

Victory Tennis Club
12/2/2023
Meeting Notes

Leadership Team Members

Linda McKenna - Coordinator, Secretary, Accountant, Webmaster
Ira Wellen - Vice-President - Mediator/Moderator, Decision-maker
Tom Martine - Lead and Coordinate Future Event/Tournaments
Allan Bledstein - Access to checking - maintain equipment and tennis balls
Maria Arndt - Access to checking
Scott Bernstein - Access to all financial documents and records
Joe VanZutphen - HOA and Victory Club liaison
Mark Monduls - Team member
Jerry Wasser - Team member

- 2 more team members were added (see above) - Why? Because more is merrier! And it's Christmas!
- Allan/Tom will look into different options for purchasing balls

Membership

73 on the Team App
34 paid members - 3 of whom we have not met

- Should we delete the members who have not paid? - I think we should leave it for now to keep our numbers up - more is better.
- Linda will reach out to the 3 mystery members

Club Finances

We are registered with the AZ Corp. Commission as a member-managed LLC.
We have also submitted a request to the IRS to be tax-exempt.
Linda will file 990-EZ form annually.
We have a balance of approximately \$900 in the account (we need to keep a minimum balance of \$500 to avoid monthly fee).

Membership dues for 2024 - Keep it at \$20 or increase it? - will discuss at a later date.

- May want to increase if we want to start saving up to do more events or buy better equipment.

Team App - \$150 for ad free - Pay? - NO for now.

Club Merch

<https://www.squadlocker.com/>

Check out the website. We can set up our store for free and anyone can order from it.
More info to follow.

Wish List for 2024

Joe will submit a list to Kaila.

Items to be on the list:

- Opening in the fence on Courts 2 & 3 to access the ramada
- More benches (1 more on each court) - total of 4.
- Another clock for Court 3

Drop-in Play

If 8 or more players sign up on any given day, split up into skill levels?

How will everyone get rated? By Whom?

- We did not reach a definite decision

Lack of participation for Men's drop-ins

- Delete Sunday drop-in
- Change Friday drop-in to afternoon (1:00pm)

Women's drop-in

- Change to Wednesdays at 10:30am

Mixed Doubles drop-in (Tues-Thurs-Sat)

- **Change to 9:30am**

Suggestion - add one afternoon of drill session - "Stroke of the week"

Lessons & Clinics

We have a potential new coach for lessons and clinics!!

Michail (Mike) Pervolarakis - Used to be on the pro circuit and recently retired. Highest singles ranking was 366 and highest doubles ranking was 157 (both of which is pretty awesome, according to Tom). He lives in Buckeye, and his in-laws just moved into Victory.

He's willing to coach us for \$100 per hour and \$120 per hour (per court) if more than one player is coached. He said if we have 8 people or more, he will bring an assistant for each additional court, and do a 1.5 hour session for \$30 per person.

- The team decided to try him out by holding a clinic in January.
 - Option 1 - Have people sign up and see how many we get. If we have more than 8, we can add a second day (We could even split up into skill levels).
 - Option 2 - Just open up 8 spots.

Future Events & Programs

6-week Mixed Doubles Ladder play - to start Monday, 1/15/23 (afternoons)

- First 16 to sign up, then add increments of 4. We can split into two time slots.

Spring Social Tournament to be held mid April (?)

- We need to start planning as soon as possible.

Other ideas mentioned

- “Joke of the Week” a la Gary
- Fundraising projects?
- Victory Tennis Club logo design contest?