

NORTHERN DISTRICT MEETING OCTOBER 22, 2022

The meeting was held in Deland and was called to order at 10:00 by Walt Bartels, President. Donna Lewis led us in the invocation and pledge of allegiance.

The following were present: President – Walt Bartels; 2nd Vice-President – Paul Hodges; 3rd Vice-President – Freeda Carr; 4th Vice President – Rod Lewis; Treasurer – Cindy Wonson; Secretary – Arlene Jabaut; State Delegate-Bob Robinson; Alternate State Delegate – Jerry Jabaut.

The following Clubs were represented: Clermont – George Snyder; Coronado Mainland – Zak Wonson; Deland – Rich Burrell; Hawthorne – Bob Robinson; Lake Point – Patty Foster; Leesburg – Chuck Gabriels; Mid-Florida Lakes – Donna Lewis; Ormond Beach – Jerry Barr; Tavares – Mary Jane Newmann; Top of the World – Annette Hodges; Wisperwood – Carolyn Burrell.

Arlene read the Minutes from the March 26, 2022 meeting. A motion was made to accept the minutes and was seconded by Zak Wonson.

Walt mentioned that Bonnie Radke is taking over for Bill Boyes as our Keeper of Records. He wondered if she had to be sworn in. The Keeper of Records is an appointed position. It is not necessary to swear her in. A motion was made by Jerry and seconded, she was approved.

Bob Robinson recommended that the Secretary note the time of the beginning of the meeting and the time of the end of the meetings.

Bob gave a report on the State Meeting. He recommended that anyone wanting to read the minutes should check the State website for October 22. Doris Hanke was selected to the State Hall of Fame under Special Awards. The \$10.00 per person dues was voted down. However, the registration for State Tournaments will now be \$10.00. This is due to a lack of funds in their checking account due to a lack of tournaments in the past two years. Club Court Dues are \$1.50 per court due to be paid to Cindy Wonson, ND Treasurer by December. The State is to be paid in January. There is a schedule in the back of the Preview with the list of State Red Line Tournaments.

The President and/or Representative of each club reported on their club. Coronado Mainland and Mid Florida Lakes are getting some younger players that are interested in playing Tournaments. For the most part, the other Clubs are hanging in there but are not getting many new active members. Mid Florida Lakes, Leesburg, Hawthorne and Deland have all had their Courts resurfaced in the past two years.

Walt had several suggestions regarding the TOC and eligibility to play in the Masters. The second suggestion was the top 2 places in each category and 1st place in Consolation be given payout. Pro Men Main/ Pro Women Main, Pro Men Consolation/Pro Women Consolation. Am Men Main/ Am Men Consolation, Am Women Main/ Am Women Consolation. This equals 32 Payouts. The move-up points and Masters would be the same. After discussion, Bob Robinson made a motion that we payout to the two main winners and 1st in consolation in each category. (Cindy read from our Standing Rules that all ND/FSA tournaments shall make awards to four places in Main Event and four places Consolation winners in the Tournament year. Arlene added that our Financial Report list 4 place winners in Main and 4 place winners in Consolation.) George Snyder seconded. The motion was defeated.

A motion was made by Al Dronsfield that all Northern District Hall of Fame Members are automatically allowed to play in the TOC. Chuck Gabriels seconded the motion and it was approved.

Donna suggested the Treasurer from each club have adequate change to distribute the prize money. She is referring to quarters for division of money.

Bob Robinson moved that we pay the State for one page of the Preview (\$150), which he was told at the State Meeting was outstanding. Paul Hodges stated that he is responsible for the Preview and he paid \$750 for 5 pages and the State has been paid everything that was due them. Bob withdrew his motion.

Bob Robinson made a motion that we increase the fee for a tournament to \$10.00 this year, with \$1.00 going to the District and \$1.00 going to the Director and prize money effective immediately. After discussion Jerry seconded the motion. (Cindy stated that the Standing Rules state \$8.00 sign up fee). The motion was defeated.

Zak spoke about our Club's ability to get sponsors for our Tournaments. He suggested getting District Sponsors to increase the prize money. Rod suggested a Committee be formed to work on this. He feels that if money is involved we will get more players.

Walt suggested getting the High School and College Students involved for future growth. Brad & Donna had suggestions on how to increase membership.

Bob Robinson made a motion that we establish a Committee to investigate getting Corporate sponsors for Northern District tournaments. After discussion, Gail seconded the motion. The motion carried. Zak volunteered to chair the committee.

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Rich asked if we were going to have an Executive Meeting at 9AM. Arlene explained to Rich that we have not had an Executive Meeting in two years.

Freedra commented that Hawthorne had a tournament where people left and were not coming back the next day. This is an issue that needs to be addressed. Gail presented a motion last year regarding this and it was defeated.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Arlene Jabaut
Secretary

CORRECTIONS AND ADDITIONS TO THE MARCH 26 , 2022 MEETING:

The meeting started at 10:00 AM.
George Snyder is from Clermont.