



Kitchen Talk

Sun City Texas Pickleball Club Newsletter

February

FROM THE PRESIDENT



Well, 2020 is certainly off to a super-charged start. And the BIG question on everyone's mind is an update on Courts. At this time, we have no new news, but the key dates, if you chose to express your site selection opinion directly to the board, are the 2/13 workshop and 2/27 board meeting, otherwise you can email to

Residentcomment@sctexas.org.

As of today, the site for the 8 courts will be announced at the 2/27 Board Meeting. For other information, please refer to the SCTPC

Board Communicator Barb sent out on 1/21. We also appreciate everyone who came out to the Q&A last Saturday and we hope we answered your questions. If not, you know where to find us.

And, our 2020 board is off and running (Kathy is sprinting) so keep an eye on the horizon as many great things are coming.

Unfortunately we did have one injury from a fall that required a bit of sewing, but within a few days, the warrior was back on the courts playing the game we all love!

Be safe out there and remember, Safety First, Win the point second.

Ed Cahill

***"Patience is the ability to count down
before you blast off."***



CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

TREASURER'S REPORT *SUBMITTED BY ALLIE BOWER*



Sun City Pickleball: December 2019 & FY19 Financial Synopsis

The Club began the month of December with a balance of \$6,577 and ended with \$6,313 for a net loss of \$264; we had no recorded monthly income. All December income related to both new memberships and renewals (which numbered 347) is deferred by the CA to Jan 2020 and will be reflected in that update. Expenses totaled \$264.00 in support of training, court cameras, and miscellaneous administrative items.

FY19 Roll-up: We began the fiscal year with a balance of \$6,349 and ended with \$6,313 for a net loss of \$36. Income totaled \$15,579 offset by expenses of \$15,615. Special events income (mostly charitable donations) totaled \$8,710. Membership income totaled \$6,625 all used in support of club requirements and social events. Another \$244 was generated through T-Shirt sales mostly negated by cost of goods.

Based on available cash and projected income and expenditures, the club is postured financially to meet upcoming 2020 requirements associated with programs, leagues, training, and special events.

SURVEY - KICKBALL VS. BASEBALL? *SUBMITTED BY SHAZ DOUGLAS*



For one of our club's social events this year, we would like to take this survey to gauge interest in playing a Kickball tournament again in September or would you rather go to a Baseball game instead?

The Kickball tournament would again include free grilled hot dogs and chips.

For a group of 20 or more people, the Baseball tickets are about \$13 each and about \$5 for parking. People could carpool and we could buy a block of tickets and sit together as a group.



Log into your SCTexas.org account and click our [Pickleball Club website](#) to make your choice known.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Wow! We have quite a few new members to welcome. We are glad that you all have joined us to enjoy the fastest growing sport in America!

First Name	Last Name
Roger	Bentke
Fran	Brown
Doug	Brown
Michelle	Charbeneau
Frank	Charubin
Mike	Chow
Ernie	Ciarrochi
Mike	Danielson
Jolyn	Dawson
Kevin	Dawson
David	Demaris
Mike	Dugan
Susan	Dugan
Mike	Eads
Wayne	Edly
Glenn	Eichhorn
Sally	Eichhorn
Gail Redner-	Evans
Fred	Fass

First Name	Last Name
Phyllis	Frey
Valerie	Frye
Jan Dahlin	Geiger
Kevin	Gele
Sandy	Goodman
Carol	Graff
Di	Gray
Lonnie	Gray
Susan	Henckel
Edward	Herrschaft
Robin	Hooper
Steven	Hooper
Wayne	Huls
Katherine	Isgren
Barry	Johnson
Sue	Johnson
Judy	Johnson
Nels	Johnson
Tommy	Kaye
Bob	Knowles



NEW MEMBERS, CONT'D.

First Name	Last Name
Nancy	Knowles
Joseph	Lee
Grant	Leslie
Bob	Lichtenstein
Ron	McElyea
Pam	McElyea
Ann	Menendez
Ken	Menendez
Bobbi	Murphy
Peggy	Nappier
Gail	Neas
Cindy	Nelson
Claire	Phelan
Jim	Rabon
Pam	Roach
Mary	Schreitmueller
Randy	Schreitmueller
Jack	Schwab
Larry	Simmons

First Name	Last Name
Dennis	Simpson
David	Skinner
Christine	Smarda
Peter	Smarda
Ardath	Stewart
Anne	Sweet
John	Tait
Lynn	Taylor
Lance	Thompson
Angela	Tietz
Jules	Tolley
Danny	Tolley
Lin	Vernier
Ed	Walk
Sandy	Wallace
Jody	Westland
Jayne	Willets
Phil	Williams
Duane	Wilson



CLUB RULES REFRESHER

For all of our newer members in the club, here are a few FAQ concerning club rules, and the paddle rack system. As a reminder, all rules and regulations can be found on our website here - [Rules and Regulations](#)

Q: Can I bring a guest to play on our courts?

A: Yes, if you follow these rules (from "Court Rules and Regulations):

- Family and friends staying with Club members may play with the Club members present. (Exception – young children or adults who do not know how to play.)
- Family and friends of Club members who live within a hundred miles of Sun City can play with club members **once a week**. (Exception – young children or adults who do not know how to play.)

So basically this means that you can bring your house guests to play every day they are staying at your home if you wish. **If you have "local" friends, they can play here once per week.** They can NOT play one day as Susie's guest, then the next day as Fred's guest, then do a drill the next day with Matt, etc. It's once per week that a local person (within 100 miles) can use our courts. If you have questions about this, please contact a board member.

Q: What happens if there are two or three paddles in the "NEXT" section of the paddle rack, and then the groups after that have four paddles? Can the group of two or three players go on the next available court?

A: Yes, the two or three players can go on the next available court and wait for other player(s) to fill the court. (From "Paddle Rack System"):

- If a court becomes available, and 2 or 3 paddles are next in the rack, those players get the court. They get to play/practice until their foursome is completed. *
- *This last item is only meant to assist in increasing court flow and is NOT intended to be abused. SCTPC expects that all members will fill out the group whenever possible and, above all, will be courteous.



CLUB CALENDAR



February 2020 — Court Calendar

- Designated Courts Reserved for Club Training
- Designated Court Reserved for Matt Laz Lessons (\$)
- Designated Courts Reserved for Club Leagues
- Designated Courts Reserved for Novice Players Only
- Special Event at Location Listed

Courts 1—6 are located at Texas Drive

Courts 7-10 are Located at the Retreat

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<p>1 12-2 pm Beginner Mentoring Lsn 3. Courts 9 & 10</p> <p>2-4 pm Introduction to Pickleball Courts 9 & 10</p>
2	<p>3 12-2 pm Novice Play, Courts 5 & 6</p> <p>1-2 pm 2.5 Rated Player Drop-In League, Courts 1-4</p> <p>4-7 pm Mixed Ladder League.</p>	<p>4 1-6 pm Matt Laz Lessons Court 6</p> <p>1-3 pm Men & Women Singles League Courts 1-4</p> <p>4-7 pm Men & Women Doubles Ladder</p>	<p>5 12-2 pm Novice Play, Courts 9 & 10</p> <p>1-3 pm 3.0 Rated Player Drop-In League</p>	<p>6 12-1 pm Skills & Drills #3 Courts 9 & 10</p> <p>1-6 pm Matt Laz Lessons Court 7</p> <p>1-2 pm 3.5 Rated Player Drop-In League, Courts 1-6</p>	7	<p>8 12-2 pm Beginner Mentoring, Lsn 4 Courts 9 & 10</p> <p>2-4 pm Introduction to Pickleball Courts 9 & 10</p>
9	<p>10 12-2 pm Novice Play, Courts 5 & 6</p> <p>1-2 pm 2.5 Rated Player Drop-In League, Courts 1-4</p> <p>4-7 pm Mixed Ladder League, Courts 7-10</p>	<p>11 1-6 pm Matt Laz Lessons Court 6</p> <p>1-3 pm Men & Women Singles League Courts 1-4</p> <p>4-7 pm Men & Women Doubles Ladder Courts 7-10</p>	<p>12 12-2 pm Novice Play, Courts 9 & 10</p> <p>1-3 pm 3.0 Rated Player Drop-In League, Courts 1-6</p>	<p>13 1-2 pm 3.5 Rated Player Drop-In League, Courts 1-6</p> <p>1-6 pm Matt Laz Lessons Court 7</p> <p>2-4 pm Intermediate Trng Lesson 4 Makeup Courts 9 & 10</p>	<p>14 1-2 pm Courts 1-4 4.0+ Rated Player Drop-In League,</p> <p>2-4 pm Intermediate Trng, Lesson 5 Makeup Courts 9 & 10</p>	<p>15</p> <p>2-4 pm Intermediate Trng, Lesson 6 Makeup Courts 9 & 10</p>
16	<p>17 12-2 pm Novice Play, Courts 5 & 6</p> <p>1-2 pm 2.5 Rated Player Drop-In League, Courts 1-4</p> <p>4-7 pm Mixed Doubles Ladder League, Courts 7-10</p> <p>2-4 pm Intermediate Trng, Lsn 7 Makeup Courts 9 & 10</p>	<p>18 1-3 pm Courts 1-4 Men & Women Singles Ladder</p> <p>1-6 pm Matt Laz Lessons Court 6</p> <p>4-7 pm Men's/Women's Ladder League, Courts 7-10</p>	<p>19 12-2 pm Novice Play, Courts 9 & 10</p> <p>1-3 pm 3.0 Rated Player Drop-In League, Courts 1-6</p>	<p>20 1-2 pm 3.5 Rated Player Drop-In League, Courts 1-6</p> <p>1-6 pm Matt Laz Lessons Court 7</p>	<p>21 1-2 pm Courts 1-4 4.0+ Rated Player Drop-In League,</p>	<p>22 2-4 pm Introduction to Pickleball Courts 9 & 10</p> <p>4-6 pm Beginner Mentoring Classes Lsn 1</p>
23	<p>24 12-2 pm Novice Play, Courts 5 & 6</p> <p>1-2 pm 2.5 Rated Player Drop-In League, Courts 1-4</p> <p>4-7 pm Mixed Doubles Ladder League, Courts 7-10</p>	<p>25 1-3 pm Courts 1-4 Men & Women Singles Ladder League,</p> <p>1-6 pm Matt Laz Lessons Court 6</p> <p>4-7 pm Men's/Women's Doubles Ladder, Courts 7-10</p> <p>7-9 pm BYO Drinks and Paddles, Courts 7-10</p>	<p>26 12-2 pm Novice Play, Courts 9 & 10</p> <p>1-3 pm 3.0 Rated Player Drop-In League, Courts 1-6</p>	<p>27 1-3 pm 3.5 Rated Player Drop-In League, Courts 1-6</p> <p>1-6 pm Matt Laz Lessons Court 7</p> <p>4-6 pm Skills & Drills #1 Courts 9&10</p>	<p>28 1-2 pm Courts 1-4 4.0+ Rated Player Drop-In League,</p>	<p>29</p> <p>4-6 pm Beginner Mentoring Classes Lsn 2 Courts 9 & 10</p>

Note: Court Calendar activities subject to change due to inclement weather. As of 27 Jan 20



CHALK TALK by Kathy Carr, Director of Player Development

Get to Know the Rules

It's becoming more of a common occurrence where players sign up for a tournament and discover when they get there that only the medal round matches have referees to enforce the rules. The result is the same as game play here in Sun City, where we must rely on the knowledge and integrity of the 4 players on the court to make sure the right calls are made.

Here's a story from Diane Cleaver, one of our members who is playing at a regional tournament in Florida. It reinforces the reason why we all need to know the rules and what our options are when we disagree with a call. Click on [USAPA-Rulebook](#) to download a free copy of the Official 2020 Pickleball Rulebook. If you are one of the exceptional few of us that knew all of the 2019 Rules, click on [USAPA-Rule-Changes](#) to review the changes for 2020.

Diane writes us from Florida...

This week I was playing in a tournament and had a number of questionable calls. We had no referee and did not know what our options were. For instance, I was stable at the NVZ line. My husband, Bob, was receiving the serve. The third shot came to me and I volleyed it back to the feet of the player near the baseline. She called a foot fault on me and said that her team won the point. Bob and I did not agree. Her partner didn't know what happened. I asked her what she saw and whether she saw me step into the NVZ. I was stable and just punched my paddle. She said that I did not step in the kitchen, but my foot hit the outside of the line and then moved back. She was 30 feet away from me when I volleyed the ball back to her. We awarded them the point as she was quite convincing we had no choice. In this match, several of these questionable calls impacted the close outcome.

Under the new 2020 rules, Diane could have tackled the issue and perhaps won the point. Paragraph 13.D of the rulebook addresses Player Line and Fault Call Responsibilities. It says in non-officiated sanctioned play, players may call NVZ faults and service foot faults on the opponents' side of the court. If there is any disagreement among players about the called fault, a REPLAY shall occur. Additionally, any player may request a referee or Tournament Director if the player reasonably believes that a rule is being consistently and deliberately violated by their opponent or a situation arises where players are not able to quickly and easily resolve a dispute.

Diane knows what to do next time, but do you? Get to know the rules.



VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

A "Volunteer Appreciation" Pizza Party was held on January 29, 2020 to thank all of our volunteers who assisted with training, tournaments, events, etc. last year. SCTPC is the embodiment of our "Fun, Friends and Fitness" motto because of all of our terrific volunteers who put so much time and effort into our club. THANK YOU ALL!



A special "thanks" to Shaz Douglas, our Social Committee Chairperson, for organizing this fun event. And also to Dare Plantz for the great photos!



FROM OUR DISTRICT AMBASSADOR



Chuck Flanagan

New Rules and Places to Play

I closed out last month's column with a question: "While we're on the subject of the NVZ, take another look at Rule 9.B. It seems pretty straightforward, doesn't it? There is, however, an exception to this and it's in the rule book. If you find it, send an email identifying the rule to: Chuck.flanagan@gmail.com

Since no one was able to identify the rule last month, I thought I'd try again by offering a strong hint. Ready? Here it comes..."This year's Mid-South Regional Pickleball tournament will include a Wheelchair Hybrid Doubles event."

While we're on the subject of rules, the USAPA has made a few rule changes for 2020. That's if you can think of 94 changes as, "a few." Fortunately, most of the changes are merely language changes to clarify intent, combine existing rules, etc. I started to list the significant rule changes and include them here but when I started on page three I decided that just

including a link would suffice. So, if you're really interested in all the changes, including short descriptions of why and possible scenarios, here's a link to that document and note that the new rules were effective as of January 15th.

[USAPA 2020 Rule Changes](#)

January is Places to Play (P2P) update month for the USAPA. That means that ambassadors all over the country are reviewing the P2P web site and insuring that the information listed for places in their areas is up to date. Have you used the P2P web site in your travels? We certainly do.

Elaine and I spent most of December and early January in Naples, Florida. As you may know, Naples, and specifically East Naples Community Park, is the home of the US Open Pickleball Championships. The park currently has 54 dedicated courts that are set aside for specific levels of play (2.5, 3.0, 3.5, & 4.0+). This alone made it easy for us to find players and get in games that best matched our skill levels. The exciting thing for them is that they will have an additional 40 courts as well as several indoor courts and a 3,500 seat championship stadium within the next two years. Maybe our club's social chair should promote a road trip next winter!



VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

January 2020 - Janice Cozart



Nominated by Shaz Douglas

Janice Cozart had an unwavering dedication to organizing and overseeing the Sun City Junior Camp program for several years.

Junior Camp involves 80 campers ages 7-11 that are grandchildren of Sun City residents. During the 2 weeks of camp, Janice and her helpers supply pickleball training from 8-12 pm one morning each week. Each age group has 30 minutes of pickleball training. The campers are excited and eager to learn this fun sport and Janice says that they are a joy to work with.

Janice secured youth paddles for the campers and she organized her team of volunteers to help the groups of campers learn the basics of

pickleball, as well as assisting children who need more help, ensuring that the campers are safe and well hydrated, as well as dealing with overheating, wasp stings and minor injuries. Janice's daughter, Laura pitched in to buy water and snacks for the volunteers, set up and clean up, as well as keeping an eye on her mom to keep her hydrated, as Janice gets so involved in what she is doing with the campers that she would forget to drink water herself! Janice says she couldn't have managed the camp without Laura's help.

Janice feels that children really need a sport like pickleball for healthy outdoor exercise, developing skills and teamwork. She says that the campers love pickleball and rate it as one of their favorite activities! Janice says that she is very grateful to have had such wonderful volunteers who made it all happen.

Sadly, Junior Camp has been discontinued for Sun City liability reasons and the Junior Campers will miss Janice and her helpers, but appreciated their hard work and dedication to their fun pickleball learning experiences.

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



GOOD WORKS

Thanks once again to everyone who participated in our "Dinks and Dogs" event and donated toys and money to the Georgetown Blue Santa Program.



Georgetown Blue Santa Program

January 10, 2020

Sun City Pickleball
c/o Community Association
2 Texas Drive, Building A
Georgetown, TX 78633

Dear Friend of Blue Santa,

The Georgetown Police Department's Blue Santa Management Team, which includes members of our Georgetown Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association, a 501(c)(3) non-profit managing all donations for our Blue Santa Program, are honored to acknowledge receipt of your very generous donation in the amount of \$1,200.00. If needed, please consider this letter as your donation receipt for tax purposes.

In 2019, we distributed toys to over 1,600 underprivileged Georgetown children. We collected thousands of toys from community business toy drives and individual community events, but a lot of the time the toy donations do not cover the age requirements for those families seeking toys. Please know that by participating in our Friends of Blue Santa Program, your monetary donation helps us bridge that gap by providing us the opportunity to purchase supplemental toys and special gift items that meet the needs of all age groups.

As an individual, event group, business, or in-kind friend, you receive a few special acknowledgements from us. Business supporters are listed on our website and members of our community are encouraged to do business with you. All Friends names will appear on our Blue Santa webpage and in our annual thank you ad that appears in our local media. It is our way of saying thanks for being a Friend of Blue Santa.

With your continued support, we can ensure every Georgetown child will have a joyous Christmas. Your gifts may also help children in other ways through our Blue Santa Cares project by providing toys to children who are victims of crisis situations, such as house fires or domestic violence, and children who may just need a little reminder of how special they are during recovery from a long-term illness.

If you have questions about our Blue Santa Program, please contact us at 512-930-2747 and ask to speak with the Blue Santa Program Manager. We sincerely appreciate your help and hope you continue to be a valued member of our Friends of Blue Santa Program.

Sincerely,
Georgetown Police Department
Blue Santa Program Management Team
3500 D.B. Wood Road
Georgetown, TX 78628

The Georgetown Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization managing donations to the Blue Santa Program. Our Federal Tax ID number is available upon request.



TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Oklahoma State Games - 1/24/20 - 1/26/20



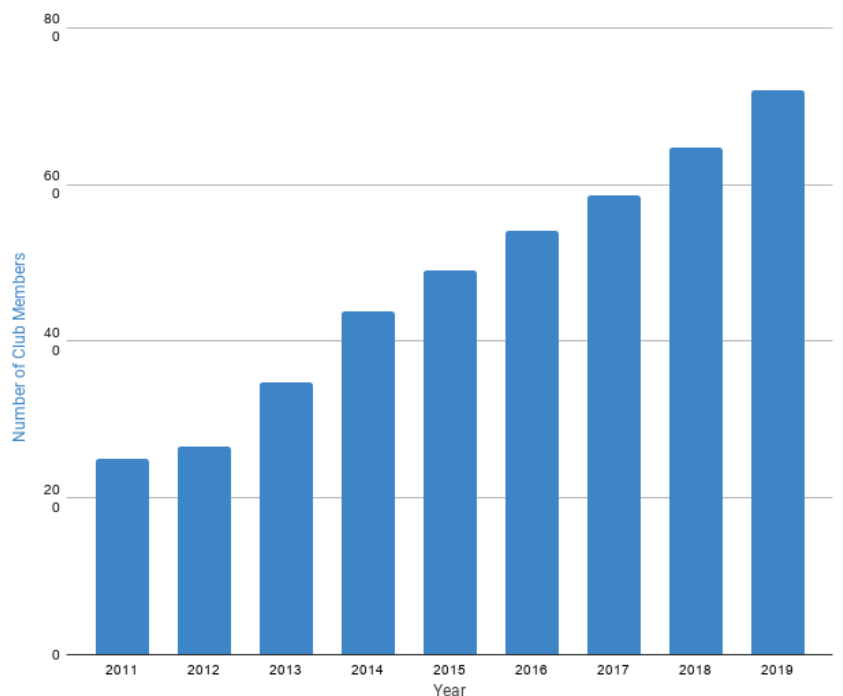
Don Hunt and Tom Hamilton, Gold - Men's Doubles 4.0, 70+

Tournament players - please remember to submit your photos to SCTXPickleball@gmail.com so they can be included on our Facebook page and in our newsletters.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Sports & Fitness Industry Association (SFIA) 2018 Pickleball Participant Report reports that pickleball currently has **3.1 million** players in the US - an increase of 12% over the previous year. Here in Sun City, the sport has also taken off as shown by the growth of our membership over the years. Last year we ended up with 720 paid members; we expect to be at 800-850 (maybe more) by the end of 2020.

Number of Sun City Texas Pickleball Club Members





JOKES AND FUN STUFF

FROM THE RACINE JOURNAL TIMES

submitted by Larry Black

BURLINGTON — The Burlington Liars Club has announced its 2019 winners for Lie of the Year, carrying on a tradition 89 years in the making.

This year a previous winner took back the crown. Bragging rights went to Daryl Lockwood, of Waupaca, the club's first double winner. Lockwood previously won in 2013.

He got chuckles from the judges and won with this entry:

"I went to the bank yesterday and asked the clerk to check my balance. She came out from behind the counter and pushed me over!"

DON'T BE LATE!

submitted by Jim Truho

A woman was cranky because her husband was late coming home again decided to leave a note saying, "I've had enough and I have left you, don't bother coming after me." Then she hid under the bed to see his reaction.

After a short while the husband comes home and she could hear him in the kitchen before he came into the bedroom. She could see him walk to the dresser and pick up the note.

After a few minutes he wrote something on it before picking up the phone and calling someone. She heard him say, "She's gone, yeah, I know, about bloody time. I'm coming to see you, put on that sexy French nighty. I love you, can't wait to see you. We'll do all the naughty things you like."

He hung up, grabbed his keys and left. She heard the car drive off as she came out from under the bed. Seething with rage and tears in her eyes she grabbed the note to see what he had written.

"I can see your feet. We're out of bread, be back in five minutes."





MORE FUN STUFF



One minute you are young and carefree. The next minute, you're turning down the radio in your car to see better.

2020 SCTPC BOARD MEMBERS AND MANAGERS



Ed Cahill
President



Allie Bower
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Barb Patterson
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Wayne Schaefer
Ball Machine Coordinator



Judy Blackman
Secretary



Dare Plantz
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Shaz Douglas
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