

## **One More Game Pickleball Club Minutes**

**March 11, 2020**

**PRESENT:** Bob Biarkis, Mary Borchers, Barb Driesner, Horst Driesner, Tom Hewlett, Steve Horrell, Suelaine Matthews, Lisa McDonald, Dale Miller, Kathy Schoenleber, Jeanine Seymore. Jim Harris and Betty Sullentrup via phone.

Kathy Schoenleber was welcomed to the Committee. She will serve on the Social and Ratings Committees.

### **PLUMMER PARK – Bob, Tom, Betty, Matt**

- The Grand Opening of the Park will occur on March 27. Sixty-five club members stated they would attend. People are being asked to carpool because parking may be a problem. Members are encouraged to be prepared to play Pickleball. Betty will publish these instructions on the website and send an email.
- The Robert Perry Band fundraiser will not take place.
- Betty reported that \$1300 has yet to be collected from pledges. 61 members have contributed.
- As of March 9th, at 3:40 pm, all but 9 OMG Club contributor have confirmed the name that they want on the Contributor plaques. The Club will pay for these plaques. The City will pay for the plaques for the three \$20,000 contributors.
- Betty shared a picture of announcement Boards at the Arizona Sun City West Pickleball courts. These boards were built by a couple of Club members who said they could get us the plans if we want them. The boards are metal so magnets can hold the items on the board. The bulletin boards have a hood to help protect the items on the board. We will need the approval of the City and the feeling was that the City wants to keep signs and boards consistent throughout the park. Tom and Bob will meet with the City on March 30 to discuss signs and use of the park by the Club.

### **SCHEDULE COMMITTEE – Betty, Sue**

- The Plummer Family Park schedule will go on our website using the same format used for Miner Park, Airplane Park, and the YMCA.
- The park will be open 6 am to 10 pm.
- A discussion regarding the play schedule at Plummer Park was held. Dale had a proposed schedule to serve as a basis for discussion. Dale will take the Committee's feedback and develop a 2<sup>nd</sup> proposed schedule. He will send it to Committee members for further discussion. This schedule is for the month of May only, so tweaks can be made based on member feedback.
- It was decided that the schedule would begin May 1<sup>st</sup> at Plummer Park.
- Horst suggested we get a white board to keep track of player's turn to play. Others thought stacking paddles was a better system. It was suggested that the courts be color coded regarding skill level. Others suggested that color coded stickers could be used on player paddles. None of these suggestions are being put into play at this time.
- The Club cannot collect money to play on the courts. We can rent courts for Ladder Leagues.

### **DUES/SPENDING/MEMBERSHIP – Suelaine, Mary, Dale**

- The Committee asked that Suelaine create a separate Trivia Night Expense Report.
- At the time of the Committee meeting, the Club has a balance \$1,703.12. Trivia has a balance of \$2,278.92.
- It was decided to extend next year's membership drive until the end of June.

### **PLAYER DEVELOPMENT – Bob, Dale, Betty**

- Another lengthy discussion was held regarding rating players for scheduling, training and tournament purposes. It was decided that a rating subcommittee be formed to provide recommendations. This committee will consist of Betty, Bob, Tom, Dale, Kathy and Suelaine.
- Dale has finalized the format of the Mentorship Program. Bios of mentors will be made available on the website. Bob has a list of new players who want mentors.

- Betty is ready to facilitate the drill sessions at Plummer Park. She will need one helper per court. Betty can create the sign-up form. Drills will be separated by skill rating.
- Tom will set up an IPTPA evaluation in 3-4 weeks. Horst offered to conduct training sessions for people interested so they know what to expect at the evaluations. OMG members will again get a reduced rate for these evaluations.
- Horst asked that all players put their names on their paddles. This not only helps if a player loses their paddle, but it helps facilitate play.
- Kathy and Steve reported some difficulties with court assignments during open play at the YMCA on Wednesday evening. The Committee will issue a reminder of court use at the Y.

**TOURNAMENTS** – Jim, Tom, Bob, Lisa, Cindy, Betty

- Bob reported that the YMCA will hold a fund-raising tournament on Saturday, April 18. The Steering Committee again approved funding for pizza.
- The City of Edwardsville wants to establish pickleball team leagues. Teams would consist of 4-6 players. Men’s doubles, Women’s doubles and Mixed doubles would be played during 10-week sessions. Planning is in the initial stages.
- Horst also suggested that we consider competition between area clubs.

Next Meetings:	April 8	Trivia Night Subcommittee, 12-1 Steering Committee, 1-3
	May 13	Steering Committee, 1-3

Submitted by Suelaine Matthews