



SCPA Operations Committee 2023/24 Annual Report

The 2023/24 Operations Committee consisted of Ted Bentley, Carol Mollerup and Brian Chipman (Committee Chair). The Operations Committee was also supported by non board volunteers including Wendy Skeath, Marie Fontaine, Judy Rother and Tom Pinfeld, which were instrumental in making our school play a success.

The Operations Committees primary objectives for the 2023/24 Board Year include record management and replenishment for SCPA equipment and supplies and deliver play opportunities for members at schools, arenas, outdoor courts and private facilities.

A Work Plan was developed at the beginning of the Board Year to provide a guide for the Operations Committee to follow. I am pleased to advise that there are no outstanding items to report on the 2023/24 Work Plan.

The Operations Committee effectively maintained records of supplies and equipment and replenished requirements as required throughout the Board Year.

Scheduling and organizing school play at KES, RCE and GES was particularly successful this Board Year.

In addition to other major player development initiatives as reported in the Player Development annual report, Player development and orientation sessions were offered by Tom Pinfeld at both Kinnikinnik and Roberts Creek Schools, which was well received.

The Operations Committee incorporated a booking tool called Spond to assist in scheduling school play. This tool was instrumental in strengthening outing numbers for school play as well as improving SCPA membership, which is currently at 406 active members. All school venues had three courts and were capped on Spond at 16 players due to large turnouts and to prevent overcrowding.

The Operations Committee explored Chatelech High School, which has capacity for 6 courts and would allow the SCPA to offer student/youth play, however times and days were unsuitable. The Operations Committee will revisit Chatelech in the next Board Year.

Other than the Arena Bowl and Dinks & Drinks Tournaments the SCPA did not secure play at the arenas for members. The SCRCD did offer play to the public at the Sechelt Arena throughout the summer months.

Summer outdoor play was organized by the Operations Committee at Dougall Park (Gibsons) and Hackett Park (Sechelt). SCPA Member Barry Krangle received approval to paint 3 outdoor courts at the Roberts Creek Elementary School. The SCPA donated 2 old nets to Barry for use at this location.

The Operations Committee held CPR and Defibrillator training at a private facility on August 12, 2024. Training included twenty participants from various Pickleball groups, School Program Leads and SCPA Board Members.

Respectfully Submitted,

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