

# **COURT REPORT**

**Golf Lakes Pickleball Club 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 member meetings and reflects decisions that have received a majority vote and not just the views of the editor of this document.**

**I think by now everyone knows who our executive committee members are, so I am excluding that information from this edition in an attempt to keep the newsletter shorter. FYI executive members are all listed on the courtside bulletin board.**

## **CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE**

**Hi Folks,**

**Just a few things, even though we are halfway through the season, glad to see our membership is still growing and I intend on addressing beginners with Jerry's lessons this week to encourage more of them to join the club.**

**Our fundraising campaign has far exceeded my expectations and with the clubs large and firm financial commitment towards our improvements we should get a favourable response from the GL Board. We need as many as possible attending the GL Board meeting on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. The league play on that date will probably be set to the afternoon to allow for a large contingent of pickleballers to attend.**

**That's about it folks except to say, I'm so pleased to be associated with this club and the fine people involved with it, just remember please be gracious out there.**

**Phil Snape, Chairman**

## **PAST EVENTS.**

**January concluded with a very busy events schedule having 3 events in 3 consecutive days.**

**THURSDAY JAN. 25th. We held our 2<sup>nd</sup>. Pancake Breakfast in the GL Clubhouse.**

**Our social directors took the lead on this. Residents of GL were served a delicious breakfast and it proved to be a great fundraiser for our club as we made \$702.51 profit to add to our fundraising budget.**

**FRIDAY JAN 26th.**

**GLP facilities were included in this year's GL Annual Sports Mixer. Sandy Tiell organized some fun activities on our courts which were really enjoyed by GL residents. Sandy has offered to do this again next year.**

**SATURDAY JAN. 27<sup>th</sup> heralded our first tournament of the 2018 season.**

**Mike Henderson put together an excellent program. Due to a huge demand for participation the tournament had to be split into two halves which appeared to work out well, the tournament lasted all day with a morning session followed by an afternoon session, each with 16 players. It was a lot of fun, everyone enjoyed the friendly competition and of course our usual refreshment/snack table kept everyone nourished all day long.**

#### **TOURNAMENT RESULTS.**

##### **MORNING:**

**LADIES 1<sup>st</sup> place Linda Terwilliger 2<sup>nd</sup> place Debbie Atkinson**

**MEN'S 1<sup>st</sup> place Steve Augsburg and Richard Pare with same score.**

##### **AFTERNOON:**

**LADIES 1<sup>st</sup> place Janis Hogan and Sandy Tiell with the same score.**

**MEN'S 1<sup>st</sup> place David Harris 2<sup>nd</sup> place Sam Nappi**

**CONGRATULATIONS! to all the award winners you did a great job.**

**Following the tournament approx. 30 members met at The Hibachi Grill to enjoy a delicious dinner and of course some valuable social time.**

**WOW! THREE VERY BUSY DAYS FOR OUR CLUB.**

#### **FEBRUARY PANCAKE BREAKFAST.**

**On Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>. We again hosted the GL pancake Breakfast. Under the guidance of our social directors, residents of GL were once again treated to a delicious breakfast, this time with a Valentine's Day theme. Everyone wore red and we made quite a splash of colour. We raised \$644 profit towards our court improvements fund.**

**This event ran like clockwork, each one we do just becomes easier and better as we learn and try new ideas to improve the event.**

**A HUGE THANK YOU! To all the volunteers taking part in all 4 of the above events, especially those members who took on a leadership role with the organization, you all know who you are and what you contributed to make these events a success.**

**This pickleball club is slowly gaining a lot of respect throughout the GL community for being very well organized and trustworthy. EVERYONE "Take a bow".**

**WHAT A GREAT TEAM WE ARE.....**

#### **THINGS TO COME**

##### **TOURNAMENTS**

**There are 2 more tournaments planned for 2018.**

**Tournament dates are as follows... Sat. Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>, and Sat. March 24<sup>th</sup>. 2018.**

**Mark these dates on your calendar!!**

**Mike Henderson is our tournament director and already has the sign-up sheet for the February 24<sup>th</sup> tournament at the courts, or you can call him directly at 865-599-7133, he still has a few vacancies and is also in need of substitutes.**

**Please pay your \$3 tournament fee to Mike.**

**This tournament will begin at 10 am. SHARP! Be there early if you wish to warm up.**

**Mike will have the pre- arranged foursome's listed on the tournament notice board.**

**Food donations for the snack table will be welcomed but are not mandatory.**

## **SOCIAL**

Following this tournament there will be a social held at DUFF'S Original Buffet, 6010 14<sup>th</sup> St W Bradenton. 752-3666

Beginning at 6 pm. They have an area reserved for us.

Cost = \$12.29 senior rate p/p this doesn't include drinks or tips.

Everyone pays for their own meal upon arrival at the restaurant.

Awards for the tournament will be presented at this social. ALL pickleballers and their guests are welcome, even those who are not participating in the tournament.

Please advise either Mike Henderson or Sharon Crawford if you are attending, they need approx. numbers to let the restaurant know the size of our group.

Any other questions, please contact Mike or one of our social directors.

## **MARCH 8<sup>th</sup> PANCAKE BREAKFAST.**

GLP will once again host the GL Pancake Breakfast at the clubhouse on Thurs. March 8<sup>th</sup>.

Anyone interested in volunteering for this event please contact our social ladies, they need your help. Debbie Atkinson 765-661-3956 or Sharon Crawford 419-560-5130 .

They will allocate you a job to do.

## **MARCH 17<sup>th</sup> COFFE HOUR SOCIAL.**

GLP Will be hosting and serving at the March 17<sup>th</sup> GL Coffee Hour & Social at the GL Clubhouse. Sandy Tiell will be taking the lead on this event. We need volunteers to help set up, take down, serve and clean off the tables, sell raffle ticket, greeters, etc. etc.

Please contact Sandy if you wish to volunteer 419-277-1571

This Coffee Hour will take place on St. Patrick's Day so all volunteers need to wear as much GREEN apparel as possible. Your ETA and more info for that morning will follow.

All future events/activities that follow March 17<sup>th</sup> will be included in the next Court Report in March.

**PICKLEBALL LESSONS** Once again Jerry Ash continues to hold pickleball lessons to any GL residents interested in learning the game. Lessons are held on Thursday mornings at 11am. If you know anyone interested in learning the game or just trying it out, please tell them to just show up at the courts at that time.

Information on lessons is posted on the court and clubhouse bulletin boards.

THANKS Jerry, once again for volunteering to do this service for the club.

## **PLANS FOR FUTURE COURT DEVELOPMENTS**

There are several developments/improvements that the executive committee are now working towards achieving for this season.

1/. Shading for the waiting/viewing area.

2/. Floodlights for evening play

Phil S. recently presented a proposal at a GL board meeting. This first proposal was tabled by the GL board for further future discussion until more project estimates are available, and the club has accumulated more funds from fundraising events. Now that we have done a few fundraising events, and actually have more still to come, Phil will shortly

**return with a second proposal on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. This time offering increased funding and further detailed project estimates from Pam.**

**When Phil presents this 2<sup>nd</sup> proposal to the GL board of directors on March 22<sup>nd</sup>, we would like to see as many GLP members present at that meeting to show consolidated support for all our fundraising ventures. More info on this to follow in the March edition.**

#### **OTHER CLUB NEWS.**

**Sam Nappi would like to show his appreciation to GLP by purchasing either a GLP logo flag or sign for the courts. THANKS SAM! We all appreciate your very kind gesture.**

**As you all know Karla Blevins is at the moment recovering from surgery following a traumatic fall whilst playing pickleball. We all wish her a speedy recovery, she has been missed at the courts. THANKS! to all who participated in her Meals on Wheels service.**

**Claudette and Marc Schaefer have been renting the same unit in GL for a number of years, however, they have been informed that next year this unit will sadly not be available. They have asked me to tell you all to keep them informed if you know of anyone in GL wishing to rent their home for the 2019 season. M&C...941-201-5689.**

**Due to health problems, Helen Hicks has regretfully resigned from the executive committee, she was a valuable asset to our committee and her presence is already missed. On behalf of the committee I would like to THANK Helen for her dedication and commitment during the term she served, you will be a tough act to follow Helen. At our last meeting on Feb.16<sup>th</sup> the pickleball committee inducted Janis Hogan to complete Helen's term. CONGRATULATIONS! Janis, we are all looking forward to welcoming you on board our board!**

**Enjoy the rest of the 2018 season.  
Sheila Snape (Communications).**