

General Membership Meeting

August 3, 2023



WELCOME!

Meeting Agenda

APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 21, 2023 MINUTES:

TREASURER'S REPORT: Claire Spille

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Claire Spille

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Field Improvements – Lou Fasano

Volunteers - Lou Fasano/Holly Meckley

Committee Work - Holly Meckley

GUEST SPEAKERS:

Player Development – Ron Hildenbrand

Umpire-In-Chief - John Meckley

Camera/Webmaster - Chuck Hasenauer

OLD/NEW BUSINESS: Holly Meckley

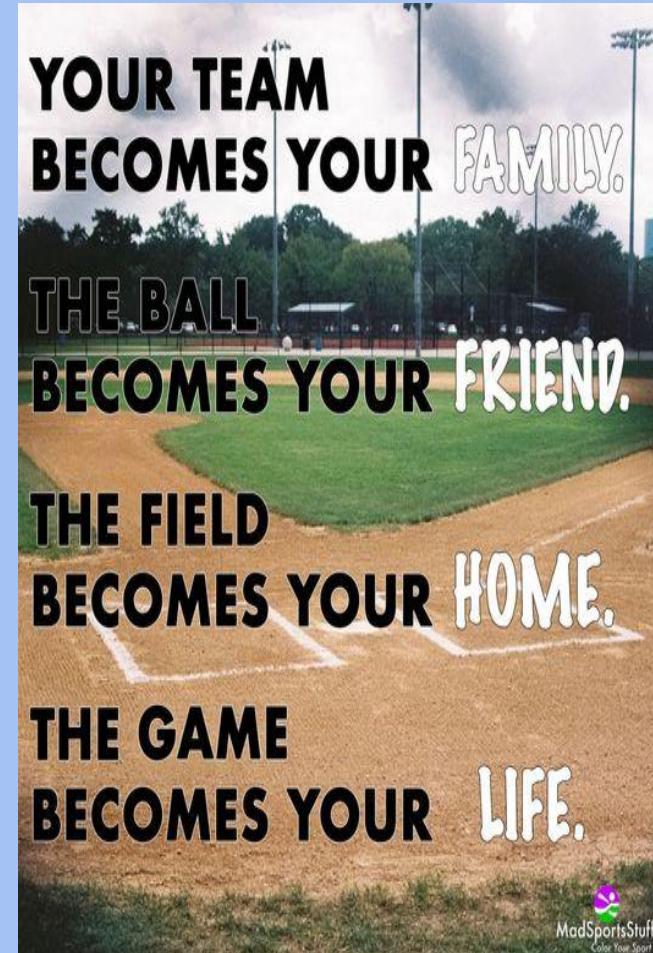
Report on Capital Projects

Reminder about 2024 Elections Vice President and Treasurer

Adhoc League Restructuring Committee

Club Rating Committee - Appeal Process

Q & A:



Treasurer's Report - Claire Spille

Our current balance is 63,722.30

Expenses:

-New Grill:	\$493.07
-Umbrellas:	\$508.67
-Dugout/shed/closet renovations:	\$1468.64

Good news is our hot dog sales!

BEFORE EXPENSES, we had in total sales: \$31,840

After expenses, we still made close to \$8,000.00 in profit.

Our fall season has 19 hot dog days scheduled so we should bring in close to \$10,000 more in profit.



Membership - Claire Spille

Membership Update as of July 23, 2023

Total of 538 Members

497 Full Members

41 Associate Members

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Field Improvements - Lou Fasano

Dugout Cabinets were replaced and water fountains relocated

Installation of cubicle shelves for storage of player equipment built

New Batting Racks

Storage Room clean up and 3 storage cabinets added to store lime, balls, towels, and first aid items

Clean out and re-organization of both equipment sheds.

Construction of two pitcher practice areas with permanent back stop

Accessible storage box for balls and batting tees to be used my members

Field: sod was replaced around the perimeter of the infield, the outfield was aerated, fertilized and top dressed.

Several yards of new clay was applied to and leveled on the infield

Fencing around the field was repaired as much as possible

Screens in Press Box repaired and the scorers table was stained and repaired.

Broken components on the tractor were replaced

Steve Murray will be taking on Field Maintenance responsibilities

Field Improvement Volunteers:

Volunteers that helped with the various activities:

Tim Russell, Mike McGuire, George Lavanco, Tab Adkins, Steve Bennett, Steve Murray, Tom Dodrill, Jack Shultz, Butch Talbot, Don Schofield, Kathy Bounds, Lee Ann Allen, Greg Lanza, Ron Siebert, John Shelley, Danny Dennison, Bruce Graham, Marc Longtin, Alan Pritchard, Brian Porch, Tom Payne, Blake Wheatley, Tom Liacono, Paul Sells, Chuck Hasenauer, Vinnie Badalamenti, Wayne Callaway, Linda Callaway, Melody Litzenberg, John Meckley, Mark Horan, Lou Fasano, Edie Hasenauer, Holly Meckley and others we may have missed... David Glass for doing electrical work!! Mark Trigger, Bob Cragin and Chuck Hasenauer for work on Sound System and Cameras!

(Glenda for feeding the troops)

Volunteers:



Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart.

Elizabeth Andrew

EVERYDAY POWER

Field Improvements - Photos



Volunteers:



Committee Updates

Committee Chairs

Game Day & Marketing - Cheryl Fuchs

Social - OPEN

Equipment Manager - Ken Abshier (Roger Seitz incoming)

Player Development - Ron Hildenbrand

Field Improvement - Lou Fasano

Food & Beverage - Rick LaBue

Field Maintenance - Steve Murray

Rules - Pete Birmingham

Nominations & Election Oversight - OPEN

Banner - Bob Timpe

Team Sponsorship - Board

Game Day & Marketing

Chair: Cheryl Fuchs

Members of Committee:

Kathy Arbing, Danny Dennison, Linda Kramer, Trish Tokar, and Tom Dodrill

We need more Announcers:

Contact Cheryl Fuchs @:
schhgameday@gmail.com



We would like to announce all the games for the Fall season.

Looking for ways to draw more fans to the games and make game day a fun experience.

Looking for ways to get the word out about our games days.

Social Committee

Chair: Open

Members of Committee:

Brenda Bartorillo, Meg Clarke, Cindi Duffy, Lynn LaPointe, Claudette O'Loughlin, Linda Palazzo, Sandy Sanchez, Jolene Seitz, Janet Bass, Cynthia Zambri

Upcoming events:

Equipment Swap day

Pet adoption event with Dog club

This committee will plan both the January Banquet and the Spring Picnic.

This committee will continue to look for ways to provide additional social activities for our club members to enjoy outside of Softball.

Submit Ideas to:
scsoftballhotline@gmail.com

Fall Equipment Swap Day

Swap - Sell - Giveaway

Sun City Softball is having an equipment swap day!



Event Overview

EVENT NAME	Sun City Softball Club SWAP-SELL-GIVEAWAY DAY
DATE AND TIME	AUGUST 12th (set up/donation drop off 8am / Swap & Giveaway 9-11am
VENUE	Sun City Softball Field
WHAT TO DO	Bring gently used equipment for donation or sale to the field at 8am. If you want to sell or trade equipment, you must stay with your items and do all negotiating and handling of money and trades.
HOW IT WORKS	If you want to donate items still in good condition, please drop off the items at 8am. The donated items will then be able to be taken for FREE by another person for their use. Any items that were donated and not selected by another person will be given to a charity or saved for another swap day. The selling, trading and free items will be available from 9am-11am (or until they are gone).
OTHER	Please be respectful when selecting your items, we want this to be a successful event for all, especially those who are in need of some items or those who are just starting their softball journey. Please email brenda.bartorillo@me.com if you need to make arrangements prior to August 12th for equipment donations.

Player Development Committee:

Chair: Ron Hildebrand
jrhild1249@twc.com

Members of Committee:

Betty Fleenor, Bruce Graham, Don Noviello, Frank Parolise, Keith Hocker, Tom Fuorry, Jim Goggin

Assistants to the Committee:

Darren Allen, Dave Ford, Don Scofield, Edie Hasenauer, Tab Adkins, Vinnie Boccanfuso.

Wednesday Instructional Other ideas:

- Position specific instruction
- Infield instruction
- Outfield instruction
- Batting instruction
- Fitness Tips and Training
- Rating Day familiarization



Thank You!

Camera & Website Updates

Chuck Hasenauer

Umpire-in-Chief Updates

John Meckley

Food & Beverage Committee:

Chair: Rick LoBue

ralobue@comcast.net

Members of Committee:

Al & Linda Kwiatkowski, Anne Randler, John Wheeler, Marcia Goettge, Steve Griffiths, Dave Rickman, Tab Adkins, Patricia Lee, Michelle Pepe, Paula Shugrue, Deb Daugherty, Shannon Bullock, Bruce & Sue Summers, Kris Allen, Margaret Klaus, Ward & Mel Litzenberg, Mike & Claudette O'loughlin, Kim Cotton, Tom McNamara, Floyd Siar, Rick Cannon, Steve & Penny Lundberg, Jerri Hanna, Jen Prell, Karen Madson, Alan Prichard, Barry Nelson, Vivian Day, George Levanco, Roger & Jolene Seitz, Clair Spille, Sandy Sanchez.

This is THE most important fundraiser for the Club!

Hot Dog days are also a huge draw for our fans and for the community.

Thanks to Rick Lobue for taking on the role as HOT DOG MANAGER!

Please help when you can!

Contact Rick Lobue to help:

Rules Committee:

Chair: Pete Birmingham

bsitco@aol.com

Members of Committee:

Dennis Jackson, Pat Hamilton, Maria Faraci, Rich Schiebel

Rules Change Suggestion

Submit to the respective CC and
once approved send to:

bsitco@aol.com

or deliver to

192 Sunrise Point Dr

Sponsorship Committee:

Banners and Team Sponsors

Banner Chair: Bob Timpe

Members of Committee:

Blake Wheatley, Jim Foley, Len Guarnera,
Daver Sarno, Linda Palazzo and Bob Cragin
(banner designer)

Team Sponsor Chair - Club Board

We are striving to provide as much exposure as possible to our sponsors.

Every game we announce has a “Banner Spotlight” recognition.

By announcing the games we are recognizing our team sponsors.

We provide plaques to each sponsor every year.

Looking at allowing sponsors to attend games and provide marketing materials.

Nomination Committee:

Chair: OPEN

Members of Committee: OPEN

Purpose: To Solicit for Members of the Softball club to run for vacant club board positions

- Committee of four members, with at least one member from each league, to serve as nomination and election committee members. These choices will need to be approved by the board
- Solicit and accept nominations from any club member in good standing to run for a vacant club position.
- Will NOT influence or campaign to ANY member to run for office on the Board
- Communicate vacant positions to club membership, along with duties and responsibility requirements, in sufficient time to allow club members to be nominated or to apply for a vacancy
- Notify members of their acceptance as potential candidates and ask for each candidate to provide a statement to be made available to club in written format
- If deemed necessary, set up a town hall event where candidates can field Q & A's from the club membership to help membership make informed selections that will better serve the club
- Announce election time frame for electronic vote submission and handle any issues with the voting process
- Verify election results with the election committee and announce winners at the December General membership meeting
- Board member should not be involved with the election or nomination process

Travel Teams:

60's Men's Travel Team



The Sun City Men's 60's travel team took 2nd at the 2023 ISSA/WBSC World Tournament of Champions in Tampa FL. in February.

Team:

Back row: Jerry Hodge - John Haroff - Mike Brzezinski - Kevin Thompson - John Shelly - Jeff Cabral - Walt Heninger

Front Row: Randy Rahe - Joe Conti - Craig Jones - Vinnie Boccanfuso - John Stefanski - Tab Adkins

65's Men's Travel Team



The Sun City Men's 65's travel team took 2nd at The 2023 ISSA Myrtle Beach USA Championships, in March.

Team:

Back row: Mark Lubowsky - Butch Talbot - Doug Baker - Jim Goggin - Ed Esswein - Jim Foley - Fitz Harding - Bob Black - Mike Coriale - Don Scofield

Front Row: John Hansen - John Costabile - Tom DaParma - Steve Opitz - Steve Murray - Gary Niarchos - Rod Norris - Jack Schultz - Lou Fasano - Paul Roth

70's Men's Travel Team



The Sun City Men's 70's travel team went undefeated, winning 5 straight games in the 2022 ISSA Myrtle Beach Championships, in March 2022.

Joe Scheper was awarded the MVP

60's Women's Travel Team



The Sun City Women's 60's travel team took 1st at The S.P.A. Rocky Top N.I.T. Championship in Knoxville, in June.

Team:

Back row: Laura Rahe - Cheryl Thomas - Victoria Black - Kelly Chase - Diane Losk - Carol Murphy

Middle row: Holly Meckley - Anne Randler - Rosie Battaglia - Gail Moyers - Meg Clarke - Lynn Lapointe

Front Row: Claire Sille - Leda Shovelton

Base Coaches: Randy Rahe - Larry Shovelton

Scoreboard Keeper: Sandy Sanchez

Hurricane's Community Travel Team

The Sun City Hurricanes hosted their Semi annual community Friendly between Sun City Hilton Head Hurricanes and Sun City Peachtree from Griffin Georgia in May 2023. The next matchup will take place at Sun City Peachtree in October 2023.



Old Business:

Adhoc League Restructuring Committee:

The Board ask members of the committee to come up with possible League Restructure scenarios.

Chair: Tom DaParma

20+ members

The committee submitted their proposal and the following recommendations were adopted for the Fall Season:

- The # of teams in each league driven by registration
- Waterfall draft process
- Community Rec League (CRL) created
- Players know their ratings.

Club Rating Committee:

Chair: OPEN

Members of Committee:

Joe Scheper, Ed Eswein, Darren Allen, Tom Battaglia, Joe Bullock, Rick Lobue, Rich Matera, Bob Black

Appeal Process:

1. A player must have played in the majority of games in any league in the most recently completed season in order to appeal their rating.
2. A written appeal must be submitted to the appropriate league Competition Committee. The specific criteria/s (hitting, fielding, throwing, running) for adjustment must be explained in detail. The appealing player needs to reference the Sun City Softball Club Numerical Rating Criteria rubric and cite the specific language that applies.
3. The appropriate league Competition Committee will review the appeal and either a. make a determination to change the rating, and advise the player, or b. forward the appeal to the Club Ratings Committee.
3. The Club Ratings Committee will review the appeal and either a. schedule the player for a ratings day, or b. determine that no adjustment will be made to the current rating.

Hats:

The original intention with the Hats and Visors was a full member would be issued one per year and it would be utilized for the entire year. The hats cost \$12 each and the Visors \$14.

Hats are a large ticket item for the club. If everyone were issued 1 per season your annual membership fee would basically cover your hat only.

The Visors have held up well and are washable. The Hats, are showing signs of wear with the black brim fading.

If you are interested in buying a new hat we will establish a process for you to do this.

Looking Ahead:

Season Openers:

Leagues:

Saturday - August 26th

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WSL - August 27th

Hot Dog Day!

Tue/Thu - August 31st

August 31st

CRL - September 5th

Veteran's Games:

Sun City Softball Club Veterans Games

Friday November 10th 2023

Veterans Games T-Shirt (Each Team will have a different color)

Team T-Shirts will be provided to all players and coaches

A list of all who have already signed up is available to view at the table up front.
If you need to sign up for this event forms are available after the meeting.

HOT DOG DAY Volunteers needed for Hot Dog Duty

Please contact Rick LoBue ASAP

Opening Ceremonies Start at 8:30 A.M .

SCVA Color Guard + Sun Tones Singing our National Anthem

Games will start at 9:00 A.M.

Looking to Future of Club

Additional League Changes

Handling Growth of Sun City and more members

Making the most of field time

Adding Concession Stand

How is this to be funded

Who will operate the Stand and how many hours.

More work with Player Development

More opportunities for training.

Developing new pitchers

Clinics from USCB

REsides 2023

Q & A

Thank you All for taking the
time to attend this general
meeting!

See you all at the field!