

ICC BOARD MEETING

July 29, 2026

Linda K, Joan S, Jon H, Sharon H, Linda S, Vern S, Linda B, Roger B, Steve M, Sam O, Walt E, Mike P, Jeannette P, Willow, Anne, Lisa, Cory, Kathy L

Call to Order & Approve Minutes – Lisa Haynsworth - June minutes approved

President's Welcome – Lisa Haynsworth

Thank you all for being here for ICC's July meeting. Many positive things are happening and we look forward to hearing more from the volunteer committees. Please mark your calendars for the August 26th meeting which will include a special presentation by Lee and the Long-Range / Centennial Fund Committee for specific updates and future renovations regarding the golf course, tennis and pickleball courts. In July, we had the Putting Green Ribbon Cutting Ceremony which was a celebration to remember. If you were unable to make it you can read all about it in the attached summary.

Treasurer's Report – David Greiwe read by Willow - David was delayed traveling.

The Club's over all cash position decreased \$1,460 over the past five weeks. The operating account balances decreased \$8,763, Operating reserve up \$1, Friends of the Club was up \$2,002 and Centennial Fund was up \$5,299. The decrease in our Operating cash was due to operating expenses and credit card payments exceeded daily sales during the period. Daily sales totaled \$77,293 over the past five weeks as 2026 member dues and ancillary fees continued to roll in. Regular monthly operating expenses (\$48,604), credit card payment (\$36,171), inventory for resale added (\$1,951) and impound payments made (\$1,818).

Regular monthly expenses included \$33,650 in payroll expense, \$4,888 club maintenance expense, \$893 in credit card payment processing fees, \$1,762 for our property and casualty insurance installment, \$207 in monthly office expenses and \$820 in event expenses.

At July 26th, we had \$17,865 credit card balance outstanding. Expenses paid by card this past five weeks included \$11,338 in inventory for resale, \$3,340 in club maintenance expenses, \$962 in regular operating expenses. We paid \$36,171 in credit balances outstanding on July 24th.

Q- about 10-play cards down, some people going to limited hours and memberships and many 10-plays are later in the summer, and new membership for younger folks

Q - Tuesday half price days, has brought in some non-members and maybe come other days- overall good

Q - about visitors on the island, seem to be staying not as long

Treasurer's report approved

Manager's Report – Willow Weed-Eaton

Membership & Facilities

Membership is up this season and engagement is strong. The new pickleball courts have been a hit — we are seeing great utilization from both existing members and new pickleball-only memberships. The Putting Green ribbon cutting was a celebration to remember (rain and all), and the green opens to all members on August 2nd.

Programming

Intro to Pickleball clinics, Open Pickleball, Open Tennis, and tennis clinics are all running well with solid turnout. Details on schedules and pricing are available at the front desk.

Centennial Fund

The Legacy Walk and Centennial Fundraiser continue to move forward under Lee Levant's leadership. We encourage the board to keep promoting this effort to members.

Community

ICC has always been more than a club — it is part of the fabric of this community. This Sunday, July 29th, we are hosting a benefit concert from 2:00–4:00pm here at the club in support of the Memorial Ambulance Corps and the Deer Isle and Stonington Fire Departments. Please attend if you can, and spread the word. A donation jar is available in the pro shop for those unable to make it. These are our neighbors, and showing up for them matters.

Committee Reports

Building Committee – Vern Seile, Chair

We have an estimate on the damaged garage door - \$2520. The parent responsible will pay. Vern then shared the bids on vinyl siding. Mainly Vinyl \$42K with payment schedule. They will take off old shingles and dispose them. He had an estimate from Puzzlewood that included trim and windows, \$36700, with no soffet work.

However the bid does not include taking off shingles.

Sam mentioned what the original clubhouse looked like, clapboards and logs, reddish.

Discussion on where the money was coming from and that it will be paid through the regular budget and FOTC.

Vern will ask Puzzlewood what bid would be if they took off shingles before installing the siding.

Mike P also mentioned that we should build in 15-20% more for some rot and other unknowns.

Members discussed siding colors including the options of sage green, gray with white trim, white and red. It was mentioned that red siding could fade. Members will make a decision about which contractor to hire to replace the siding and which vinyl color to choose at the August meeting.

Food & Beverage Committee – Jeanette Parker, Chair

Cory had given Willow a lead, Roxanne, and good news! She will start maybe Friday, but for sure on Tuesday.

Golf Handicap & Rules Committee – Dick Dunham, Chair - no report

Grounds Committee – Jon Hellstedt, Chair

Thanks to members of comm- Mike, Lee, Kenny, Cory, Keith The Committee meets about once a month, before board meeting, irrigation is holding up, Putting green open Sat morning! Keith has started a schedule for edging sand traps. Keith is ordering parts for 5 carts to upgrade, and looking into getting some new-to-us carts, better for rotation. Decided on playground mulch- ground up tires- to put around the pickle/tennis courts Jon mentioned that he came one day last week and all carts were being used so couldn't play. Willow said it was a difficult day, one broke down. Willows team and Keith's team bringing carts up by the clubhouse and everyone likes it.

Ladies Golf – Linda Stratton, Chair

The Tri-club was a huge success, lots of good feedback and a great organizing committee. The 2026 Pres Cup winner was Lisa. Congrats! Ladies golf has a new member, and our fifth Linda.

Long Range Committee, Centennial Fund Report – Lee Levant, Chair

Lisa read Lee's report – "Exciting things are planned for 2027! Please come to the August Board meeting to hear all about the details from Lee and the Long-Range Committee. Bring your checkbook!"

It was suggested that we start earlier with Lee on that Wednesday, at 3:00pm instead of 4:00pm.

Jeannette revised the poster to \$700,000 for Centennial Fund and will put it up.

Other issue mentioned - Jeannette read a text she received about "being chastised" for not coming to charity event, supporting community. Willow explained that events are good outreach to the community, especially when members attend. There was a question if community involvement is part of the club's mission? Multiple

members expressed support for ICC's outreach with local organizations and nonprofits. Our tax status depends on being supportive of the community and we do have a history of being involved. There was a suggestion about putting our "mission" statement on the bottom of the newsletter.

Membership Committee – Lisa Haynsworth & Sophie Webb, Co-Chairs

Members are seeing new faces at ICC as many people have joined as members and more visitors are renting courts and making tee times. Membership revenue is up 6% as there are more individual memberships and family memberships (including couples interested in both pickleball and golf). This year there has been a decrease in golf 10-plays replaced by an increase in golf individual memberships, especially in the younger demographic. The Membership Committee is pleased to see that their recommendation for a more affordable membership category for people in their 20s is gaining traction. Sales at the Pro Shop are up with the increased member and visitor activity. This year there is also an increase in new tennis memberships and new pickleball memberships. The membership committee appreciates Linda A for coordinating a new tennis pro to teach lessons and clinics which has led to more tennis activity at ICC and Linda K for volunteering to teach free pickleball lessons and clinics which has led to more pickleball activity at ICC.

Men's Golf Committee – Kenny Wiberg, Chair - no report

Nominating Committee – Sam Ostrow, Chair

Election of officers and committees next meeting. Currently there are two openings, secretary and one vice president. Please see Sam or Pam F if interested. If you don't come to them, they will come to you!

Pickleball Committee – Linda Kimbrell, Chair

The new pickleball courts opened for play on Saturday, July 11, and they have been popular from the start. As reported by Willow's stats on July 25, in the first two weeks of opening, there have been 47 member plays and 15 visitor plays. Yesterday midday there were 10 players on the courts, a mix of members and member guests. All comments received from players have been positive. They love the surfacing. Although shared courts always present a challenge of differing lines, the colors chosen stand out well and players get used to it rather quickly. The coloring of the dark green courts with light green background has received numerous compliments. The nets are sturdy and adequate for the current level of play.

Keith reported that after the big rain we had on July 15 a few puddles remained on the courts next morning. Those were easily dispersed with a few minutes with the leaf blower. Otherwise, the staff has had little to do on the asphalt courts. They are pretty much self-sustaining. Jim Twitchell donated a push broom for the courts so players can easily clean off the bits of detritus that fall from the trees on two sides of the fencing. Keith is looking into a recycled rubber product to fill in the gap between the fencing and the asphalt surface. Two small outdoor benches were donated by a member for a place to sit on the courts. Two more are really needed.

Scheduling the new courts, 2 and 3, for pickleball and tennis has had a few hiccups as the staff learn the new protocols. Willow and I are working daily with them to help them understand and employ the scheduling and sign-in processes.

Word is getting out about the courts. There have been two recent newspaper articles, one in Rising Tide and the other in Island Advantages. Additionally, the Pickleball Committee has been posting flyers around the community.

Open Pickleball on Thursday mornings and Saturday afternoons has been very well attended. Last Saturday, July 25, we had 15 players for Open Pickleball, including a few from Blue Hill and even one from Surrey. Intro to Pickleball sessions on the past two Wednesdays had to be cancelled due to wet weather.

Upcoming, on Saturday afternoon, August 8, in place of regular Open Pickleball, we will be holding a community event on the courts. Up to 24 players will be on site, playing in casual team competition. The goal of the event is to showcase the new courts, get pickleball players in the area together, be social, play, and have fun.

Jeannette brought up the idea that no pickleball during private events, will depend on what kind of events, and maybe not during golf tournaments?

Social Committee – Heather Geikie, Chair

July was a busy social month. Lobster dinner, almost 80, huge! Thanks to all who came. Next summer, maybe not as close to the 4th? Game night was lowest participation of WW, weird weather that night. Willow and Heather share a spreadsheet to keep organized. Linda S donated burners for gas cooking - thanks! Around the World next week at WW, bring a dish from **some other country**.

Tennis Committee – Linda Allen & Trish Cooper, Co-Chairs

Willow read Linda A's report: The ICC tennis courts has been well used this summer by regular weekly groups, visitors, and members. The single clay court has been in high demand but the hard courts have also seen periodic use. Memberships have increased and there are now 7 tennis only members. Coordination between tennis and pickleball use of the hard surface courts is a work in progress with a few bumps along the way. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we integrate this new sport into our Club's offerings.

Tennis clinics with Will Mason have been held each Wednesday morning (weather permitting) during the Open Tennis times by advance signup. Now that courts 2&3 are open for play, those interested in Open Tennis on Wednesdays are able to do so at the same time as the clinic. Sundays's Open Tennis continues to be offered from 2:00-5:00pm.

If there is interest in doing clinics for children, Will is available to hold them in the mornings. Contact the front desk if you know of someone interested in participating and we will schedule a convenient time.

The signup sheet for the August 8th Mixed Doubles Club Championship is posted on the bulletin board and looking for participants. Find a partner and join the friendly competition that is for members only. Winner have their names engraved on a trophy!

Tournament Committee – Vito Corsini, Chair - no report

Old Business

None

New Business

There was a question about what non-members pay for tournaments? They usually just pay a discounted greens fee plus the \$25 entry fee. After a discussion about "it has always been that way", there was a motion to have non-members pay the full greens and the entry fee moving forward. There was a 2nd and the motion was approved

Meeting adjourned at 5:15pm

Minutes' Addendum: 2026 New Putting Green Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

July 15, 2026

by Lisa Haynsworth

Welcome to the Island Country Club's Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the New Putting Green! We are happy to see so many smiling faces here today to celebrate this achievement. Thank you for being flexible with the weather – nobody expected it to rain – and adjust quickly so that we could cut the ribbon and putt before the downpour descended! Life doesn't always go according to plan but our ability to pivot as a team at ICC is extraordinary. The volunteer Executive Committee which includes David Greiwe (Treasurer), Shaun Webb (Vice President), Cory Webb (Vice President), Anne Douglass (Secretary) and me, Lisa Haynsworth (President) appreciates everyone jumping in and celebrating no matter what the weather throws at us.

Now that we have completed the New Putting Green Ribbon Cutting, First Putts, celebratory cake and champagne, we'd like to thank the many people that brought us to this day. First and foremost, we thank Lee Levant for his leadership as the Chair of the Long-Range Planning Committee and the Centennial Fundraiser. Lee and his committee which includes Ruth Levant, Joan Sorenson, Jeanette Parker, Mike Parker, Vern Seile, David Greiwe and Morgan Eaton have been working together to improve the golf course and tennis/pickleball courts at ICC. Within the Centennial Fund is this year's Legacy Walk which raises donations through the purchase of benches, bricks and plaques that will connect the clubhouse to this New Putting Green and the New Pickleball/Tennis Courts. We would also like to thank Lee for working with the golf consultant Ross Forbes and multiple contractors to coordinate the logistical planning of this Putting Green and several New Tee Boxes. Lee continues to plan with Ross, the Long-Range Planning Committee and the Executive Committee for future golf course renovations.

The Putting Green is made possible through generous Centennial contributions by many members over the years. We thank the members for their past and future Centennial donations which are put to work to create lasting improvements to make the Island Country Club a sustainable community center. We would also like to thank the many people who have brought the Putting Green to life through their daily dedication and attention to detail. Grounds Superintendent Keith Hoover and his crew including Amy Billings, John Carville, John Dietlin, Bobby Brown, John Thompson and Mitchell Sulinski have persevered through all kinds of weather to care for this New Putting Green. Willow Weed-Eaton and her team including Pat Leach, Rosalie Robbins, Ella Hutchins, Violet Czuj and David Gadsby have also helped make renovations possible at ICC through clubhouse communications and bookkeeping. Today's event is thanks to the staff just mentioned and volunteers including Jeanette Parker, Linda Stratton, Heather Geike, Lee Levant and me.

We were thrilled to have the first people to putt on this New Putting Green to be honored ICC members. These people are near and dear to our hearts and many of those invited could be here today. We are thinking of those not able to make it and look forward to seeing them soon. Our 1st Putters include the following esteemed members (in no particular order): Jim Madonna, Joe Bruno, Dick Roth, Marilyn Schroer, Barbara Keyes, Myron Curtis, Nancy Eaton, Bill Whitman, Charlie Odenweller, Paula Colwell, Alice McKenna, Mary Lou Curtis, Babette Cameron, Bruce Fowler, Dick Newman, Thela Leach, David Goddard, Bill Greiwe, Jon Hellstedt, Bill Darby and Judy Darby.

The clouds did not dampen our spirits as we shouted, "3, 2, 1" to the Ribbon Cutting and then cheered on the First Putters to putt into the new holes at the same time. Thank you, everyone for joining in the festivities today to celebrate the Island Country Club's first Practice Putting Green. It will provide a peaceful practice area for countless people over the decades to come.