

# Kitchen Talk

*Sun City Texas Pickleball Club Newsletter*

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

## OCTOBER



Barb Patterson

The days are starting to get a slight bit cooler, and the nicer weather couldn't come soon enough. We are starting to see a few more members play in the afternoons and evenings. Hopefully play will spread out a little bit and there won't be such a rush for those early morning courts!

Here are a few items from the Club Board that may be of interest to members:

- 1) On Wednesday, October 11th, the Pulte Company will be holding a Central Texas employee play day at the Northpoint Courts from noon until 3:30. Some of our board members will be on hand to help teach pickleball to those employees who don't know how to play and also to run a round robin event for those who already play the game. It should be a fun time for everyone. Courts 11-20 have been reserved for the afternoon for that event.
- 2) On Tuesday, November 14th, from 9:00 am until noon, we will once again be hosting the Fort Campbell Soldier Recovery Unit at our pickleball courts. Last year we hosted about 10 recovering soldiers at the Retreat Courts. This year the Soldier Recovery Unit is also reaching out to some local veterans, as well as soldiers from Fort Cavazos in Killeen. We expect to host a total of 25-30 soldiers. Some of them already know how to play; while others are brand new to the sport. We have reserved courts 11-16 for that morning. Our club will also be providing a cookout lunch for them at the end of play. **If anyone wants to step up and be in charge of coordinating the lunch for that day, please contact me at [barbpatter1@gmail.com](mailto:barbpatter1@gmail.com).** We often get people asking how they can help or volunteer, and here is an excellent chance to do something nice for our club, as well as for our soldiers! We already have coaches lined up to help the soldiers on the courts in the morning.



## FROM THE PRESIDENT (cont)

3) Carlos Rio, from the Photography Club, spent Thursday, September 21st, at the Texas Drive courts in the morning taking lots of photos of players on court. He sent those photos to us and we have loaded them into a photo album on our microsite. You can view those photos here -[Texas Drive Photos](#)

And just so you won't think that a "From the Prez" was actually written without a couple rule reminders in it, here you go:

- 1) Please remember that shirts must be worn on the courts (for both men and women!), per a Community Association rule.
- 2) The "stop play at 5 minutes before your reservation ends" policy is still in effect for reserved courts.

See you on the courts,

Barb Patterson

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## CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TREASURER'S REPORT SUBMITTED BY D'LES LONGINO

#### **SCTPC: (September - 2023) Financial Synopsis**



The Club began the month of September with a cash balance of \$18,802.20. Income totaled \$397.50 from 53 new memberships (membership dues \$7.50 beginning July 1) and \$10.00 Fall Pumpkin Bash. August expenses total \$3,806.24: court reserve \$231.00, Arlo \$10.64, maintenance \$2,340.41, First Aid \$15.98, Admin expenses \$15.84, \$1.00 VBO ticket expense, \$750.00 donation to Patriot Day and player development \$441.37. We had a monthly net loss of

\$3,398.48 with a cash balance of \$15,387.81. Paid members through the end of July totaled 1,614.

**Paid members through the end of June totaled 1,561**



# CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONT.)

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME
Dave	Babyak
Joan	Boughey
Susan	Bright
Claudia	Cope
Richard	Cope
Cheryl	Cortez
Paula	Deemer
Scott	Deemer
Karen	Donegan
Lynne	Giffin
Mark	Gilbert

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME
Jim	Hamilton
Erin	Hillary
Diane	Hoffman
Paul	Hoffman
Sylvia	Lenters
Mike	Lott
Lisa	Loudermilk
Ralph	Loudermilk
Dawn	McKensie
Becky	Musil
Sandi	Neiman

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME
Matt	Orvick
Harry	Ozar
Dwayne	Patterson
Erica	Pierce
John	Rome
Lynne	Rowen
Mike	Rowen
Regina	Schoultz
Liz	Sharp
Neal	Sharp

***At press time, total number of club members is 1616.***





# CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS (cont.)

The Sun City Texas Pickleball Club was a Platinum Sponsor of the “Patriot Day” ceremony held at Veterans Memorial on 9/11/23. Our club donated \$750 to be a Platinum Sponsor of this inaugural event. The day was planned and carried out by Sun City VMAG (Veterans Memorial Advisory Group). Patriot Day was held to honor the memory of lives lost on 9/11 and also the heroes who put themselves in harm’s way both during and after the terrorist attack.

Haleigh Rankin won the \$2000 first prize in the Patriot Day art contest. Haleigh is the granddaughter of our club’s Director of Maintenance, Davey Stateler and his wife, Cathy.

On Thursday, September 21st, Barb Patterson, SCTPC President, accepted a certificate of appreciation from VMAG for our club’s support of Patriot Day.



The Veterans Memorial Advisory Group thanks all the Patriot Day Art Contest sponsors and the supporters of the Patriot Day Ceremony

**Diamond Sponsors** – American Legion Post 228  
A Patriot (Anonymous)  
Pulte Group  
The Stacy Group  
VMAG

**Platinum Sponsors** – American Legion Post 0174  
Sun City Pickleball Club

**Gold Sponsors** – A Citizen (Anonymous)  
KW Lone Star (Russ Phillips)  
Barbara Macmillan  
Michael and Donna Meccia  
Russell and Joan Miller  
Chester and Elaine Scheibel

**Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance Supporters**  
American Legion Post 228 Men’s and Women’s Color Guard  
Daughters of the American Revolution  
Florence Honor Choir  
Georgetown Boy Scout Troop 1096  
Georgetown Fire Department Pipes and Drums band and Honor Guard  
Georgetown Police Department Honor Guard and Rifle Honor Squad  
Georgetown Mayor’s Office  
HEB Floral  
Hendrickson High School Marine Corps JROTC  
Sun City Computer Club (Jan Vromant)  
Sun City Kiwanis

# CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS (cont.)



## **Blue Santa Fundraiser at the Pumpkin Bash October 28th**

Last year we made \$6000 for Blue Santa, a fundraiser for the Georgetown Police. 100% of the money donated goes to helping local children. The Police will need more support this year due to higher costs of needed items.

The Silent Auction needs new unused auction items. Here are some ideas, but you can be creative!

1. Do you have a time share, will you donate a week?
2. Do you have unopened/unused gifts you can't use?
3. Do you have unused gift cards?
4. Can you donate time to drive someone to the airport?
5. Are you great with plants and have a beautiful plant in a container?
6. Have you been given bottles of alcohol you won't drink?
7. Do you know a business that would love to donate?
8. Are you a handyman that can donate some time?
9. Ask your favorite restaurant to donate a gift certificate.
10. Cash is greatly appreciated.

Thank you to those that are volunteering to work and donating items for the Silent Auction at the Pumpkin Bash October 28th. Please contact Sherri Ewoldt at [gthome713@gmail.com](mailto:gthome713@gmail.com)



# FROM OUR PICKLEBALL



Chuck Flanagan

## Pickleball England

Have you heard of the Bainbridge Cup? It's like the Ryder and Davis Cups but for pickleball. The 2020 Bainbridge Cup, along with the English Open, was to be held in Nottingham England, 2020. Elaine and I were registered to play in both tournaments (we even had international partners) and then do a pickleball tour of Scotland. One of the things that I did as prelude to this was to join "Pickleball ENGLAND". I'm still on their mailing list and thought I would share the latest news from our cousins across the pond...<https://tinyurl.com/GBPickle>



As for those two tournaments and the tour of Scotland, that all got scrapped by COVID.

## More Rule Changes:

Last month I told you about some rule changes that USA Pickleball had just implemented in the middle of the year (rule changes are usually implemented in January). When USA Pickleball finally sent out an official announcement of the changes I noticed that there was another change that applies only to Pro and Senior Pro Player Brackets.

*12.C.2. (Pro and Senior Pro Player Brackets) Single Elimination Without Consolation: The first player/team to score the match-winning point by at least a two-point margin wins.*

*12.G. Two-Match Minimum. In all USA PICKLEBALL-sanctioned tournaments, each entrant shall be entitled to participate in a minimum of two scheduled matches per event entered. Exception: **Single Elimination Without Consolation events guarantee only 1 match per event.***

Even though this only applies to pro players, I think it's something tournament players should be aware of when registering for tournaments. Tournament directors decide on what formats to use (double elimination, round robin, pool play, etc.) for their tournaments and may use different formats for the various pro/skill/age groupings. There's always the chance that some director may not entirely comprehend the new rules and use the new 12.G. single elimination rule for your bracket. So, this is just a cautionary note to pay close attention to the formats of your events when registering for a tournament.



# PICKLEBALL FRIEND (cont.)

**Sidebar Note:** The March 13, 2014, rulebook (Rule 13.E.) Said the a team winning their first match by forfeit but losing their second match did not go to the lower bracket. They were out of the event. That rule (actually a mistake) had been overlooked for over six years.

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## **Rules Questions:**

**Q:**Do you have to take a time-out to clean off your glasses?

**A:**No. Rule 10.D.1. allows short breaks for, "Apparel and equipment adjustments that can be accomplished quickly are allowed between rallies (e.g., tying shoelaces, cleaning glasses, adjusting hat)."

**Q:**Is it a fault if you double hit the ball?

**A:**Not necessarily. The rule that covers this is,"11.A. Double Hits. Balls can be hit twice, but this must occur during an unintentional, continuous, single-direction stroke by one player. If the stroke made while performing the serve or during a rally is deliberately not continuous, or not in a single direction, or the ball is struck by a second player, it is a fault."

**Q:**What happens if I hit the ball and it bounces off my partner's paddle and then goes over the net?

**A:**See Rule 11.A. above.

**Q:**Who can call non-volley zone faults when there is no referee?

**A:**"13.D.1.c. Players may call non-volley zone and service foot faults on the opponent's end of the court.If there is any disagreement among players about the called foot fault, a replay shall occur."

**Q:**Can you call a double-hit fault on the other team.

**A:**No.You may only call service and non-volley zone faults (see above)."13.D.1.d. For non-officiated matches, if a player believes an opponent has committed any type of fault other than a service or non-volley zone foot fault as noted in Section 7 – Fault Rules, they may mention the specific fault to the opponent(s) but they have no authority to enforce the fault.The final decision on fault resolution belongs to the player that allegedly committed the fault."

# PICKLEBALL FRIEND (cont.)

Here's a link to the Sep/Oct issue of **"PICKLEBALL MAGAZINE"**...

<https://tinyurl.com/PBallMagSepOct>

Have a rule question? Feel free to drop me a note and ask me anything.

Chuck.Flanagan@Gmail.Com

**Does anyone know where the remote controls for the TVs at Northpoint are??**





# TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

*By Ric Hutchinson, Director of Player Development*

## To paraphrase Bob Dylan ....**THECLUB TRAININGTIMES THEY ARE A-CHANGIN**

**At least the start times for much of the club training activities are *a-changin* as of the first day of October.** As the weather is (FINALLY!!) starting to cool off it's time for many of our training classes to begin to move away from the summer 7:00 am start time to the winter 11:30 am start time. Please pay attention, because not **all** classes have been starting at 7:00 am and not **all** classes will change their start time in October. Below is a summary of the training classes and their old and new start times.

Training Class	Old Start Time	New Start Time	Effective Date
Introduction to Pickleball	11:15 AM	1:00 PM	1-Nov-23
Beginner Training - Day Class	7:00 AM	11:30 AM	1-Oct-23
Beginner Training - Evening Class	7:00 PM	No Change	No Change
Supervised Novice Play	7:00 AM	11:30 AM	1-Oct-23
Skills and Drills - 2.5	1:00 PM	No Change	No Change
Skills and Drills - 3.0	1:00 PM	No Change	No Change
Advanced Pickleball Strategy	7:00 AM	11:30 AM	1-Nov-23

## **Aaarrggghh!! Be on the Lookout for More Reserved Court Time**

One of the questions I get regularly relates to the use of the Training Courts (Northpoint Courts 11 – 16) when they are not in use for training. The answer is that when the training courts are not being used for training, they may be used by anyone. However, the ongoing problem has been that most people are not aware of when these courts are not in use unless they happen to be at Northpoint and see that the courts are empty.





# TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT (cont.)

Beginning October 15th, we're going to try a pilot program to make the training courts more accessible when they are not needed for training. Under this program, training courts that are not reserved for training will be reservable using CMARS. To the extent possible, we will classify these courts in CMARS as reservable 7 - 14 days ahead of time so members will have plenty of advance notice that they will be available.

There will still be times when training courts free up at the last minute. For example, during a Beginner Training Class week, Training Courts 14 - 16 will be reserved for training Monday through Saturday, with Saturday being a rain makeup day. If the courts are not needed for Saturday they will be opened up for reservations. However, due to the uncertainty of the weather we may not be able to open up Saturday courts until Friday.

I understand, (and hope y'all do too) that we are never going to be able to meet everyone's expectations on court usage. However, please know that we are always trying to make sure that the courts are utilized in an effective and efficient manner.

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## On going Program Updates

**Introduction to Pickleball.** Peg O'Toole and Judy Blackman taught 2 Intro to Pickleball classes in September (still) in spite of the heat. Many thanks to both of them for continuing to provide this training throughout the very HOT summer months. Please note that beginning in November, Introduction to Pickleball classes will begin at 1:00 pm instead of 11:15 am.

**Beginner Training.(BT).** This month we completed Beginner Training Classes 117, and 118. Due to the large demand for training, we have scheduled BT classes 119 - 123 through the end of the year. Please note that beginning in October, all Beginner Training day classes will start at 11:30 am instead of 7:00 am. Here are the photos of the graduates of BT Classes 117 and 118.

# TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT (cont.)



BT 117 Back Row: Gary Schrempp (Asst. Instructor), Nancy Myers, Dan Moore, Liz Papineau, Stephanie Burcham, Patrick Hickey, Jeff Vanek (Asst. Instructor).

Front Row Lynn Stout, Merleann Babyak, Jeanne Moore, Leslie Rose, Gary Rose,  
Not Pictured Ric Hutchinson (Instructor), Cindi Stout.



BT 118 Front Row: Renee Hewitt, Glory Novak, Doug Flam, Kathy Carr (Instructor), Mark Moen (Instructor)

Back Row: Allison Wolfe (Instructor), Lynne Giffen, Mike Rowen, Lynne Rowen, Erica Pierce, Greg Plush, Paul Warrington, Jennifer Warrington.



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# TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT (cont.)

**Supervised Novice Play. (SNP)** Since the first of the year, we have graduated 173 students from SNP, bringing our total to 715 graduates since the program's inception in August 2020. Please note that beginning in October all SNP classes will start at 11:30 am instead of 7:00 am.

**Advanced Pickleball Strategy. (APS)** The first APS classes were held Tuesday 5 and 19 September. The second set of classes are scheduled for 3 and 17 October. Currently these classes are full and have waitlists. The November classes are scheduled for 7 and 21 November and are listed in CMARS as Advanced Pickleball Strategy Beginning 7 November. Please note that the November classes will start at 11:30 am instead of 7:00 am. These classes will open for registration at 8:00 am 2 October. If you have any questions regarding these classes, please contact Will Saunders by email at ([willflowerpower@protonmail.com](mailto:willflowerpower@protonmail.com)).



**Train the Trainer Classes.** Thanks to all the members who have contacted me to express an interest in joining our Instructor Team. The next training sessions will be scheduled as soon as we get some cooler weather.

If you are interested in becoming a club instructor, this is the class for you. It serves to standardize the content and quality of instruction presented to our members. It is a precursor to hands-on experience gained through shadow training and serving as assistants to experienced coaches for Beginner Training, Novice Supervised Play and Skills and Drills sessions.

Train the Trainer is a 3-day, 2 hours per day, program of instruction. Day 1 covers the Beginner Training course curriculum and an overview of Supervised Novice Play and Skills and Drills programs; prescribed sequence for teaching skills, how to properly feed balls for drills; how to "detect and correct" player shortcomings and pitfalls to avoid in teaching/coaching pickleball. On Days 2 and 3, the students become the instructors. They teach designated skills and drills to other participants and practice detecting and correcting improper form on stroke execution.

This program is a prerequisite for the progressive development of our volunteers who will apprentice as assistant instructors and potentially work their way to joining the Supervised Novice Play, Beginner Training and Skills and Drills programs. For more information or to register for this class, contact Ric Hutchinson, Player Development Director, at [novicehutch@gmail.com](mailto:novicehutch@gmail.com).



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# TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT (cont.)

## Club Teaching Professionals.

**Available Hours.** Our Teaching Professionals, Matthew Boyett and Esteban Espada share Court #23 at Northpoint, Monday through Saturday from 7 am – 10 pm. If you prefer evening lessons, please contact them. They also schedule make up sessions for inclement weather days on Sunday. For more information on our pros, their contact information and their rates, click on [Sun City Texas Community Association Private Lessons \(sctexas.org\)](http://Sun City Texas Community Association Private Lessons (sctexas.org)) or head on out to Court #23, peak through the fence and see these guys in action.

**Take Advantage of Our Pros.** Many of you have asked me how you can continue to improve your pickleball skill after you have completed our Club training programs. The answer is to contact Esteban or Matthew and take a lesson.

## COURT ACTIVITIES

*By Terry Kennedy, Director of Court Activities*

### Mini-singles leagues:

Canceled as of 9/28 - due to lack of participation. We will consider trying again in the Spring.

### Round Robin Tournament Qualification:

120 anticipated available slots.

Participants thru 9/25 - 221

Thru 9/25 qualifiers (played at least 3 matches) - 45

Participants needing only one more match - 58

Still have room for at least 17 more players

need more women in 3.5/4 group and more men in 2.5/3 group



# COACH'S CORNER



Matt Boyett

Hello everyone, Matthew Boyett here back again for another coach's corner. I hope you are all enjoying this change in weather. This month I wanted to talk about a few ways to effectively cover the Non-Volley Zone. So let's begin!

- Remember left is left, right is right. If the ball is to your right, step with the right foot, same

for the left. Be intentional if you are cross stepping.

- A lift (more passive) shot gives you more time and allows you to recover in a better position. The lift should be close to the net so it's tougher for your opponent to attack.
- A push (more aggressive dink or volley) shot moves your opponent around and creates opportunities. Try not to push a shot when you are off balance or out of position.
- Think of the very top of your paddle as a flashlight, always make sure you are shining a light on the ball. This ensures your paddle stays ready.
- Avoid stepping off the kitchen line too much and working harder than you have to. There are times to back up, but make sure when you do you're being intentional and not just floating off the line.

Next time you play, work on being more intentional with your Non-Volley Zone coverage! If you would like more tips and to keep up with my journey follow me:

Facebook: Matthew Boyett Pickleball Instruction

Instagram: Matthew\_Boyett\_pb

Website: <https://www.matthewboyettpickleball.com/>



# NEW PICKLEBALL FRIENDS



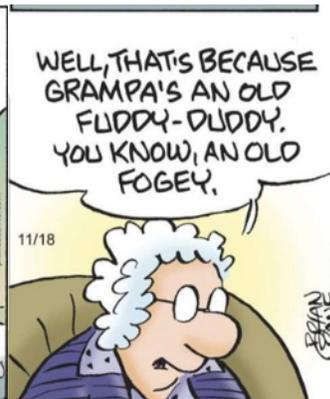
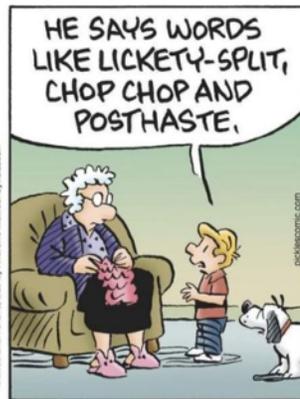
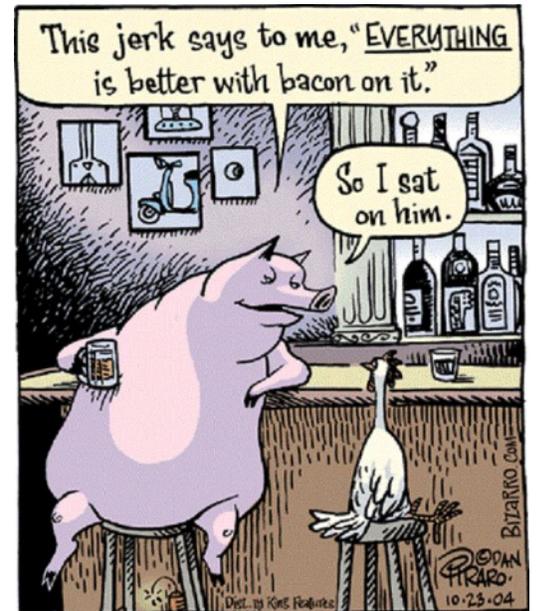
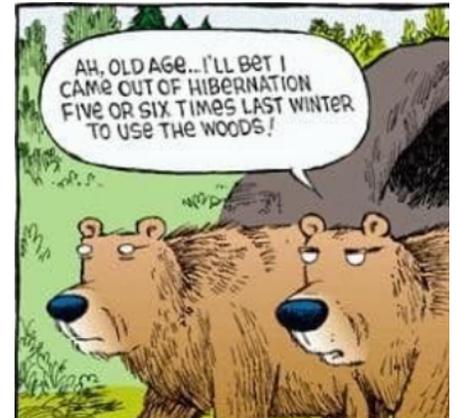
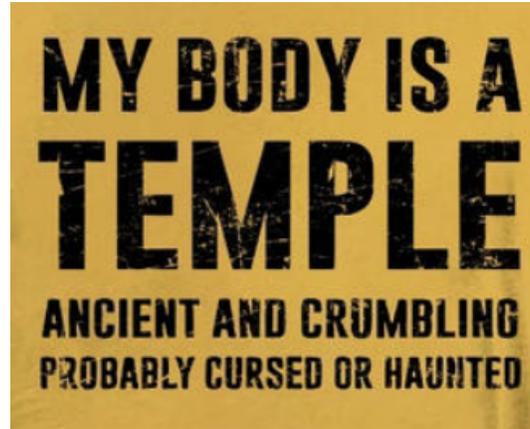
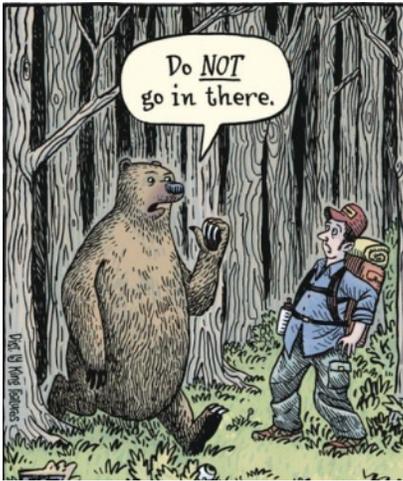
RAFA getting ready to return a ball

New Players swarming to the courts





# GRINS AND GIGGLES





Sheila Quinn (our Social Director) Celebrating her birthday with just a few of her friends



## 2023 SCTPC BOARD MEMBERS AND MANAGERS



**Barb Patterson**  
*President*



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*Maintenance  
Director*



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*Communications  
Director*



# PARTING SHOT

## We Turned the Lights On For You



Northpoint in the Morning (photo courtesy Annette F.)