



Kennedy Township Bocce League

Commissioner Year-End Report 10-05-19

Kevin's Notes

Year-End Update

1. **Rosters and Dues Payment** – There are currently 178 Members on all teams for 2019. (3 people play on multiple nights and those players only counted each for one membership)
 - a. **Tuesday** – 43 Members - \$860 dues collected
 - b. **Wednesday** – 46 Members - \$920 dues collected
 - c. **Thursday** – 43 Members - \$720 dues collected (2018 champs 6 fees waived; 1 not collected)
 - d. **Friday** – 48 Members - \$940 dues collected (1 not collected)

There is also a wait list started for those who have expressed an interest in joining the league when openings become available. There are currently 20 people on the wait list. (5 total teams)

2. **50/50 Raffles** – \$2285 Total Collected
 - a. **Tuesday** – \$389 collected
 - b. **Wednesday** – \$675 collected
 - c. **Thursday** – \$637 collected
 - d. **Friday** – \$399 collected

3. **Items from Prior Meeting** held on 07-22-19.

- a. **Shirt Order.**

Shirts were ordered and distributed to everyone who paid dues. Overall positive feedback with respect to the shirts ordered. The vendor was Karen Black who resides on Midway Drive and recommended by Paul Smarra. We also purchased a limited number of koozies for sale but there was not a lot of support each night to purchase them so most were given away to members during the season. There remains a few in inventory for next season.



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b. Court Maintenance Update.

The Courts continue to be in good condition.

Larger size scoreboards were installed.

A reminder that no games should be played whenever there is water present on the courts. Do not attempt to brush the courts when water is present. This will avoid getting uneven areas on the playing surface. Games should be postponed until a later date.

THANKS to those who helped repair and maintain the courts throughout the summer. The playing surfaces were in good order during the season and for the playoffs. There was also positive feedback regarding the larger scoreboards.

Reminder: Please use the sign-up sheet located in the bocce office to schedule make-up games so there is no confusion on reserving the courts. This is the only way we can keep track of who is using the courts for any potential make-up games or special events.

c. Court Relocation

There is no formal update or information available on the courts being re-located to the horse shoe pit area. It is expected there will be nothing done until after this season is finished. It is anticipated we may be asked to move the courts to accommodate the Deck Hockey League expansion. More details will be provided when they become available.

There has been no formal communication from the Commissioners regarding relocation of the courts. There were a lot of rumors all summer but I've received a lot feedback that if given the choice, most league members do not have a desire to move the courts from their current location.



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4. New Items

a. **Playoff Tournament & Annual Picnic**

Playoff schedule to be the same as last year.

Final tournament pairings will be picked randomly at the picnic.

Help is needed to setup for the picnic.

No fee for members. Offset charge for guests?

We will keep the format and charges the same as last year and work with a vendor to provide food and services for the picnic. Potential vendors discussed were the Cooked Goose and Hanlons.

The playoffs and final tournament went well and there were no issues. Not all of the week night's teams posted their weekly results in the office so there was no way to determine who had the best record of the final four teams. A flip of the coin worked well to determine the final pairings and everyone agreed with this format.

THANKS to those who helped setup for the annual picnic. It was good to have several people setup the pavilion and also tend to the courts. There was no fee charged for guests since there was no RSVP provided by anyone and I just estimated based on prior years for the number of dinners to order. We had plenty of food and leftovers again this year and the food and catering services were good.

The championship plaque has been updated to reflect the winners of this year's tournament. Congratulations to Wednesday Night Team 4 (John Sciulli's Team) for winning the League Championship for 2019.



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b. Rule Change

Game time limits? Proposed change to the league rules to include:

Proposal: All scheduled matches (best of 3 games) shall not exceed two (2) hours in total. All matches scheduled to begin at 6:00 PM must be completed no later than 8:00 PM. If a game is still ongoing, the game will end after the next frame is thrown at 7:50 PM. The team with the most points will be declared the winner of the game. This will minimize potential of the scheduled 7:30 PM games will require play past 10:00 PM – 10:30 PM.

It was agreed that there has been the same issue with late games on each of the nights. It was also agreed to have each night trial the 2 hour window for the balance of the year and we can then evaluate if the rule change is better for next year.

There was no support from each night's teams to trial this rule change and the games continued for the remainder of the season with no time limits. There has been no rule change regarding game time limits.

c. Team Captain Comments / Issues

There were no issues or concerns. Everything is going well with the league.

5. Financial Update

A detailed report provided to each night's Commissioner to minimize expense for copies. See **enclosed for a season-end financial report. All expenses, receipts and financial data for the prior two years since I have taken over the responsibility of managing the league is available for audit by anyone interested.**

6. Key Dates for 2019 Season:

08-03-19 – Saturday – Athletes of Action Bocce Tournament

08-17-19 – Saturday – Children's Hospital Chron's & Colitis Bocce Tournament

09-07-19 – Saturday --Annual Picnic/Championship Tournament

10-04-19 – Friday – The Bocce Office (shed) was winterized and shut down for the season.

All remaining beverages were given to the Kennedy Township Road Department employees.



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- 7. All league information is posted on the website: kennedytwpbocce.com including meeting minutes, rosters, schedules, league rules, etc. **Just type kennedytwpbocce.com in the web browser on your computer to access the website.****

We received an inquiry via our website from an eagle scout from Findley Township, PA looking for some guidance on bocce rules and how to build courts. An invitation will be extended for the person to visit one of the nights to talk with our league Commissioners to learn more about our league.

I completed a phone interview with the Eagle Scout to answer some of his questions that hopefully helped with the construction project for their courts. Last email communication indicated there was a delay on behalf of their officials to get the court construction started for this year. No further communication has been conducted with scout.