

DTC Board Meeting on Wednesday, 2 October 2013

In attendance were Janine Carlson, Jeff Chale, Joanne Crosta, Linda Deos, Chris Dewees, George Haver, Dale Hersch, Barry Markman, Patty Nishi, Kelli O'Neill and Carolyn Teragawa. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm at the Clubhouse.

1. Previous Minutes of Meeting

The minutes of the September Board meeting were approved without changes.

2. President's Report

The Board voted for Barry to serve on the DTC Nomination Committee. The committee is made up one board member (Barry) and two regular members of the club. Barry offered to check with Grace Vaughn and Shariar to see if they would serve on the committee. Barry anticipates making the nomination for next year's DTC board during the January 2014 meeting.

3. Vice-President's Report

Kelli reported she and Dennis Anderson developed a plan to cover the bleachers next to court 7 similar to the wood structure that currently covers the spectator area in the Community Pool complex. Kelli will submit a draft of the plans to George who has agreed to approach the city with them for the city's feedback and feasibility.

4. Club Pro report

Dale reported that two lights were out at the high school courts. Replacements are needed on the south side of court 11 and on court 7. George agreed to approach the city for replacement of the lights.

Dale met with Tandem Properties regarding cleaning the high school courts. Tandem Properties will conduct a trial cleaning of the courts to determine a price for doing so. Tandem Properties would have to clean them weeknights or on the weekends due to prior weekday commitments. Dale will choose a time for the trial cleaning and let the tennis community know when that is to take place.

The SATA Jr. Tournament was a success. The overall feedback from those who participated was favorable. The tourney netted about \$550. Dale gave the receipts and money to Chris.

Dale provided a draft copy of a contract he proposed for putting the existing verbal agreement between DTC and him in writing. Linda will review the contract and provide a revised agreement at the November or December meeting for a vote.

5. Treasurer's Report

Chris provided a copy of the September Treasurer's report. The report is missing some income and expenses which he will record in the October report.

6. Social Director Report

Linda reported that many new faces attended the recent tennis social which made it a success. She is planning the next one in the spring.

7. City Liaison Report

George reported that the City wants DTC to take over tennis lessons the City currently provides to the public. Christine Helweg, the city representative, who had approached George was very eager for DTC to take this on. The specifics of the proposal were not clear and are intertwined with the recent City request to raise court dues. George plans to meet with Christine, clarify the proposal and report back to the Board at the November meeting.

8. Open Forum

8.1 Barry made a motion to open the public forum in the middle of the meeting instead of waiting until the regular time at the end of the Board meeting. This was done for Dave Kemp and members of the Davis Bike Polo (DBP) club who had just arrived. The Board agreed to hear their public forum proposal. Kemp introduced members of the DBP club as Abe, Tony and Mark. Kemp introduced himself as the Bicycle Coordinator for the City

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of Davis. He was not a bike polo player but was in attendance to assist the DBP club in finding a facility to play bike polo at night. Kemp stated that DBP currently plays at W. Manor in West Davis on a court that the city has decommissioned as a tennis court to allow for use by DPB, skateboarders and other non-tennis users. DPB typically uses this court on Sundays during the day. The W. Manor facility doesn't have lights so DBP doesn't want to use it at night and would like to use either the Redwood Park or Chestnut courts Tuesday and Thursday evenings instead.

Kemp stated that in fact the DBP had already used the Redwood Park courts and were asked to leave them by Davis police officers. Kemp approached the DTC by sending a description of the proposal to George. It was sent to the rest of the Board members via E-mail. The proposal is attached to the minutes.

Barry advised Kemp that it was the DTC's mission to promote tennis in Davis and allowing the DBP to use the courts was in violation of DTC's charter. Other Board members expressed agreement to Barry's position and concerns that if allowed the DBP would damage the tennis courts. Kelli had researched the issue in other communities and found that a city in Washington state had allowed bike pole on public courts, found they damaged them with skid marks and small divots then rescinded the agreement. Carolyn stated by allowing bike polo on tennis courts may open the door for other non-tennis users leading to further damage to the courts and less availability to tennis players.

Members of the Board offered various solutions to the DBP club including adding temporary lighting to their existing W. Manor facility and other suggested parking lots and areas in Davis.

The Board agreed to conduct additional research into the matter and come back in November to revisit the issue. The reason it was agreed to carry this over for next month was to get additional input from Mr. Kemp regarding a feasibility/cost estimate to install lighting at the West Manor Park facility, and for members of the bike polo club to come back next month with names of cities where other bike polo groups have successfully coexisted with the community by using tennis courts for their activities.

8.2 Jeff is volunteering his time at local schools during school hours to give lessons to the students. His classes recently increased in popularity from about 15 students to roughly 40 of them. Jeff doesn't have the equipment to keep up with the demand and asked the DTC to help with costs for said equipment. The Board agreed to support the program, but requested cost estimates and an exact list of equipment items and cost associated with each one for further discussion at November meeting. The Board advised Jeff to contact Carol Rose at SATA who recently collected tennis racquets for charitable community events. It was brought up that SATA was supporting the school activities and might have funds available to help with this activity. Joanne volunteered with this program and was willing to initiate contact with the SATA about the availability of funding. She will include Jeff and Barry in the communication. Jeff suggested to utilize Volleys as a drop off for the Junior tennis rackets. He will check with Volleys to confirm it is feasible, let Barry know, who will then ask Jack to send out an announcement to the DTC members.

9. Clubhouse Manager Report

Dennis had nothing to report as relayed by Barry. However, questions were brought up regarding the heating and air unit. In particular if any of the settings need to be changed. Barry agreed to ask Dennis to check the thermostat settings and provide instructions.

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10. Men Interclub Rep

Jeff had nothing new to report.

11. Women Interclub Rep

Carolyn requested clarification from Patty on the permit process for make-up games. Patty advised the original permit covered them.

Carolyn and Joanne reported that during their recent Interclub game when it rained, the homeless individuals moved their rolling cart plus assorted bicycle trailers and wagons filled with belongings to an area in front of the pool complex bathrooms blocking access to them and making it hard for Interclub to use them. Barry will ask George to approach the City about the issue and report back at the next meeting.

12. Webmaster Report

Janine asked the Board to agree to purchase the domain name Davistennisclub.net which is available on the Internet. She made this proposal to avoid confusion should another organization purchase the name. The Board voted to lease the domain name for 5 years for \$78.

Janine reported that she set up a free cloud account at Copy.com so that the DTC has a central location online to store documents and other electronic records. Janine will send the access information to all Board members.

13. Newsletter Report

Joanne is working on the fall newsletter and requested any and all information and articles sent to her to be included in it. Joanne requested an estimated \$65 for print an additional 250 fliers. The Board approved this expense.

14. School Liaison

Patty had nothing to report. Regarding the bike polo issue and possible DTC public lessons, Patty will find out if the Redwood Park courts are on School district property and if a permit is needed for Interclub and lessons.

15. Membership Report

Nothing to report.

16. Fundraising Director Report

Nothing to report; position is vacant.

17. SATA/ USTA Report

Nothing to report.

The meeting adjourned at 8.45pm. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, 6 November 6.00 pm in the clubhouse.

Action Items for the next meeting:

1. Dale/ Sally to get Tandem bid for court washing after trial run. **Open**
2. Men's Interclub Rep to see to it that those men captains who have not yet signed the Clubhouse Agreement do so. **Open**
3. Barry to work with Dale on a written agreement. **Open**
4. Janine to revise the Clubhouse Agreement. **Closed**
5. The Board to get back to the City on their tennis lesson proposal. **Open**
6. Barry to finalize the nominating committee. **New**
7. Linda to review the draft DTC/ DTA agreement. **New**
8. George to contact the City regarding the bathroom access issue. **New**

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9. Patty to contact the school district and clarify if Redwood Park is in their domain and what the permitting process for those courts is. **New**
10. Jeff to formalize racket donations drop-off and obtain cost estimates for temporary nets and Tennis balls. **New**

Attachments

- Agenda, October Board meeting
- Treasurer's Report for September 2013
- Bike Polo Proposal

Agenda Items for the DTC monthly Board Meeting Wednesday, 2 October 2013

- 1. Approve Minutes from 4 September 2013 (Barry)**
- 2. Open Forum (Board Members and any attendees)**
- 3. Membership (JJ)**
- 4. School Liaison (Patty)**
- 5. Fundraising Director Report (Vacant)**
- 6. City Liaison Report (George)**
 - ✓ City proposal on community lessons
- 7. Newsletter Report (Joanne)**
- 8. Social Director Report (Linda)**
- 9. SATA/USTA Report (Carol)**
 - ✓ Proposal to promote tennis in Davis
- 10. Webmaster Report (Janine)**
 - ✓ Domain name protection
- 11. Women Interclub Rep (Carolyn)**
- 12. Men Interclub Rep (Jeff)**
 - Action Item: see to it that those men captains that have not yet signed the Clubhouse Agreement do so.
- 13. Clubhouse Manager Report (Dennis)**
- 14. Treasurer's Report (Chris)**
- 15. Vice President Report (Kelli)**
 - ✓ Update, if any, on the Hull Memorial aka The Bleachers Project.
 - ✓ Update, if any, on the community pool project.
- 16. Club Pro Report (Dale)(Sally)**
 - Action item: Sally to get bids from Tandem Properties for court washing.
 - Action Item: Barry to work with Dale on a written agreement.

DTC Treasurer's Report for September 2013

Wells Fargo Business Checking balance 10/1/13 was \$ 3640.56

Inflows:

\$ 315.28—dues

Outflows:

\$ 100.00—required transfer to Savings for August
\$ 75.00---sponsor for UCD Pro-Am, ad in program
\$ 20.01---reimburse J. Crosta for brochure holder

Wells Fargo Business Savings Balance 10/1/13 was \$ 2335.83

Inflows:

\$ 100.00—transfer from checking for August
\$.09—interest for July

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1. Have not received invoice from City for July-September court use. This is probably due to Dennis Hubbard leaving Parks and Rec. I will follow up.
 2. Incoming funds will include another quarterly payment from Dale for \$800.
 3. The start of Fall interclub season brought on a corresponding inflow of dues.

Prepared and Submitted coolly by Christopher Dewees, DTC Treasurer

Davis Bike Polo

Hardcourt bike polo is a sport that evolved over the last decade or so from grass bicycle polo which is over a century old. It is very similar to hockey and requires great control over a bicycle, quickness and agility. Three person teams compete to 5 goals. If you are forced to put your foot on the ground you must come to the side of the court, and tap in at the centerline to re-enter play. Mallets are normally homemade (but can be purchased) out of ski-poles and plastic piping. It is a high-energy sport that's as much fun to watch as it is to play. There are more than 450 cities worldwide that play and thousands of athletes.

There are unfortunately very few lit, enclosed hardcourt areas in Davis. This is why it is popular throughout the world to play bike polo in tennis courts. The nets are left in place and act as one of the boundaries of the court. The fence then acts as the other three boundaries. The surface gives perfect traction, even in light rain. Care is taken to make sure that the courts are left in the same condition as when we arrive. Front brakes are used, which eliminates the possibility of skid marks. No damage is done to the courts from the mallets or goals as they are both made of plastic. The plastic will scuff well before it could damage the surface. In the past we chose our courts based on their lack of use and if they seemed to be in the poorest condition for tennis.

The Davis bike polo team is a serious, competitive team. We've been sponsored by The Davis Food Co-op, Apex Bike Shop, Ken's Bike & Ski, Sudwerk Brewery, Davis Bicycles, T & D Painting and Hibbert Lumber. We just competed at the North American Hardcourt Bike Polo Championship in Minneapolis, MN. The Davis Bike Polo team was featured in a recent article published in the Davis Enterprise.

The Bike Polo team would like to utilize one lighted tennis courts, preferably at Redwood Park or Chestnut Park, on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

We appreciate you taking time out to listen to us and to consider sharing this space with us. If allowed to play, we will make sure that the courts are kept in great condition. We will also make sure to not disturb any tennis players.