

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 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

CHAIRMANS MESSAGE.

Hi Folks,

Well our main winter season is well underway and although we have lost some members this year, we have also gained some new members and I'm sure we will gain a few more before the season ends.

We are constantly looking to improve or enhance the pickleball experience so if you have any ideas, don't be shy in expressing your opinion either to myself or any other Pickleball Board member. Your ideas or concerns are brought forward for discussion at our board meetings.

There was a majority vote of your board not to continue with the pancake breakfasts beyond the last one we did in January. We put on some great breakfast events over the past 13 months and I want to thank all the amazing volunteers both inside and outside of pickleball who put their best volunteering foot forward and made them a huge success. Although everyone did a great job I would be remiss in not giving a special mention to Debbie Atkinson for taking the lead in recruiting, assigning and general organization. Trust me there is a lot of work outside of that 2 hour breakfast.

Final comment about court safety; please, please, please don't chase balls into the adjoining court while play is in progress. We have lots of balls let that one go and gather another from the tube or perimeter. Secondly please stop playing immediately when your hear someone shout, "BALL" and replay the point.

Have a great and accident free season.

Phil Snape, Chairman.

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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. This may take some time due to members still arriving in January. 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. We extend a very warm welcome to 3 new members, Glenn Spraetz, Jan Hansen and Joel Pinker. Hope you are enjoying your pickleball experience here at Golf Lakes as well as making new friends along the way.

PAST EVENTS.

JANUARY PANCAKE BREAKFAST.

On Jan. 10th we hosted a pancake breakfast at the GL Clubhouse to raise funds towards the floodlighting. We made a total profit of over \$700.

A huge THANK YOU to everyone who volunteered their help and special thanks to our social committee for their excellent organization skills.

EVENTS TO COME.

LADDER LEAGUE.

The main season ladder league began on Thursday Jan 3rd and will conclude on Tues March 26th 2019. There has been a great response.

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 is two separate leagues. Everyone will be allocated a time slot to begin playing, so, 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. 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.

TOURNAMENTS.

There are 3 tournaments planned for 2019, all are on Saturdays from 10am to approx. 4pm depending on the numbers.

Tournament dates are as follows... Jan. 26th, Feb. 16th, and March 23th. 2019.

Mark these dates on your new 2019 calendar!!

Mike Henderson is our tournament director he now has the sign-up sheet for the January 26th tournament and it is quickly filling up. Contact Mike if you wish to participate.

There is a \$3 fee to enter each tournament, (payable to Bonnie prior to the event).

This fee will go towards tournament prizes.

As always we will have our popular snack table, so anyone wishing to contribute can do so, your contribution is always welcome but not mandatory of course.

SOCIALS.

In 2019 there will be a social held once per month. PLEASE NOTE these socials will NOT be held on the same day as the tournaments as in the past. Our social committee has suggested that we try a BBQ, Cook-out/Pot Luck type of social held outdoors in the area of the GL clubhouse/shuffleboard patio.

This type of social seems to be preferred instead of going to a local restaurant, members can mingle and socialize much easier and the cost factor is much less, so the first one on January 30th. will be a trial to see how and if it works.

Dates for 2019 Socials as follows....

Wed. Jan. 30th @ 4.30 pm. Clubhouse. Mon. Feb. 25th. @ 4.30 pm. Clubhouse.

Thurs. Mar. 28th Time and location TBA for the end of the season Award Dinner.

For the Jan. and Feb. socials we are requesting members attending to bring along a pot luck dish to share. There will also be a \$2 donation towards the cost of the BBQ meat. Please contact the social ladies if you are not sure what to bring. Please dress to suit the weather conditions. In the event of inclement weather, both the clubhouse and kitchen are available to us so we can move inside if need be.

Of course this type of social could not happen without volunteers, there will be set-up and take down/clean-up tasks as well as other tasks to consider.

As with other events in the past, we are hoping to have an abundance of volunteers, so if you wish to help out please contact our social committee ladies, they are already taking volunteers for January 30th.

JANUARY SPORTS MIXER

Once again the pickleball facilities will be used as part of the GL Sports Mixer Event on Friday. January 25th. Sandy Tiell is taking care of this event. She needs volunteers to help.

Each volunteer will only need to help for approx. half an hour, so if you are actually participating in the Sports Mixer and still wish to volunteer, just call Sandy and she will accommodate you in her scheduling so you can do both.

THE WOODY WRIGHT SHOW.

Once again Woody is returning to perform for us at GL to help raise funds. He did a wonderful show last season which was enjoyed by many GL residents

Concert Date..... SATURDAY FEB. 23rd 2019,
SHOWTIME is 7.00 pm. DOORS OPEN @ 6.30 pm.

Location..... GOLF LAKES CLUBHOUSE.

Cost..... \$10 per ticket \$12 at the door.

Advanced tickets will go on sale at the Clubhouse Saturday Coffee Hour starting February 2nd, or, call any executive member, we will all have a few tickets.

Hope everyone will support this venture and enjoy a great show.

PICKLEBALL LESSONS.

Once again Jerry Ash has kindly volunteered to give pickleball lessons to any GL residents interested in learning the game.

Lessons will be held on Wednesday mornings at 11am, ****PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DAY.** The lessons will continue to the end of our winter season.

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. No sign-up sheets, just show up.

Information on lessons will be posted on the court and clubhouse bulletin boards.

Immediately following the lessons, starting at noon, there is a Novice playing time for anyone wishing to practise what they learned at the lesson.

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

NEW COURT EQUIPMENT.

A large sponge roller has been purchased and is located behind the bulletin board. This roller can be used to dry off excess water from the courts following a rain storm. Once the shade shelter has been erected the roller will be relocated and kept inside the shelter to keep it dry. If you use the roller please return it to its storage location.

COURT IMPROVEMENTS.

As you all know we should soon be getting a shade canopy to cover the seating area of the courts. We just received news this week that the permits have been issued to the contractor and work should begin quite soon.

You will be notified by email if the contractors need us to cease playing whilst their work is in progress

THANKS go out to Debbie for a fabulous job on the net repair and also to Bonnie for the temporary repair. You guys are awesome

PLAYING SCHEDULE.

There are copies of the playing schedule both on the court and clubhouse bulletin boards.

This concludes the Court Report for JANUARY 2019

Good Health and happiness to all our members for 2019.

Happy pickling for 2019. It's wonderful to see you all back and having fun.

Regards to you all. Sheila Snape (GLPC Communications).