

Current Management of Pickleball at Richmond Tennis Club

At the last RCT committee meeting it was apparent that RTC needed to create more structure and transparency around how pickleball is currently working. This will show that it is currently earning money and bringing in new members.

We wish to protect volunteers who have invested a lot of personal time and money in equipment to get pickleball started. Pickleball should be a club investment in an extra activity the club offers no different than having a ball machine.

Proposal

1. Dedicated pickleball only membership category in clubspark at \$75 p/a. This is a fair price to start considering that you have to come set up your court to play this could change with permanent courts and nets. We can then start promoting pickleball membership.
2. Create an income account in Xero for pickleball, any monies to be banked monthly currently there is \$100 collected from Friday pickleball. There was more but this monies went to a dedicated mobile pickleball net.
3. Create a list of expenses so far which we will need to get approved for payment by the club at the next meeting for reimbursement to volunteers who have contributed
4. Create an expenses account in Xero for pickleball and investment in activity supplied by the club no different than buying a ball machine.
5. Set up the equipment locker that is around the side so equipment can be stored with a combination lock for access so that pickleball members can access and set up courts
6. Set up court 8 in book a court as 8A and 8B pickleball only. Court 8 will no longer be able to be booked for tennis.
7. Set up Court 9 for Pickle, POP and tennis

This will give RTC the ability to show that pickleball even in the current format it is generating funds and membership.