



Recreation Advisory Committee Minutes

Location: OTCC Card Room

Date: March 6, 2024

Time: 1:30pm

Call to Order at: 1:30pm

A. Attendance:

Voting RAC Members: Kimberly Clow, Mitch McDiffett, Gary Adams, Terri Bauman, Claude Plymate, Lucy Radike

Staff (Non-Voting): Ashley Krempien Rec. Manager; Cade Temple Sports Manager;

Guests: Julien Leon for Linda Ricketts

B. Approval of Agenda – LR 1st, MM2nd passed

C. Approval of Minutes –Previously Via EMail

D. Old Business: Sign for RC Modelers Field-Casey has one but the other is missing. The Large CSD sign seems to be in limbo.

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1) Youth Sports-Cade Temple

- Hockey is in its final week, season went great! Music added which was really positive!!
- Soccer sign ups ended; numbers are currently at 200. Lots of younger players (4U - 8U)
- Evaluations will be Saturday, March 9th.
- Good abundance of soccer referees. **85% of referees are back!!!**
- Referee training will be in the upcoming weeks.
- Soccer season starts on the 5th and 6th of April! (Friday and Saturday) *will have Taco Truck w/ Burritos!!*

2) Astronomy Club-Claude Plymate Dk. Star party 3/16 public viewing @ Cub Lake Cul de sac Almost all of our events this past month had to be cancelled due to weather. The general meeting for February was held over Zoom as, especially higher elevation roads were quite icy. The meeting was to feature a talk on variable stars by our own Sean Spratt. Unfortunately, Sean was unable to get home from vacation and requested that his talk be rescheduled. **Club president Claude Plymate will present a talk at the March meeting on 03/06. The topic of the talk will be solar eclipses - what they are, why they happen, how they're predicted, what they reveal and what will be seen from BVS during the April 8 "Great American Eclipse".** April mtg. cancelled.

3) RC Modelers-Mitch McDiffett

- a. Membership Drive Complete (currently 29 members) - Registered with AMA
- b. Whiting Center presentation in May-better pilots will demo! & make paper airplanes w/ kids
- c. Update on signage for field-in Old Business
- d. Have had good attendance and interest - weather permitting
- e. Indoor Fly has been fun and well attended-2nd Sunday of month in Whiting Center

4) Sportsman Club Will Handley Nothing new to address since February report. Red Rock Canyon camping trip March 22-24



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5) **Tennis-** *Linda Ricketts* Secretary Oak Tree Tennis Club-Julian for Linda: Planning Spring/summer Tournament play. Pavilion needs maintenance. Courts in good condition.

6) **Pickleball-** New Representative Terri Bauman

The only thing we have going right now is a tournament on May 4 and 5. We are planning to use the 4 pickleball courts, plus tape off 4 pickleball courts on tennis court 4. Permission has already been granted for that, and the tennis club is aware of it.

We will be inviting players from Tehachapi, Bakersfield, Hanford, Lemoore, Kern River Valley, Lancaster and Palmdale. With the tournament entry fee of \$60, (a normal entry fee for tournaments) and a raffle with some very nice prizes, including a \$500 espresso machine and Ray Ban sunglasses, we expect to make close to \$10,000. With the money we already have, that would give us what we need for our share of the cost of one new court.

7) **Tailwaggers-** *Lucy Radike*

Entrance to Dog Park needs rock as it is very muddy!! Could some rock be placed there? It has not been done to date!

In 2023 we raised over \$7,500 for “Project Hope” for the Bakersfield Animal Shelter on Mt. Vernon. We used that money for 150 very sturdy aluminum beds, 50 stainless steel buckets 100 kong play toys, and blankets. We are still looking for donated crates that we can give for the dogs transport to Canada. Canada has a “no kill” policy and is always looking for dogs. We saved over 60 dogs in 2023.

We Have not done much yet in 2024 as we didn’t have a membership meeting in January, just a planning meeting. In March we will have veterinarian Stephanie Darrow as a guest speaker.

In April we will have Gary Hill, an avid participant and instructor for Agility dogs

In May we will have a speaker from the Bakersfield Animal Care Center.

Hopefully in June we will have Rebecca Barocas as speaker to explain nosework for dogs as she may be an instructor for that class.

8) **Pool –** *Kimberly Clow* Swimmers for Feb. BVSG 196, BVA 640=836 plus H. S. Swim Team

- a. Final Swim Start Platform and in the final stages of production
- b. Ashley & Jessica Bennett Scheduled spring lifeguard courses.
- c. Deck will be resurfaced in April-10 yr warranty

9). **Beaubien Field:** *Gary Adams*-Starting to level fields (& sprinkler heads) Monday the 11th. Must be done before soccer.

10. Nature Path- *Kimberly Clow* -what is the status of the BVSCRFF as far as requesting money in our Nature Path account for trees and water bladder for Path-Ashley to Follow up

11. Whiting Center Special Events- *Linda Wetta*

Saturday, February 17th, the Family 70’s themed roller skating event at the Whiting Center was attended by over 60 members. Kids and adults grooved to 70’s music for two hours of fun.

Out next skating event will be on Saturday, April 27th 6-8 pm, bring your big hair and roll to the sound of the 80’s

Easter Candy Donations are needed for the Annual Easter Candy Hunt on Saturday, March 30th



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Easter Bingo Baskets are needed for bingo scheduled for Wednesday, March 27th, baskets need to be sent to the Whiting Center by Monday, March 25th.

12. Range & Campgrounds Ashely Krempien **Range open by appointment!**

All hookups at Whiting center campground are filled!

Water Canyon closed for camping, open for day use until snow.

13. Lakes-Fred Hicks Lakes at full capacity. 2710# catfish removed since Jan.

14. Recreation-Ashley Krempien

15. BVSA Admin

Don Ciatta

16. BVSA Board Report

Fred Hicks

17. NEW BUSINESS-

F. Follow Up- Action Items: *Ashley-BVSCRFF for Nature Path; Rock for dog park entrance; signs for RC modelers*

ADJOURNMENT 2:08PM

Next mtg. Wednesday April 3, 2024 1:30PM OTCC Card Room

Claude, Mitch & Lucy will be gone but will send in reports and get substitute.