COURT REPORT

Golf Lakes Pickleball Club (GLPC) Official Newsletter Edition #15 February 2019

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 member committee meetings and reflects decisions that have received a majority vote and not just the views of the editor of this document. Please have a 2019 calendar and pen handy to take notes, this particular edition contains LOTS of information which you will never remember. (A very busy month).

CHAIRMANS MESSAGE.

Hi Folks.

Just a quick update on the floodlighting application your fundraising dollars at work. As most of you may know our application for floodlighting was approved by the GL Board last March 2018 with a date to the future for installation.

It is my intention to return to the GL Board at one of the March board meetings with a freshened offer, approved by your pickleball committee, to donate half the cost of the installation. The full cost of the installation is approximately \$7,000.

We are hoping for a positive response, having finally been awarded the shading this season we are hoping for some consideration in next year's budget for the floodlighting. Other than that, Sheila has covered most of the topics quite thoroughly in this report so remember to aim high in your lobs and low in your returns.

Phil Snape, Chairman.

GLPC BOARD MEMBERS

Chairman/League Ladder	Phil Snape	New 941-242-2960
Treasurer	Bonnie Frye	
Secretary	č	
Communications	<u> </u>	
Social Directors	Debbie Atkinson	765-661-3956
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If anyone has a suggestion, concern or query, please contact the appropriate board member for assistance. They will be happy to help you.

REGISTRATION.

Registration will remain the same as previous years: \$20 PER PERSON for any part of the season, payment by cash only. **Registration forms for new members are available on

clubhouse bulletin board (in provided pocket) and need to be completed for the 2018/19 season.

Registration dues need to be paid before participating in league ladders or tournaments. Please pay dues to our treasurer Bonnie Frye, or, in her absence, Phil Snape.

Once all memberships have been taken, every member will get a full membership list of names and phone numbers. Returning members please advise Bonnie or Phil of any changes to your contact information. Without correct information we can't keep you updated on what is going on.

Here we grow again! We extend a very warm welcome to 5 new members, Charles (Bugs) and Marcella Caskey, Steven Seabury, Lisa Agee and Joe McKeever. Hope you are enjoying your pickleball experience here at Golf Lakes as well as making new friends along the way. It's good to have you aboard!!

We now have over 65 paid up members for 2019. WOW!

PAST EVENTS.

SPORTSMIXER....

On Friday January 25th. The Pickleball facilities were included in the Golf Lakes Annual Sportsmixer Event. A big THANK YOU! to Sandy Tiell for organizing that event and also to the extra volunteers who took a shift and donated their time to assist Sandy. A good time was had by everyone at GLwho participated.

JANUARY TOURNAMENT.

On January 26th we held our first tournament of the 2019 season. It was a little chilly but that certainly didn't dampen the atmosphere or enthusiasm of the participants.

36 members played in two separate groups, one group beginning at 10.30 am and the other around 12.30 pm. All participants played 5 games.

It was a really fun tournament enjoyed by everyone. Mike Henderson did a great job with his organization skills as usual, THANKS! Mike for a job very well done. RESULTS.

LADIES... 1st Place....Marge Whitehurst, 2nd Place Theresa Blake.

MEN'S..... There was a tie for 1st Place....Bugs Caskey, and Tom Van Tuinen.

Many Congratulations to the winners! Hope everyone had a great afternoon.

Many Thanks to the social committee members for organizing the ever popular snack table and to all members who bought along treats to share. AWESOME!

JANUARY SOCIAL.

On January 30th. we held our first social for this season at the GL. Clubhouse.

It was a huge success with approx. 50 members and guests attending. (record attendance). Beryl and Kevin did an awesome job cooking the burgers on the outdoor grill. Many potluck dishes were added by our members to the amazing menu selection on the table, a real feast for all to enjoy. What a fabulous spread!

Our social committee ladies did an excellent job organizing this event and I think it was a general feeling that holding the socials locally at the clubhouse was enjoyed much more than going to a restaurant. We all get a chance to mingle and socialize which is what our

club is trying to achieve, we are hoping to offer a great social side of the club to enrich your pickleball experience.

Phil Snape made a few announcements and Mike Henderson presented the awards to the January tournament winners. Everyone gained a few pounds, but had a super time.

EVENTS TO COME.

LADDER LEAGUE.

There has been a great response. Over 40 of our members are now participating in 6, 7, and sometime 8 groups on either morning. (Quite the scheduling challenge).

If you still wish to participate, there is always room for everyone, please contact Phil Snape. Members can play on both mornings or choose just one, Tuesday or Thursday which are two separate leagues. Everyone will be allocated a time slot to begin playing, so, there's NO WAITING! Substitutes are always needed and welcomed, if you wish to play on a more casual basis, substituting might be for you.

The first 8 players will begin at 7.45am SHARP! always allow at least 10 minutes for warm-up.

Please remember it is a commitment and responsibility and although subs can be arranged it always creates more stress and work for Phil when members call requesting a substitute at the last minute, or, don't even show up at all, please be considerate and try to give as much notice as possible, at least 24 hours.

All games will be played to 15 points flat. In most weeks, the highest scorer moves up a level and the lowest scorer within each foursome moves down a level. Eventually, everyone will be playing in a group similar to their own ability which makes for a very even game with just an edge of competitiveness, fun and excitement.

In order to commence playing in the league you must be a fully paid up member.

Participants will be notified weekly by email of their playing times and progress.

At the end of the season awards will be given in several categories. In order to qualify for an award you need to attend at least 7 out of the 12 games scheduled throughout the 2019 season.

A big THANK YOU! to our Ladder Captain Phil Snape for his dedication and commitment towards the league organization. Not an easy task...

FEBRUARY TOURNAMENT...

On Sat. Feb. 16th. we held our 2nd tournament of the 2019 season.

This time Mother Nature blessed us with a beautiful day and most of us we were very grateful for the newly added sun shade which now adorns our courts.

One group of 24 participated this time so members weren't split into 2 groups as we were in January. Play began at approx. 11 am and finished around 3 pm.

Once more those delicious refreshments were a big hit and kept everyone nourished over the lunchtime period. THANKS! once more, to all members who bought snacks to share. Mike H. our tournament director will announce the winners at the February social.

Our last tournament for 2019 will take place on Sat. March 23rd.

Mike H. will have the sign-up sheet at the courts sometime in early March, be sure to reserve your spot because this will be your last chance to play in a GL pickleball tournament for 2019. More details to follow in the March edition of The Court Report.

FEBRUARY SOCIAL

The February social is this upcoming Monday Feb.25th. 5 pm at the GL Clubhouse. This social will be a similar format to the January social but with a different menu. This time we are serving Pulled Pork and Sloppy Joe's. As this is Pot-Luck style, we are requesting that members bring along a dish to share and \$2 p/p towards the cost of the meat. The social committee ladies need to know how many they are catering for, so please call Debbie Atkinson if you are attending. Guests are welcome.

Awards for the Feb. 16th tournament will be presented at this social.

THE WOODY WRIGHT CONCERT.

Once again Woody is back to GL for a second year with a brand new show to entertain the residents here and help to raise funds for court improvements.

His concert is this upcoming SATURDAY FEB. 23rd. SHOW TIME is 7 pm. DOORS OPEN @ 6.30 pm. COST.... \$10 for tickets or you can also pay at the door.

A few more volunteers are needed to help out, please call Phil or Sheila Snape if you wish to assist or need tickets. Our new tel. number is. 941-242-2960 Hope to see everyone at the show to support our funding for court projects.

SAINT PATRICK'S DAY COFFEE HOUR.

Once again, as in other years, we are hosting GL Coffee Hour on Sat. March 16th. Celebrating Saint Patrick's Day.

Lots of volunteers will be needed to run a raffle as well as greet and serve the residents of GL. To get into the spirit of the occasion, please wear GREEN!

Please contact Phil Snape if you wish to volunteer you help. 705-718-2675 (Cell). Or the new number on page one.

END OF THE SEASON CELEBRATION/SOCIAL/AWARDS.

Will be held at the GL Clubhouse on THURSDAY MARCH 28th. 2019. 5.30 pm.

It will be a catered Italian style meal by SCARPINO'S restaurant.

Salad, a pasta dish, and a chicken dish. Additional dessert and beverages will be provided by members of the social committee.

COST. \$15 per person. Members are welcome to bring guests.

The social committee needs to let the restaurant know how many we are catering for, so please give Debbie Atkinson a call if you wish to attend. The larger the numbers, the better deal they can negotiate.

Awards for the 2019 ladder league and the March tournament will be presented at this event. It should be a great celebration for all to enjoy as we near the end of the pickleball season.

There will be more info on this event in the March Court Report, but for now please reserve this important final social event on your calendar.

COURT IMPROVEMENTS.

Well, it was long awaited but is now here. Our shade canopy is installed and looking AWESOME! What a blessing on these hot humid mornings.

I think all members probably agree it is well worth all the hard work and fund raising we all took a part in. We still continue to fund raise in the hopes of attaining flood lights for the 2020 season. Give yourselves a pat on the back for all the hours spent volunteering. This pickleball club will continue striving to improve our facilities and enhance the pickleball experience for residents of Golf Lakes.

This concludes the Court Report for February 2019.

Please continue to enjoy your pickleball experience at Golf Lakes.

Sheila Snape (Communications Director).