



Etobicoke Pickleball Association

2026 Annual General Meeting – Minutes

March 27, 2026 – 7:35PM held at the Etobicoke Olympium (590 Rathburn Rd, Etobicoke)

38 Attendees (plus 4 Board members)

Item	Discussion	Action	Responsibility/Date
Meeting call to order	<p>John Cameron welcomed everyone to the AGM, acknowledged quorum was established, and motioned to call the meeting to order at 7:35PM</p> <p>J. Cameron initiated a motion to call meeting to order:</p> <p>2nd: G. Mandziuk</p> <p>Motion passed</p>	N/A	N/A
2026 AGM Agenda	<p>J. Cameron requested a motion to approve the 2026 AGM Agenda</p> <p>1st: P. Brewin 2nd: G. Taylor</p> <p>Motion passed</p>	N/A	N/A
2025 AGM Minutes	<p>J. Cameron requested a motion to approve last year's minutes</p> <p>1st: J. Healey 2nd: K. Budziak</p> <p>Motion passed</p>	N/A	N/A

<p>Year in Review</p>	<p>John began the review of 2025 by recapping our four main objectives as an Association: member advocacy with the city, serve as a resource, build a sense of community and grow participation/awareness of pickleball. Overall, we want to identify and arrange for affordable places to play pickleball for the Etobicoke community.</p> <p>He noted that pickleball continues to experience strong participation growth and there are now numerous options for players including more clubs, more tournaments and more city investment in courts.</p> <p>John outlined how EPA forges relationships with the city including presenting to City Staff on a regular basis and sitting on City boards (Pickleball Advisory Group (John)/Centennial Park Stakeholders Committee (Brenda)). EPA was also asked by Councillor V. Crisanti to participate in the launch of the upgraded courts in his ward (Kingsview Park).</p> <p>Pickleball exclusive outdoor court locations now exist in Valleyfield Park, Eglinton Flats, Kingsview Park, Martingrove Gardens and Laburnham Park.</p> <p>Brenda presented an update on the Centennial Park pickleball courts. Twelve new courts will open Spring of 2026.</p> <p>EPA has submitted a partnership application (financial contribution) to upgrade the courts to an acrylic surface, vs the originally planned asphalt surface, as well as the installation of windscreens.</p> <p>In addition, EPA has submitted a permit request to secure courts for EPA members. The permit proposes a shared-use approach with public access including sharing the number of courts and court time.</p>	<p>Awaiting confirmation of partnership application</p> <p>Awaiting feedback from City on permit application</p>	<p>Brenda (April '26)</p> <p>Brenda (April '26)</p>
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	<p>Beckie reviewed the success of the EPA@Fairgrounds program: EPA ran six series, with 19 sessions per series and over 700 players per series. Over 4200 registrations were recorded in 2025.</p> <p>She additionally updated the group that there may be a new condo developer once again attached to Cloverdale Mall however any impact is at least 5 years away.</p> <p>Fairgrounds will also be upgrading their facility including new (and more) courts, upgraded surface, new court dividers and a new lounge/gym area.</p> <p>John recapped the numerous activities EPA delivers over the year to grow participation and community including: four tournaments, four leagues, special events as well as training sessions for approximately 500 players throughout the year.</p> <p>Additional activities include: First Aid training for EPA members, support of the OSGA 55+ Sr Games and participation in media requests (CBC)</p> <p>The number of EPA members reached 2195 in 2025 driven by ongoing interest in pickleball, successful programming and EPA's partnership with Fairgrounds.</p> <p>J. Cameron requested a motion to approve the 2025 review.</p> <p>1st: M. Wallis 2nd: N. Reay</p> <p>Motion passed</p>		

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Re-election of 2026 Board of Directors	<p>Beckie Scarrow is currently in the middle of her two-year term. Three Board members' terms have expired and are seeking re-election: John Cameron (2-year term), Bonnie Pusateri (2-year term) and Brenda Yatabe (1-year term).</p> <p>John requested a motion to re-elect the incumbents.</p> <p>1st: N. Corcoran 2nd: P. Leroux</p> <p>Motion passed</p>	N/A	N/A

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<p>Thank You's!!</p> <p>A look ahead to 2026</p> <p>Questions/Discussion</p>	<p>John: we're incredibly grateful for all of our volunteers. Their willingness to show up, pitch in, and support our events is the reason our community continues to grow and EPA is successful.</p> <p>We are equally grateful to all of our community sponsors that allow us to invest in programming and events that benefit our membership.</p> <p>Highlights include: ongoing programming, potential new partnerships with other clubs, building out our leadership team and continued City advocacy.</p> <p>A question was raised regarding whether windscreens will be taken down over the winter. It is recommended that they be removed to ensure longevity and minimize wear and tear.</p> <p>A suggestion was made to add advanced training sessions.</p> <p>A question was asked regarding the possibility of EPA partnering with Pickleplex in Downsview. Given its location, this is not an option for EPA at this time.</p> <p>A question was raised as to whether the nets at Centennial Park will be removed for the winter. EPA has recommended they be removed to ensure longevity and minimize any potential damage.</p> <p>A request was made to try and improve the lighting at Martingrove Gardens and Valleyfield. It was suggested that members can call 311 and copy the relevant city councillor with any requests and EPA will supplement these requests in any discussions we have with City Staff.</p>	<p>John to investigate options</p>	<p>2026 season</p>
<p>Award Presentation</p>	<p>John Cameron recognized four outstanding individuals for their contribution to the EPA and our pickleball community.</p> <p>Ambassador Awards – Kathy Bates, Karen Maguire, Joanne McCourt, and Dave Shepherd</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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Adjournment	J. Cameron requested a motion to adjourn at 8:42PM: 1 st : G. Taylor 2 nd : P. Brewin Motion passed	N/A	N/A