

Tennis and Pickleball Committee Meeting  
November 19, 2025

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- 1. Welcome -> 5 minutes**      *Present:*  
*Steve Walker, Mike Downs, Janet Tanchez, Betsy Snyder, Jason Bousquet, Lisa Berg, Tony Gambardella, Michelle Nardone, Beth McCarthy, Hanna Damiani*  
*Steve advised that Christina Portella and Kelsey Grady would be joining this Committee.*
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- 2. Housekeeping ->5 minutes**      Approve agenda with proposed time limits  
*All in favor*  
Approve meeting minutes from prior meeting  
*All in favor*  
TPBC meeting format – updates and action items  
*All in favor*  
*Between Meeting Communication and Updates* - Steve noted he appreciated the cooperation between the Committee and RRC staff.
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- 3. Updates**
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- Tennis Leagues**  
**Mike**  
**5-10 minutes**
- USTA Leagues*  
*Playoff Summary*. Mike distributed a sheet which is attached with the RRC playoff summary. A number of teams made it to playoffs and lost in first round. Men's 7.5 Combo won their first round and will play in their second round in early December.  
*Winter Teams Schedule and Planning* - Mike's summary also lists the number of teams and captains. Mike advised scheduling meeting will happen mid-December. Jason asked about policy for recruiting players outside RRC. It was reported that any recruiting of outside players should be approved by the tennis pros and if there are enough RRC players then no recruiting will be allowed.  
It was reported the 3.0 and 4.5 men would like teams. Mike stated that Mike Damiani put a 4.5 team together to play through Archie Williams High School. Mike also stated there are not enough 3.0 men in Marin to put a team together.  
*New Captain Development* - Steve suggested it would be helpful to have a captain's meeting to discuss frequently asked questions. Mike advised it is helpful to have all captains work together.  
*Ladies Leagues* - Lisa reported these matches are currently being played.  
*Captains Survey - who wants to lead this* - Steve and Michelle suggested that all captains receive a survey to find out what is working and what needs help. Committee members thought this was a good idea as long as questions are specific. It was noted that Steve, Michelle, Mike and Lisa would coordinate the survey.
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**Youth Tennis Program**  
**Lisa, Rebecca and Hanna**  
**5-10 minutes**

High School Pickleball Event Recap - Lisa and Hanna reported the event was a huge success and the kids would love another one. They also reported that Wayne did a great job coordinating.

Winter Program - Lisa reported the winter season starts 12/1 and that registration is almost full..

Halloween Tourney Recap - Lisa reported this event was canceled because there was not enough participation. Lisa advised many of the kids are involved in other sports and there were too many conflicts. It was suggested this event be held in early October and not be labeled a "Halloween" tournament. Michelle stated there may not have been enough promotion. There was discussion on the promotion of various events and the number of emails generated by RRC. It was suggested a separate email be sent out for individual events rather than adding to the RRC general email.

Turkey Gobble - Lisa reported there are currently 24 people registered (12 women and 12 men) and there is a possibility a few more might participate.

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**Adult Tennis Program and Events**  
**Mike and Janet**  
**10 mins.**

Upcoming Events and Calendar Updates - This item will be discussed further at the January meeting. Lisa stated she would put together a template for events.

Mike reported the New and Rusty Players Clinic is doing well with eight new players last weekend.

Mike also reported he is planning to hold an Adult Tennis Camp over Christmas Break, weather permitting.

Singles Players Clinic Update - Mike reported this clinic is on pause until after the new year.

Singles Ladder - Mike advised he is looking at a couple of different options in putting together a singles ladder. Steve stated there may need to be a fee to participate in order to keep players interested and show up. Mike advised he would work on the specifics of a singles ladder and reach out to Firas to help automate. Mike stated he would present this in January.

Calcutta Update - Mike reported Calcutta was a very fun event but there is room for improvement. It was agreed that finding a date is key to a successful event.

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**Pickleball Program**  
**Janet**  
**10 minutes**

Winter Events - No update.

Court 9 Damage - Action Plan - Janet reported that Dominator, manufacturer of the large pickleball nets, is refusing to help with the damage to Court 9 made by the nets. The Board has authorized Janet to try and sell these nets.

It was also reported that RRC is looking into purchasing lighter weight nets but until those are purchased there are no pickleball events scheduled.

Lisa suggested the pickleball community be made aware of the net situation.

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4. **Special Projects**  
**Steve**  
**5 minutes**      Update Tennis Program Guidelines - Steve advised he has looked over the Guidelines and they are very outdated. Steve is continuing to review.
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- 5 **New Business**  
**Lisa and Steve**  
**5-10 minutes**      Any New Topics  
Court Light Proposal - Attached is information from Firas regarding implementing lights on the courts. The lights suggested would be a temporary one week trial on Court 4 and/or Court 5. Michelle advised the Board is not required to prepare an environmental study for these lights. The Committee requested that Firas proceed. Michelle reported she would determine what the Board needs in order to move forward.  
USTA Player Kick Off Reception - January 16 - Steve advised he and Beth were meeting with Matt today to discuss catering this event.  
2026 TPBC Members - Who's Leaving? - Steve reiterated that Christina Portella and Kelsey Grady are new members to the TPBC.
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6. **Meeting Adjourn**      Next meeting date:      January 21 at Noon
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