

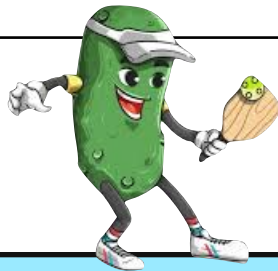
PebbleCreek Pickleball

Monthly Club

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Upcoming Dates

BOD Meeting June 19, 3 pm
In the Milan Room @ Tuscany Falls



Scotty Johnson, "BALL GUY" has retired after 10 years of keeping the courts supplied with new balls. Everyone knows him and we will all miss him. Best of luck to you, Scotty.



Balls were left on the Court after the players have left the Court.

Can you guess what is wrong with these two pickleball courts



How Heat Affects the Pickleball

During the heat of the summer, especially in Arizona, pickleballs tend to go out of round and become mushy in high temperatures, compromising its play-ability. This is because the plastic softens in the heat, altering the ball's hardness and shape, which in turn affects its bounce and the overall performance.

In hot weather, the softening of the plastic results in slower play. This especially affects powerful smash shots because they become less effective with softer balls.

To mitigate this effect, please ensure that all balls are put back in the ball sleeves after every game. This helps maintain the firmness of the balls, ensuring a more consistent play quality in high temperatures.

Thank you for picking up the ball(s) you use after every game and putting them back in the sleeve.



*A message from:
Bob Weldon
President*

I'm pleased with the progress the Board and Committees are making behind the scenes. As we go full force into the summer months, it may appear that not much is happening, but I assure you the Committees are hard at work. We understand that there are still kinks that need to be worked out in the North Courts allocation. Please be patient as we do our due diligence. Now that the courts are in use we can begin to reevaluate how better to utilize all 36 courts for maximum benefit to our members and the community at large. Until then, may I please encourage everyone to be helpful and kind on the courts.

Bob Weldon, President

PebbleCreek Pickleball Club

WHAT?? I CAN'T HEAR YOU!!

Yes, the North Courts are right under the Luke flight path and scores will be nearly impossible to hear. Scores can be given with hand signals to ease the strain on your vocal cords. We all already know one through five. Six through ten are the same but downward. Zero is a closed fist.



It only takes an hour of your time. Please take your turn to help the Club, Thank You.

How can I help my pickleball community you ask? Here is an easy way to give back: Volunteer for one month to help straighten up the courts. It takes very little time to straighten up the chairs, make sure the balls are in the sleeves and gates are locked. Feel free to call me and I can answer any questions you have. 661-904-1954 Michelle McKee

Thank you to **Kit and Daryl May** for cleaning both courts in May



*A message from:
Pam Cagle
Secretary*

This month I would like to send a BIG THANK YOU to the volunteers that make sure we get newsletters and articles in the PebbleCreek Post.

Charla McGue has written and formatted the club newsletter.

Pam McWhorter has written the club articles for the PebbleCreek Post

Sandy Stimola and **Dotti Kirkpatrick** have proof read for the newsletter and Post articles.

Each of these player volunteers started this work April 2023 and agreed to continue for

the current board. Another player volunteer that has worked hard for the past year and is continuing another year and deserves a BIG THANK YOU is **Kathy Delaney**. Kathy has organized, and will continue to organize volunteers, decorations, food and drinks for all of the club tournaments and social events



Future Events (current dates are subject to change)

June 19	Member Board Meeting	Dec 7	Toy Drive - morning
July 4	Breakfast Potluck Social w/Games	Dec 6 & 8	Team Challenge - afternoon
July 17	Member Board Meeting	Dec 18	Member Board Meeting
Aug 21	Member Board Meeting	Jan 15	Member Board Meeting
Sept 13	End of Summer Round Robins	Jan 25, 26	MLP Event possibly
Sept 18	Member Board Meeting	Feb 19	Member Board Meeting
Sept 30	Start Winter Round Robins	Feb 26, 27, 28	PCPBC 9 th Annual Tournament
Oct 16	Member Board Meeting	Mar 19	Member Board Meeting
Nov 1, 2, 3	Final Four Tournament	Mar 21, 22, 23	Club Championship Tournament
Nov 20	Member Board Meeting		

Name Badges: Please **do not take the magnetic back off a new members new badge** on the board in the ice room. If you need a magnetic back email secretary@pcpickleball.org.

To order a replacement name badge place a \$7 check in the gray lockbox in the ice room in the Central Courts ramada. If you want your name different than what is on the check write the name in the memo section of the check with "new badge." The timeline to receive your badge is generally 2-3 weeks. If you have ordered a name badge and have not yet received your badge, please contact me, your Club Secretary, Pam Cagle, at secretary@pcpickleball.org.

Attention:

One of the two new committees added this year is a Grievance Committee, with Jeff Antrican as the chairman. If you have a member to member or member to officer grievance, please complete the form found at <http://www.pcpickleball.org/grievance>. (This is not for rating grievances, please).

Pam Cagle, Secretary
PebbleCreek Pickleball Club

DROP-IN PLAY GUIDELINES

THE PURPOSE OF DROP-IN PLAY IS TO PROVIDE GROUPS OF LESS THAN 4 PLAYERS THE OPPORTUNITY TO FIND PICK-UP GAMES WITH PLAYERS APPROXIMATING THEIR COMPETITIVE LEVEL.

Courts are identified by level – Players are expected to play at their level or below.

Paddles are placed in the box, in one continuous line, for the courts the player is eligible to play.

Players move onto the court in the order of the paddles.

One player picks up the first 4 paddles and hands them out to the other players.

Play one game to 11, win by 1 and then rotate off and put your paddle at the end of the other paddles in the box.

Paddles cannot be moved forward once in the box to play with any specific player.

If there are not enough players to fill a 4-some on any court a combination of different level players are welcome to play. However, when there are 4 players at the identified level, the court should return to play at that level.

- Games are allowed to finish except when a club event is at its start time.
- During busy drop-in times, if there are a large number of players waiting for courts and only 4 at another, pickleball etiquette dictates that the identified level should rotate games with a group of 4. We do not want any one group to be able to dominate one court while there are long lines of paddles waiting for other levels.
- If there are not enough players to fill a 4-some of level play, those players waiting should determine what court they can offer the best play and join that box. Although most players enjoy being able to “play up” please remember that also requires other players to “play down” at your lower level.

Drop In Courts priority of play, however, drop in courts are meant to be shared, events take priority.

1. Identified Level Play
2. Other drop-in play
3. Open Play

DROP-IN CURRENT COURT ALLOCATION

Central	Level	North	Level
1	4.25 +	33	2.5 - 3.0
2	3.5 - 4.0	34	3.0 - 3.5
9 Beginner/Novice	2.0 - 3.0	35	3.5 - 4.0
10 Beginner/Novice	2.0 - 3.0	36	4.0 +
11	3.0 - 3.5		
12	3.0 - 3.5		

<u>Level</u>	<u># of Courts</u>
2.0	2
2.25	2
2.50	3
2.75	3
3.0	6
3.25	3
3.5	5
3.75	2
4.0	3
4.25	2
4.5 +	2

POD	Court(s)	Type of Play
1	1	Drop-In, Events
2	2	Drop-In, Events
3	3 - 5	Open Play, Events
4	6 - 8	Open Play, Events
5	9 - 12	Drop-In, Events
6	13 - 16	Open Play, Events
7	17 - 20	Open Play, Events
8	21 - 32	Open Play, Events
9	33 - 36	Drop-In, Events

OPEN PLAY GUIDELINES

THE PURPOSE OF OPEN PLAY IS TO PROVIDE GROUPS OF 4 OR MORE PEBBLECREEK HOMEOWNERS/RENTERS AND THEIR GUESTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO PLAY GAMES AMONGST THEMSELVES.

Games use traditional scoring to 11 points - win by 1.

One player in the group, places the paddles of the 4 players playing into the box.

All players must be present before paddles are placed into the box.

No player may place an extra paddle in the box – 1 player 1 paddle.

Paddles are placed into the box. The first group of 4 paddles waiting will have a band/necklace hung around them, indicating they are the next group to play. When the next group gathers their paddles from the box, they move the necklace/band clockwise to the next set of paddles.

Paddles remain at the same spot in the box and the band/necklace moves from group to group.

If there is a group of 5 or more players who want to play together, the 5th paddle must wait until the players come off the court to put their paddle in the queue. One player may not save a place in the box for the others to join.

For groups using more than 1 court, paddles must be exchanged for mixing up the players before they are placed in the box.

Only the paddles in the box determine the next group going onto the court, not the group closest to the court.

LOOK FOR THE NEXT EDITION ON JUNE 30, 2024