

GV Tennis Club Minutes December 1, 2010

In Attendance: Verne Phillips, Hugh Bennett, Don Herron, Carolyn Herron, Nina Clark, Rene' Mosley-Smith, Glenn Smith, Mike Schultz, Kathi Skytta, Linda Turck

Guests: Grant Alley, John Hadley and GVR asst. Mgr. Guy Sundvik.

Minutes: A correction to the November 3rd minutes was made. It was Verne Phillips who volunteered to help set up for the October potluck. A motion was made by Hugh and seconded by Don to accept the Minutes. The motion was approved.

GUY SUNDVIK: Guy's presence, again as in the November meeting, was to give an update on the maintenance of the tennis courts. His report was as follows:

WEST CENTER: Plans will be put into the next GVR budget cycle (the cycle begins in April) for replacement within the next 2 – 3 years of Courts 1, 2, 3, and 4 at West Center with a post tension system. As to a windsock for use on Courts 5 & 6, Guy's suggestion was that the light pole next to the Ramada be used. This was agreeable to all.

DESERT HILLS: GVR has begun the grinding of the sidewalks at Desert Hills as well as working on eliminating "bird-droppings. As to a windsock at Desert Hills, it was suggested that in light of "where to put it", we continue to use the flag at the Elks Club as our windsock; again, agreeable to all. Regarding a viewing area at Desert Hills, it was decided that a sub-committee would discuss the feasibility as to use of such an area and report back to Guy as soon as possible. As this was a high priority on the Amenities List and if some sort of plan is in place, some materials might be bought by GVR by year's end. There was immediate need for the sub-committee to make some decisions. Don and Hugh will act in the capacity of that sub-committee.

Canoa Hills: The work order is in process regarding the back gate.

Windscreens: GVR is stepping up maintenance with word out to the Custodial Staff to check courts a minimum of three times per week or more if wind is excessive. Plastic containers have been placed on each court with the newer 120 lb. weight zip ties. These are more expensive but hopefully will solve the problem.

Maintenance requests: Guy asked that all be put through Hugh. These requests will become work orders which will be tracked via spreadsheet.

Court Washing Schedule: Rene', Don and Hugh will meet with Guy and Dan Freeman to work out a schedule.

John Hadley: John's presence at the Board meeting was to gather opinions as to a proposed Silent Auction in conjunction with the Grand Opening of the Courts at Desert Hills. After long discussion as to pros and cons, the Board President asked each Board Member present to give his or her opinion on the issue. He then asked for a show of hands as to those wishing to go ahead with the Auction. Among the Board Members there was insufficient support and it was decided to celebrate the Desert Hills Courts without a fundraiser.

As to the Celebration itself, Hugh, Carolyn, and Nina will work with Verne to plan out activities. Already proposed are a match point demo; small clinic, free food, and drinks, and speeches by Mike and Don. Verne's committee will pick a date for the Celebration in either January or February, with that date being announced at the Catered Dinner in December. A suggestion was made that the Celebration be on a second Sunday in either January or February so that it could be combined with the normal potluck dinner.

Treasurer's Report:

In Katy's absence she submitted the following report which was given by Verne:

Bank Balance:	\$9,294.76;
Amenities Fund Balance	\$4,252.36;
50-50 Balance:	\$ 533.29

Kathi Skytta made a motion to accept this report; it was seconded by Carolyn. The motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Ball Machine: Glenn reported that the ball machine is working fine.

Catered Dinner: Carolyn reported that the Greens will actually be plating the dinner (we will not be serving ourselves) Cost is \$17.50 which includes tax and tip. The Tennis Club will pay the GVR \$50.00 fee. Katy is accepting the reservation forms, and at this time we have no exact number.

Leagues: Mike discussed with the Board that drop-in rules must be enforced; He will talk with Captains where there has been a problem.

He has given Don a schedule. Even though there are many leagues in process, there are still available courts around Green Valley in the afternoons for those players who are not involved in leagues or drop in situations.

Maintenance: Hugh has made a tension check of the nets on all courts and has also made sure that there are extra zip ties on each court. Plastic containers have been placed on each court with the older 50 lb. weight zip ties. The newer 120 lb. ties will be in use by the GVR maintenance crew. These are more expensive but hopefully will solve the problem.

Pot Luck Dinner: It has been suggested to Nina that instead of a “potluck”, we might have heavy *hors d’oeuvres* during some month; perhaps January or February in line with the Celebration at Desert Hills. Carolyn volunteered her team to help at the January potluck.

Website: In Marge’s absence, her written report contained the following: In November there were 319 hits on the website, in October there were 244. The website is current and includes the catered dinner information and forms.

Membership: Quoted from Katy’s report “ The members that have paid their dues for 2011 total 59. Many of these are new members. I know that I have personally received dues from several of the participants of Carl’s clinic. Carl and the other volunteer instructors should be thanked for their encouraging talk about tennis membership. If the members of the board will remember to keep talking positively about Tennis Club membership, I think that we can really help to stop the decline in enrollment. I know that it is early, but it seems to me the dues from ‘old members’ are coming in a little more slowly than last year”

Newsletter: Marge’s report noted that the newsletters will be taken to the December Catered dinner. The newsletter is on the website and was emailed to the club members.

Reservations: Rene’ reported that all is going very well. She did note that the Ball Machine is being used at inappropriate times, as the rules state from “Noon until Dark”. Verne will talk with those who may not have known the rules or are not following them.

On her computer, Rene’ has the activity forms needed for team captains. Where needed, they have been sent out. There are blank forms in the bottom drawer of the Ramada.

USTA/ Scheduling: Don’s report concerned the washing of the courts. Maintenance cannot schedule washing from 2- 4. As previously reported, Rene’ Don and Hugh will schedule a meeting with Guy to work out a court washing schedule. Date will be emailed to Guy.

Publicity: Via a written report, Marge informed the Board that she had sent an email to the newspaper about the Noktoberfest, put an article in the *Keeping Current*, and is working on a brochure to place at GVR’s office. She did the posters and sent out emails about LateStart.

Tournaments: Hugh reported that the Noktoberfest was easy. It was a one-day affair with two flights of self-rated participants. He called the newspaper and a reporter from the Green Valley News was at the tournament. Board members reported seeing a nice article concerning the tournament in the *Green Valley News*.

The next tournament will be “Fun-in-the-Sun”. Proposed dates are February 16, 17 and 20. There will be three flights -- 9:00; 11:00; 1:00.

Programs: Kathi reported that the Catered Dinner on December 12 will be very casual – tapes of holiday music and Marge’s tennis photographs.

Saddlebrook Tennis Tournament: Grant has followed up on this proposed tournament; however, in light of all of the other activities planned for January and February, Grant suggested that we forgo the tournament this year. A motion was made by Don and seconded by Carolyn to this effect. The motion passed unanimously.

Amenities Fund: As set out in the November Minutes a Shade Cabana was to have been bought and installed at Las Campanas. As there is insufficient space between fencing at Las Campanas to accommodate the Shade Cabana, Keith will talk with Anndrea about an alternate solution.

New Business:

Recorder:

Motion was made by Rene’ and seconded by Carolyn that a recorder be bought for the Tennis Club for use by the secretary to facilitate the recording of the Minutes; the cost of this recorder not to exceed \$200.00. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Turck
Tennis Club Secretary

