

Comox Valley Tennis Club Annual General Meeting

Sunday 28th September, 2008 at Anderton Courts Clubhouse

Present: Current Executive plus approximately 40+ club members.

Regrets: Phil Lessard, Rob Calder

Meeting called to order @ 12.45pm.

1. **The Agenda** for the meeting was agreed.

2. **Approval of Minutes.**

Debra Dobbs moved to approve the Minutes of the previous AGM.

Jim Boase seconded the motion.

Carried

3. **Financials.**

Debra Dobbs presented her report for the past year. The Club has just over \$10,000 in the bank. Club closer and AGM meeting expenses are not included. Report attached to minutes.

Erik Epp moved to accept the report. **Sheila Ives** seconded.

Carried.

4. **Directors' Reports.**

4.1 Cathy Curry gave the **President's** report, which is attached to the minutes.

4.2 Ladies League coordinator, Annette Mayo, thanked all participants for making the season a success. With 6 courts available for league, the organization was made more simple. She encourages everyone to join in next year. It has been suggested that the club run a daytime league for ladies and Annette encourages this idea.

4.3 Mens' League. Rob Calder forwarded his report to **Cathy** who read it out. Copy is attached to the minutes.

4.4 Juniors – Georgina Price reported that, with **Annette** and **Arlen's** help, the junior program went well with 16-18 kids turning up twice a week. They had drills one day and then played games the second day. The success shows in the fact that several juniors have entered tournaments this year and are doing well.

4.5. Sponsorship. Phil Lessard was absent, but reported at the last Executive meeting that sponsorship had not been easy this year. He has a new plan which should help next year. **Phil** is stepping down but is willing to work with his successor.

Thanks were given to **Johanna Hillhorst** for her generous donation to the club.

4.6 Tournaments. Robert Seidlitz reported that tournaments went off OK and did not lose money. **Rahsaan** and **Debra Dobbs** took on Nautical Days tournament and ran a very good event. He reported that numbers of participants in tournaments was up this year especially in the closer. Making this event stretch over 3 weekends has increased the entrant numbers by nearly 50%. This fun structure seems to bring out more players than regular tournaments. **Dell** attributed this to the fact that really good food was provided in lieu of participant 'gifts'! **Robert** was thanked for all his hard work.

4.7 Membership. Annette Mayo reported that our membership is growing and we have 147 adult members this year.

5. **Christmas party update.** **Don Ross** reported that the party will be held at Comox Golf Club on Saturday 6th Dec. Unfortunately the food manager is leaving the Golf Club shortly, but **Don** is remaining optimistic that the new people will uphold the bookings made.

6. **Membership Recognition.** **Cathy** outlined the criteria for creating honorary members of the club and named some of those who have been given the title. **Johanna Hillhorst** is one such member, and **Vicki LeFort** another. **Cathy** reported that the Board had decided to award an Honorary membership to **Audrey Greve** in recognition of her help with so many events and also in recognition of her running of the Wednesday drop-in – which she has been overseeing since before the club existed - and her assistance at the Sunday morning drop-in. **Audrey** was presented with a bouquet of flowers by **Robert**.

7. **Volunteer Appreciation.** The club depends completely on members who volunteer their time. The Board would like to recognize these people by holding a volunteer event on Saturday, 4th Oct between 1 and 4pm at Anderton Road courts. Refreshments will be provided and tennis played.

8. **New Business.**
 - 8.1. **Indoor Tennis facility.** Comox council is considering building a covered facility for tennis. The club is to show its support of the proposal by making a delegation to Council on Wednesday 1st Oct. Only one person may speak and **Rahsaan** will do that, but many club members are needed to turn up and show support. If council support the concept, then the next stage would be taking the idea to a referendum.
 - 8.2 **Upcoming events.** In the winter, there is to be a workshop on running tournaments so that club members can share the load of this time-consuming job. Also a ‘Website 101’ evening to help people learn how to use the club’s website- which is evolving.
 - 8.3 **Expenditures in the coming year.** **Cathy** listed some places where money could be spent to improve things.
Suggestions were as follows:
Umbrellas and more stools for the clubhouse (with a big thankyou to **Wayne King** for making the umbrella holders on the railings for current umbrellas)
Trophy case (+ lockable cabinet)
Banquettes to replace the old sofa.
Benches for Robb Road and Lewis Park courts.
New rollers and blades for court cleaning gear.
Leaf blower, wet/dry vac.
New wind screens
Security lights to prevent vandalism.
It was suggested that any new equipment be demonstrated at opening day.

9. **Nominations of Executive.**

The new slate of directors was presented as follows.

		Nominated/Seconded
President	Cathy Curry	Acclaimed
Vice-President	Wayne King	“
Treasurer	Debra Dobbs	“
Secretary	Debra Dobbs	“
Membership	Marjorie Milliken	“
Tournament Director	Rahsaan Dobbs	“
Junior Program	Annette Mayo	“
Leagues -Men	Rob Calder	“
Leagues – Women	Barbara Jefferson	“
Sponsorship	unfilled	

A vote of thanks was given to Cathy for all her work on the club’s behalf.

10. **Meeting adjournment.** Motion to adjourn was made at 1.45

Minutes prepared by S. M. Precious