

August 8, 2025

Here is the latest update for the Pickleball Club:

It has been six weeks since the last club email, so this one is full of good information regarding the club. Please take a few minutes to read it and consider helping out in some of the areas mentioned below.

**Tournaments:** The dates for the two upcoming pickleball tournaments have been set. The first tournament will be held on November 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. The proceeds from this tournament will benefit our club and allow us to continue to provide balls, equipment (like the ERNE machine) and host other activities like the socials. The second tournament will be January 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> 2026, and the proceeds from that tournament will allow us to sponsor the charity event held at the Community Hall called the SCC Men's Golden Review. Tournaments will be open to SCC members and other 55+ players in the local area.

Both tournaments will follow the same format: on Saturday the tournament will consist of women's doubles and men's doubles for ALL skill levels (beginner to advanced). On Sunday we will play mixed doubles, again for ALL skill levels. It will be a round robin format where you will play other teams at or near your skill level. In addition to playing pickleball, there will be gift baskets (more information to follow as to how you can assist in this effort) and club promotional items for sale as well. Flyers with all the pertinent information as well as entry forms will be available in early to mid-September.

**Holiday Party:** Because everyone is very busy during the December holiday season, the board decided to hold the annual pickleball club event on Friday, January 30<sup>th</sup> to maximize participation. It will be a catered event with music, so please save the date!

**November Elections:** On Monday, November 17<sup>th</sup> there will be a fall membership meeting as well as elections for three open positions on the board. Please consider running for a position to help guide the club into the future. We also need a three-person Nominating Committee to obtain candidates for these seats as well as run the election at this meeting.

**Summer Play:** The trial period where club hours were suspended expires on August 31<sup>st</sup>. On September 1<sup>st</sup> we are back to our usual club hours of 7 am to 11 am and 6 pm to 10 pm Mondays through Saturdays. As the temperature and humidity remain high, please remember to hydrate and take frequent breaks when on the courts.

**Pickleball Clinics:** No scheduled clinics for the summer. If you want lessons, please contact Greg Eisman directly at 985-285-6267.

**Summary of Volunteer Opportunities:**

- assist with the planning and execution of both tournaments
- gift basket donations
- three open board positions for 2026
- nomination committee for elections

- assistance with January 2026 club party

As you can see, there are plenty of opportunities to help. If you are interested in any of these areas, please respond to this email (do NOT reply to all) and someone will contact you soon.

**Call for Charitable Organizations:** The club has budgeted to donate money to charitable organizations in the local area. If you or someone you know is deserving of funds, please respond to [gregeisman1982@gmail.com](mailto:gregeisman1982@gmail.com) with the name of the organization, purpose of the organization and amount of funds requested. The board will consider all submissions and make their decisions towards the end of the year.

**Group Leaders:** If you have a group that plays on a regular basis, please have the leader contact John Orton at [johnortonvp@gmail.com](mailto:johnortonvp@gmail.com) with the day and time their group would like to play. Even if you have had the same time for a while, please re-confirm with John. Courts will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Thanks:** A big thanks to Mark Seasholtz for his assistance in fixing the roof on the supply shed. We appreciate your help!

#### **Calendar of Events:**

Tuesday, August 12 <sup>th</sup>	Pizza night at the courts
Tuesday, September 9 <sup>th</sup>	Pizza night at the courts
Tuesday, October 7 <sup>th</sup>	Pizza night at the courts
Sunday, October 19 <sup>th</sup>	Pickleball Marathon Challenge and social
Saturday, November 8 <sup>th</sup>	Tournament (Men's and Women's Doubles)
Sunday, November 9 <sup>th</sup>	Tournament (Mixed Doubles)
Saturday, November 15 <sup>th</sup>	Lunch social
Monday, November 17 <sup>th</sup>	Membership Meeting and Elections
Tuesday, December 9 <sup>th</sup>	Pizza night at the courts

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Saturday, January 23 <sup>d</sup>	Tournament (Men's and Women's Doubles)
Sunday, January 24 <sup>th</sup>	Tournament (Mixed Doubles)
Friday, January 30 <sup>h</sup>	Annual Pickleball Club Dinner and Dancing

Sign up for all socials on Team Reach.

See you on the courts!!!