

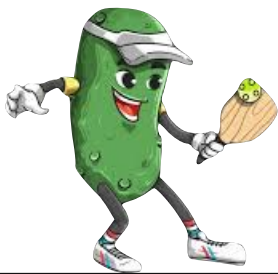
PebbleCreek Pickleball

Monthly Club Newsletter

April, 2024

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Upcoming Dates

BOD Meeting May 22nd, 3 pm.
In the Milan Room @ Tuscany Falls



Volunteers working at the North Courts

New Board of Directors Are Elected



Marty Braden, Pam Cagle, Bob Weldon, Lori McLinton and Jonathan Colter

North Courts Are Now Open For Play

After years of anticipation, they are finally open and the club sponsored a coffee and donut social for the event. Here is the schedule for the **North Courts**:

April 26 & 27 - will be drop in only.

April 28 thru May 9 - will be open play and drop in.

May 10 to the end of the summer 12 Courts will be open play and 4 Courts will be drop in.

NOTE: Most summer events (such as womens/ mens round robins) will be held at the North Courts and schedules will be out as soon as possible.

The schedule for the **Central Courts** will be as following:

May 10 to the end of the summer courts will be used for drop in and open play.

NOTE: Mixed Round Robins and all tournaments will be held at the Central Courts due to parking, seating, speaker system, etc.



*A message from:
Bob Weldon
President*

I am excited about the prospects and challenges ahead of me as President of our Club. I want to thank everyone for your support and encouragement over the past few months. As many of you know, I am passionate about Pickleball and this Club and my primary goal will be to bring more fun and laughter to the Courts. I welcome any suggestions on how this can be accomplished.

The Board has already made some significant changes that will ensure that the voice of the members will be heard. The creation of formal committees as advisors to the Board is one of the best means of collaboration for betterment. Coupled with the creation of two new committees, Fun/Entertainment committee and Grievance committee, I expect this year to bring some positive energy to our courts. Thank you to all the committee chairpersons and volunteers that make up this body of advisors; I'm looking forward to working with you.

Another very fun event that is about to happen is the opening of the North Courts. It has been a long time coming and I know you are as excited about it as I am. As part of this exciting event, I want to have a little fun. The Board is having a "Name the New Structure" contest. At the Central Courts we have the Ramada as the main building. What will we call the building at the North Courts? Send your suggestions to Communication@pcpickleball.org. Winning entry will receive a \$50 PebbleCreek gift card. What will your suggestion be?

Some of you have already heard from attending the Board meeting that the Board has elected to eliminate the colored rating system completely and replace it with a quarter increased numeral based rating system, 3.25 - 3.50 - 3.75, etc. The Rating Committee will be looking into what other changes, if any, should be recommended to improve the club rating system.

Coaching for Courts has been very successful and has raised more money than we expected for the North courts. We want to keep this fundraising event an active part of our Club. Having access to top notch coaching to improve your skills and advance your game is a huge benefit to our members. The Board would like to recommend that a donation of \$20 per person be considered by everyone choosing to use Coaching for Courts as we move forward.

There is much work to be done and we have a great team in place to get it done. Feel free to pass along suggestions to the appropriate person in email. Remember, when they are on the courts they are there having fun with their friends too. Email is the best way to contact them.

Lets all have some fun at the Courts today,

Bob Weldon, President



*A message from:
Jonathan Colter
Vice President*

As I write this message to all our members, we're only two weeks into our term as a new Board. So much activity is already underway.

- Our final phase in opening the new courts is progressing well. Thank you, Marty Braden for all the time and effort undertaken in making this project (a soon to be) reality.
- Our committee chairpersons for many of our committees have been selected and waiting for Board approval at our next board meeting on April 17th.
- Our Summer schedule has been revised, updated and will be presented for Board approval by Tom Skinner at our April 17th meeting. Thank you Tom Skinner, Jennifer Tamparo, Glen Schneider, Kerry Walsh and Bill Cagle for providing a schedule addressing the multiple scheduling needs of our club.
- Additional fundraising projects by several of our members willing to volunteer their time have been presented to our Board for approval. The dedication repeatedly exemplified by our membership to causes that benefit our club, as well as organizations outside of PebbleCreek, reflects the character of our pickleball community.

As President, Bob Weldon has made it clear he'd like to see the "fun" come back to pickleball play. Our Board is committed to "stepping back" and "taking in" the MANY positive actions past Boards have created while seeking new paths that continue to fulfill the needs and wants of our members. This is a big undertaking, but one our community can achieve. Let's start by thinking more INCLUSIVE. Let's focus on the positive efforts of so many that have helped us get to where we are. Let's remember we are neighbors and friends FIRST. Let's support each other here in PebbleCreek to improve the quality of lives we all desire.

I'd like to end this message once again thanking all the members for giving me a chance to contribute to our Club in the capacity of Vice President. I look forward to a marvelous year of fun, laughter, social play and competitive play. When you have a chance, take a moment to step back and look at everything around you. See if this brief moment reveals a sense of Gratitude, Appreciation, Kind Thoughts, a Sense Of Community and a PERSPECTIVE that truly reflects who we really are.

Cordially,

Jonathan Colter
Vice President
PebbleCreek Pickleball Club



*A message from:
Pam Cagle
Secretary*

I would like to thank everyone that took a month to straighten the courts this past year when I ran the Furniture Committee while also being the club secretary. The most wonderful part of this is I never had to ask for a volunteer, everyone volunteered without being asked. A BIG thank you to Michele McKee for now replacing me on the Furniture Committee.

2023	April	Valerie and Todd Spiegel
	May	Brenda and Scott Weide
	June	Judy and Jeff Gauvin
	July	Karen and Jimmy LaFever
	August	Becky and Alan Collinsworth
	September	Lori and Doug Adair
	October	Teena and Joe Lorino
	November	Pam and Greg Leeming
	December	Koni and Mark Hohnbaum
2024	January	Jeff Jacobsen
	February	Sue Ellis
	March	Debbie and Glenn Schneider

Thank You



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 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.

Pam Cagle
Secretary
PebbleCreek Pickleball Club



Name the North Court Main Building:

We call the Central Courts' structure "The Ramada"... What is your suggestion for the North Court structure? Send a suggestion to communication@pcpickleball.org for a chance to win a \$50 PebbleCreek gift card.

Correction from previous issue:
The 2024 Club Championship
Mixed Double Gold Medalist for
2.5 division, Ages 50 - 64, were
Belinda and John Zelinger
Our apologies for the
misspelling.



GOOD NEWS FOR OUR SUMMER EARLY BIRD RR PARTICIPANTS!!

Your Court Allocation Committee recommended, and the Board accepted, offering Mixed Round Robin events at 6 am at our **Central Courts** this summer. **We now are waiting for the HOA board to approve the 6 am Round Robin.** Once we have approval we will let you know.

Not to confuse anyone, but please be aware that our womens and mens Round Robin events will be held at the **North Courts**. Keep this in mind when you sign up. We asked Martha Urbin if she could run her train up/down Sarival to transport our PB players between locations but apparently she has conflicts that would prohibit her from assisting all of us. Bummer.

Your Court Allocation Committee is working quickly to finalize and post the complete summer schedule and it will be out soon. If you have any questions in regards to the Round Robin events please contact:

Mens RR Captain: Bill Cagle

Womens RR Captain: Jennifer Tamparo

Mixed RR Captain: Glenn Schneider

Fun on the Pickleball Courts

Sota Can - Minnesota vs Canada

Twelve Minnesotan members and twelve Canadian members got together for some regional rivalry and Pickleball fun. Rumor has it that this was their 2nd Annual event.

Using the MPL format with womens, mens and mixed challenges, they battle it out to see who would become the reigning champions. In a very close match, Canada won this year by 3 points ! Congratulations! After the challenge, the group had a lovely dinner together.

It is fun when friends get together for some Pickleball fun and with the North Courts opened now, we have lots of opportunity.



TOP TIER MLP TOURNAMENT

Our 4,0 to 5.0 members teamed up for 4 games of womens doubles, mens doubles and mixed doubles. There was a tie breaker settled in a match of skinny singles - which was amazing and the observing crowd grew and got very rowdy. The teams were: Indirect Attackers (Gold): Howard Mendel, Tony Wells, Mary Kozak and Maggie Charlton. Hotshot Crew (Silver): Javier Barron, Stacie Barron, Kerry Krueger and DeEtte Wurm. Hooks & Ladders (Bronze): Steve Manns, Moe Crandall, Andrea Dinger and Mike Huber. Lets Keep Having Fun.



Look for our next edition of the
Pebble Creek Pickleball Newsletter
on May 30, 2024