

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.

CHAIRMANS MESSAGE.

Hi Folks,

Just a couple of lines to say that all seems to be going well within the club and we look forward to another successful season. The fall mini-ladder has one week left, thanks to Mike Henderson and the sub-committee for doing a commendable job. Larry Van Deventer has done an excellent job in refining our website and keeping a tally of league scores. If you have not done so already check out the club's website.

As you probably know we have not as yet solved the floodlighting situation. We have a scheduled meeting with the contractor late next week.

Safety of our players is of paramount importance, we have 2 instances of late whereupon first-aid had to be administered. Although neither of the instances could have been avoided by any safety principles your committee will be discussing both these situations regarding our response to such.

On behalf of the membership I wish Karon Bell and Richard Pare, speedy and continued recovery.

Phil Snape, Chairman.

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

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From the above executive board members two sub-committees have been formed for the upcoming 2019/2020 season, there is now a ladder league sub-committee who has taken over the running of the ladder as well as new members added to the social committee, all listed above. A big thanks to the new volunteers who have stepped forward to assist, it is very much appreciated and your help is very welcomed.

We are all very excited and really looking forward to some new ideas and additions to enhance and improve our 2019/2020 pickleball season. New ideas are also always welcome from any member at any time, please contact the appropriate board member.

PLAYING SCHEDULE.

The 2019/2020 playing schedule remains the same as last season for now, you will be notified of any changes if they happen, to refresh your memory, a copy of this schedule will be attached to this report as well as one displayed at the courts and on the clubhouse bulletin board.

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 info.

PAST NEWS.

COURT LIGHTING.

During the summer of 2019, lighting was installed at the courts with the hope of having evening play and thereby extending our playing schedule and maybe adding new ventures. However, we have experienced some difficulty with the lighting and now realize that it is not bright/adequate enough for our needs. We are at present negotiating further quotes and ideas for additional lights to be installed in the near future. A brighter light has recently been added to one of the poles to find out if this brighter light illuminates one half of the courts sufficiently, it needs to be adjusted (slightly different angle), once it has been adjusted, Phil will meet with the contractor and Pam as well as other members of the committee and a decision will be made on how to proceed further, you will be kept updated on the progress. Thank you for your patience during the interim.

MINI LADDER LEAGUE.

Began on Thursday Nov. 14th this mini ladder will continue for 5 weeks.

Games begin at 7.45 am onwards. Each group of 4 players will play to 15 points.

You can play on either Tuesday or Thursday mornings or both, (they are 2 separate leagues). Substitutes are available and also needed. If you wish to play in this ladder please contact Mike Henderson to be added to the list. This mini ladder is an introduction to the main league season for anyone wishing to participate, there will be no awards given at the end. Participants will be notified of their results weekly by email.

The mini ladder will end on Tues. Dec.17th & Thurs. Dec. 19th.

If you have often thought about trying the ladder this is a wonderful opportunity to give it a try for a few weeks to see if it is a fit for you.

The main regular ladder league for 2020 begins on Tuesday Jan. 7th and Thursday Jan 9th and will run until late March at which time awards will be given in several categories.

For members who have not yet arrived in GL and wish to participate in either of these ladders please contact Mike at the above info. He is now taking names for both.

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

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

GL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR LUNCH.

On Saturday Dec. 7th. A lunch was provided at the Christmas Bazaar and hosted by the GL Pickleball Club in union with the GL Fitness Centre. The net profit after supplies and taxes were deducted was \$652.44, this was divided equally between the two clubs, so each club raised \$326.22.

235 Christmas shoppers and GL residents enjoyed a delicious lunch whilst browsing for those precious Christmas bargains. Many thanks to all who volunteered and help to make this event a success. We had fun to!

A very special thanks to Darleen Vegter who supervised Phil with the cooking of the delicious Sloppy Joes the day before, your recipe was in big demand Darlene!

UPCOMING EVENTS.

TOURNAMENTS FOR 2020.

There will be 3 tournaments held on JAN. 25th, FEB. 15th, and MAR. 21st. 2020.

1st Tournament will be held on SATURDAY Jan. 25th 2020 beginning at approx. 10.30 am. Fee... \$3 to be paid to Mike Henderson at the time of signing up. His fee goes toward tournament prizes which will be awarded at the social.

The signup sheet will be at the courts from Monday Jan. 6th onwards or please call Mike to reserve your spot.

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

Please come early if you wish to warm up.

Food donations are always welcome (but not mandatory) for our ever popular snack table to keep everyone nourished throughout the event.

Hope to see a wonderful response to this first tournament of our season.

SOCIAL

First social will be held on Monday Jan. 27th. 6pm to 9pm. In the GL Clubhouse.

The social committee has decided to cater for this event themselves. Way to go girls!

MENU will include: Chicken Parmesan, Pasta, Caesar and Garden Salads, Garlic Bread,

Assorted desserts, Coffee tea and Water.

ALL FOR THE GRAND COST OF\$5.00 What a deal!

Debbie will have the sign-up sheet available from Jan.13th to 17th, please pay her in advance at this time because the social committee need to know how many to cater for. BTW Guests of members are welcome at the same cost. Volunteers will be needed for the set- up, take down, washing up and of course the cooking and serving of the meal. As usual, many hands make light work and it's fun to get involved!

Once the meal is over we are hoping everyone will stay for some fun and games and social time, if anyone has a favourite party game or board game they wish to organize please bring it along, we have the room booked until 9 pm so we should make the best of it.

Please reserve this date and plan to join your pickleball friends for a great evening of delicious food and wonderful fellowship.

GENERAL MEETING.

A GLPC General meeting will be held on Friday January 3rd. 2020, at 10 am.

In the GL Clubhouse. This meeting is for all GL residents interested in learning more about our pickleball facilities and the game itself. Executive members will be present to answer questions, receive ideas/suggestions and feedback from current members and give out general information to interested newcomers. Hoping you will all take the time to attend, this will be your opportunity to voice any input you may have. Please notify anyone you know who has shown an interest in pickleball of this meeting.

PICKLEBALL LESSONS.

Jerry Ash our Pickleball coach will be undergoing knee replacement surgery very soon, so will be out of commission for the lessons for a while. In his absence, Phil Snape has offered to assist temporarily to give a few lessons to residents interested in learning the game.

The lessons have already begun at their regular assigned spot (See playing schedule).

We all wish Jerry a speedy recovery and hope he will be back playing pickleball again very soonand with a new bionic knee. You are already missed Jerry.

Welcome back to all members already here. To all members in transit or making your return soon, have a very safe trip back to GL, we look forward to greeting you all with a warm welcome.

On behalf of your GLPC committee I would like to wish you all a happy holiday season, good health and prosperity for 2020. See you at the courts!

Sheila Snape (Communications).