

KPPC JUNE 2016 NEWSLETTER

Hello to all. Hope your summer is going fantastic. Lots of things happening here in Kings Point. I will try to bring you all up to speed.

The Grand Opening went fantastic. I am so sorry that I did not get pictures of the new courts out yet. I have been in and out of town a lot over the last few weeks. Kings Point is going to do a drone shot this week to put the video on the Kings Point website. I will send out directions on how to access it as soon as I get them. We had a great turnout for the event of over 100 players and guests. Very impressive.

Speaking of the Drone Shoot. It is going to be this Thursday, June 23 around 8:30. We would love to have all 8 courts playing, so if you can come up around 8:15 Thursday morning to begin your play that would be AMAZING!

Our latest BOD meeting was held on Thursday, June 16. We had 22 members present and refreshments were served. We have purchased, and Troy and Larry K. put together, a nice 8x8 shed to store all of our club equipment. We also purchased a court side cabinet to keep balls and paddles in. Access code for lock is the same. Larry hung a suggestion box at the North Courts. If you have any correspondence for the board please place in here and we will get it.

We have a balance of \$9,517.66 in our account after these purchases.

The club has purchased a Pickleball Tutor ball machine and 6 dozen white tops balls for a total of \$1,017.80. So this amount needs to come off the above total. We had it out on the courts for the first time this morning. As soon as we figure it out we will be training a few members to be in charge of it. We are working out the particulars of how it will be available to the membership. In the next week or so we will be doing a demonstration. Will keep you posted.

We are still working on fans, bulletin boards and a sound system for the new court area. The Water fountain will go in as soon as Hillsborough County gets out to take the lock off the meter.

Vesta asked us to come up with a protocol for court usage and reservations at the new courts. There was a lengthy member discussion at the BOD meeting. We have come up with a proposal to present to them and I will get the results out to you as soon as they approve them. I want to remind you that ALL levels of play are playing at the North courts in the mornings. I know a few of you still like to play at the South courts but come on up and give it a try. This is a great time to pick up some pointers from more knowledgeable players. The numbers are low so they are available to help.

There was also discussion about how to designate play rotation at the courts. With 8 courts it may be a bit challenging during season. Some wanted to try the paddle method of putting paddles in order for first open courts. Others believe we should just keep the wipe board. Right now we have no problem as there are ample courts and no waiting to speak of. I am sure things

will be different as season approaches. This will be a year of trial and error in seeing what works and what does not.

We have a new Social Committee headed by Valery Whipkey and Cynthia King. They did a wonderful job with our grand opening and have proposed a monthly social event at the new courts. The first Sunday of every month has been set as the day. Time will be from 11-1 or 2. Our first monthly get together will be Sunday, July 3rd for a 4th of July celebration. Wear your Red, White and Blue and come out to the courts to play Pickleball and enjoy festive sno-cones. There is no charge for members but there will be a donation jar if you bring a guest. Suggested donation is \$1. You may bring additional snacks and drinks if you wish. This is hopefully going to be a time between morning and afternoon play where we can all get to know one another.

As far as parking at the new courts. It would be nice if the golf carts could park under the trees so cars can park in the parking places. We can get a lot of carts under the trees and only a few cars. As soon as they seed the east side and grass starts to grow we will have the carts park over there.

*****INTERMEDIATE CLINIC!!!!!!*****Suzan Hill and Shar Peter have volunteered to run a skill and strategy clinic for self-determined intermediate players. They will be developing drills and play information appropriate to the level of play of the participants. If you are interested just show up. This is NOT for BEGINNER players. You should have a good amount of hours on the court and have an idea of how the game is played. They plan to begin the clinic on Monday, June 27 at 4:00 at the south courts and run each Monday until the end of July if that works out. I know there is a group that plays up there late afternoon and I am not sure days and times. So if there is not enough room they will move to the North Courts. I believe South Courts were chosen due to their proximity to beer after the clinic. Lol

I think that just about covers it for now. As always, if anything else comes up I will let you know.

See you on the Courts

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Mark your cakendars

First Sunday of each month, North Court Social. 11-1 or 2

January 28, 2017. Annual Meeting

February 27, 2017. Pickleball Banquet

