



SCPA Annual General Meeting

October 14, 2022 – 10:00 AM

Location: Zoom – Sechelt, B.C.

Attendees: Directors: Ted, Brian, Carol, Jurgen, JoAnne, Kira, Russ, Dennis, Jacques, and Carolyne.

Members: Peter Fisher

- 1. Call to Order** – 10:06 am preceded by welcome comments from the acting Chair, Brian Chipman. Instructions were given to non-board members regarding comments in the chat menu and would be addressed at the end of the meeting.
- 2. Adoption of Agenda** – Motion to adopt agenda – Ted, Jurgen – Carried
- 3. Adoption of Minutes of last AGM** – Motion to adopt – JoAnne, Jurgen – Carried
- 4. Opening Remarks** – Brian welcomed everyone, reminding all of the goals of the SCPA and thanking them for their continued support. In order to go forward and reenergize our commitment to grow and develop pickleball on the coast, committees will be formed to address the following, and may include non-board members to assist on these committees. Executive, player development, membership events, operations, new facilities, and communications. All members invited to get in touch with an SCPA board member to join a committee of their interest.
- 5. Board Chair/President Report** – Ted reported pickleball on the rise everywhere in North America. Cited more news involving Catherine Parenteau, great to be a part of a community that is moving quickly, and our situation has nowhere to go but up! Too few have been sharing the load up until now, hopefully Brian's committees' concept will improve that situation. He mentioned Carol as a long time go-to person for orientation when receiving requests from newcomers, with a lot of success, proving to be a valuable ambassador for the club. Following a vacation, we hope she will return

to continue in that capacity, after stepping down from the Secretary's position. He welcomed the new board members – Brian, Jacques and Carlyne, who have already made contributions. In saying goodbye to Jurgen and Russ, commended them for their service to the board, especially Jurgen, as treasurer for many years. He finished by expressing his pleasure at serving as president for the last year, and looks forward to a more successful year, especially regarding a facility. See attached President's report. Motion to adopt – Jurgen, Dennis - Carried

- 6. Treasurer Report** – Jurgen - reported difference in income re membership comparing the last 2 years was due to no club fees during Covid. Also returning to our annual tournament affected the bottom line as well. Everything in good order. See attached statements. Motion to adopt – Ted, Carol – Carried

- 7. Player Development & Ratings Report** – Ted deferred to Russ to start – Russ went through the process he used for the one member who used our invitation for assessment at the SCA this summer. Our assessment form from the website was used as a base, adding other comments that were lacking, with most valuable action being the conversation after the session. He recommended the forms be updated, although all were satisfied with the outcome. Jurgen followed up with a reference to the AGM Ratings report and Pickleball Brackets –which is being used throughout North America. Report attached. He defined the difference between club and tournament ratings, concluding that we are better served by a club rating for now. However, we could implement PB Brackets in the future, with the inclusion of higher-level players. Ted finished up with the news of a tournament in Vernon, which some of our players may attend. A dedicated facility would help immensely in developing all programs. Brian added comments in the same vein, underlining a facility need. Dennis commented on the ability to list your rating in a tournament as you see fit but once the results are in that will be your rating. Incorporating the above into our system will need a lot of work. Motion to adopt – Carol, Ted – Carried

- 8. Membership Report** – Ted advised of his chronological report of this year's membership history going from under 100 to 274, being our success story so far. See attached. He added that in talking with people in various walks of life, a basically adult sport with that many members carries some influence. It is growing as we speak and hopefully use that influence for sponsorship, awareness and the quest for a facility. Jurgen mentioned that including other players, such as the SAC, could swell those numbers to 400. There could well be a lot more, considering areas further up the coast. Discussion ensued establishing the areas or events bringing in the highest

number of members – most likely tournaments requiring membership to participate.
Motion to adopt – Dennis, JoAnne – Carried

9. Community Relations Report – JoAnne submitted a report which is attached. JoAnne highlighted the major activities of the year and added that the invitation for the Festive Dinner will be coming out soon with hope of a good turnout. She will be continuing with Facebook notices and reaching out to the community. Motion to adopt – Ted, Jurgen – Carried

10. Facilities Report – Ted submitted report – see attached. Ted highlighted pluses with mention of the minus in little progress for a dedicated facility. We remain hopeful and challenged – all directors assume responsibility to pass on all leads and information regarding a facility. With new committee structure and local council, perhaps we can make some progress. Motion to adopt – Jurgen, Dennis – Carried

11. Election of the 2022/2023 Board – Carol started the procedure of voting in the new Board offering a choice of adding positions or not to the motion – motion was made to elect the board without designations but after discussion the motion was amended to include known portfolios. Ted – President, Ross – Past President, Brian Vice President, Carolyne – Treasurer, JoAnne – Communications, Kira, Dennis, Carol, and Jacques – Directors at Large. Motion Carried.

12. Any Other Business – Dennis modeled the T-shirt that has been ordered – good feel, comfortable, fits a little small, has wicking ability. Price not exactly determined so can be sorted when invoice comes in for 36 shirts- 8 of each size – S, M, L, XL and 2XL, to be rounded up. JoAnne suggested having a few shirts for prizes at the Festive Dinner. Further discussion on getting samples or picture to those going to various venues. Ted to put out info and picture to membership. Those who are to distribute get a couple of each size from Dennis.

13. Adjournment – Brian declared the meeting adjourned at 11:14 am - Carried