

Kitchen Talk

Sun City Texas Pickleball Club Newsletter

October

FROM THE PRESIDENT



With October, comes Fall.....well MAYBE! Anyway, let's hope so...we are all certainly looking forward to some cooler Pickleball weather.

October also brings us some FUN, good ole COMPETITION and some great FOOD! On 10/12, we are having our first ever LIVE DJ Pickle "Ball" dance at the Retreat courts. In between some dancing, two courts will also be available for some play, so be sure to c'mon out to join the fun fitness and friends. On the 19th, we have our annual Sun City Showdown Tournament and Shrimp Boil!

This year's tournament is a new format designed by our wonderful tournament Directors (Barb Patterson and Jerry Fronczak) and you, yes YOU! Input from our 2019 member survey of a few months ago was taken into account while developing this new format, so please don't forget, your survey input does COUNT!

And finally, our year-end General Meeting is just around the corner on 11/15, so please mark your calendars. And, in preparation for this meeting, there is a Nominating Committee (Clark Grafton, Diane Cleaver, David Rudes and Randy Bayne) wandering around with a purpose: to identify candidates for our three board positions (Vice President, Director of Player Development and Maintenance Director) that will be open for the 20/21 calendar year. The position descriptions are posted on the website for your review so please take a minute to review and several minutes (or more) to consider.

Ok...one more...finally.....we are back to NO ACCIDENTS in September!!!

Please continue our SAFETY FIRST, WIN THE POINT SECOND motto!

Ed Cahill

"If you make every game a life-and-death thing, you're going to have problems. You'll be dead a lot."

Dean Smith



CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

MONTHLY CLUB EVENTS

Dinks, Chow and Chat - canceled due to lack of interest.

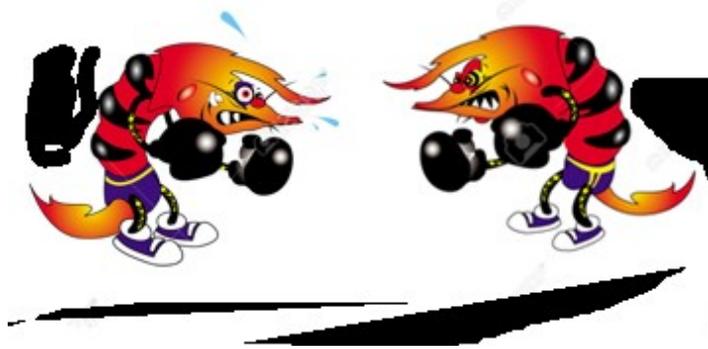
BYO Dinks & Paddles - Tuesday, October 29th from 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm at the Retreat Courts. Play some pball and socialize at the bleachers with your SCTPC friends!

LIVE DJ PICKLE "BALL"

Come shake your booty at our first ever live DJ Pickle "Ball" dance at the Retreat pickleball courts on Saturday Oct.12 from 5 - 9pm, featuring the professional and famous DJ, Shawn Koonce! There will be open pickleball play on 2 courts and dancing (soft soled shoes required) on 2 courts. BYOB. Chicken Tenders, Chips, Watermelon and Cookies provided.

Please RSVP Shaz at shazhas3kids@gmail.com so we know how much food to buy.

FALL TOURNAMENT AND SHRIMP BOIL



On **Saturday, October 19th**, we will hold our 4th Annual "Sun City Showdown" Tournament and Shrimp Boil. The tournament will begin at 8:30 am at both sets of courts. More information about the tournament can be found by clicking here - **Sun City Showdown - updated team rosters are now online.**

Happy Hour for the Shrimp Boil will begin at 5:30 pm at the Texas Drive Ballroom. If you haven't already done so, be sure to purchase your tickets for the Shrimp Boil through the Community Association Ticket System. Tickets are \$12 per person for a tasty dinner prepared by our very own Bert Perkins and Lonnie Ray. The last day to purchase tickets is 10/10/19 (could be earlier if the limit of 300 tickets is sold.)



CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS, CONT'D.

TREASURER'S REPORT



The Club began the month of August with a balance of \$8,868 and ended with \$8,881 for a net gain of \$13.00. All income came from new memberships, totaling \$90.00. The only expense for the month was court cameras at \$77.00. We had 18 new members bringing our total to 670. In addition, the 2020 SCTPC budget is available online here (and under the "Financial Info" tab on our website) - [2020 SCTPC Budget](#)

SCTPC GENERAL MEETING

Our next General Meeting will be held on Friday, November 15th at 1:00 pm at Cowan Creek. This meeting will feature the results of the election of Officers for 2020, as well as a presentation concerning future court needs.

WELCOME SEPTEMBER NEW MEMBERS!

| FIRST NAME | LAST NAME |
|------------|-----------|
| Martha | Chessman |
| David | Chittick |
| Neida | Chittick |
| Sheryl | Feinstein |
| Ann | Foley |
| Terry | Franzen |
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| FIRST NAME | LAST NAME |
|------------|-----------|
| Byron | Griffin |
| Marylyn | Holland |
| Sammye | King |
| Bill | Leahy |
| Kim | Repede |
| Tom | Repede |
| Donna | Shetrone |
| Harry | Shetrone |



CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS, CONT'D.



Fourth Annual Dinks & Dogs Duos

Blue Santa Fundraiser

Saturday, November 9, 2019

We've moved the December Blue Santa Fundraiser to November. Why? So that Blue Santa volunteers can purchase gifts with our \$\$ donations before their delivery date in early December. We hope to raise more than last year (\$600) but **we need your help**. And yes, you can always "dink" and assist us in volunteering for the event.

The "Dogs" part of the tournament is lunch with hot dogs (on the Club's brand-new propane grill), chips, beverage and dessert. Dinking and lunch is included with your entry fee. Categories are novice, intermediate, advanced, and mixed skill levels. You and your "dinking" partner have two minutes to see how many consecutive times you can dink the ball WITH EACH OTHER. The ball must bounce within the "kitchen" area (aka non-volley zone - NVZ). Consecutive dinks are counted, and a timer will set the stop clock for two minutes. When the timer says "Start", either you or your partner drop the pickleball into the "kitchen" and dinking begins. You must step back outside the NVZ area each time you dink the ball. When time is called, your team's highest score is recorded in your skill level category.

The entry fee is \$5 per person per event. Additional rounds are \$1 per person and all proceeds are donated to the Blue Santa Fundraiser. ALL ENTRY FEES ARE COLLECTED THE DAY OF THE EVENT. Of course, additional donations are gratefully accepted.

Deadline to register is Saturday, November 2nd. So, look for a dinking partner and email nancygrifton@sbcglobal.net with you and your partner's name, and the category you are entering. You cannot enter your skill level category with different partners. I'll send back a confirmation of your entry by email within 24 hours.

This year's Annual Dinks & Dogs Duos will be held at the Retreat Courts from noon-2 p.m. and awards will be presented in each category to 1st and 2nd place teams. In the unlikely event of rain, the event will be held on Sunday, November 10th, same time.



CLUB CALENDAR



October 2019

Pro Registration required for Introduction to Pickleball Class, Beginner Mentoring Program and Informed via Training —contact Peg O'Toole at JGMLO@yahoo.com
Pro Registration required for lessons—contact Matt Laz—text or phone 832-499-9525 or email mattlaz@pickleballinretires.com

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

PHIL CORAGGIO



Nominated by Shaz Douglas:

Over drinks at Wriggley's while discussing the Big Bopper event, Phil Coraggio suggested that it would be fun if the Pickleball Club had a Kickball tournament!

We agreed that we should plan one and Phil took it by the horns and ordered some kickballs and researched and emailed us extensive Kickball Rules and Directions manuals.

Phil did a lot of planning, organizing and setting up how it would all go and arranged for practice days.

After I acquired the player's names, Phil organized them into teams. Phil helped me with my responsibilities by

informing me of what I needed to find out from the team captains to organize their teams; positions and batting order.

Phil made sure we had all the bases covered! He made sure we had permission from the softball club to use the field, Umpires, Scorekeepers, rules, practice days, food, music, etc.

We really appreciate Phil for bringing this new Kickball Social event to our Pickleball Club which was such a huge success, that it will be a club annual event!

From Phil Coraggio:

I was born in Newark, NJ and grew up in Cranford, NJ. I worked in the Insurance Industry in both claims and marketing until I retired in 2012.

My work required a lot of travel that involved visiting various Energy Industry accounts and attending mediations and trials. I had a number of job transfers and lived in Manchester, NH, Houston, TX, Freehold, NJ, San Antonio, TX, and Katy, Texas.

I'm married to my wonderful wife, Denise, and together we have two children. I enjoy all the Pickleball Club events, and its friendly/helping members.

Do you have someone you'd like to nominate for our "Volunteer of the Month?" If so, click here - [Volunteer of the Month](#)





FROM OUR DISTRICT AMBASSADOR



Chuck Flanagan

SERVING RULES

As it often happens whenever I'm at the courts, one of our members will relate an incident involving the rules and ask me if it was correctly resolved. While some questions arise from things that happened

tournaments, many questions come from local play here at Sun City. I appreciate the fact that so many of you are interested enough to ask...and it gives me topics for this newsletter column. Thank you!

The question asked today involved service rules. Only this time it wasn't about an illegal serve motion, but about bouncing the ball prior to serving. So, here's a short serving primer.

- The server may not begin the serve motion (forward or backward arm movement) before the entire score has been called (all three numbers; e.g., 3-4-2). Rule 4.A.1.

- The server **MUST** serve the ball within 10 seconds after the referee calls the serve or incur a fault. Rule 4.E.1.

- Bouncing the ball is covered in Rule 4.A.4. "The ball must be struck without bouncing it." This means that the server may not serve the ball 'off the bounce'. There is an exception for players with a physical disability having the use of only one arm.

The above reference is the only one in the current rule book about bouncing the ball and can easily mis-interpreted to mean that the server cannot bounce the ball a few times before serving. However, most players (and players who referee but are not Certified Referees) are not aware of the "USAPA Casebook for Referees". This is a reference 'paper' on the USAPA web site that compiles actual referee incidents or calls and is an official interpretation of the rule(s) that apply and how they will be enforced. The 2018 Casebook (p.7) speaks directly the question I was asked today.

"SITUATION:

While the score is being called, the server tosses the ball in the air but does not move his/her arm to serve the ball until the referee finishes calling the score.

RESOLUTION:

It is permissible for the server to toss or bounce the ball during the calling of the score as long as the arm swing (backward or forward) to serve the ball does not begin until after the entire score has been called."



FROM OUR AMBASSADOR, CONT'D.

I also often get asked to watch someone's serve to see if it's legal. The online [rulebook](#) has a great description with pictures of legal and illegal serves. You should check it out.



Figure 4-1 (legal serve)



Figure 4-3 (legal serve)

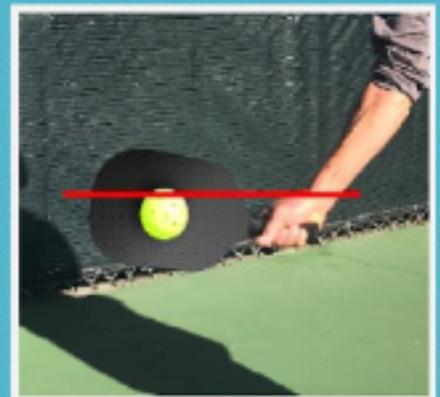


Figure 4-2 (illegal serve)

REFEREE CLINICS

Chuck will be conducting two referee clinics at the Cedar Park Recreation Center prior to the 2019 Cedar Park Championships (contact Chuck for more info - chuck.flanagan@gmail.com)

November 6 - 9:00 am - noon

November 12 - 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

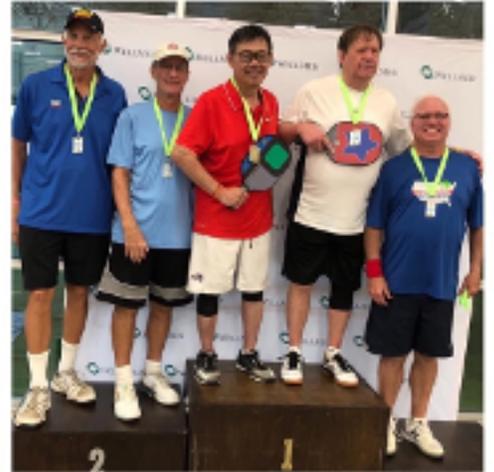
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TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Summer Slam Tournament - 9/7- 9/8, Mansfield, TX



| Name(s) | Event | Age | Level | Medal |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|-----|-------|--------|
| Annette and Ron Franke | Mixed Doubles | 60+ | 4.0 | Gold |
| David Persilver and Bill Russell | Men's Doubles | 70+ | 4.0 | Gold |
| Steve Frank and Jeff Rausch | Men's Doubles | 60+ | 4.0 | Silver |
| Shaz Douglas and Annette Franke | Women's Doubles | 60+ | 4.0 | Silver |
| Jerry Fronczak and Dare Plantz | Men's Doubles | 65+ | 4.0 | Bronze |
| Allie Bower and Pocket D'Haeseleer | Women's Doubles | 60+ | 3.5 | Silver |



Texas Open Tournament - 9/12 - 9/15, Coppel, TX



| Name(s) | Event | Age | Level | Medal |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|-------|---------|--------|
| Diane and Bob Cleaver | Mixed Doubles | 60+ | 3.5 | Bronze |
| Annette Franke | Women's Singles | 60+ | 3.0/3.5 | Gold |
| Cheryl Janssen | Women's Singles | 60+ | 3.0/3.5 | Bronze |
| Steve Frank | Men's Singles | 65-69 | 4.0 | Gold |
| Ron Franke and Conley Giles | Men's Doubles | 60+ | 3.0 | Gold |
| Ron Franke | Men's Singles | 60+ | 3.5 | Silver |
| Steve Frank and Jeff Rausch | Men's Doubles | 60+ | 4.0 | Silver |
| Diane Cleaver and Linda Biron | Women's Doubles | 60+ | 3.5 | Silver |
| Bob Cleaver and Jim Brown | Men's Doubles | 60+ | 4.5 | Silver |



JOKES AND FUN STUFF

Ireland vs. Norway *Submitted by Jim Truho*

Murphy applied for a job at a famous Irish firm in Dublin. A Norwegian applied for the same job and since they had similar qualifications they were asked to take a test. When the results were in both men had scored 19 out of 20. The manager went to Murphy and said, "Thank you for coming in, but we've decided to give the job to the Norwegian."

Murphy replied, "Why would you do that? We both got 19 questions correct. This is Ireland, I'm Irish, I should get the job."

The manager replied, "We made our decision not on the correct answers, but on the question you got wrong." Murphy said, "And just how would that work? How can one incorrect answer be better than another one"?

The manager said, "On question 7 the Norwegian wrote 'I don't know,' and you wrote, 'Neither do I.' "

Me: Doctor, it hurts when I go like this.

Doctor: You're not doing anything. You're just sitting there being alive.

Me: Exactly.





MORE JOKES AND FUN STUFF



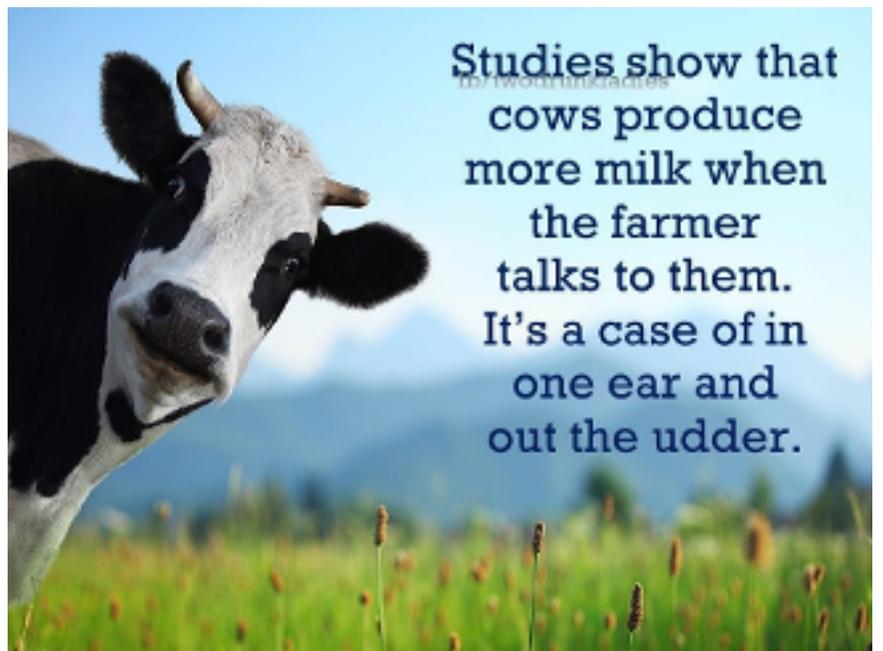
When I see lovers' names carved in a tree, I don't think it's sweet. I just think it's surprising how many people bring a knife on a date.

A man is reading his newspaper and says to his wife: "Michelle, look. Here is an article about how women use about twice as many words per day as men do."

The wife responds: "That's because we have to tell you everything twice."



"No, we're not stopping.
There's no rest for the wicked."





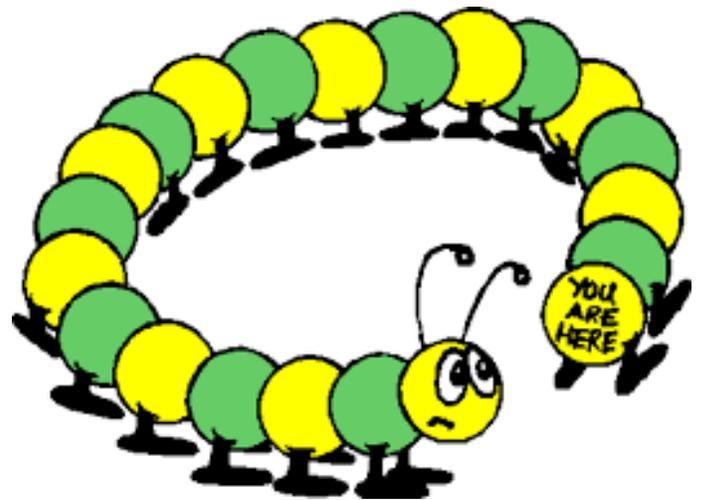
MORE FUN STUFF

The Centipede *submitted by Barb Patterson*

I went to the pet shop and the owner said he had a talking centipede for sale.

I said 'no way, centipedes don't talk.' The owner promised me it was a talking centipede so I purchased it and took it home with me. A little later that evening I went up to its tank and said 'alright mate, I'm just popping down the pub if you fancy a few pints?' The centipede said nothing, I scoffed and went to the pub. The next evening I thought I'd give it another try, so I went to its tank again and said 'alright mate, I'm just popping down the pub if you fancy a few pints?' Still absolutely no response from the centipede, so I went on my way, cursing the pet shop

owner. The following evening I thought I would give it one more try, so I went over to its tank and asked 'alright mate, I'm just popping down the pub if you fancy a few pints?' The centipede replied 'I heard you the first time I'm just putting my freaking shoes on.'



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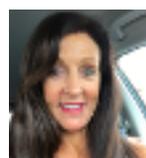
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