Court Maintenance Update 8/12/2022

As we begin to play on the four new courts, there will be a period of settling/break in. We have already noticed a few things that need attention or monitoring. Even though you might think it helpful to take care of an issue yourself, PLEASE do not do that. Instead, report your concern to Bob Bennett ([webondroad2@yahoo.com](mailto:webondroad2@yahoo.com)) or Brad Caldwell ([bradcaldwell56@outlook.com](mailto:bradcaldwell56@outlook.com))

Things we are working on:

* On Courts 5 & 6 the net pole sleeves have shifted causing a slight gap between the poles and the rubberized surface. Tension on the net cable may be contributing. Bob, Brad and Spencer Brown from CF Maintenance are aware and monitoring the situation.
* As the top net cable stretches over time, the nets may sag. Please do not attempt to adjust them yourselves due to the potential damage it may cause to the first bulleted item. If you do not believe the net height is not accurate, let Bob or Brad know.
* The buckles on the middle net straps are in the playing area at the top of the nets on all four new courts. The construction of the strap does not allow for an easy adjustment. Bob is working to find a solution.
* The middle gate hinge is too stiff causing the gate to bind. It is not easy to use. Spencer and Bob are working on a solution.
* There is a large slope of dirt on the left side of the first shed. There is the beginning of an erosion issue. Bob will work with others to dig this area back from the shed. Then Spencer and his crew will add some type of retaining wall and grass seed/straw.
* The back water cooler broke and has been removed. No word on when it might be replaced.
* Courts 1 & 2 need to be power washed. Spencer and his crew will take care of this one day in the next two months (prior to our tournament). He will try to fit it in on a day that is going to be wet anyway, but that may not be possible. If you arrive at the courts and they are being cleaned, please be understanding. If another court is available, simply switch to playing there.

We had two members send options for consideration for helping to dry the courts. Both items were around $3000 a piece. This is beyond the club’s budget, but we are thankful that members are always continuing to look for ways to improve our facility.

It would be extremely helpful if everyone could put their name on their paddle. This would help with getting players on the courts quickly during All Play and also in being able to contact folks who leave their paddles behind at the courts.

We still have umbrellas that are being left up at the end of the day. Again, please close and secure them before your group leaves, no matter what time of day it is.

The fall season is quickly approaching. In the past Brad Caldwell has facilitated a wonderful group of volunteers to assist with clearing the courts of leaves and debris on a daily basis. If you would be willing to help with this task, please let him know at [bradcaldwell56@outlook.com](mailto:bradcaldwell56@outlook.com)