



Kitchen Talk

Sun City Texas Pickleball Club Newsletter

FROM THE PRESIDENT

AUGUST



Barb Patterson

A few important reminders, as well as news, from the SCTPC Board:

Court Reservations- Please keep in mind that there are many groups of players who are trying to reserve those sweet early morning courts everyday. Sometimes they're groups of just four folks trying for one court, or eight players trying for two courts. We also have lots of groups of 12 or 16 members trying for three or four courts. If your group ends up with too many courts, please remember to cancel them quickly. If your group does not get a reserved court, it's very easy to just head on over to some

open play courts and play there instead. Just as an FYI - we receive emails from members who say they wish we had more courts available to reserve everyday and also from members who wish there were more open play courts; we realize that we will never be able to please every single one of our 1500+ members. One last reminder, if your name is on the court reservation for a time slot, we expect you to be there playing during that time.

Guests- When you have house guests, our rules allow you to bring them to the courts everyday they are staying with you. But don't just send them to the courts by themselves; members need to accompany their guests (otherwise those guests might be mistaken for scofflaw non-residents!)

Personal Ball Machines- We revised the rules to make them more clear: Personal ball machines can be used with a CMARS reservation on North Point Courts 25 and 26 and on any of the OPEN PLAY courts at all three Club locations. Courts other than 25 and 26 cannot be reserved for personal ball machine use. Personal ball machines can be used on OPEN PLAY courts, if courts are available and paddles are not in the paddle rack (at all three court locations.) This rule is in effect so that during prime court hours, the reserved courts can be used by more members (one person using a ball machine vs. four members playing doubles.)



FROM THE PRESIDENT (cont)

How to Sell Your Used Pickleball Gear- We have added a section to the Bulletin Board at Texas Drive called "Pickleball Gear for Sale." Members are free to post 3x5 index cards with details about any pickleball-related gear (such as paddles) that they'd like to sell. Be sure to add the date you posted your item on the index card. Cards more than 60 days old will be removed. Please remove your card if the item is sold.

Kudos- Big shout-out to Carol Cain and Tim Schutte who have taken over the job of printing out all of the bag tags and mailing labels for new members every week. This is a huge help to yours truly - thank you both!

Nominating Committee- Thanks also to the members of the 2023 Nominating Committee - Terri Desa, Will Diaz, Nancy Grafton, Wayne Kurtz and Donna Loynachan. We appreciate you offering up your time and effort for finding candidates for the upcoming fall SCTPC election. Any member who would like to run for one of the 4 open board offices in the November election should contact any member of the nominating committee.

ByLaws Change Passed- Thanks to everyone who voted for the Bylaws change that added a Court Activities Director to the Board. It passed by a whopping 96% vote. This board position will be elected in November, with the winner assuming an official role on the board in January 2024. Thanks to Terry Kennedy for assuming these duties in the interim period.

Stay hydrated and safe everyone. Let's keep our fingers crossed for some cooler weather soon!

See you on the courts,

Barb Patterson

COURT ETIQUETTE

Did you know that per CA guidelines, we are not allowed to be on the courts or turn the lights on before 7:00AM on any of our three pickleball complexes?? Please follow this guidance!

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

SCTPC: (June - 2023) Financial Synopsis



The Club began the month of July with a cash balance of \$20,493.57. Income totaled \$435.00 from new memberships. June expenses total \$1,659.16; court reserve \$231.00, Arlo \$10.64, maintenance \$913.64, Admin expenses \$65.29, Volunteer recognition \$359.63 and player development \$78.96. We had a monthly net loss of \$1,659.16 with a cash balance of \$19,269.41.

Paid members through the end of June totaled 1,521

Four Gents Dressed to the Nines!

Any guesses what they wore the next day?



Gene Edwards, Rus Pusztai, Steve Hooper, and Bob Blythe

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONT.)

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME
Terri	Babek
Jeffrey	Barton
David	Bassett
Shelly	Briggs
Tommy	Bunn
Robert	Burton
Carolyn	Campbell
Kevin	Campbell
Deanie	Culbert
Becky	DeBell
David	DeBell
Bruce	Epstein
John	Fisher
Ann	Foth
Robin	Glenewinkel

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME
Joan	Golubski
Leigh	Hedderman
James	Hellebusch
Dave	Hewett
Renee	Hewett
Kevin	Hubbard
Jodi	Jenkins
Sue	Kullerd
Bill	Leonard
David	Leopard
Stephanie	Leopard
Amy	Letourneau
Brian	Letourneau
Lynn	Lucas

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME
Doug	McGuire
Lynn	McLain
Jean	Moore
John J	Moore
Michelle	Nassib
Jim	Ramming
Brenda	Rinehart
Richard	Sloger
Clark	Swenson
John	Teetor
Margie	Teetor
Jeff	Walters
Jennifer	Warrington
Paul	Warrington
Rick	Woodruff

At press time, total number of club members is 1536.



CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS (cont.)

Club BBQ Grills Available for Reservation on August 1st

Starting on August 1st members can use CMARS/CourtReserve to reserve either of the Club's two BBQ grills in conjunction with reserving a court.

One grill is located at the Retreat courts pavilion, and one is located at the Northpoint courts (at the north pavilion). Each of the grills is chained up and cannot be moved. You will need to provide your own propane to use either grill, and you are expected to clean up after yourself. You also need to put the cover back on the grill after it has cooled down.

The process to reserve a BBQ grill in CMARS is essentially the same as reserving a ball machine. On August 1st, there will be a Reservation menu choice in CMARS/CourtReserve to "Reserve a Court & Ball Machine or BBQ Grill". To reserve a grill, select this menu and then choose the grill associated with your desired court complex (Retreat or Northpoint). Then choose your desired time and one of the courts associated with the grill. For the Northpoint grill, you can select any of the courts 11-16. For the Retreat grill, only court 10 will be available for reservation and only from 4:30-9:00 pm. Because a grill reservation is tied to a court reservation, one person can only reserve a grill for 1.5 hours. So if you want the grill for longer than that, a second person will need to reserve the grill for an additional 1.5 hours. Note that if a court is not available for reservation at your desired time you will not be able to reserve a grill.

If you have any questions about using the BBQ grills, contact any Club board member. If you have questions about reserving a grill in CMARS/CourtReserve, contact Ron Franke.



CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS (cont.)

To accommodate the BBQ Grill reservations, here are the new court hours

CLUB HOURS - effective August 1, 2023

Schedule May be Adjusted for Special Events - Check CMARS for Daily Schedule

If courts are not in use, courts are considered to be open play

	Texas Drive						Retreat				North Point																	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26		
7:00	OPEN PLAY CLUB MEMBERS						R	R	R	R	TRAINING						OPEN PLAY ALL RESIDENTS				R	R	TEACHING PROS	R	R	R		
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8:00							R	R	R	R	TRAINING						LEAGUES or OPEN PLAY				R	R		R	R	R		
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OP Open Play - Club members and guests only
 SL Skill Level
 TP Teaching Pros (Mon-Sat)
 R Reservation
OP Open Play - All Sun City residents
 T Training
 L Leagues



"GREAT... NOW LEROY'S JOINED A PICKLEBALL FANTASY LEAGUE."

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS (cont.)

Paddle Buy, Sell and Trade Day Event is Coming in September

We have set the date for our Paddle Buy, Sell and Trade Day Event for Friday, September 29th starting at 6:00 pm. We expect to wind things down around 9:00 pm. Saturday, September 30th is the rain date if needed. We had this event last year, and it was a great success.

This event focuses on allowing our members to try out different paddles and, if desired, purchase paddles at a discount available to our members only for this event. A big selection of demo paddles to try will be provided by Pickleball Giant, a great pickleball vendor located in San Antonio. We plan to have at least 10 courts available at North Point for members to use try out paddles. We are expecting Pickleball Giant to also provide other pickleball items (still to be determined).

We are planning to have other vendors that provide relevant products or services that we believe would be useful to our members. Pinnacle Essentials - a provider of CBD and similar products and supplements - has already committed to be there.

This event will also provide an opportunity for members to sell or trade their own used paddles or other pickleball related items to other members.

At last year's event we provided popcorn, which was a big hit, so we are planning for that again.

As we get closer to the event date we will provide reminders and more details.



CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS (cont.)

7th ANNUAL DINKS & DOGS / BLUE SANTA FUNDRAISER HAS BEEN CANCELLED



DUE TO LOW REGISTRATIONS AND RESCHEDULING DIFFICULTIES, THIS YEAR'S DINKS & DOGS HAS BEEN CANCELLED. WE WILL HOST THE SILENT AUCTION DURING THE HOLIDAY CELEBRATION IN DECEMBER. FUNDS ALREADY RECEIVED WILL BE DONATED TO THE BLUE SANTA EFFORT. WE THANK ALL MEMBERS WHO SHOWED INTEREST IN THIS EVENT AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO HOLDING THE EVENT NEXT YEAR.

FROM OUR PICKLEBALL FRIEND



Chuck Flanagan

A Rule to live by:

I read a short article from the USA Pickleball news site and thought I'd share an excerpt with this great tip.

(<https://tinyurl.com/TeamEmmrich>)

“Team Emmrich’ Is Turning Their Pro Tennis Backgrounds Into A Pickleball Passion”, by Joanne C. Gerstner

“Martin admits he does not take losing well. Tammy is a little more objective.

Which means, no, they are not playing mixed together — on purpose. That experiment ran a few times, and failed. They play in the same events, making a fun road-trip adventure with Gabi, but playing mixed doubles is not good for their marriage.

“He’s so competitive that it was pretty awful for me,” Tammy said. “No thanks.”

Martin added, “I love my wife and want to stay married, so we’re not going to go there again. It made for a quiet car ride on the way home after we played together. I learned my lesson. We can cheer each other on. We want this pickleball life to be fun.”



PICKLEBALL FRIEND (cont.)

Rules Questions

Q: What are my responsibilities as the server?

A: One of the most important parts of the game of pickleball is calling the score. The game (or the next rally) cannot begin until the receiver is ready and the referee or server calls the score.

Calling the score serves several purposes:

1. It's a warning to the receiving team that the ball is about to be served.
2. It reminds all the players what the score is and if the server is the first or second server.
3. It starts the 10-second time frame within which the ball must be served or result in a fault on the server.
4. It marks the point when the receiver may no longer become 'not ready'.

So the next time you step up to serve: make sure the receiving team is ready, call the entire score (all three numbers for doubles) loud enough that everyone hears it clearly, and serve the ball within the next 10-seconds.

Q: Who can call NVZ faults?

A: The referee (if available) calls all NVZ faults. In games/matches without a referee, "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." (13.D.1.c.)

PICKLEBALL FRIEND (cont.)

Q: What happens when you hit a ball close to the line and one of the opponents calls, "Out", and their partner thinks it was, 'In'?

A: First off, it's their call and you should let them make it without making any comment. If the player making the initial call was sure of the call and the partner only 'thinks' it was in, the ball should be considered as, "Out". Rule 6.D.8. (doubt) only applies when players make conflicting calls. "Thinking" a ball was out is NOT a call.

Q: Does my paddle have to be USA Pickleball approved?

A: This is a good question and the answer is, it depends. One of our Sun City pickleball club's rules (number 9.5.), says, "Use of the USA Pickleball/IFP Rulebook is encouraged for all players." That's, "encouraged", but not required. Our club does not prohibit unapproved paddles for either normal recreational play or any of our club sponsored tournaments. So the first part of the answer is, no, your paddle does not have to be USA Pickleball approved.

Section 2.E. of the USA Pickleball rules describes the specifications for paddles and Section 2.F. discusses paddle "Approval and Authorization". However, these sections only apply to USA Pickleball sanctioned tournaments. If you ever decide to play in a one of these sanctioned events or some other venue where it's required, the answer would be, yes.





PICKLEBALL FRIEND (cont.)

Q: Last month you wrote about a proposed rule for rally scoring. That sounds different than what I've seen the pros playing. Can you explain this?

A: First off, there are no current USA Pickleball rules about rally scoring. The rule I mentioned last month is only a proposal to make rally scoring an option for tournament directors to use at sanctioned events.

Major League Pickleball (MLP) is using rally scoring in games to 21 points, where every rally ends with a point awarded. Under MLP's rules, players stay on the same side of their court (odd/even) and when the serving team wins a point, the players do NOT switch but the other partner then serves. Whenever the serving team loses a rally, the opponents get a point AND the serve (every fault by the serving team results in a point for the receivers and a "side out").

EXCEPT...when the first team reaches 20 points they revert to traditional scoring and can only win additional points when they are serving. This restriction applies to the other team when they reach 18 points.

The rule that has been proposed for USA Pickleball is different. The serving partners will switch sides after each rally they win and that server will continue to serve. When they lose a rally, the receivers get a point and the second server will now serve. Loss of a second rally will result in another point to the receivers and a "side out". Rally scoring will be used throughout the game (no reverting to traditional scoring like the MLP rule). .

PICKLEBALL FRIEND (cont.)

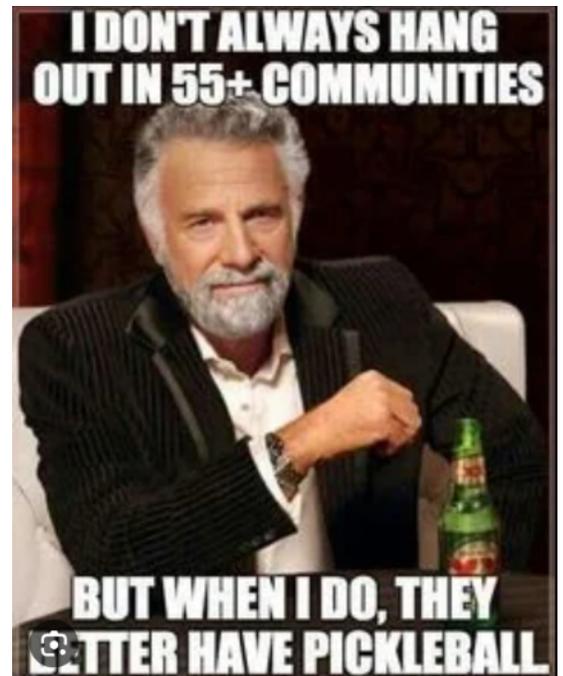
Thinking about a paddle upgrade?

If your current paddle is not an approved paddle or you're thinking it's time for an upgrade, mark your calendar for the club's big "Paddle Buy, Sell and Trade Day". This will be held on Friday, September 29 th , from 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm, at the North Point complex. Pickleball Giant, a great vendor from San Antonio will be there with a huge selection of paddles for you to demo and buy at a discount.

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<https://tinyurl.com/PBMagJulAug2023>

Have a rules question? Email me at: Chuck.Flanagan@Gmail.Com or catch me on the courts.





COURT ACTIVITIES

By Terry Kennedy, Director of Court Activities

Court Usage

LAST NIGHT ABC LOCAL NEWS – “THIS SUMMER WILL BE THE HOTTEST IN RECORDED HISTORY”

Mini Singles League rescheduled

Due to low participation and the intense heat – we have rescheduled the mini-single league. League registration will open on Sept 5th for play starting 9/11 from 11:30 -1:00 pm. The schedule will stay the same:

- Mondays – Men 3.49 & below
- Tuesdays – Women 3.49 & below
- Wednesdays – Men 3.5 & above
- Thursdays – Women 3.5 & above

Round Robin Time Changes:

Effective 9/1 we will be changing the play times for the round robin groups:

Round Robin Changes as of Friday Sept 1					
Skill Level	Day	Time	Courts	# players	As seen in CMARS
3.0	Friday	0830 - 1000	11 - 16	24	3.0 RR starting 8/26 Sat
3.5 / 4.0	Friday	1000 - 1130	11 - 16	24	3.5 / 4 RR starting 8/26 Sat
3.0	Saturday	0830 - 1000	11 - 16	24	3.0 RR starting 8/27 Sun
2.5	Saturday	1000- 1130	14 - 16	12	2.5 RR starting 8/27 Sun
3.5 / 4.0	Saturday	1000- 1130	11 - 13	12	3.5 / 4 RR starting 8/27 Sun
3.0	Sunday	0830 - 1000	11 - 16	24	3.0 RR starting 8/28 Mon
2.5	Sunday	1000- 1130	14 - 16	12	2.5 RR starting 8/28 Mon
3.5 / .0	Sunday	1000- 1130	11 - 13	12	3.5 / 4 RR starting 8/28 Mon

If you are on the wait list, please check your email after 6pm the night before – if we get an extra court, I will be bringing up four players from the list and CMARS will be sending you an email to that effect – you might also be pulled due to late a cancelation. Only one play per weekend, unless openings still available the day before.

COURT ACTIVITIES (cont.)

Round Robin Rally Scoring review

Since all round robins are using some amount of rally scoring, lets standardize our form of rally scoring play. I realize rally scoring has multiple forms, but to simplify our round robins we will use the following for round robin play:

RALLY SCORING DOES NOT START – UNTIL IT IS ANNOUNCED IN THE PRE-SERVE SCORE

If rally scoring is announced during a point – we finish that point and the results of that play – determines whether left or right court and who the server will be – he/she announces score (3-2-rally)

Once rally scoring announced – the winner of the point will serve & he/she serves from the left or right court based on that teams score even (right court) or odd (left court)

If the serving team wins the point – then the players will change courts & the same person will serve again announcing the score (4-2-rally)

If the serving team loses the point – it goes to other side and the server in this case (even score) would be player in the right court

One big favor: Let's remember we are playing with friends and neighbors and we should treat them that way.

On a "ball on court" the players in that court retrieves the ball

We call balls short or out – when they are clearly short or out

The receiving team makes the line call & that's the call

See you on the courts – Terry Kennedy Court Usage Director



TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

By Ric Hutchinson, Director of Player Development

THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!!

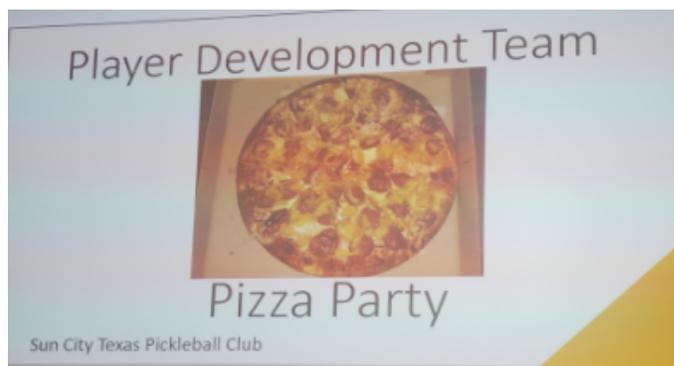
Let me start this month's article by saying THANK YOU to all the volunteer members of the Player Development Team. There are three groups of people who make up this team. The Program Administrators who perform a lot of the daily behind the scenes duties that are required to keep our training programs running. The Program Directors who lead the various programs in addition to serving as instructors and the Program Instructors who teach the various programs we offer.

None of these programs could continue without the approximately 90 people who serve in these capacities.

It has been a very hectic 7 months since my first day as the Player Development Director. But one of the things that I've known from the start is that our volunteers are overworked. In an effort to change that we've been looking at two areas, reducing the number of training hours and adding more volunteers. I'm pleased to say that we are moving forward in both areas. We have reduced the projected volunteer instructor hours over a twelve-month period from approximately 2,900 hours to approximately 1,600 hours while still maintaining the quality of our training programs. In addition, we have added 8 new instructors and have 13 more volunteers who are awaiting training.

While that is a great start we are always looking for "a few good instructors". If you would like to join the team please send me an email at novicehutch@gmail.com.

If you would like to see some of the details of the changes and where the club is heading in its training programs you can view the Power Point presentation that was made recently to the Player Development Volunteers at the Volunteer Appreciation party. The link is included here - see Ric's [Presentation](#).





TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT (cont.)

Advanced Pickleball Strategy is (ALMOST) Here!!!

Heads Up, Paddles Up! We are pleased to announce that our new program for 3.5+ players and/or tournament players of all levels will begin the first week in September. The program is called **Advanced Pickleball Strategy (APS)** and the first class is scheduled for Tuesday September 5th. The classes will be held from 7:00 am - 8:30 am on North Point Courts 11 – 13 on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.

The program will be led by Will Saunders a long-time member of our club. Will is a certified pickleball instructor (PPR) and has been teaching and playing pickleball, both recreationally and in tournaments for over 10 years.

Participant Information

Participants will work both on specific skills and strategies to better their overall playing, while having fun playing games that will help improve specific skills. We expect to have guest presenters, and there will be challenge games from time to time. Classes are intended for 3.5+ skill level players, and/or tournament players of all skill levels.

There will be a **preview session** on Monday August 28th at 7:00 am on Northpoint courts 11-13. This session will be open to all potential participants and will allow you to obtain a better idea of how the classes will work and the type of information you will be learning.

Classes will be scheduled in CMARS over 2-month cycles with a different topic being taught each month. At the end of each cycle a new 2-month cycle will begin with 2 new topics being taught. Beginning on August 8th at 8:00 am participants may register for the first 2-month cycle using CMARS.

Computer Registration. If you are using a computer select **Events/Categories/Advanced Training**. Find and select **Advanced Pickleball Strategy**. Register for the class you would like to attend. If the class is full, you may select the Waitlist button to be placed on the Wait list.

Tablet or Phone Registration. If you are using a tablet or phone select **Events/Categories/Advanced Training**. Find and select **Advanced Pickleball Strategy**. In order to see all the class dates, you must select the first class that appears. Register for the class you would like to attend. If the class is full, you may select the Wait list button to be placed on the Wait list.

TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT (cont.)

Additional information. The first time you register for a class please provide the following information to Will Saunders at willflowerpower@protonmail.com:

- Date of your class
- Years played
- Rating. Please indicate if the rating is tournament based, DUPR based or self-assessed.
- Whether you play or intend to play tournaments.
- Any physical limitations we should be aware of.

Instructor Information

We are looking for a few good advanced level men and women to serve as instructors for this program. Instructors must be rated at the 4.0 level, have played for at least 1 year and enjoy working with others. We will be holding a meeting for interested persons on August 14th at 1:00pm at 604 Breezeway Lane.

If you are an advanced player and would like more information about joining the Advanced Pickleball Strategy Player Development Team please contact me at novicehutch@gmail.com or Will at willflowerpower@protonmail.com.

Ongoing Program Updates

Introduction to Pickleball. Peg O'Toole and Judy Blackman taught 2 Intro to Pickleball classes in July. Due to the number of requests for training currently being received, these classes are currently scheduled to be held a minimum of 2 times per month through September.



Beginner Training.(BT). This month we completed Beginner Training Classes 113, and 114. Due to the large demand for training, we have scheduled BT classes 115-119 into September of 2023. Here are photos of the graduates of BT Classes 113 and 114.

TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT (cont.)



BT 113. From left to Right: Pete Nadolski (Inst), Gary Shrepp (Inst), Chris Hello, Greg Meyer, John Shepard, John (photo bomber), Tonya Suther, Betty Mayfield, Rose Myers, Renee Best, Royce Myers, Patrick Hickey, Eric Allan, Mike Collins, Meade Roberts (Inst), Colleen Nadolski (Inst)



BT 114. From left to right: Gerry Kupermann (Inst), John Riddle (Inst), Vicki Vietti, Glenn Wellbrock, Leslie Wellbrock, David Vietti, Brenda Jaeck, Jim Ramming, Pat Ramming, Sue Comstock, David Silvera, Jeff Vanek (Inst) Liz Martsolf, Dale Martsolf, Bob Knowles (Inst), Amy Letourneau, Brian Letourneau. Missing: Pete Nadolski



TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT (cont.)

Evening Beginner training Classes. Our evening classes continue to be very popular. Going forward we will be offering at least 1 evening class each month throughout the summer.

Supervised Novice Play. (SNP) Since the first of the year, we have graduated 131 students from SNP, bringing our total to 670 graduates since the program's inception in August 2020. We currently have 60 active students: 12 in Group A, 16 in Group B and 32 in Group C. Continued thanks to our staff of volunteer coaches who are out on the courts each day mentoring our newest players.



Train the Trainer Classes. If you are interested in becoming a club coach, 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 apprenticeship 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 teaching Beginner Training and leading Skills and Drills sessions. For more information or to register for this class, contact Ric Hutchinson, Player Development Director, at novicehutch@gmail.com.

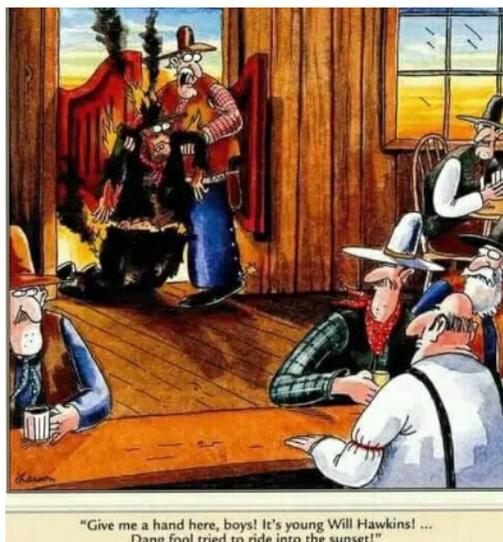
TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT (cont.)

Club Teaching Professionals.

Available Hours. Our Teaching Professionals, Matthew Boyett and Esteban Espada share Court #23 at North Point, 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 \(sctexas.org\)](https://www.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.





COACH'S CORNER



Matt Boyett

Hello everyone, Matthew Boyett here back again for another coach's corner. I hope you are all safe and staying hydrated on the courts. For August's Coach's Corner I wanted to talk about one of the biggest misconceptions in pickleball, an open paddle (shown below) is a bad thing. Let's talk about why you should use an open paddle face during a game.

Open your paddle to give the ball more lift. An open paddle face gives you the option to control the ball from below the net without having to fully swing. An open paddle is ok, it just depends on how you use it. Once you open the paddle face, try not to also swing up big. In a game, let the paddle face give the ball height and not your swing path. This will lead to more consistency and also make it easy to correct in a game.

You should give the ball more lift to get yourself in a better position. If you are out of position or uncomfortable on the court, you need more time to recover. By giving the ball more lift, you are giving yourself more time to reposition. In pickleball, if you control the position battle you will have a better chance of winning the point. When giving the ball more lift, try to hit the shot closer to the net. This way you can hit the ball with more height while not giving your opponent a chance to attack the ball.

As you practice and play, try to keep in mind how open/closed your paddle is. If you need more time, open the paddle to give the ball more lift. If the ball is below the net, open up your paddle to control the shot without having to swing big.

TOURNAMENT NEWS

PPA Texas Open Championship

Men's Singles

Steve Frank	4.0	Silver	70+
Ron Franke	3.5	Gold	65+

Men's Doubles

Ron Franke & Steve Frank	4.0	Gold	65+
Ron Franke & Steve Frank	4.0/4.5(Comb)	Silver	65+

Women's Doubles

Annette Franke & Kit Miller	3.5	Silver	60+
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Mixed Doubles

Ron Franke & Carol Sedlacek	5.0/4.5	Bronze (overall)	60+, 65+
Steve Frank & Janine Siebert	3.5	Silver	70+

New Mexico Senior Olympics

Men's Doubles

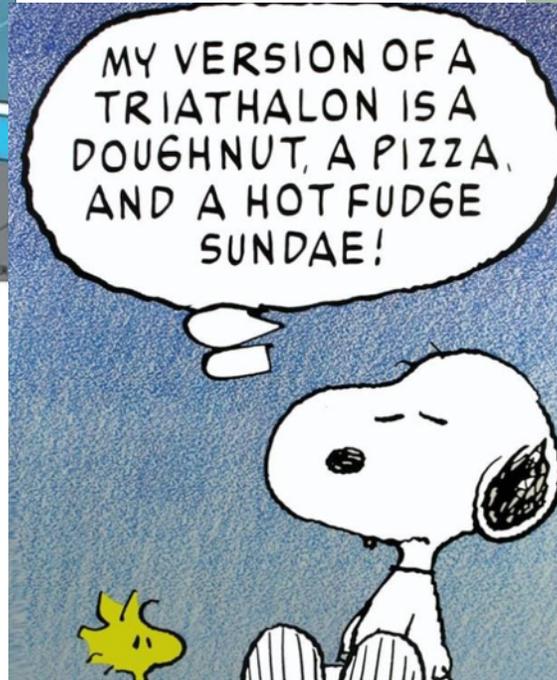
Gary McConnell & Dean Goupil		Gold	75+
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GRINS AND GIGGLES



Soda truth was revealed. Dr Pepper only had a doctorate in theoretical Fizz-ics.



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