

KEOWEE KEY PICKLEBALL CLUB UPDATE

President's Corner

Greetings PickleNation,

And salutations from your humble servant and his lovely bride. We find ourselves this weekend in fashionable Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, a destination I've decided is very pretty but way too far north of the Mason-Dixon for my comfort level. Valerie and I are here to attend her 50th high school reunion and to catch up with friends in the vicinity. Remind me to tell you about the drive up here, especially the part where we traversed the greater Chicago metropolitan area, beginning at 5:15 on a rainy Wednesday afternoon. At this point, let's just say I now find the excessive homicide rate in Chicago a lot easier to understand.

And, while I have your attention, I'll just mention a couple of items I hope you'll find of interest. Firstly, you should be aware that a few minor modifications have been made to the block-times schedules affecting Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. These changes are in effect beginning tomorrow, August 20th. I'm attaching a chart below that show what's changed.

And secondly, through a cost sharing arrangement between your Pickleball Club and the FRC, we have acquired two new devices fondly referred to as "Battowels". These gizmos are used to help us quickly dry the Pickleball courts when we find them wet. If I understand correctly, the devices are now stored in the pavilion but will eventually be stored hanging from the fences around the courts. Perhaps a video explaining the use of these devices is useful at this point:

["Battowel"... You know you want one!](#)

Enough nonsense for now. Until next time, be careful out there!

As always, you are encouraged to create your own schedule by going to the KK website's reservations column and reserving court(s) for your group. And, remember, you can reserve the hard tennis courts (**first court no.1, the far court and then no. 2, the near court**) when block times are crowded or our courts are otherwise unavailable. And, to avoid the potential chaos, **please play on the specific tennis court you reserved!**

We would like to continue tracking our usage of the tennis courts. The reservation system in the new KK software doesn't readily allow us to track our reservations because they're generally made by "member name" only. However, a fix for this dilemma has been devised and the **instructions for you to follow**

are attached below. If you have problems deciphering these instructions, let me know and we'll get you sorted out. The portable Pickleball nets are now located in a storage container.

Social Committee

Thank you to all who attended last evening's Pickleball party "We Don't Have to Go Back to School."

Special thanks to all the contestants in the margarita and lemonade contest and congrats to the winners!

Stay thirsty my friends!

Mark your calendars now for the next Ladies Pickleball Party "Be True to your School." to be held September 19 beginning at 5 pm.

Yours in partying,

Jim and Jennifer Rowe

Player Development

NEW:

Bring your cell phone (iPhone or Android) to the courts so we can take videos of you working on things you wish to improve.

Wednesdays August 22, 29, September 5, 12 are the next **self directed Player Development sessions 9:00 - 11:00** are open to any skill level.

Intermediate/Advanced players - Fridays 9:00 - 11:00 two courts are reserved for drills practice.

Food for thought:

Minimizing Mistakes with Paddle Position -

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kb2PaxYapxw><https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kb2PaxYapxw>

Enjoy!

John Walker

Competition

5th Annual Keowee Key Classic Pickleball Tournament.

October 5 - 6, 2018

There is still time to sign up for the tournament, just click on the link below to sign up. The deadline is September 14, 2018.

If your partner has not signed up, please remind them that they need to complete the form by clicking on the link below.

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Competition Co-chairs

JJ (Jim Jacobs) Scott Lincoln

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Interclub

An Interclub social play with Golden Corners is scheduled for Sunday, 26 Aug from 6-8 pm. All levels of play are welcome! Bring your paddle and beverages of your choice and join us for a fun night of Pickleball and socializing! Please email Niki at babycatcher16@yahoo.com so we can have a headcount of attendees.

Niki Andrews