

## TENNIS CLUB BOARD MEETING 9/21/11

**Those Attending:** Linda, Michelle, Bev, John, Lois, Ian, Nina, Ron, Isabel

**Membership Application Changes:** Added website information; changed fee schedule to \$40 family, \$20 single; changed area for "Age" to over/under 18. We decided to change the password every year. On the Membership Roster there will be a separate section at the end for members Under 18.

**Burger Bashes:** We decided to have 3 next year: in late June, mid-July, and August. We will keep one a sausage slam. Another suggestion was to make one of the bashes a pizza one. We will try to schedule the board members who will be the point people early in the season so everyone will have a turn at being in charge of club-sponsored events. We would like to continue with a pro on a court, during the round robin play, for those participants who are sitting out. A suggestion was to have kids on a separate court. To ensure that the potluck has the right portion of appetizers, side dishes, and desserts, we decided to split in thirds alphabetically the list of people signed up to attend the Burger Bash, and rotate the assignments each time. (Names beginning with A-G will bring appetizers; H-P salads; Q-Z desserts.) The club will provide salsa and chips on the tables to keep people out of the dishes brought to share after tennis play.

**Socials:** There will be fewer next year, as there were 9 this year. We will also charge more by raising the participation fees from \$5 to \$10 for Tennis Club members and \$10 to \$15 for non-members. There was a financial loss from the socials, but it was felt that it was outweighed by the obvious success of the events, i.e. the number of people coming to the center and having a good time. Socials having a tennis component were popular. We would like to repeat the Breakfast at Wimbledon next year, and also "the chairman's hour", keeping the tennis exhibition with it. It was proposed to keep the margarita exhibition over 4<sup>th</sup> of July (same weekend as Breakfast at Wimbledon). Memorial Day would be the kickoff event, maybe combining it with a French Open round robin theme. The social coordinator will be a budgeted position.

**Membership:** There was no report and it was noted that the roster on the website is incomplete. John will speak to Ron about it.

**Treasurer's Report:** \$2,007.27 is our balance. We took in \$3,208 in membership dues; plus balance from last year of \$2,346 = \$5,554.

We spent more for the Club Championships (\$917 versus \$400) due to having box lunches from the Full Belly Deli. Burger Bashes were more as well: \$1,000.44. Total expenses = \$3,547.

**Court Reservations:** Every court is now a reservation court. Next year people will call in at 7am and leave a message for a court reservation. When staff opens at 7:30, they will listen to recorded requests, assign courts in order requested, and confirm. Tahoe Donner is moving toward an on-line reservation system, but that is several years away.

#### **Suggestions from the Board:**

- Courts 1 and 2 should be used for lessons and clinics instead of 10 and 11. (Reasons: no caroming off retaining wall; can be watched from patio.)
- Themed clinics should be 1 ½ hours and level-based. Maybe have the beginning level clinics in the evening.
- Pros should not do the kids/teens camps, which would give them more time for clinics, lessons.
- We like the pros we've had and want them to return. Maybe we need 3 pros during the busiest month(s) of summer, so they are not spread too thinly.
- It was felt there are too many tournaments on the weekends.