

# RECREATION CENTERS OF SUN CITY, INC.

## Bowling Committee

December 5, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Chair Jim Rough at 9:01am in the Lakeview Lanes Meeting Room.

**Present:** Chair Jim Rough, Co-Chair Connie Jo Richtmyre and Committee Members Bruce Lamb, Mike Williams, Fred Jones, Don Meyer, Julie Powell, Lynda Bettini, Sharon McCauley, George Edwards

**RCSC Staff:** Non-Golf Sr. Leader Mike Dirmyer, Bowling Tournament & League Manager Reid Gibbs

**Review/Amend Prior Meeting Summary:** The Summary from the November 7, 2024 meeting was accepted as presented.

**Action Items:** None

**Mike Dirmyer, RCSC Non-Golf Sr. Leader:** Report was given by Bowling Tournament & League Manager Reid Gibbs.

The end-of-the-month No-Tap Tournament Series at Bell Lanes concluded last week with the Scotch Doubles event. Eleven tournaments in total were bowled in 2024 for this series, with many of them receiving the maximum number of entries. The popularity of these tournaments shows that the no-tap format works well to draw bowlers of all skill levels to compete against one another. The 2025 No-Tap Tournament Series will kick off on January 26<sup>th</sup> with another Scotch Doubles Event. That tournament will feature two squads (9:00 am and 12:00 pm).

Hell's Bells Trio, the brand-new program at Bell Lanes, began its inaugural season yesterday. The 6-team, 6-week mini-league showcases 6 different oil patterns.

A new update to our Brunswick SYNC software will allow a floating substitute list to be accessible in league play. This will allow our staff to easily add floating subs to lanes with their averages and handicaps attached.

The Glenn Coyle Bowling for Boxers event scheduled for December 15<sup>th</sup> currently has 48 bowlers signed up to participate, with several more expected. Thanks to the SCBA and Bruce Lamb for their assistance and involvement with this event.

2025 lineage rates will take effect for open play beginning January 2<sup>nd</sup>. The member rate per game will be \$2.90, and the guest rate per game will be \$3.75. Leagues in progress will not be affected by rate changes until next season.

Our league bowlers have continued to rack up honor scores. Since the previous committee meeting on November 7<sup>th</sup>, there have been ten '300' games and two '800' series bowled.

Lastly, the holiday hours for the bowling centers will be as follows:

- 12/24 Christmas Eve: Closing at 3:00pm
- 12/25 Christmas Day: CLOSED

- 12/31 New Year's Eve: Closing at 4:00pm (SCBA NYE party at Lakeview Lanes 5pm – 10pm)
- 1/1 New Year's Day: CLOSED

**Bruce Lamb, USBC League Director:** Bruce reported on upcoming tournaments in December.

- Super Seniors Master Tournament will be December 7<sup>th</sup> at Desert Hills Lanes
- Seniors Masters & Queens December 8<sup>th</sup> at Desert Hills Lanes
- 2024 Metro Phoenix USBC Bowling for Vets (BVL) Tournament December 14<sup>th</sup>.

The Bowling Bells and 67<sup>th</sup> Senior Open tournaments final standings are posted.

BVL fundraising – Currently \$11,672.00. At 83.3% of goal. Last year 82 members signed up for the tournament, this year there are 99 members so far. Lots of donations from the Sun City clubs with the Craft clubs donating lots of prizes.

Awards are finally being distributed. There were multiple summer leagues that didn't turn in their sanction paperwork until recently, which resulted in a huge paperwork backlog for the office. One league had over 160 bowlers.

**Lynda Bettini, President of the Sun City Bowling Association and Sun City Hall of Fame:** Reported on the following:

- Membership is at 987 – anticipate meeting or exceeding prior years membership
- The Bowling ball demo with Vital Signs went very well. Had over 30 bowlers participating. The majority of them were SCBA members. Will have more demo days in 2025.
- New Years Eve event is sold out. There is a waiting list.
- December 7<sup>th</sup> No Tap Tournament 9:00am is sold out and have added a 1:00pm squad. 31 teams in total.
- The Hall of Fame nominations are under review.
- The Hall of Fame Tournament is February 15 & 16, 2025

Fred Jones suggested having a celebrity bowler at the ball demos to get more members to attend. Several pro bowlers were discussed as people to ask.

**Old Business:** Rube Edwards asked how the security upgrades were going at the facilities. Mike Dirmyer responded that the systems were still being tested at Oakmont and it was taking longer than expected to work the flaws out of the systems. Fairway Rec Center would be the next center to receive security upgrades.

**New Business:** None

**Next meeting:** Thursday, January 2, 2025 at 9:00am in the Lakeview Lanes Meeting Room

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned

Respectfully Submitted,

Co-Chair Connie Jo Richtmyre, Acting Secretary