

## **General Membership Meeting March 23, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by First Vice President Laverne Johnson in the absence of President Alan Dexter. It was noted a quorum was present. A question was raised about the posting of the agenda. Laverne explained it will be posted from now on.

Secretary Karen Staker read the minutes from the last meeting, November 9, 2014. A question was asked why the actual amount of receipts and expenditures is not included in the secretary's minutes. Historically it has not been publicly posted. After discussion Louise Quayle moved and Dave Loukes seconded the motion to include the treasurer's report in the "Members only" section on our website from now on. Motion carried. Dwain Myer moved and Dorian Stewart seconded the motion to approve the minutes as read and posted. Motion carried.

Treasurer Carol Tyra presented the year end receipts and expenditures which will be filed for future audit. She also noted we have 159 members which is an increase over the past few years.

Second Vice President Marianne Muzio reported there will be one 2.5 and one 3.0 team participating Wednesday in the Monte Vista team tournament. She also reminded players to sign up for the Venture Out tournament which runs from October 26-31. The deadline to enter is March 25 and the cost is \$25 to be sent directly to Venture Out. The teams are guaranteed three matches.

Website Chairman Dave Loukes presented the year-end report. See attached sheet.

Recruiting Chairperson Yvonne Lindley presented the year-end report. See attached sheet.

Property Manager Claude Dalcourt presented the year-end report. See attached sheet.

President Laverne noted that all three of the above chairpersons will be chairpersons again next year.

Rating Committee Chairman Lee Crawford thanked this year's committee: Dean Whited, Hans Homfeldt, Art Hills, Cathe Spangler, and Gail Young. Next year's committee will be Cathe Spangler, Gail Young, Lee Crawford, Susan Bommersbach, Roger LeBlanc, and Shelly Wolfson.

Lee stated they had 16 rating requests this year. Three were added to the 3.5 level, three to the 3.0 level (two by observation), and eight at the 2.5 level.

East Valley representative Tom Mainers reported all team captains have been selected and all teams will be chosen by the end of this week. He also reported the East Valley league had used the 4.0 teams on a trial basis for borrowing players from another club for matches. It seems to have worked well, and the concept will be voted on at the next East Valley meeting. It may include any level for next year. A question was raised whether that would prevent players from playing up. Tom answered that it would be up to the club and team captains to decide.

Tom also briefly discussed the Ten Cap System which is another method of rating players. It has been discussed at East Valley meetings. It may be used only on a trial basis or it may be for the whole league; it depends on the vote at the next meeting. The player stats would probably be kept for both systems the first time it is used. Since most people lack information on the system, a question was raised about the possibility

of getting the two speakers who have met with other clubs to explain the system to our clubs' members. Louise Quayle moved and Rhona Davies seconded the motion to contact the two representatives from Sunland Springs to present the information concerning the Ten Cap System at the first general meeting this fall. Motion carried.

Secretary Karen Staker reported from the Nominating Committee (Rich Brown, Nita Dressel, and Karen) that the slate for officers for next year is the following: President, Laverne Johnson; First Vice President, Marianne Muzio; Second Vice President, Janyne Hoff; Secretary, Karen Staker; Treasurer, Carol Tyra. President Laverne asked for any nominations from the floor. There were none. Lee Crawford moved and Gail Young seconded the motion to approve the candidates by acclamation.

Secretary Karen Staker read a proposed change from the Constitution Article V to include the Statistician as a member of the Executive Committee. After discussion Wayne Freeman moved and Shelly Wolfson seconded the motion to approve the proposed change. Motion carried.

Karen then read the second proposed change to the By-Laws Article V Duties and Responsibilities of the Executive Committee: "All players' level changes, either up or down, must be approved by the Executive Committee, except those attained through the East Valley standard of 75% match wins and 60% game wins." Discussion followed concerning the rationale for the change. Did this take too much control from the Rating Committee? Would it take too long in between the rating and the next Executive Committee meeting? Is this change necessary? How would this affect the East Valley league rule of moving down with less than 35% game wins? It was decided a vote needed to be taken. Tom Mainers moved and Cathe Spangler seconded the motion to approve the proposal. Motion was not approved.

Karen then read the third proposed change regarding Clause 4 Rating Committee Observation and Evaluation Duties from the Rating Document. The proposed change "Final assignments must be approved by the Executive Committee," follows the words "Player assignments to the 1.5 and 2.0 levels will be the responsibility of the applicable captains and the EVSTL Representative." Discussion followed concerning the need for the change. President Laverne responded that the Executive Committee looks at the whole team concept to keep all teams viable. He also stated because too many players were moved from the 1.5 level to the 2.0 level, we had no 1.5 team this year. This should not happen again. Players spoke about being ready to play at the 2.0 level rather than at 1.5. After a lengthy discussion, Claude Dalcourt moved and Gail Young seconded the motion to approve the wording, "Final player assignments from the 1.5 level to the 2.0 level will be the responsibility of the applicable captains and the EVSTL representative with final approval by the Executive Committee." Motion carried.

### **Old Business**

Secretary Karen Staker reported there were some pizzas for sale left over from the social from the night before. Some people had signed up and then not attended. Possibly people will have to buy tickets ahead of time if this is tried again.

### **New Business**

Shelly Wolfson stated he thinks the club should use some sort of system for the coaches so there is a carryover from one level to the next. The Player Development committee will pursue the recommendation.

Acting President Laverne Johnson thanked Alan Dexter for his serving as President this past year and also to everyone who has helped him in taking over the duties in Alan's absence. Lastly, he thanked everyone for attending and for their input during the meeting.

Leonard Sanderson moved and Wayne Freeman seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Staker  
Secretary

**Silveridge Tennis Club**  
**Website Committee Report**  
**General Membership Meeting - March 23, 2015**

At present, the site provides both general information and a page that is restricted for member access only. The Members page contains team rosters, weekly play schedules and team stats, and agendas / minutes of both Executive and General meetings.

In order to access the Members page, Club members must provide a valid email address and create a password. Requests for access are processed by the Webmaster against a master list of Club members to ensure that only paid-up members are granted access. As of March 2015, 86 members have accessed the Members page.

To assist in the verification process, a Members database has been created that is being maintained by the Website Committee with the active assistance of Carol Tyra, Club Treasurer. As dues are paid, information provided is used to update the database including email address and contact phone number(s).

In addition to Carol, thanks are also due to various members who provide information to update the Members page, including Don Staker for weekly updates on stats, Karen Staker for meeting agendas and minutes, and Tom Mainers for updated scorekeeper lists. Art Hills has also provided many photos which we'll get loaded in due course - Steve is currently investigating a new way to make these accessible through Web Albums. Thanks also to Alan Dexter and Laverne Johnson for ongoing advice and support. We appreciate your help.

The Committee requests that members who have not provided email addresses make an attempt to do so, as the email address list is also being used to send bulk email messages to members regarding Club website updates. We try to fill in the blanks from the Park Directory and other information sources, but would greatly appreciate any help you can provide in this. This information can be provided to Dave Loukes via email: [dloukes@nbnet.nb.ca](mailto:dloukes@nbnet.nb.ca) or by phone: 7114.

We also have a sheet on the Tennis Bulletin Board with tear-off strips that can be used to provide this information.

Submitted by:  
Dave Loukes, Chair

Silveridge Tennis Recruiting Committee  
Report for March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 Annual Tennis Club Meeting

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| Members: Rhona | Yvonne           |
| Davies         | Lindley, Chair   |
| Janyne Hoff    | Louise Quayle    |
| Peter          | Eileen Tommervik |
| Johnson        |                  |

**Accomplishments for 2014-2015 Season:**

Based on Recruiting activities this season 18 people took beginners lessons or refresher lessons.

Three End of Lesson Ceremonies were held at the Courts. Each person was given a certificate. A short orientation of the Tennis Club. Each person was given an envelope with the Treasurers address for members dues, this was a successful method as 18 people paid their members dues of \$20.

A minimum of 15 of these people are playing within the Tennis system, League and All Play.

A minimum of 15 people are on a list for follow-up in the Fall to be encouraged to take beginners or refresher lessons.

Placement of Tennis Club recruiting information and dates for beginners lessons were on the Park TV.

One tennis club recruiting presentation at the Thursday Morning Coffee.

Mass mailing of Silveridge Tennis Flyer. Followed the Showcase Event.

**New Tools or Ideas Implemented this Season:**

Activity Showcase Event - At this event ten people signed up for lessons.

Preplanned dates for Beginners lessons and Ad placed on Park TV and Bulletin Boards. Created a Certificate to be presented at the End of Lesson Ceremony to each person.

An envelope to be given to each person with the Treasures address for members dues.

Created a new flyer to replace the "Why Join Flyer" - Bolder/larger print, same information in fewer words, to promote the Tennis Club more effectively.

A new Bulletin Board by the Activity Office.

The following members have agreed to serve on the Recruiting Committee for the 2015-16 season:

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| Rhona Davies  | Yvonne Lindley, Chair |
| Peter Johnson | Eileen Tommervik      |
| Louise Quayle |                       |

Respectfully submitted,

Yvonne Lindley, Chair

Silveridge Tennis 2015 Property  
Manager yearend report

Thanks to all of the members who helped out this past year. Being a volunteer group, this contribution is often taken for granted but very necessary to the well-being of our tennis club.

Accomplishments for the past season:

1. Revamp of the tennis kitchen with Laverne and Park Mgr help.
2. A new computer & stand. Stand provided by Roger LeBlanc. Don Staker set up the new computer and TV.
3. Purchased of new water roller squeegees.
4. Cupboards/TV /Table stored in room #p

Looking forward:

1. I had a meeting with Shawn last Saturday. Here a list of our discussion with comments
2. Drain cover in the tennis court yard to be secured (a safety item).
3. Repairs of cracks on court #3 & #4 c/w repainting.
4. Painting of the courts fence. Not likely next
5. Bleachers for South end of court #1, North end of court #3 & #4. Court #2 viewing
6. Drain hole in the NW corner of the kitchen.
7. Summer storage of our tennis. As per last year: room #2
8. Discussion on the poor state of maintenance around our court yard.
9. Pigeons issues
10. Bush trimming

On my list for next year:

1. Fixing broken center bracket on 5 benches
2. Video of practices and games.  
Coaches.
3. New windscreen for court #2 North end.
4. Recruiting Bulletin board