



# Kitchen Talk

*Sun City Texas Pickleball Club Newsletter*

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

June



Allison Wolfe

I hope you all enjoyed your Memorial Day weekend. Veterans, those who came home and those who didn't, thank you for the sacrifices you made so we can continue to enjoy our very fortunate and good lives. You are all much appreciated!

Three housekeeping items :

1. PLEASE cancel your court reservations if you are not going to use them! This is getting to be a big problem and is very frustrating. It takes you one nanosecond to reserve a court, and it takes exactly the same amount of time to cancel it. Please be courteous to others who didn't get a court. Empty courts make everyone mad.
2. You may not know that it is against the law in Georgetown to chain/tie a dog to an immovable object. This includes dogs at the pickleball courts tied to tables or benches. Please don't do it. It is cruel, it is illegal. LEAVE YOUR DOG AT HOME IN THE A/C and everyone will be happier.
3. The Retreat will get new dividers and court surfaces starting June 2nd.

You missed a great meeting if you weren't at the Retreat on the 22nd. We presented a proposal for Tx Dr improvements and spoke briefly about a project Steve Frank and others are working on to get some indoor courts built close to our community. In fact a survey regarding your interest in paying for play on indoor courts is currently active so tell us what you think. Exciting happenings around here!

If you are planning on escaping the heat, you better get a move on as it looks like we may be in for a ferocious summer. If you are hanging out in the Sun City 'hood, drink tons of water, have a pile of sweat towels and hats, an abundance of deodorant and sunscreen, and play as much pickleball as you can before rushing to the pool or air conditioning. **Have a great summer, y'all!**

# TREASURER'S REPORT

SUBMITTED BY DAVID LUPIA



## APRIL 2025 FINANCIALS

We started the month with \$30,373 in cash and ended with \$32,594 because revenues exceeded expenses by \$2,220. Revenue came from membership fees of \$465 and \$2,700 from the Spring Classic. Total expenses of \$945 came from replacement parts for the pickleball machines and zip ties used to secure wind screens (\$599) and subscription fees for Court Reserve and camera feeds (\$252). The remaining \$94 of expenses are varied.

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## Upcoming Events - Next 6 weeks (or so)

June 2- Retreat Courts closed for Maintenance until 6/16

June 4 - First Wednesday

June 7 - New Member Orientation

June 18 - New Member Orientation

July 2 - First Wednesday

July 12 - New member Orientation

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# CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME
Jessica	Attra
Jim	Attra
Christine	Baker
Joan	Brooks
June	Caswell
Kenneth	Cox
Rhonda	Cox
David	Davis

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME
Ross	Driver
Brian	Ellis
Gerald	Evans
Kathi	Gartside
Andrea	Genovese
Scott	Genovese
Christopher	Hamlin
Rebeca	King
Bryan	LaGrappe

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME
Susan	LaGrappe
Sharon	Perdue
Ron	Redmond
Marvin	Rosenbaum
Margie	Sabino
Steve	Sabino
Lisa	Tully
Karen	White

***At press time, total number of club members is 1662***



# VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

*nominated by Allison Wolfe*



We have a team of volunteers this month who went far beyond the call of duty to fix our Arlo cameras. Ken Patterson, Ken Friedman, Ed Cahill and Barb Patterson spent hours and hours over several days repairing, reworking and getting those cameras at Northpoint to function again. It was a difficult and puzzling job but they stuck with it. We all appreciate your efforts! As a (very) small token of thanks, please enjoy your gift cards and have dinner on us.







# TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

*By Ric Hutchinson. Director of Player Development*

**It's June 2025 and the heat is here. Remember to hydrate, use sunscreen and be safe.**

**I'm surprised but maybe I shouldn't be.**

I've been talking to several people about the Player Development Director position that will become available on 1 January 2026. The one thing I've heard the most is that no one wants to take on a position that requires that they put in 30 hours a week. Well guess what? THINGS HAVE CHANGED!!

When I first started working with Kathy Carr 4 years ago:

- We were teaching 25-30 Beginner Training classes a year,
- We had over 150 people in the Supervised Novice Program at any one time which required that we schedule two back-to-back hour and a half classes seven days a week
- We were starting to teach the 5-day Intermediate Training class.
- AND all this was being done manually using an Excel spreadsheet.
- We did not have CMARS so all class reservations, cancellations and changes for both students and Instructors were done by email and phone calls.
- The Player Development Director position was responsible for all court activities including Round Robins, Leagues and Tournaments.

Today:

- We teach 9-12 Beginner Training classes per year
- We have 41 people currently in the Supervised Novice Play program which allows us to schedule one hour and a half class 3 days a week.
- We have CMARS
- All reservations for classes for both students and instructors are automated through CMARS.
- The new position of Court Activities Director was formed in 2023 to take over all responsibility for Round Robins, Leagues and Tournaments.

# TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT (CONT)

Some of the things I do are done once a year. Most of my duties run on a monthly cycle but the Supervised Novice Play program runs on a 5-week cycle so I'm going to separate them.

Annual duties done 1 time per year - 16 hours

- developing the CMARS Events for Beginner Training classes and Ball Machine Operations classes for the year
- developing court usage model for training courts and coordinating with Court Activities Director.

Monthly duties: - 20 - 32 hours (See below)

- attending the Board meeting, - 3 hours
- administrative duties for the upcoming BT class (if one is scheduled that month), - 2 hours
- writing the Kitchen Talk article, - 2 hours
- updating the spreadsheet model for new members, - 2 hours
- teaching the New Member Orientation Class (which will be spread among the various Board members next year), - 2 - 4 hours
- reviewing the training portion of the Club website and proposing changes as needed - 1 hour
- setting up Pro Clinics in CMARS. - 2 hours
- various Board discussions and emails - 2 hours
- various calls and emails with members concerning class registration using CMARS - 2 - 6 hours
- other things that happen -2 - 8 hours

People also comment about the fact that I'm at the training courts all the time. Well, that's true, **but not because the position requires it** but, because I love to teach the classes and to get to know the new members. So how much time do I have to spend to take care of the responsibilities? I'm going to provide an estimate of what it takes in hours. There are three time periods to consider:

# TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT (CONT)

5 Week duties related to Supervised Novice Play - 8 hours total for weeks 1 - 4- and 7-hours for week 5 for a total of 15 hours over 5 weeks

- Weeks 1 – 4 prepare and send evaluation forms to instructors - 2 hours per week for 8 hours total

Week 5 determine status of current SNP players and send emails regarding continuation in the program or graduation.– 2 hours

- Update student profiles in CMARS and SNP Model – 2 hours

- Build new SNP Events in CMARS for the next 4-week cycle for students and instructors – 1 hour

- Build new SNP model for next 4-week cycle – 2 hours

So, on the average I put in approximately 35-45 hours a month running the program. However, we suspend all training in December so the average hours per month only occur for 11 months. In addition, I put in an additional 7 hours in the 5th week of each of the 11 SNP cycles and approximately 16 hours near the end of each year.

Two more things.

First - I'M NOT GOING ANYWHERE. Taking on this position doesn't mean that you get dumped in the deep end on your own. When I started as PDD, Kathy Carr worked with me as much as I needed to make sure I understood what I needed to do and how to do it. Anyone who takes this position will have my full support.

Second – YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO THIS BY YOURSELF. I have talked to people who would be happy to take on some of the duties but don't want the entire position. When I first started helping Kathy, I stated by being responsible for the day to day working of the Supervised Novice Program.

At the general meeting on 22 May, I said that this would be my last article on this subject. And it will be. If no one steps up to take the position then I assume all training programs will cease as of 1 January 2026. I hope this doesn't happen because it will be a fundamental change in direction for this Club and not a good one.

So, if anyone is interested in talking about this position, please let me know. I'll be playing pickleball most days.

# TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT (CONT)

## Ongoing Program Updates

### Beginner Training.(BT).

We recently completed Beginner Training Classes 144, BT 145 and BT 145B. My thanks to all the volunteer instructors who give their time to make these classes possible. Here are the photos of the graduates of these classes.



Front Row, Left to Right: Diana Weiss (Asst. Instructor), Tori Basque (Asst. Instructor), Kathy Carr (Instructor), Barb Patterson (Asst. Instructor); Back Row, Left to Right: Dawn Ewing, Ayse Taimuty, Dan Taimuty, Rick Householder, Tena York-Peterson, Jennifer Howard, Kathy Tremmel, Troy Howard.



**BT 145** Left to right back row Steve Gonzalez, Gary Dennett, (Asst, Instructor), Eugenia Gonzalez, Ken Mabe, Melanie Mabe, Jim Hamilton, Brian Ellis, Lorri Earl, Judy Wilson-Wise, Sharon Perdue.

Front row left to right Hadi Tjandrasa (Asst. Instructor), Steve Jampol, (Asst. Instructor) Kim Yoder, Lisa Wilson, Ric Hutchinson, (Instructor), Gary Hoover, (Asst. Instructor).



# TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT (CONT)



**BT 145B** John Leezer, (Instructor), Kimo Ah Yo, Debbie Standiford Ah Yo, Darion Wisely, Susan Wisely, Ric Hutchinson, (Instructor)

**Club Pro Clinics (CPC)** Our Club Pro Clinics are designed for players of various skill levels, including some that include all skill levels. Please review the skill level requirement before registering. Registration for all clinics will be through CMARS. All payments for clinics will; be made directly to the instructor teaching the class. The following clinics are scheduled at this time. As more clinics are scheduled, they will be added to CMARS.

2025 Club Pro Clinics								
Pro Clinic #	Instructor	Pro Clinic Name	Date	Skill Level	Cost per Person	Courts/Time	Registration Opens	
25-53	Doug Oliver	Being Offensive - Speedups, Offensive Lobs & Attack Opportunities	3-Jun-25	3.0+	\$25.00	NP 12-13 7:00 - 8:30 am	20-May-25	5:00 PM
25-54	Doug Oliver	Fundamentals of Drop Shots	6-Jun-25	3.0+	\$25.00	NP 15-16 7:00 - 8:30 am	23-May-25	5:00 PM
25-55	Doug Oliver	Finding Our Serve (Limited to 4)	10-Jun-25	3.0+	\$25.00	NP 13 7:00 - 8:30 am	27-May-25	5:00 PM
25-56	Doug Oliver	Spin	24-Jun-25	3.0+	\$25.00	NP 12-13 7:00 - 8:30 am	10-Jun-25	5:00 PM
25-57	Doug Oliver	Creating Space / Hitting Aggressively	27-Jun-25	3.0+	\$25.00	NP 12-13 7:00 - 8:30 am	13-Jun-25	5:00 PM
25-58	Richard Wells	Dinks and Only Dinks	3-Jun-25	3.0/3.5	\$25.00	NP 15-16 7:00 - 8:30 am	20-May-25	5:00 PM
25-59	Richard Wells	Dinking and Driving	10-Jun-25	3.0/3.5	\$25.00	NP 15-16 7:00 - 8:30 am	27-May-25	5:00 PM
25-60	Richard Wells	Readiness:Block, Punch & Reset Effectively	17-Jun-25	3.0/3.5	\$25.00	NP 12-13 7:00 - 8:30 am	3-Jun-25	5:00 PM
25-61	Richard Wells	Coached Play - Serves, Returns, Dinks, Drives, Blocks, & Resets	24-Jun-25	3.0/3.5	\$25.00	NP 15-16 7:00 - 8:30 am	10-Jun-25	5:00 PM
25-62	Margo Chase-Wells	Adapting Tennis Players to Pickleball (Former tennis players only)	2-Jun-25	All Levels	\$25.00	NP 12-13 7:00 - 8:30 am	21-May-25	5:00 PM
25-63	Margo Chase-Wells	Coached Play	18-Jun-25	3.0	\$25.00	NP 12-13 7:00 - 8:30 am	4-Jun-25	5:00 PM
25-64	Margo Chase-Wells	How to Play Pickleball with Low Mobility	25-Jun-25	All Levels	\$25.00	NP 12-13 7:00 - 8:30 am	11-Jun-25	5:00 PM
25-65	Izaak Gonzalez	All Court Skills & Drills	11-Jun-25	2.5 - 3.5	\$25.00	NP 15-16 7:00 - 8:30 am	28-May-25	5:00 PM
25-66	Izaak Gonzalez	All Court Skills & Drills	12-Jun-25	3.5+	\$25.00	NP 15-16 7:00 - 8:30 am	29-May-25	5:00 PM
25-67	Izaak Gonzalez	Level Up Play - Defend & Conquer	25-Jun-25	2.5 - 3.5	\$25.00	NP 15-16 7:00 - 8:30 am	11-Jun-25	5:00 PM
25-68	Izaak Gonzalez	Level Up Play - Defend & Conquer	26-Jun-25	3.5+	\$25.00	NP 15-16 7:00 - 8:30 am	12-Jun-25	5:00 PM



# TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT (CONT)

## LET'S ALL GET ON THE SAME PAGE WITH RALLY SCORING!

contributed by Teaching Pro Margo Chase-Wells

USA Pickleball has now standardized rally scoring rules. They plan on using it for early first rounds of some tournaments, but never for Double elimination tournaments or Regional and National events. The games may go to 11, 15, or 21.

In any case, we in Sun City use it to, "get off the court ASAP" when we are in round robin play, an obvious different purpose. The groups my friends and I play in have adapted the USA Pickleball version to fit this purpose. I'm hoping this will catch on in Sun City.

### RALLY SCORING RULES WE USE THAT ARE THE SAME AS THE NEW USA PICKLEBALL RULES

1. EVERY time you win a rally your team gets the point AND the side out.
2. EVERY time you win a rally you change sides of the court with your partner - even if you hadn't served that point!
3. Only 1 server serves per side out, although if the serving team keeps winning points that server continues serving from the right, then the left etc.
4. The team who has just won the point and the side out will begin their service on the **RIGHT**, or deuce side, regardless of the score.
5. The original (start of game) person in the "first server position" will always be on the right when their score is even. NOTE: to begin the game *the person on the right* is only referred to as the player in the "first server position" because **IF THEY ARE RECEIVING** to begin the game, then win the first point, they **CHANGE** sides with their partner and will be on the left with their partner serving at 1-0.

We will follow all these rules. This is easy if you begin the game with rally scoring.

### RALLY SCORING RULES WE USE ONLY IN SUN CITY

The tricky part is segueing from regular scoring to rally in the middle of a game. As you know, there is NO second server.

1. Look at the point that one team just won before someone yelled, "RALLY". If the first server is already on the right with an even score, just leave them there to serve the next point. If they are on the left, then have them switch to the right-side position.
2. Unlike USA Pickleball rules we DO NOT have to win by 2. This could make the game go on forever, and defeats our main purpose - to "get off the court ASAP"
3. We DO NOT require that the final point be served by the winning team. If you have 10 and the serving team puts the ball in play and you win the rally, you win the game.

I am offering a **FREE CLINIC** to get you comfortable with this scoring and switching from regular scoring to rally. We will be playing games using this formula.

**WATCH FOR A POSTING FOR IT UNDER PRO CLINICS ON THE COURT RESERVE APP.**



# COURT ACTIVITIES

*By Terry Kennedy, Director of Court Activities*

## **Spring Classic Amateur Open**

**325 Registrants - 48 club registrants – 15%**

**5 Women's Doubles Divisions**

**One Silver Medal to club member**

**Becky McGillick 3.5/50+**

**7 Men's Doubles Divisions**

**Four Bronze Medals to club members**

**Brian Loynachan & Richard Wells 4.0/60+**

**Patrick Combs & Nick Carnes 3.0/50+**

**10 Mixed Doubles Divisions**

**One Gold Medal to club member**

**Ron Franke 4.0/65+**

**Six Silver Medals to club members**

**Ken Ward & Leslie Vanderpool 3.5/65+**

**John Carter & Conni Rader 4.0/60+**

**Richard Wells & Annette Franke 4.0/65+**

**Four Bronze Medals to club members**

**Tori Basque & Steve Frank 4.0/65+**

**Cheryl Colli & Rance Ivie 4.0/50+**

## COURT ACTIVITIES (CONT)

### **Club Members won medals in Women's, Men's, and Mixed Divisions**

**A total of 16 medals out of a possible of 66 – 24%**

**I pointed out to Seth, if we could have maintained the age brackets, we would have done even better – one good example 80+ female signed up for 3.0/65+ ended up playing in 3.0/50+.**

### **Next Club Sponsored Event**

#### **Women's Round Robin Tournament 9/5 & 9/6**

**You will register through CMARS 8/1-8/22 picking your own skill level**

**Friday room for 24 players in each skill level division (4.0+, 3.5, & 3.0) Saturday we have room for 12 – 2.5 skill level players**

**Round Robin means different partners and opponents each game You will play 4 games – throw your lowest game out & three will count**

**Groups of 24 will play down to the best 12 players – who will be invited back to play on Saturday**

**The groups of 12 on Saturday will play – 4 games (one throwaway)**



## COURT ACTIVITIES (CONT)

**The four best players will be invited to the medal round – where they play 3 games to determine the winners**

**Based on number of players by skill level that sign up – some adjustments of Friday divisions are possible**

**Men's Round Robin Tournament 9/12 & 9/13**

**Same as above**

**Watch for more details in July Kitchen Talk**

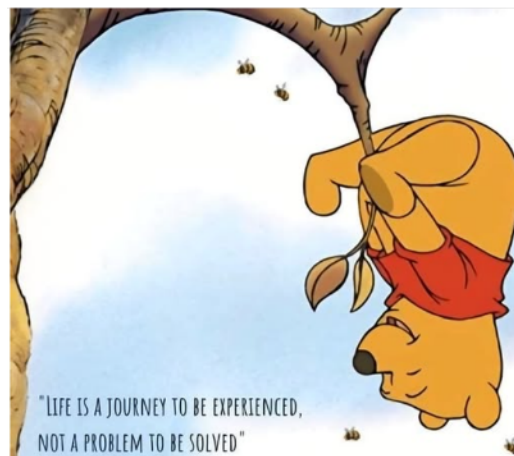
## FROM THE MAINTENANCE TOOL SHED

Tim only has two requests::

PLEASE make sure to latch the gates after you go thru them. The number of broken latches caused by wind blown gates is increasing significantly.

If you see something that needs fixing and you can't do it, Please let Tim know.

Tim's Contact information:TEXT: (540) 454-1178 EMAIL: [TimPSchutte@gmail.com](mailto:TimPSchutte@gmail.com)





**I went shopping today for  
Cherries and a microphone stand.**

**Bought a Bing, bought a Boom 🤯**



## 2025 SCTPC BOARD MEMBERS



**Allison Wolfe**  
*President*



**David Lupia**  
*Treasurer*



**Tim Schutte**  
*Maintenance  
Director*



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Activities*



**Kathy Richter**  
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**Pete Nadolski**  
*Communications  
Director*



# PARTING SHOT

New Paddle by Buc-ees



It doesn't have much power but has a GREAT sweet spot

I am always looking for photos  
for the parting shot. If you  
have something, send it to me  
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