

Treasure Coast Disc Golf Board Meeting – Minutes Thursday, Oct. 12, 2023 @ 8 p.m.

Location: Virtual – Originally scheduled to be in-person, but due to the secretary's illness it was held using Google Meet. Still need to find a good virtual platform that's free without a time limit.

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

Absent: Vice President Ryan Jouppi. At-Large Officers: Mark Baldwin, Robbie Keen, and Jeff Daugherty

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Halpatiokee Lost River Rentals: Jeff P. spoke to the new owners who will be operating Lost River Rentals near Halpatiokee. They will operate out of 4-acres adjacent to the park – across from the gas station as you drive into the park. They plan to rent kayaks, bikes and are really into disc golf and want to help/support the club. They also plan to have food and serve beer & wine. Jeff threw out some ideas on how we can work with them including a putting league there; they could handle the lost & found disc for Halpatiokee; maybe even have our posttournament awards ceremony there. The consensus was to see if they would be interested in hosting a putting league and handle our lost & found discs for Halpatiokee for now. We could put some small signs up tee pad signs on the course. Maybe when people returned discs to the rental place - they could get a few dollars off on their purchase there. Jeff will also ask if there are interested in selling discs – we could provide them with some club/tournament-stamped discs or even some of the unclaimed/donated discs from the other lost & found boxes at the other courses. They are setting up now and plan to be fully operations Nov. 1. Jeff said they are also interested in us doing some disc golf clinics with them. Erick will again be doing some Intro to Disc Golf Hikes with St. Lucie County's guided hikes program. The first one will be Sunday, Nov. 12 at LWP in the afternoon.

## OLD BUSINESS

## 2023 Tournaments:

- Hobart Dubs (Oct. 14) – No updates

- Bi-Athlon Kraken Fundraiser (Oct. 21) – David is planning on playing the main 18 at Gordy and then on the back 9 do a one-disc challenge. 50/50 payout. August is hoping to get the halo stamped discs by that date.

- Kraken (Nov. 4-5) – The check-in, random draw dubs will be at Indian Hills Friday evening. The rest will take place at Gordy. Since Indian Hills is already printed and included on the logo we want to still include it somehow. August thought about having a special gorilla Sunday round for the top players in each division for cash. But the group felt that players might not have the energy to do that. As for pin positions - It was decided that we'd put the baskets in the long position for Saturday and move them short for Sunday. We do need to put in some work at

Gordy, trimming, moving piles off the fairways and cleaning tee pads. David and August both said they would put in some before the tournament. Erick said he could take a day or two off the week of and put in some work. Brian said the OB lines are usually painted the week of to make sure they stay. Bryan B. said he'd take care of the junior tees.

- 2024 Tournaments: August suggested moving the Martin County Open to Jan. 21 weekend as the usually February weekend there will be a Pro Disc Golf Tour tournament in Florida. Everyone agreed that makes sense. The rest of our normal tournaments can keep the same weekend, but we need to get on the state's schedule soon.

**Installation date for second set of baskets at Gordy:** Since most of us will be at the Kraken – the group will finalize the plan for the new baskets that weekend. Then we need to get them in the ground and out of Brian's garage by mid-November.

**Club Members Only Event (Presidential concept)** – Not discussed due to time limitations on Google.

Course Updates - Not discussed due to time limitations on Google.

- Gordy Road
- Rotary
- Lakewood Park
- Hobart
- Hapatiokee
- Indian Hills
- McCarty
- Torpey

**TREASURE/FINANCE REPORT** – We have \$5,178 in checking. David asked if there are still some funds for Devin's fundraiser in the PayPal account. Brian said yes – he will work with David to get those to Devin's family. Erick has \$100 from the unclaimed disc sales. He'll get that to Brian at the Kraken. We need to remind people running events that money should be turned into the club on a quarterly basis.

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT/UPDATES - 97 members

**PUBLIC COMMENT / OPEN DISCUSSION** – Erick brought up that Milton and Aaron are looking for someone to run Sunday caps at Rotary. They are moving up to Melbourne to help with some family member's medical needs. Milton said they'd like to turn that over by the end of October. Michael said Cole expressed interest in running it. He said he would get with Cole and between the two of them, they can take over.

August worked with Ryan to set up a six-week, PDGA sanctioned league for the Sunday afternoon Halpatiokee caps. Few a few dollars more, players can earn points to improve their PDGA rating. Everything is set up on PDGA, Discgolfscene and UDisc, to start Nov. 12.