



Treasure Coast Disc Golf Board Meeting – Minutes
Thursday, Sept. 14, 2023 @ 8 p.m.
Location: Virtual – Google Meet

ROLL CALL: Present: President David Keith; Secretary Erick Gill, Treasurer Brian LaPorte, At-Large Officers: Bryan Botson and August Lightfoot

Absent: Vice President Ryan Jouppi. At-Large Officers: Mark Baldwin, Jimmy Branch, Robbie Keen, Jeff Porreca and Jeff Daugherty (tried to get in, but had technical difficulties)

NEW BUSINESS

Filling Jimmy Branch’s spot on the Board: With Jimmy moving out of the area, Erick asked if anyone wanted to nominate someone to fill his role. Michael Castro had expressed interest in being on the board. David Keith nominated Castro. Erick seconded – unanimous approval to add him to the board.

Devin Fundraiser Tournament: Devin Hillard and some of his family were in a serious car accident recently and Robbie and a few others offered to host a fundraiser for them. A-bring-your-own-doubles tournament will be held on Saturday, Sept. 23 at Gordy. Two rounds with the proceeds going to Devin. Members are being asked to bring items to be raffled off. John V. donated a six-set Discraft mystery box that he bought at Throw Down the Mountain. He has two sets and the winner of the raffle can choose which box they want. \$10 entries for the Discraft mystery will be sold ahead of the tournament. Anyone who wants to help, but can’t play and make a donation (and buy the mystery box raffle) using PayPal to TreasureCoastDiscGolf@gmail.com (just mark in the notes if it is a donation or raffle entry. Erick offered up some discs and Treasure Coast Wine & Ale Trail shirts to be given away as prizes. David posted the event on Disc Golf Scene.

Hobart Halloween / October Tournament: Jeff D (who was unable to connect to the meeting) mentioned to Erick that Tim was interested in running a two-round event in late October (maybe Saturday, Oct. 21) at Hobart – one round during the day; and one at night. The club supports the event – we just need details to help get the word out. We also need to make sure it doesn’t conflict with Kraken fundraisers.

Installation date for second set of baskets at Gordy: The baskets are here in Brian L’s garage. August said there were plans for people to stay after handicaps (Sept. 16) and help start putting the baskets in the ground. Erick suggested that we try to get the board together and walk the course to discuss placement of the new baskets. Jeff D has put down some flags in areas where he’d like to see the new baskets. Since we have to install new sleeves, which means digging new holes or digging out the current sleeves – Erick suggested that we try to find a new pin location between the two current ones. This way we can still move the old baskets long and short – if we want to. Bryan B. agreed. It was pointed out that new signs would have to be made,

but Erick said new signs would need to be made either way. David suggested that maybe we don't rush to put the new baskets in before the Kraken. Erick said that even if the new baskets don't get installed until the first or second week of October – it would still give people two to three weeks to play the course. There have been some tournaments in the region where additional baskets have been added the week before the event. No final decision on a date for the walkthrough and install was reached.

Halpatiokee Sunday Handicaps: August reported that Ryan has started a scratch league at Halpatiokee on Sundays: 3 p.m. sign up / 3:30 p.m. start.

Rotary Sunday Handicaps: Erick said a few weeks back at Rotary Milton announced that he and Aaron are moving to Melbourne within the next three months. They offered to help train anyone who wanted to takeover handicaps on Sunday mornings.

OLD BUSINESS

IRC Adopt-a-Park Program for Hobart: Erick completed and submitted the adopt-a-park paperwork and insurance to IRC Parks. It will give the Club the ability to use the pavilion four times year. We just need to provide a certain amount of volunteer hours, which shouldn't be a problem (similar to the Gordy agreement).

Club Members Only Event (Presidential concept): David is still working on the details but is now thinking about hosting a Club members only PDGA sanctioned tournament in January and tie into a 2024 bag tag event. Erick did the tags last year and asked if anyone wants to handle next year's. David suggested opening it up to members to submit designs and allow people to vote on them.

Disc Golf Night at Clover Park with St. Lucie Mets (Recap): Erick thought the event went well – other than the Mets forgot we were coming back that night so it wasn't promoted much to non-disc golfers in the stadium. We have probably 25-30 people there. Erick will work with the Mets to try and do it earlier in the summer next year. And maybe we can have a few of them.

2023 Tournaments:

Kraken (Nov. 4-5): August said he is struggling to get the logos from the designer and time is running out. Erick said he doesn't come up with something soon – he knows a graphic designer that can help. There was some discussion about the player's pack and if we want to include the USB chargers. The group felt we should hold off for next year and focus more of the money on payouts. The Friday night dubs event will be at Indian Hills. David is also hoping to schedule an Ironman (one day / three rounds / three courses: LWP, Gordy and Indian Hills) fundraiser.

Course Updates

- Gordy Road: ERD recently did a rough cut. Along with the new basket installs – we need to do some maintenance before the Kraken.

- Rotary: no updates

- Lakewood Park: no updates. It's been dry lately and Erick noticed a lot of the trees along

Emerson Avenue were trimmed recently.

- Hapatooke: It appears Martin County recently mowed and trimmed the course.
- Hobart: no updates
- McCarty: No update
- Indian Hills: The grass got high for a few weeks as the city's contracted mower quit. Erick did some trimming around the gnome hole. The city staff did take care of the grass.
- Torpey: Erick said he got a call from a club member who asked if the club moved one of the newer baskets with the black ban because it seems that one is missing. None of the members were aware of any basket being moved. Brian L suggested that after the Kraken – the board focus on getting that course back in shape with some proper tee pads (concrete tiles – similar to Hobart). Erick also wants to get the new/original layout on UDisc, but he needs a walkthrough or printed layout.

TREASURE/FINANCE REPORT: We currently have \$5,892 in the bank (not counting in-coming Kraken funds).

MEMBERSHIP REPORT/UPDATES: Membership is up to 95 members.

PUBLIC COMMENT / OPEN DISCUSSION: none