

Sun City West Pickleball Club
General Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 16, 2026, 5:00 pm
Summit Hall, Palm Ridge Recreation Center

“Finding Joy in pickleball, one service at a time”

Membership Meeting Minutes

Call the meeting to order: President John Click called the meeting to order 5:00 pm

Approve minutes from the previous meeting: April 15, 2026 minutes approved unanimously

REPORTS:

- Membership Report - Chip Brown: 18 additions = 13 new members & 5 renewals for a total of 1,791 members. John Click commented that membership is down slightly compared to previous year, but Drop-In and Open play numbers are up.
- Financial Report - Lawrene Bottorf: Reimbursement forms; email Lawrene for the form, complete and return to her for an expedient check. Reviewed financials.

BOARD REPORTS:

1. **President John Click:**
 - a) Reviewed Calendar of Events for the remainder of 2026
 - b) Long Range Plan: Master Plan Consultants will be holding meetings on October 16th, our club is encouraged to attend as they present the 10-year recommendation documents to our Governing Board. Information will be in the next newsletter.
 - c) Capitol Projects: Ice machine - more details to come with a vote at our Membership meeting October 21st. Liberty Shade - On hold at this time as the current proposed shade is not feasible
2. **Vice President Melinda Papen:**
 - a). PickleSkills: Introduced Robin Stoeck as the new PickleSkills Coordinator while reviewing a couple of changes with detailed info to be posted on the website as well as in the newsletter.
3. **Treasurer Lawrene Bottorf:** nothing to report
4. **Secretary Kelly Doree:**
 - a) Reciprocal: We will hold two events with Sun City Festival this season. November 15th at SCW and January 17th at SCF. 3.0, 3.5 & 4.0+ will be the formatting. Watch the newsletter for additional updated information.
5. **Officer at Large – Programming Don Marshall:**
 - a) Fall Schedule to begin Sunday, October 18th.
 - b) Modified / Social has new name replacing Rehab with Social. See Sandra Witt and Terry Kawmoto for program details.
 - c) Competitive Program: Changes made to protect the level of play, put fun back in the program and provide opportunities to advance 2 times a year with scoring not affecting your partner.
 - d). Fall Classic report for Larry Haas, Coordinator: November 3-5 approximately 8:00 - noon. Tuesday - Ladies, Wednesday - Mixed, Thursday - Gentlemen.

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e) Ball Distribution: Curt Pordes has been instrumental in the decrease in ball usage. He has found 15% of balls placed in the Broken Ball bins are in good playable condition. Please, ensure you are only placing broken balls in bins. Majority of balls are distributed by the Coordinators with some placed in tubes when necessary.

f) Ambassadors have new blue hats

6. Officer at Large – Social Eileen Freyberg:

a) Nominating Committee: Dana Sullivan. Reviewed the three open positions: President, Secretary and Officer at Large - Programming. Board position descriptions are on our club website > Organization > Club Operations Documents. Nominations opened September 16 and close November 18.

b) Octoberfest October 16th: Sign-ups open now through October 12th

c) Glo Night: November 19th. Several courts set up with black lights. Encouraged to wear glo clothing

d) Christmas Party: December 3rd

e) Volunteers are always welcome at our events, plenty of time to get your 10 volunteer hours to attend the V-Club dinner in 2027

7. Officer at Large – Facilities Sandra Cook: excused absence, Eileen Freyberg presented

a) Liberty Courts: Working on getting fencing and poles painted. Several discussions and meetings with RCSCW to get this project on the schedule hopefully before the busy season and Reciprocals.

b) Facilities: EVERYONE please help to keep our courts and surrounding areas clean. Place balls in tubes, pick up trash, replace furniture to correct location etc. Thank you!

Guest Comments:

Paula Amaya was appreciative for pursuing the painting of the fences and poles at Liberty.

Nancy Wagner requested pop tops be placed in center of table for Ronald McDonald house.

Marsha Steele discussed the 75+ program on Tuesday & Thursday 11:00-1:00 with Don Marshall.

Bob Sauer is a proponent of indoor courts in the summer months remembering when Palm Ridge had one indoor court.

John Click thanked all the members who volunteer for our club throughout the year!

Meeting adjourned at 5:54 pm

Dinner provided by: Picklers

Dessert provided by: Prime Wealth Advisors