

PRESCOTT LAKES PICKLEBALL CLUB Spring General Meeting

Originally scheduled for April 4, 2020 – 1:00 P.M.—Falls Room Cancelled due to COVID-19

Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic and the guidelines from Governor Ducey, our Spring General meeting has been cancelled. This email is intended to recap what we would have been covered at that meeting. Following are the reports that have been submitted that would have been presented at the General Meeting. Should you have questions regarding information here, please contact President Jim Slack, (jimslack@gmail.com).

PLPC BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

President: Jim Slack Vice President: Paul Quinn Secretary: Genanne Davis

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PLPC COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Committee NameCommittee Chair(s)ElectionsWanda HughsInstructionFrank KlejmontRatingsJoe Nelson

Round Robins Cheryl Benson-West Senior Games Jim Robak, Joe Nelson Tournaments Committee Jim Robak, Joe Nelson,

Jay Davis

Social Activities Laura Hanish

Welcome

2020 pickleball season has started off to be very challenging. Twice a year PLPC conducts a general meeting to keep members informed about Club activities and policies. Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic and the guidelines from Governor Ducey, our Spring General meeting has been cancelled. We are hopeful that we will get back to some type of normalcy in the near future. I would like to recognize the volunteers who serve on the PLPC Board of Directors, the chairs of the various committees and all the other members who volunteer their time in helping with the various activities and events throughout the year. Without their help, we would not be the club we are.

Membership Report

Membership sheets/Code of Conduct are in mailbox by Court 1.

PLPC membership is currently at 186 (In 2019 at this time we were at 191.)

Congratulations! Many of you are diligent about checking in. We had 787 check-ins in January and 721 check-ins in February. In 2019 our numbers were 553 for January and 272 for February. We moved up one position in the rankings.

 Reminder: Sign in at Front Desk every time to "cast a vote for pickleball."

2020 AC USAGE BY AREA	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	AREA TOTAL
A/C Room	834	967											1801
Basketball	1	9											10
Cardio Eqpmnt/Weights	4467	4285											8752
Classes	1076	1267											2343
Hot Tub	373	335											708
Indoor Pool	753	721											1474
Lap Swim	79	62											141
Lobby/Coffee	1094	979											2073
Outdoor Pool	2	2											4
Pickleball Courts	787	735			Pic	klel	oall	Rar	ıkin	$\alpha =$	6th		1522
Ping Pong	43	81											124
Playground	6	20											26
Shower/Locker Room	1515	1473											2988
Steam Room	37	34											71
Stretch Area	963	1153											2116
Tennis Courts	156	151											307
Total	12186	12274	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24460
Playground & Basketball added February 2019													
Lap swim added May 2019													

Major Decisions use statistics help drive Athletic Center improvement priorities.



Name Tags

Orders are sent as warranted. Each tag is \$6.00 which includes tax and shipping. What is required is your name exactly as you want it on your name tag plus \$6.00 cash or check payable to Prescott Lakes Pickleball Club. Magnets only are \$2.00 each

Treasurer's Report

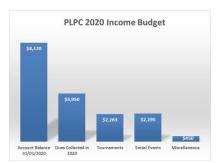
<u>2019 Year End Notes:</u> For 2019 Year End the PLPC finished with \$4,300 over the original budget. Total Income was \$5,700 over budget; Total Expense was \$1,400 over budget.

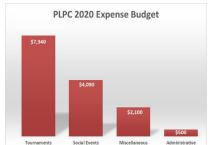
Income changes over Budget were due to: Increased Membership-\$2,250

Increased Tournament Income-\$1,850 Increased Social Event Income-\$1,100 Increased Miscellaneous Income-\$500

Expense changes over Budget were due to: Increased Tournament Expense-\$600

Decreased Social Expense-\$800 Increased Miscellaneous Expense-\$1,750 Decreased Administrative Expense-\$250







<u>2020 Budget Notes:</u> The 2020 Budget was approved by the Board earlier this year. Total Income is projected to be \$17,100. Total Expense is projected to be \$14,000.

<u>April Financial Report</u>: As of April, the current checking account balance is a healthy \$6,920. Income from the Shamrock Tournament has been deposited. The only current outstanding expense is the banquet bill for the Shamrock Tournament food. We are currently on budget for income and expense for 2020.

PLPC Shirts

Sue Westbury has again volunteered to coordinate ordering club shirts. She is in contact with Stuart Birch. Once we have current prices, we will provide ordering information to all members.

Ratings Committee

This summer we will be entering the fourth year of our current Club Ratings program. The guidelines of our program are simple:

Members are asked to submit a "Club (or Self) Rating" based on the Skill Level Descriptions Tool posted on our website (plpickleball.weebly.com) as well as in the information center at the courts Your Self-Ratings should be sent to Joe Nelson at papajoes2@yahoo.com. Self-ratings are optional but we encourage members to have one as they are necessary to play in some club activities such as Round Robin and Skill Level Tournaments

If you are not comfortable playing at the Self-Rating you selected, just ask any member of your Ratings Committee and you will be moved down. To move up a skill level requires members to play in Round Robin tournaments at their Self-Rated level. These are fun events and a great way to build your skills. We encourage everyone to participate. To advance in rating you need to "Challenge Up" to the next higher skill level by playing and **winning** in our Round Robin tournaments. Those guidelines are as follows:



First - If you place among the top four winners in **two tournaments** in a one-year period, you qualify. It **is not mandatory** to "Challenge Up" and you have one year to decide to do so. Challenge matches are a six-game format where challengers rotate play with and against three players rated at the higher level. Challengers must win 48 points in the six games to advance. **Second** - If you place among the top four winners in **three tournaments** in a one-year period, **it is mandatory** to Challenge Up" within 30 days or sit out of Round Robin play for the next **two** tournaments. (This is a rule change effective April 1, 2020 that was reduced from sitting out **three** tournaments.) In this situation, three-time top four winners have the option of playing in a normal challenge match as described above or play in the Round Robin tournament held for the next higher level where the player needs to earn 42 points to move up.

Congratulations to the 26 club members who won their challenges in 2019. If anyone has any questions, don't hesitate to ask your Ratings Committee (Joe Nelson/Chair, Jim Slack and Russ Johnson).

Round Robins

Our Chair, Cheryl Benson-West has a number of volunteers who help run our round robin tournaments. Round robins are available to any PLPC member who has a self-rating. With the exception of 4.0+, round robins are held each month throughout the year. For each round robin, we need at least 8 players or that tournament will be cancelled. Unfortunately, we have had to cancel several round robins over the past year. The Ratings Committee is working on a list of players who could be called to play so we don't have to cancel. They are also looking for two 3.0 Round Robin Managers. Please contact Cheryl at cherylabenson@msn.com.

2020 Social Tournaments

We usually have 5 social tournaments each year. These are fun tournaments for all PLPC members. It is a great time for members to have fun and get to know their fellow members. Our first tournament was held on March 14. Our next one is a DinkFest scheduled for May 16. Another is scheduled for July 18. The Sunset Champagne Pickleball Poker tournament is scheduled for October 10. And the last one for the year is the DinkFest 2 scheduled for November 7. All of these dates are tentative depending on how long the Covid19 pandemic lasts.

Club Tournaments

The Prescott Lakes Pickleball Club Conducts two competitive tournaments each year for members only. They are:

- 1. <u>SKILL LEVEL TOURNAMENT</u>—This is our signature member's tournament organized by skill level. Since everyone has a chance to win it is hoped that most will enter this tournament. It is anticipated that events will be held in men's and women's singles, in men's, and women's doubles and in mixed doubles. There is a \$5.00 entry fee plus and \$5.00 charge for each event entered. The tournament is presently scheduled to be held June 12, 13 and 14. More information will be forthcoming as tournament time approaches.
- 2. <u>CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP</u>-This is NOT a skill level tournament. It is a tournament to determine the club champions in men's and women's singles, men's and women's doubles and mixed doubles. Medal winners will have their names engraved on the permanent plaque located in the Athletic Center near the front desk. The tournament is presently scheduled for September 18,19 and 20. There is a \$5.00 entry fee plus and \$5.00 charge for each event entered. More information will be forthcoming as tournament time approaches.

NOTE: Due to the current coronavirus regulations, the conduct of these tournaments and the scheduled dates must be considered as tentative.



Senior Games

This will be our ninth annual Senior games and again we expect to be filled out shortly after registration opens the first of May. We strongly encourage our club members to sign up early so as to not miss out. Again, as last year, we will be limiting number of entrants in each category. Again, this year, we are working with Pickleballtournaments.com to run the entire tournament. Sue Brogaard will again handle registration and play along with our volunteers.

As always, this fun tournament is only successful if we have a team of volunteers and we work together. I will be contacting each of last year's leaders and looking for them to recruit and lead the way again. Please let me know ASAP if you can help out again this year. jrobakaz@gmail.com

Regarding specifics this year, the only major changes will be that mixed matches will be on Saturday this year and Men's on Sunday. We will be paying referees and line judges this year plus we will have a certified medical person available. This of course adds to the costs and so our registration cost is going up to \$50 instead of the past \$35. This also aligns us with the costs that other tournaments are charging. By the way, we will not be offering the Saturday night dinner this year.

PLPC Referee Training

This year, Randy Oaks has agreed to conduct a review/refresher referee training class for all members who have had previous referee training. This class will go over changes that have been made by the USAPA for playing pickleball. This meeting has been tentatively scheduled for June 1 from 5 pm to 7:30 pm. He has also said he would be willing to conduct a referee class for those interested in learning how to be a referee. The main reason we hold these training classes is so we have enough referees for our club tournaments and our Senior tournament. If you are interested in the review/refresher class or referee training class, please email Jim Slack at jimslack@gmail.com.

Line judges will be trained on a later date toward the end of May or first of June in a one-hour session at the courts. Stay tuned for date and time.

Lessons and Training ALL LESSONS ARE CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19 THIS YEAR UNTIL FURTHER NOTIFICATION

Everyone is welcome to take beginner lessons IF they belong to Prescott Lakes Athletic Association. To attend the advanced lessons, you must be a PL Pickleball member, costs \$15 a year. To sign up for lessons, email Frank Klejmont - fklejmo@gmail.com

The lessons are fun, the instructors are great and lessons start at 7:30AM for one hour. The lessons are either a 1,2, or 3-day class.

Beginner 3 days Novice 2 days Intermediate 1 day

Students who sign up are expected to attend every day for the class. If something occurs and you can't attend the classes, please let me know prior as a courtesy to other students and instructors. There are typically waiting lists to attend the classes, I can usually fill your spot with another student.

To attend advanced classes after you take a beginner class, you should be on the courts practicing what you have learned and show you have the skill to take the next level class.

To attend the intermediate class you are required to be a 3.0 level player.

Although we presently don't have scheduled classes this year, you can learn on-line at:

http://www.pickleballchannel.com/

https://youtu.be/3-ugUacwqxM



Play Schedule

The play schedule reflects protected skill level play times on various days. During open play time, players should utilize the paddle box system to allow fair play for all players on all five courts. Select specialty group activity is available starting at the 12 noon time slot. Courts 1, 2 and 5 have skill level priority time. Players may place their paddles on the fence according to their skill level of play to join in with those players.

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Schedule									
TIME	COURT 1	COURT 2	COURT 3	COURT 4	COURT 5				
8:00 AM –	Advanced	Intermediate	Open	Open	Developing				
10:00 AM	(3.5+ and Above)	(3.0 - 3.5)	Play	Play	(2.0 - 2.5)				
10:00 AM -	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open				
12:00 NOON	Play	Play	Play	Play	Play				
12:00 NOON	Social	Social	Social	Social	Social				
to Close	Play	Play	Play	Play	Play				
Tuesday and Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday Schedule									
TIME	COURT 1	COURT 2	COURT 3	COURT 4	COURT 5				
8:00 AM –	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open				
10:00 AM	Play	Play	Play	Play	Play				
10:00 AM –	Advanced (3.5+ and Above)	Intermediate	Open	Open	Developing				
12:00 NOON		(3.0 - 3.5)	Play	Play	(2.0 - 2.5)				
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to Close	Play	Play	Play	Play	Play				

This is just a recap for all members to understand and comply with the rules. This chart is posted in the glass case for all to view. As a club, we need to make sure that these guidelines are being followed to ensure fairness for all our Pickleball members.

Social Committee and Events

The Social Committee seeks to provide opportunities to get together and have fun in other settings besides the courts. The Social Committee scheduled three events for 2020. The first was held in February at Augie's with about 40 members in attendance. The second event was scheduled for April, but was cancelled due to COVID-19. The third event is scheduled to take place in June at Vista Park. We are hopeful that we will be able to have this event. Hopefully, there will be more social events later this year.

Court Etiquette

There are three type of "play" scheduled on the courts.

Open Play: For "next up" players – next 2 waiting or 4 on / 4 off. Winners may stay and split, but only for a maximum of 3 games. Please don't take advantage of players with lesser skills.

Level-Based Play (courts 1, 2, and 5): Winners may stay together, but only for a maximum of 3 games. You may put your paddle on the "fence" for next 2 up. You may invite other skill levels to play if nobody is waiting.

Social Play: Open and level-based play rules do not apply.

ADDITIONAL: Always have a couple of balls in your bag. Don't count on others to supply the balls. Have hand sanitizer available to use between games (especially during these crazy times).

Be aware of the paddle box during times when all 5 courts are being used. Look at the daily schedule as to when there are challenge courts