



## **Treasure Coast Disc Golf Board Meeting – Agenda**

**Thursday, May 11, 2023 @ 8 p.m.**

**Location:** Pierced Ciderworks, 411 N 2nd St, Fort Pierce, FL 34950

**ROLL CALL:** Present: President David Keith, Secretary Erick Gill, Treasurer Brian LaPorte, At-Large Officers: Bryan Botson, Jeff Daugherty, August Lightfoot, Mark Baldwin and Jeff Porreca

Absent: Vice President Ryan Jouppi. At-Large Officers: Jimmy Branch and Robbie Keen

Guest: Rudy Lopez

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Library Disc Bags/Check out Program:** Erick brought up an outreach idea that he read about on UDisc. There is a club that worked with a local library to have disc golf bags that people could check out from the library. Erick already got preliminary approval from the St. Lucie County Library System, which has six branches. Jeff P. suggested we work with the library to schedule some Intro to Disc Golf Clinics once the bags in place. Erick was going to reach out to disc golf companies and manufactures like Rogue Iron to see if we can get donations of bags/discs. If we can't get new discs donated, the club has plenty of unclaimed discs from the drop boxes that can fill up the bags. Everyone supported the project as it won't cost the club any actual money.

**Virtual Meetings: Live Streamed?:** Erick was approached by a club member asking why the virtual meetings are streamed live for everyone to watch. He explained that the first three meetings we had been trying different platforms to see what worked best. It looks like Teams is the go-to. It was suggested that if members want to attend virtually – they can email and request the login. This way it's not just out there live for anyone to hack into the meeting. Members can be verified by email before given the login. Erick will make that part of the posting on the website when the meetings are announced.

### **OLD/ONGOING BUSINESS**

**Memorial for Gary Hudson:** Lance and Erick cleaned up the glue and removed the granite memorial from the top of the blocks. There is a stand that needs to be adjusted so the granite memorial can be set back under the basket. Lance is taking care of that. Erick is trying to get a Fort Pierce mosaic artist to see if she can decorate the top of the blocks with TCDG or dragonflies, since Gary loved them.

**Second Set of Baskets for Gordy:** Mike Castro is planning a fundraiser at Gordy to start the collection for second baskets at Gordy. The Board will need to decide on what type of baskets to install. Erick suggested a survey to members. Once we decide the make of the baskets, we can set the dollar amount that needs to be raised. Erick suggested creating a webpage showing the goal and progress (maybe a graphic of a basket being filled up with as we reach the goal).

The Treasurer will set up a separate account as these fundraisers take place so it only goes to new baskets.

## **2023 Tournaments**

- **Eagle Wings Zambia Fundraiser Tournament at Indian Hills (May 13):** Everything is set for that event. It won't raise any funds for TCDG, but it won't cost us anything and it's the first sanctioned event at Indian Hills.

- **Blackwater Open (June 17-18):** August has everything on track for that event. Pavilions are secured and paid for. Erick paid the Parks fee of \$240. Brian will reimburse him. David and August talked about the two fundraiser events to help with the added cash for the Blackwater. One will be held at Gordy and the other at Indian Hills. It was asked why not at Halpatiokee. And it's because Martin County charges us for events. The other courses don't, so we'd rather put more into the profits. Sun King will be handling payouts. We don't think he'll be onsite, but he is donated 10 percent to the club and not charging players shipping when they cash in their vouchers. David and August wanted the Board to weigh-in on making sure whenever we have a tournament that we order a few extra player's packs and make sure all volunteers receive a player's pack at no charge. David said that is how he first got involved with a club. He volunteered to help with a tournament and was given a player's pack afterward. Everyone agreed that this is a good practice and should be done moving forward.

- **Kraken (Nov. 4-5):** August and David volunteered to get more involved in running this year's event. August has some ideas about ordering special pre-tournament stamped discs to help raise funds.

**Putting League:** Everyone wants one to happen and supports it. We just need someone to volunteer to run it. We all agreed sitting a Pierced Cider that it would be a great location.

## **Course Updates:**

Erick shared the UDisc stats with the Board. He also emailed them to the different contacts at the cities and counties to help show the amount of use our courses get. The feedback from the cities/counties was great. They want to see more. Erick is going to start posting these each month on the website, so there is an online archive. We all know how the numbers are lower – since not everyone uses UDisc or tracks every round. But it might be something we need to encourage people to do. The more data we have the better. Maybe we could start running leagues and other events through UDisc?

- **Gordy Road:** Jeff D. asked if the Board wants him to start collecting and contributing a dollar from Wednesday night dubs. He has not been doing it as he was told it was grandfathered in. The board unanimously agreed that a dollar should be collected from each player for Wednesday night dubs.

- **Rotary:** The TD turned in \$250 to Erick, which was given to the Treasurer.

- **Lakewood Park:** There are some loose chains on basket No. 15. Erick will look and see if the Parks staff can address it.

- **Halpatiokee:** Brian asked if we can reach out to Martin County again and see about getting

another drop box there – maybe hidden in the woods. Erick is going to ask the new contact in Parks.

- **Hobart:** Timmy has about \$840 in club funds. He still has some work do to on the course. Everyone agreed that the funds should be turned in and course upgrades/costs can be reimbursed. Timmy is gone for most of the summer working. Jeff D believes Mario is running caps.

- **Indian Hills:** There was discussion about keeping the sand of the blue pad for No. 17. There was also talk about putting it back up the hill. Erick is still waiting to hear from the city about paying for signage. If not – we'll need to figure out what we want to do/spend on that.

- **McCarty Ranch:** No update

- **Torpey:** No update.

**Revisions to By-Laws:** Erick took Jeff P's suggestions and updated the by-laws and sent them to everyone prior to the meeting. The only real question was whether or not to get rid of the language that talked about league TDs keeping and turning in paperwork each week. Since it wasn't being done now - it was agreed to be taken out. Erick was going to make another final copy for vote at the next meeting.

**TREASURER/FINANCE REPORT:** The club has \$8,010.22 in the main account. \$25 in PayPal and \$4,585 in the tournament fund. We haven't received the SunKing bill for Up the 10 Mile Creek.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT/UPDATES:** 87 total members

**PUBLIC COMMENT / OPEN DISCUSSION:** Bryan said he and his wife really want to be involved with the Torino Park – if there is a way to serve on a committee for that. Erick said the city is still in the planning phase through the fall, but he would follow up.