

BCDS meeting 04/04/2018 – Minutes

Skype contact: BCDiscSports

Meeting location: Skype & Carolynn's office 101 – 1825 Boundary Road, Vancouver

Attending: Tara, Carolynn, Leanne, Daniel, Carrie

Regrets: Colin, Stew

Meeting start time: 6:31 pm

Motion to adopt March Minutes by Carolynn H

1st Steve C

2nd Tara L

BC Events:

- DuckGolf #7 – Kamloops 33 players
- DuckGolf #8 – Finals – 72 players, 13 on the wait list

Membership:

- Overall updated tabled till next meeting
- Stew is working on updating the BCDS master file for members with payments submitted to the BCDS

Other items:

- Briana Ainsley is looking for guidance/help with approaching the City of Squamish regarding the building of a proper disc golf course. I need someone from the Vancouver area that is able to help her when it comes time for a meeting. – CN
*Jenne B and Steve C will connect with Briana to support as needed
Steve will also reach out to Garibaldi Springs and Polygon Group for intel on what the plan is for this course and new ones on the property.
This property is ideal for DiscGolf and a multi-use park land setting.
From Dennis G – Squamish council had a meeting last month and motions have been passed (check minutes for details on that vote and development plan)*
- VCU requests to borrow 5 baskets for the Jericho match play event this weekend – LF
Motion to approve this request – Carolynn H

1st Dennis G

2nd Brendan S

Approved by the board

Other notes:

Steve C & Leanne F have been talking with Vancouver Park board re Quilchena Park and Jericho.

Langara Park is an ideal option for a new DG course

Ideally QE to be extended – VCU working with the city

Hold more events

Ensure that we highlight the tourism spin with the city.

- *Decline in women participation in disc golf events. – JB*
Need to include woman and children in events province wide and make them the priority
Seems like we are going in the opposite direction
Encourage TDs to make this demographic the priority and develop events to help this
BCDS to sponsor tournaments for this demographic
Support from the male community
Increase the scoring opportunity for woman and children – alternate tees or changing the par for these groups
Create a survey monkey for feedback on this topic to past players to see why this decline is happening
Showcase the woman's divisions.
Offer child care – this may bring more women to events – worked well for KDGA in the past
Board needs to look hard at all options moving forward to ensure we don't alienate these groups with the growth of the sport.
Motion to create a sub-committee within the board – Carrie N
1stCarolynn H
2nd Brendan S

- *General meeting voting for 2018. E-platform for out of town/unable to attend votes. – JB*
Proxy votes
E-platform can be created for this, the board needs to look into this option
- \$40 for 400 registrations is the first feedback on the cost to run this platform
The board needs to have an agenda of voting items for the AGM ready to distribute prior to the meeting for this to work. Voting can happen up to the AGM once the timeline is firmed up.
Call for agenda items in advance of the AGM – Need to determine a time line for this – this could be an issue for amendments – Will review and determine how to handle this in the coming months – Can proxy voting happen afterwards with the amendments at the AGM?
Agenda distribute 2 weeks prior to the AGM

*Possibly going FB live at the AGM
Jenne B to send out some details on how these tools can be used
Dennis G to lead and map out a process with the board.*

- **Provincials for 2018 – JB**
*Request for expressions of interest posted for this event.
Interests for this event needs to be in by April 30 / 2018
Final Bids to be submitted by mid – May 2018 for the board to review
BCDS will consider dates, venue and event details from these bids and pick the best option for BC Disc golfers.*

Website and social media/communications:

- Everything is functioning and people are using the website and FB

Treasurer's report:

PayPal Balance: \$4608.00 CND
Bank Balance: \$9857.00 CND
PDGA fees (Duck Golf) have been paid up to April 4/2018
Insurance coming up in the next few months – May 2018/2019
Revenue sheet is in the works

Regional updates:

Islands:

- 40 players attended the Island Series @ Doumont on March 24th
- The Island Series Finally will be held on Salt Spring Island on April 21st, this event will be capped at 72/players due to the limitations of the golf course.

North East BC:

Daniel Martin: Northern BC Disc Golf News:

- Disc Golf play has been a little slow due to the Arctic front that has been plaguing much of the north throughout March and into April. Record snowfall and low temperatures have been occurring in many areas. Example: April 3rd - Fort St John its -12 Celsius and snowing.

- Nothing new In Fort Nelson, Dawson Creek or Fort St John really other than planning and fundraising for the Battle of the Peace 3 is active. FSJDSC will be at the FSJ Tradeshow again, showcasing disc golf and disc sports to 14,000 people over the weekend April 13-15th.

Terrace DGC:

- As of November 2017, Terrace has an official 9 hole tone pole course in Tetrault Park. Amber McIsack and Malcolm Graham are leading the way. I've connected with Amber McIsack, and sent her funding and Grant information so the Terrace club can hopefully get their Baskets and signage this year. For example: other northern clubs have utilized the Northern Health Imagine! Grant and the Northern Development Initiative Trust grants for their courses and there is no reason Terrace can't utilize the same grants.

<https://www.terracestandard.com/sports/come-throw-a-frisbee-at-new-disc-golf-course/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1858771887743483/>

<https://www.gofundme.com/terrace-disc-golf-club>

Bulkley Valley Disc Golf including Telkwa and Smithers:

- The big news is the Skillhorn disc golf course in Telkwa which is a partnership between the Bulkley Valley Disc Golf Association and the BC Parks and Trails. The BVDGA received a \$5000 grant to purchase baskets just recently, and they signed a 10 year partnership that has an option for renewal at the end of the term. Skillhorn DGC is currently a mix of homemade DIY baskets (originally from the ranger park course in Smithers) and metal posts. It's a 59 acre parcel of land. They currently have three layouts at Skillhorn. They are going to be focusing on the Berryfloor (9 hole layout) and the Octo (21 hole) layout in 2018. They are hoping to purchase or fabricate at least 9 or more baskets with their \$5000. I've been consulting with them and showing them different basket options. They are leaning towards Dan Walker Baskets, as they have an affinity for B.C Made products. I've connected the BVDGA/Ben Anderson with the Terrace DGC and Amber McIsack, they are in preliminary talks for future collaboration and events.
- The BVDGA didn't hold any official tournaments in 2017 at the Ranger Park course in Smithers, as the costs to rent the Ranger Park facilities and mandatory insurance fees made it a gamble (they average a handful of people per event usually). Each official event costs them \$150 for the park facilities usage plus \$17.50/hour park rental fee. I've suggested ideas to lower costs (Bring in their own portable washroom for example and rent it for the entire summer). PDGA events especially

are not in their plans until they know they can attract more players to subsidize that \$200+ per use expense.

Mackenzie:

- I've been working with the Municipality of Mackenzie and Disc Golfers there (Adam Lionas). The original spot Adam pegged for a course was the old unused Rodeo Grounds that have recently been acquired by the municipality. The Municipality and Parks and Rec are interested in including Disc Golf into their ambitious Morfee Lake and John Dahl Park plans as well; it would be a multiyear multi-sport project that would include cross country ski trails and other activities.

Northern Lights Disc Golf Series

- Northern Lights Disc Golf Series is coming along nicely, the idea has been percolating since 2016 but this is the first official year. The series has 3 official dates with 2 or 3 more expected to be added shortly. The NLDGS could possibly stretch 2000 Kilometers across Yukon, BC and Alberta. The NLDGS is modeled after the Duck Golf/TODG/DGPT/Alberta Tour model.

<https://www.discgolfscene.com/series/1085/northern-lights-disc-golf-series>

<https://www.facebook.com/Northern-Lights-Disc-Golf-Series-130817790803311/>

Lower Mainland:

- Jericho Match play coming up
- Mundy Park was a success
- More golfers are starting to play no that the weather is improving
- Current basket count at local courses: 9 @ Quilchena – 7 @ Jericho – 13 @ QE

Interior:

The Thompson Okanagan Disc Golf Tournament Schedule:

- TODG #1 - Rose Hill West in Kamloops, [April 8th](#)
- TODG #2 - Copper Ridge in Logan Lake, [May 26th](#)

- TODG #3 - Wells Gray Golf Course in Clearwater, [June 23/24](#)
- TODG #4 - Myra Canyon Adventure Park in Kelowna, [July 14th](#)
- TODG #5 - Rose Hill West and Copper Ridge in Kamloops/Logan Lake, Sept 1/2nd
- Notable – Clearwater is building a DG Course at the school involving with students, PE and Shop Teachers.
Outreach materials and specs to be provided to the school to help
Suggest that they make a proposal to the board for the 6 Costco baskets to retro fit for this install.

Next meeting:

May 8th @ 6:30

Adjournment:

8:17 pm