining show. He and his charming wife Vonnie sing a variety of inspirational, country and gospel songs to suit everyone in a very uplifting, fun atmosphere.

Volunteers will be needed for a few minutes of your time on the day of the show, immediately following the Sat. morning coffee hour, to set up the seating and after the show taking down the seating in the clubhouse. Please contact Phil or Sheila Snape to volunteer.

HOSTING GL COFFEE HOUR.

Once again as in previous year's our club will be hosting GL Sat. morning coffee hour on March 14th. As usual the theme will be St. Patrick's Day. Everyone wears GREEN!

We will be having a raffle and a 50/50 draw to raise funds for the club.

Volunteers will be needed for this event, please contact Phil Snape to volunteer your help, he has a list of duties you can choose to do.

GLPC ELECTIONS FOR 2020.

At the end of this 2020 season, (April), Phil Snape, Sheila Snape and Mary Lenhard, reach the end of their 3 year term serving on the pickleball committee. All 3 have actually completed 2x3 year terms with a total of 6 years each. They have chosen to step down and give an opportunity for upcoming members to have their chance to serve and to invite new ideas and growth to the future of the pickleball club.

This of course means we will have 3 vacancies on the board of directors.

Any member interested in joining the board of directors please take the opportunity of reading the special information sent out by Mary Lenhard concerning the election process and how it works. This info was sent out very recently so please take the time to read it.

If you wish to be involved in the organization of the club, this is your chance to have your input and voice known. Ours is an ever evolving club always welcoming new ideas and volunteers from its membership, your response would be welcomed with appreciation.

PICKLEBALL LESSONS.

Jerry Ash our pickleball coach is continuing to recover from knee surgery and is progressing well, however, in his absence Phil Snape is 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.

This concludes the news items for February 2020.

HAPPY PICKLEBALLING to you all.

Let's all be appreciative of all the hard work that goes into the running of our club, the friendship we all share together is very precious and should be celebrated.

Sheila Snape (Communications).