

SCTA Meeting Minutes
The Pavilion, Town Square

NOTE: To comply with social distancing protocols, no attendance sheet was passed around. Approximately 14 members attended.

Attendees: Chris Scott, President
Cindy Good, Vice President
Tom Bastian, Treasurer
Sheryl Tschetter, Secretary
Mitzi Hawley, Director
Dudley Kay, Director
Bruce McConnell, Past President

Absent: John Black, Director
Deborah Thomas, Director

Guest: Gavin Cox

Christ Scott, SCTA President, called the meeting to order at 6:03pm. Minutes from the August 5 meeting were approved, and a quorum was present.

Treasurer's Report

Tom Bastian, SCTA Treasurer, presented an overview of the budget through August 31, 2020. According to Tom, the budget does not reflect costs of benches, bleachers, nor shade structure. Tom did confirm that SCTA dues will remain the same for 2021. See Addendum A for complete report.

Old Business

Chris Scott and Cindy Good brought the group up to date on the following.

1. The installation of the shade structure between courts 15 and 16 has been completed.
2. A new clock has been installed between courts 13 and 14.
3. The water fountain between courts 2 and 3 is now repaired and delivering refrigerated water.
4. The rocks have been removed from one side of the bleacher seating between courts 8 and 9, and 10 and 11. The area has been cemented to allow for easier access to the viewing areas.
5. Social distancing is still in effect so please wait for playing groups to exit the courts before new groups enter the gazebo areas.
6. Cindy has asked Geo to price the shade structure over the ice and water machine, so the board must go to the general membership only once for approval for the electric, ice machine, and shade structure. Estimate is around \$15,000 and the plan is to split the cost with Pickleball.

Court and Maintenance Report (Gavin Cox)

Chris Scott explained that SCTA worked hard to get the Community Association to hire a professional management company for court maintenance. He then introduced Gavin Cox who has taken on the court maintenance of our 16 courts and has been involved with the maintenance for about one month. Gavin shared that

- court 9 is still a problem, as several underground pipes are possibly cracked;
- because of Covid 19, courts 15 and 16 had gone for two months without maintenance since the clay was initially put down. Gavin and his crew are working on rolling the courts to erase dead spots;
- early mornings the courts are groomed with wire brushes;

- he has changed the distribution of water to the courts to be throughout the day, so they allow for sliding; and
- **dragging the courts correctly with Rosetta mats has now become part of the ball machine orientation.** It is important to understand that the entire court (to all fences) must be dragged to help eliminate the algae that grows, especially near the fences. ***IT IS IMPORTANT TO DRAG THE ROSETTA MATS AT THE BACK OF THE COURT FIRST, AND THEN, COMPLETE CONCENTRIC CIRCLES AS YOU GROOM THE PLAYING AREA.***

Work Tickets (Gavin Cox)

If anyone finds problems with the tennis courts, please be sure to report the issue to the staff at the Logo Building, where a work order will be generated. Do not use the SCHH website as there is too much of a lag time before Gavin and his crew are notified of existing problems.

Club Championships (Gavin Cox)

Gavin is working with Health and Wellness to determine if the Club Championship Tournament can be scheduled.

Clinics (Gavin Cox)

Gavin explained that players do not need to be SCTA members to participate in clinics. He also emphasized that there can be no outside pros brought to give lessons. He listed four reasons for taking clinics; these include.

1. Taking a clinic allows for working out in lieu of going to a gym for exercise.
2. Clinics improve skills.
3. Clinics improve court positioning.
4. Clinics can focus on shot selection and decision making.

Continuing Issues—Courts 5 and 6

Chris shared that he is still receiving complaints about courts 5 and 6 being used for clinics and lessons causing some players to get “overflow.” Both Chris and Bruce McConnell (Past President) explained that when the Community Association asked to use courts 5 and 6, we got more playing time for SCTA by

- getting access at noon instead of 12:30 and having two hours at noon for USTA and Intraclub;
- gaining courts 4 and 12 for SCTA members from 12:00 – 2:00 pm; and
- having access to the benefits of clinics and lessons without leaving the community.

Steve Sandike shared that although courts 15 and 16 are not available for preplacement now, courts 13, 14, are available from 2:00 – 6:30pm. While 15 and 16 will most likely not be necessary for spring lottery, they will be needed in the future.

New Business--Elections

Chris Scott made a plea for volunteers for the Board and other positions. He has created a “Welcome Letter” for new members, so players can understand the value of SCTA as an advocate that benefits all tennis members. He expressed his gratitude for the relationship the board has developed with Cherie Bronsky. See Addendum B for Welcome Letter.

New Business—Self-Rated Players

Chris explained that SCTA should not be involved with rating players. However, a group of Intraclub coordinators have been asked to discuss what to do with self-rated players. This group will meet and report back to the Board. Various ideas are being considered and more specific information will be forthcoming.

WTO Report: Anne Clemmitt No Report

Ambassador's Report: Deborah Thomas

-New membership has seen a slight uptick. The Ambassadors continue to reach out to the new members, connecting them with groups/captains and helping them to get involved in tennis.

-PJ reports that Rookie League is set to begin September 13th with 47 players.

NEXT MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7.

SCTA Treasurers' Report 1/1/2020 through 8/31/2020		ADDENDUM A	
Cash In			
2020 Member Dues	\$ 34,400		
Donations 2020	\$ 100		
Event Registrations	\$ 4,205	February Dinner Dance, \$4,830 was collected in December '19.	
Other Inc	\$ 135		
TOTAL INFLOWS	\$ 38,840		
Cash Out			
Capital Expenditure	\$ 4,388	Ball Machine Shed & Seating Platforms	
Court Scheduling	\$ 16,609	Paid through October 31.	
Court Sweepers	\$ 2,139		
Decorations	\$ 530	February Dinner Dance	
Donations	\$ 1,000	WTO	
Entertainment	\$ 2,000	February Dinner Dance	
Food	\$ 6,003	February Dinner Dance	
Gifts	\$ 100		
Information Technology	\$ 320		
Maintenance Supplies	\$ 385		
Misc. Expenses	\$ 353		
Printing	\$ 921	Brochure	
Rent	\$ 90		
Scholarships	\$ 500	WTO	
Supplies	\$ 535		
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	\$ 35,871		
Net Cash Flow	\$ 2,969		
SCTA Cash Balance	\$ 38,364		
WTO Cash Balance	\$5,838		
Total Cash Balance	\$ 44,202		

Welcome!

As a new member of the Sun City Tennis Association (SCTA), you are joining over 700 other tennis players who want to welcome you to one of the most active tennis clubs in the South. With 16 clay tennis courts, five tennis

professionals who provide clinics and lessons, and countless potential partners, this is the place for you to enjoy tennis year-round. Regardless of your tennis level, or if you play competitive or social tennis, we have a program for you.

Advantages of Membership

There are multiple advantages to being a member of **SCTA**, and here are a few.

- **SCTA** serves as your advocate with the Community Association, especially Health and Wellness. Our advocacy has resulted in
 - complete renovation, including lighting and fencing, of courts 1-12
 - two additional courts (15 and 16) added over the last two years, as well as the new shaded area between these two courts,
 - new stadium seating on our south side courts,
 - the purchase and maintenance of our Rosetta drag mats and scorecards,
 - additional personnel in the LOGO building who help with scheduling,
 - ongoing lobbying for additional courts and services, and
 - working with the Community Association to hire a professional company to maintain our courts.
- **SCTA** provides its members various tennis opportunities, such as
 - Rookie League open to players rated 2.5 or lower
 - USTA team(s),
 - SCTA sponsored Intraclub at your tennis level, and
 - SCTA sponsored tournaments through the year.
- **SCTA** promotes a culture of professionalism, courtesy, and respect for others in all aspects of operation. This is apparent in the way we conduct business, plan, communicate, and make fiscally sound business decisions.

How to Find SCTA Website Directly

Visit www.sctatennis.com and explore many interesting subjects, including

- a. Finding your Ambassador and her/his information
- b. Looking at current events
- c. Accessing board documents

How to Find SCTA via Sun City Hilton Head website (password protected)

1. Visit SunCityHiltonHead.org
 - a. Log in
 - b. Scroll to Clubs/Groups
 - c. Scroll down to Sports
 - d. Scroll down to Tennis
 - e. Enter tennis pages—at the bottom, you can access the online membership directory (updated consistently) to find partners, friends, and board members.

SEE YOU ON THE COURTS!