
Don Bearden, chair of the Wheelchair Committee, called the meeting to order at 7:05pm and roll call was conducted. The meeting was held by Google Meet video conference.

Committee Members Present: Chair - Don Bearden, Edgar Vidriales, Ashley Sisti, RL Scott, Kylie Hornbeck, Marty Anderson

USTA NorCal Staff Present: Staff liaison - Christy Perez

Guests Present: none

1. Chair Report

- The Wheelchair Committee meeting minutes from June were approved
- **Bay Area Wheelchair Tennis Update :** Weekly practices continue on Saturdays. BAWT continues to have a good weekly turnout of wheelchair participants. The Silicon Valley Wheelchair Tournament is this weekend. Looks like there is a good amount of signups with 18 players entered into the tournament. Don confirmed with Christy what support NorCal will be providing - balls, singles sticks, etc.
- **Adaptive Athletics Association update:** Weekly practices on Friday nights are going well. Continue to have good participation numbers. Marty introduced some questions and concerns revolving around the ITF Wheelchair Tournament in Gold River. He addressed the need to update the National tournament website as there was no direct link to the tournament. Christy stated that she has requested National to update the website and it has not been done yet. He also had questions regarding the hotel and number of rooms available for the players of the tournament. Christy confirmed that 8 wheelchair accessible rooms have been blocked off for the tournament participants. Players would need to call in to the hotel (TownePlace Suites Sacramento Rancho Cordova) and make their own reservations. Additionally, he had questions surrounding the wheelchair repair person and if NorCal will be paying for their service along with shuttle service to and from airport to hotel and club. Christy stated that these items were still being confirmed at time of meeting but they were high priority.
- Open discussion ensued about the need to put more player information on the website. There is a need to communicate more details to the players surrounding the tournament.

2. Staff Report

- Christy gave a recap on the Free Wheelchair clinic that was hosted by USTA NorCal in June at the Goldman Tennis Center. One new junior wheelchair player attended the junior clinic with 8 adult wheelchair players attending the adult session. BORP was happy with the turnout and interested in how we could continue the partnership in the future.
- USTA NorCal player grants received will be reviewed and voted on at the next committee meeting.
- The Placer CTA Wheelchair tournament at Whitney High School rescheduled for August 17-18th. Need signups or risk the tournament being canceled
- The Modesto City Open Wheelchair Tournament is offering prize money depending on the number participating in the tournament. Registrations close September 8th.
- ITF tournament update - Hotel block has 8 rooms available at TownePlace Marriott. Still researching wheelchair repair person with local bike shops in Sacramento. Trainer has been secured for the tournament. NorCal players are encouraged to help spread the word about the tournament and sign up as soon as possible.

- https://ustanorcal.formstack.com/forms/wheelchair_player_grant

Upcoming Wheelchair Tournaments and play opportunities

- July 27-28 Silicon Valley Wheelchair Tournament
- Sept 19 Wheelchair Tennis Coach's Clinic at Gold River in Sacramento
- Sept 20-22 ITF & USTA Wheelchair Tennis Tournament at Gold River
- Oct 5-6 Modesto City Open Wheelchair Tennis Tournament at Brenda Athletic Club in Modesto
- Oct 13 Wheelchair exhibition at Goldman Tennis Center in San Francisco
- Oct 19-20 North vs South Wheelchair Challenge at Sierra Sport & Racquet Club in Fresno

There being no further issues or discussion to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:04pm.