



Kitchen Talk



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Kitchen Talk Is Back

By Kathy Carr
PASCT Communications Director

With the unprecedented growth of pickleball in Sun City Texas and the recent election of our 2015 Board of Directors, there's no better time than now to reintroduce "Kitchen Talk," the official PASCT Newsletter. Last published in December 2012, this monthly newsletter serves to inform, educate and entertain our club members on all matters pertaining to our favorite sport – yeah, the one with the funny name.

In order for this undertaking to succeed, everyone has to participate. First, great pickleball worth reporting needs to occur – so play. Second, just like a hole in one, it doesn't count unless there is a witness - observe. And third, in order to get printed, somebody has to tell the editor what happened – report.

If you have pictures, stories, tales, statistics,

opinions, advice, jokes questions, lessons learned, congratulations, upcoming events or anything else regarding pickleball, send any and all to me. Let's make this a great newsletter.

While I haven't experienced this particular euphoria myself (as yet), I am told that if we contribute to a plan for the greater good, it can prove to be a very gratifying experience.

From the President

By Jack Warner
PASCT President



I hope everyone had a great holiday season. The weather has been wonderful, offering us little excuse not to get outdoors and exercise after all those delicious, but calorie infused holiday meals. For those of you who had friends and family visit, I

hope you took the time to invite them over to the courts for a few games.

I'd like to raise my paddle and recognize the tremendous efforts of our 2014 Board and the countless supporting volunteers for all their hard work over the past year. This great team has worked countless hours to make ours one of the best and fastest growing clubs in Sun City.

In 2014 we increased our membership by more than 20% to 438, added two new pickleball courts with overhead lighting, and

installed spectator seating. We trained 201 beginners, more than half of whom became club members this year. We helped develop new player skills by introducing mentors to the beginner courts twice a week. We sponsored two great tournaments (spring and fall) for our members, had leagues going almost year round, and put on a great event for the kids with our Annual Junior Camp.

Our new 2015 Board officially completed its transition at a workshop on December 17th. As

you'll see with their column on the next page, they've hit the ground running and are excited to tackle any challenges we might face in the year ahead.

Speaking of the year ahead, this is the perfect time to add to your list of New Year's resolutions. Become a pickleball club volunteer. Whether you teach or mentor beginners, referee tournaments, support social events or help maintain the courts, it all counts. Contact any of our board members to see how you can help.

From the Board

Vice President Report

Nancy Grafton

Renew Your Membership

It's 2015 and fewer than 100 club members have renewed their annual membership. If you haven't done so already, please get online and complete the process. Go to www.sctx.org and log in. Go to "Activities and Events" and drop down to "Tickets and Events." Follow the instructions for "Charter Club Memberships". Remember, the new club rate is now \$15 for the year.

Volunteers Needed

Mary Payne continues to recruit folks for the mentoring program. She's trying to set up a schedule so that each mentor is only committed for an hour a month to help beginner's

develop their skills and understanding of the game. If you are available on Mondays or Thursdays from 3 – 4 pm or 4 – 5 pm to mentor, contact Mary at 1marypayne@gmail.com.

We're still in need of a Court Maintenance Director. If you would like to know more about what this job entails, contact Stan Payne at 1stanpayne@gmail.com.

Folks interested in becoming contributing writers/editors or in taking pictures for this newsletter should contact Kathy Carr at kathy.carr11@gmail.com.

Treasurer's Report

Gary Pinkson

Total Assets for Month

End November 2014 was \$9,470. Revenue for the Month was \$6.00. Cost of Sales was \$18.00. Expenses were \$38.16.

Secretary's Report

VA Miller

We received the 30% approval we needed from the membership of the Club By-laws and Club Court Rules and Regulations documents to meet CA Chartered Club requirements. Thanks to all who answered Mary Payne's email request. We are awaiting final signatures before posting these documents to the club's microsite.

Player Development

Richard Bradley

All systems are "go" for the 2015 Winter Leagues. See

the article later in this newsletter for details. The league schedule and weekly results will be posted in the Pickleball Express.

If you are interested in becoming a trainer for new beginners, please contact me at rlbradley1963@gmail.com. We sure could use the help.

Communications

Kathy Carr

To ensure you get the latest "Kitchen Talk" newsletter and "Pickleball Express" email blasts, make sure your email address is correctly listed in the Sun City on-line resident directory. This directory feeds our address list for information sharing.

From the Ambassador

By Chuck Flanagan
North Austin Pickleball Ambassador



While Sun City is a great place to play pickleball, it's not the only local hot spot. If you've been reading the "Pickleball Express" over the past few months, you should have seen several

area venues that provide additional opportunities to play.

A couple of advantages of these venues (offsetting the drive time) are indoor play in bad (or hot) weather and the opportunity to play different people.

The box on the right contains a list of the closest locations.

If you've ever thought about competing in

tournament play but have been reluctant to get started, consider one of the half-day fun "Hat" tournaments at Cedar Park. It's a great opportunity to get started and to meet new people who enjoy the sport. If you have a Facebook account, check out the Austin area Facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/austinpickleball>

Georgetown Recreation Center, 1003 North Austin Avenue, Georgetown, TX Tel: (512) 930-3596

Cedar Park Recreation Center - 1435 Main Street Cedar Park, TX 78613 Tel: (512) 401-5516

Pflugerville Recreation Center, 400 Immanuel Rd. Pflugerville, TX 78660

Round Rock - Madsen Rec. Center, 1600 Gattis School Road, Round Rock, TX

The Quarries Gym - 11400 N Mo Pac Expressway, Austin, TX 78759

Hutto YMCA
200 Alliance Boulevard, Hutto, TX 78634
Tel: (512) 846-2360

League Play

By Richard Bradley
PASCT Player Development Director

We're getting ready to kick off the 2015 Winter Leagues the week after next. Registration is complete and competition is expected to be fierce. Stay tuned for weekly results to be published in the Pickleball Express.

Women's Individual Doubles will be played on Mondays at 3pm starting January 12th and ending on February 23, 2015.

Co-ed Individual Doubles will be played on Tuesdays starting on January 13th at 1:00 pm, 2:00 pm or 3:00 pm. There will be two divisions in this league: Division A, players rating themselves 3.5 and above, and Division B players rating themselves 2.0-3.5. The regular season is scheduled to end on Tuesday, February 24th.

Team Doubles will be

played on Fridays starting January 16th. The games will be played at 1:00, 2:00 or 3:00, depending on the league in which teams are assigned. There will be two (2) divisions in this league: Division A, players rating themselves 3.5 and above and Division B, players rating themselves 2.5-3.5. The regular season for this league is scheduled to end on Friday, February 27, 2015.

Remember, if you have not paid your annual club dues before the leagues start, you will not be eligible to play.



Save Money on Pickleball Supplies

You can get a 5% discount for yourself and another 5% of your purchase for the club if you order your pickleball supplies from www.pickleballcentral.com. Last year we were able to reap over \$300 for the club. This enabled us to bulk order and resell pickleballs to the membership at cost. To get your discount, just enter the PASCT discount code **CRSCT** at checkout.

If you're not concerned about minor blemishes on your paddle, here's another money saving tidbit. You can save up to 20% by purchasing a gently used paddle from the used

paddle bin at Pickleball Central. The chart below shows a sampling of some of the paddles that have been available within the last month. To see the most current list of used or

blemished paddles, go to http://www.pickleballcentral.com/category_s/149.htm. If you see one you like, call 1-888-854-0163. Note that all sales are final.

Sample Prices for Gently Used Paddles at www.pickleballcentral.com			
PADDLE	ORIGINAL PRICE	USED PRICE	% SAVINGS
Bantam EXL	\$84.99	\$68.00	19.99%
Blaster 2 Alloy	\$72.99	\$58.00	20.54%
Champion-thick grip	\$69.99	\$56.00	19.99%
Competition	\$74.99	\$64.00	14.66%
Enforcer Graphite	\$67.99	\$55.00	19.11%
Legacy	\$67.99	\$55.00	19.11%
Magnum Graph. Stealth	\$69.99	\$58.00	17.13%
Phoenix Ultra II	\$94.99	\$80.00	15.78%

"Last year the club reaped over \$300 from member purchases of pickleball supplies at www.pickleballcentral.com

Upcoming Tournament Play

By Kathy Carr
PASCT Communications Director

If you played in the 3rd Annual Pickleball Club Fall Tournament this past October, there's a good chance you've been bitten by the tournament bug. Symptoms include a drive to improve your game, a yearning to meet and socialize with other players, and a smidge of (go ahead, you can admit it) competitiveness to win. One of the ways to combat this ailment is to get out and play in some tournaments outside of Sun City.

Cedar Park Recreation Center is sponsoring a two month long Ladder League (All Levels) on

Sunday mornings in February and March at 10 am. Fee is \$10 per person. Price includes 27 games of league play plus open play after the leagues have finished. You will get 9 days of play for only \$10. Pre-registration is a must as these leagues fill up quickly. You can register in person at the front desk of the Rec Center, call 512-401-5516 or email www.cpparks.net. Format is Doubles Ladder; you do not need to have a partner.

Registration is now open for the **Winter 2015 Sooner Games**. To

register online, go to <http://www.soonerstategames.org/register>. Pickleball will be played **January 31 – February 1, 2015** at the Greens, 13100 Green Valley Drive, Oklahoma City. Entry fee is \$31. Deadline to enter is January 24, 2015.

The **2015 Brazos Valley Senior Games** will be in College Station from **February 21 – 23, 2015**. Registration runs January 5 – 30, 2015. The fee is \$30, and includes shirt and one ticket to the reception, with an additional fee per event. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented

in each event (doubles, mixed doubles, singles) and age group. For more information, contact the Parks & Recreation Department at 979-764-3486 or email parks@cstx.gov.

The **2015 Texas Senior Games Championships** will once again be held in San Antonio. Pickleball is **tentatively** scheduled to be played April **14 – 17, 2015**. More details to follow as they become available.



Congratulations Are in Order



Compass Tournament Winners

The Cedar Park Recreation Center hosted a Compass Tournament on Saturday December 13th. There were two divisions (a high division and low division) with 6 teams in each division and play on 6 courts. Sun City was well represented both in the high division and in the winners' circle. Jack Warner and Nancy Grafton placed first in the Southwest, Chuck Flanagan and Larry Hudson placed first in the South, Mary Payne and Stan Payne placed second in the Southeast, and David Stout and Jim Brown placed second in the East.

Beginner's Training Completed

The following individuals successfully completed Pickleball Beginner's Training in the final quarter of 2014. Please welcome and congratulate them when you see them on the courts.

October 2014

Alicia McNamara
Terry Howarth
David Howarth
Don Brown
Larry Coleman
Bill Crist
Kathy Deibert
Sandy Carey
Harry Morrison
Linda Morrison
Janice Cozart
Becky Kelley
Brian Kelly
Gail Kelly
Wayne Pravitz
Pat Jefferson

November 2014

Chuck Williams
Dorothy Williams
Frank Westpfahl
Jacki Westpfahl
Judy Philson
Marion Weiler
Therese Verdonk
John White

December 2014

Dee Dee Smith
Kathy Grebb
Dave Grebb
Paul Thomas
Larry Buxbaum
Roger Smith

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

During the annual meeting of the Pickleball Club, we were briefed on the plans of Pulte and the CA for the forthcoming expansion of Sun City and associated amenities...such as pickleball courts.

We were told that while the Club will be getting additional courts, the location, timing and number of new pickleball courts is as yet undecided. We were also given to understand that there is no plan to expand the number of pickleball courts from the current six courts until 2016. Given the situation that arose this past summer, many of the membership in attendance were surprised at hearing that there is no plan for additional courts (either permanent or temporary) in 2015. Based on the remarkable growth in the Club's membership, and the shortage of courts (as recorded during the recent court utilization study), it seems clear that the demand for court time will greatly outstrip availability during 2015.

Many of the Club members asked what they could do about that problem and my response (as an outgoing Board member) was that they should make their concerns known to the CA and to Pulte. Planning and resource allocation during the expansion is certainly the prerogative of Pulte (and in an advisory capacity, of the CA) but if we fail to apprise them of our concerns as Residents and Club members so that they can make the best decisions, then we have no one to blame but ourselves for an unsatisfactory outcome.

Several members asked me to provide the Club Membership with some "talking points" so that they could make the CA and Pulte aware of their concerns and support that their concern with facts as well as opinions. Here goes:

The USA Pickleball Association estimates that there has been a 600% increase in Pickleball participation nationally since 2006. Most of these "new" pickleball players occupy the same demographic profile as our Sun City residents and, more to the point, of the demographic currently purchasing homes in Sun City. Pickleball has experienced this growth because there are 10,000 baby boomers retiring every day. Participation in pickleball fits their desire for both social interaction and active recreation.

Here in Sun City, Pickleball Club growth has been explosive. Club membership has doubled in the last two years. During that same period the number of pickleball courts (thanks to Brent Baker, of Pulte) has increased from 4 to 6. The good news is that this action did help mitigate the impact of the Clubs growth. The bad news is that it has not enabled us to keep up with demand. In 2012 there were 66 Club members per court, in 2013 the Club had 87 members for each court and we now (thanks to Pulte's decision to add two courts) are at 73 members per court. Obviously, everyone can't play at 9:00 am! If the Club membership were to grow by "only" 84 members, we would be back at the 87 members per court. If the Club membership expands at the

same rate as the past two years, there might be in excess of 90 Club members for each court.

We need a solid near-term plan that is integrated with the Expansion Task Forces' long-range plans. Ideally the plan should be supported by Pulte, the CA and the Club. The plan should be cognizant of the fact that pickleball here is a pickup game, not a game for court reservations. That is one of the reasons that pickleball courts can support so many members. Four people (who individually decide to go play) can meet and play a game of pickleball in 15 minutes, and then four MORE people can use the court. In other words one pickleball court can allow sixteen Club members to participate in a given hour. This is MUCH higher "throughput" than any other club sport played in Sun City. It also enhances the social aspect of pickleball which is the other factor driving the popularity of pickleball.

Since many of the new owners will either have pickleball experience or be interested in the game, the initial orientation can be a key factor to a successful move into Sun City. The Club offers free introductory classes which are usually full. Approximately 60% of those who attend the Introductory Class become Club members and play regularly. Increased availability of pickleball courts during 2015 as the expansion kicks off should be a positive. More to the point, a shortage of courts, long waiting times for courts, etc. will fall short of the standards of excellence associated with Sun City facilities.

If the Expansion Plan cannot accommodate fast-tracking new pickleball courts, then the Plan should involve some temporary or interim court capacity to get the Club some breathing room until permanent facilities can be constructed. The one thing we should not do is nothing.

Court time is not hard to come by this winter but that has more to do with moderate temperatures and holiday travel than a lack of demand for court time. This will change late spring/early summer when operating hours are curtailed due to heat and more people are back home. I encourage all other club members to reach out, talk and write to the folks who make the decisions for our community. Let them know the impending urgency of our needs before we get into another summer of long lines and crabby members waiting to play.

If you, as a Club member and Resident, decide that you want to express your concerns to the appropriate parties, feel free to use the information provided to buttress your discussion. We have no interest in letter bombing people. Just keep in mind that if you drift into harassment or abuse, you are not helping yourself or the Club.

Keep it civil and adult; do not patronize or vilify the person to whom you address your remarks. Outline the situation, let them know you feel it is a problem that can be avoided, ask them to do so, provide your opinion as to options and thank them for considering your position.

Bill Treadway
Member

Response from the Editor – Let Your Voice Be Heard

Dear Bill,

You're not going to get an argument here. As a matter of fact, the agency and individuals to whom letters should be addressed are listed at the bottom of this page.

After reading your letter, I went back and reviewed the court schedule the club used last summer. I focused on club reserved time to determine the amount of playing time in a week that would be allocated per club member based on availability of the 6 courts and current club membership of 438 folks.

Before doing the math, I made some broad **assumptions** to maximize court usage. I assumed:

- We could play in the rain.
- We could see well enough to play with the lights on Courts 5 and 6 after 8 pm.
- Club hours would not be used for training, leagues or tournaments.
- Four players would occupy each court at all times.
- Players could be assigned to any court regardless of individual ability rating.
- An average game of pickleball, including any warm up, takes 15 minutes to complete.

Then I looked at the **facts**.

- According to the National Institute of Health, middle-aged (45- to 64-year-old) men and women are more work-heat-intolerant and suffer more physiological strain during heat acclimation than younger

individuals. Those over 65 are more likely to have a chronic medical condition that changes normal body responses to heat, and are more likely to take prescription medicines that impair the body's ability to regulate its temperature or that inhibit perspiration.

- The PASCT established summer club hours from April 1 – September 30th to preclude heat related health issues, while respecting the club rule not to reserve more than 50% court usage for club only play.
- Courts 1 thru 6 were scheduled for club play from 0700 - 1200, Monday thru Friday, providing a total of 150 hours of court availability (6 courts x 5 hours x 5 days) per week. Courts 5 and 6 were scheduled from 7 pm - 10 pm, Monday thru Friday providing a total of 30 hours of court availability (2 courts x 3 hours x 5 days) per week.

Cumulatively, during the summer months, there are a

total of 180 hours of court availability allocated to club member play per week. Multiplied by 60 minutes per hour, that equates to 10,800 available minutes per week.

- With 10,800 available minutes of court time per week divided by our current membership of 438, the bottom line is that there are only 90 minutes of club play time available per member per week during the summer months. This is a little more than 1 pickleball match per person per week.

The average player wants to engage in pickleball 3-5 times a week for 1-2 hours at a time. So, 90 minutes a week just doesn't cut it.

It seems to me the club has done everything within reason to maximize court usage. It employs a rack system, whereby a player puts his paddle in line to play the next available court. When a game is completed, departing players announce "court" and the next four move onto the court. If all

courts are occupied and there are more than 8 players waiting, play is limited to 1 game of 8 points, instead of a regulation game of 11 points, with a win by 2 points. In other words, we're pushing people through. Something needs to give.

The likelihood that any new pickleball courts will be fast tracked before this summer appears slim to none. I agree that interim alternatives need to be put in place until permanent facilities can be constructed.

Ways to accomplish this include designating a couple of tennis courts as multi-use - as many other communities have done; securing overhead shading for extended day play in the heat; installing improved lighting for night play, or building additional temporary courts (blacktop would work).

It is time to set politics and emotion aside, and just look at the facts. Write to the following points of contact to have your voice heard.

Kathy Carr
Editor

Names and Email Addresses of Expansion Committee, CA and Builder Points of Contact

Name	Organization	Email Address
Main Expansion Task Force Committee		expansiontaskforce@sctexas.org
Existing Amenities Improvements Committee		expansionexistingamenities@sctexas.org
Research Committee		expansionresearch@sctexas.org
Ron Garland, Chair	Main Expansion Task Force	brgarland1@gmail.com
Dennis Walter, Chair	Existing Amenities Improvements Committee	diwalter@verizon.net
Judy Butler, Chair	Research Committee	jbutler503@verizon.net
Jim Romine, Executive Director	Community Association	jim.romine@sctexas.org
Brent Baker, President	Board of Directors	brent.baker@pultegroup.com

Player Profile

By Kathy Carr
PASCT Communications Director

Each month, this section of Kitchen Talk will profile a different member of the Pickleball Club. It might be a new member or an “experienced” member. It could be a club volunteer, a friend, a board or committee member, or even you. The only prerequisite is that it is someone who shares an affinity for the game of pickleball.

Since this is the first month we’ve had this column, we’re going to bend the rules a little bit and profile an individual who is not actually a club member, but is a true aficionado of the game. If you haven’t met him already, next time you’re over at the courts, say hello to Rascal James McPartland, a Shih Tzu, Pekingese and Something Else Mix.



Rascal James McPartland

You’ll see Rascal hanging out right outside the pickleball court gate waiting for Jim, his owner, to finish playing. With 4 years of experience under his collar observing game after game after game of pickleball, He is an absolute fountain of knowledge on rules, skills

and strategy. So, if you have a question on line calls, he’s your man, uh, dog.

Rascal was adopted by Jim and Deb McPartland at the Wee Rescue in Austin nearly 5 years ago. It was a “just in time” rescue as he was

previously located at the Austin Humane Society and slated for a not so happy ending to his story. Fortunately, good things happen to good guys.

When he’s not over at the pickleball courts, you will likely find Rascal at the softball field – once again, waiting for Jim to finish playing. Described as a real “mello yellow,” Rascal stays at home when Jim plays golf. He does, however, have playtime every day at 4 pm with his next door neighbor, Brady. Occasionally, he runs over to play with Brad Duffy’s dog, Max.

Of all the sports, Rascal likes pickleball the best, and not for the reason we might suspect. As only other canines could appreciate, he gets to go in the creek for a swim after Jim is finished playing. Not a bad life, huh?

Silver Sneakers

By Nancy Grafton
Vice President

Oh, the weather outside is frightful (well, maybe just cold or wet), and you are eager to play pickleball. If you are a member of the Healthways Silver Sneakers® Fitness program, you can use your Silver Sneakers® card to visit participating fitness locations (one is the Georgetown Recreation

Center on Austin Avenue). Pickleball is offered on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at **no cost** to Silver Sneaker® cardholders.

There is no cost to join Silver Sneakers®; however, you must be over 65 years of age and a member of a Medicare

health plan that participates in the program (there are currently eleven in Texas). Visit their website at www.silversneakers.com for information about benefits, eligibility, and locations where the card is honored. We frequently use our card when we are traveling to

visit participating facilities.



Tactics and Techniques

Whether you're just getting started or you're playing at a higher level, there's always room for improvement. Every month we're going to try and publish pickleball skill development tips from respected sources throughout the pickleball community. This month's input to "Tactics and Techniques" comes from the Saddlebrook Ranch Pickleball Club in Arizona. It offers drills you can practice and incorporate into your arsenal of strategic shots.

Dink Relay Drill

- Players on each side of the net along the No Volley Line.
- Players dink (to anyone) until one player misses. That player is eliminated. Dinking resumes and when the next player misses, that player moves off the court and the initially eliminated player moves back onto the court.
- Iteration – same as above except once eliminated, players do not return to the court. Last person on the court wins the drill

Volley-Volley-Volley-Anything Goes Drill

- Four players on the court, two on each side at the No Volley Line.
- Player on one side starts a controlled volley cross court.
- Players have to complete three controlled volleys.
- After the third volley, players wait for the Kill Shot so they can hit an aggressive volley to try to end the point.
- Play a game to 7 scoring and changing sides the same as in a regular game.
- Players should concentrate on hitting the put away shot down the middle or at the feet of the opponents. Shot does not have to be hit hard.

Short Hop Drill

Definition: Half volley or short hop – a groundstroke shot where the paddle contacts the ball immediately after it bounces from the court and before the ball rises to its potential height.

- Two players at the No Volley Zone, one on each side of the court and two players on other side of court are about three feet behind the No Volley Zone.
- Players at the No Volley Zone are throwing a soft ball to the feet of the players across the net.
- Players behind the No Volley Zone are trying to hit a long dink "soft shot" over the net that lands in the Kitchen. Object is to hit a ball that is below the shoulders of the opponent so they cannot hit an aggressive volley.
- Key is to get into a crouch position and to get the right angle for your paddle in relation to how close you are to the net. The closer you are to the net, the greater the loft (angle) of your paddle.
- There is very little forward movement of the paddle (this depends on how hard the ball comes towards you).
- This is a FEEL shot and only comes through practice.

Volley Drill (A good warm up exercise)

- Play with one or two players on each side of the net.
- Aim to gently volley back and forth while trying to place your shots in close proximity to the receiver.
- Try to keep the ball moving back and forth across the net without it ever bouncing off the court – keep it in the air as much as possible.

Dink Shot (Another warm up exercise)

- Play with one or two players on each side of the net.
- Players are positioned just behind the No Volley Zone.
- Aim is to play dink shots (soft) which bounce inside the No Volley Zone and are returned as a dink shot by the receiving side.
- This exercise will build skill in hand/eye and footwork coordination. It is also very useful in getting players familiar with standing immediately outside of the No Volley Zone and using proper footwork to move side to side along the NVZ as well as moving into the Kitchen to position themselves to retrieve the ball once it has bounced.

So You Think You Know Me

First person not related to this guy who can guess who he is wins a free pickleball. Email your response to kathy.carr11@gmail.com. The correct answer will be published in the next Pickleball Express.

Hint: he's not as mean as he looks. He's one of us. He frequents the courts as a player, instructor and mentor. His contributions are not limited to Sun City as he has visited and assisted folks at most of the pickleball facilities throughout the North Austin Area.



OUT? What do you mean it was out?!! I hit the exact middle of the edge of the front part of the back part of the line!!!

Beginner's Pickleball Training

By Richard Bradley
Player Development Director

If you know an individual, club or neighborhood that would like to learn how to play pickleball, here is the upcoming training schedule for the first quarter of 2015. Please advise interested folks to contact the club's Player Development Director, Richard Bradley at rbradley1963@aol.com to schedule a class.

Beginner's Pickleball Training Schedule		
January 21, 2015	Wednesday	3:00 - 4:30 pm
January 24, 2015	Saturday	3:00 - 4:30 pm
February 21, 2015	Saturday	3:00 - 4:30 pm
February 25, 2015	Wednesday	3:00 - 4:30 pm
February 28, 2015	Saturday	3:00 - 4:30 pm
March 18, 2015	Wednesday	3:00 - 4:00 pm
March 21, 2015	Saturday	3:00 - 4:30 pm