

KEOWEE KEY PICKLEBALL CLUB UPDATE 5/28/18

President's Corner

Greetings PickleNation,

As you might have heard, Valerie and I are traveling this week. We're taking a few days to visit our daughter and son-in-law out here in Denver. I love this part of the world, but I'm not sure I'm fitting in all that well. It's readily apparent that I need a lot more hair, a lot more tattoos, and several piercings in places I don't want to even think about.

I know you'll be relieved to know there's lots out here to keep Bentley entertained. Right out Ashlee's front door, there are countless bunnies and prairie dogs. And yesterday, we took Bentley to a farm to see his first newborn baby goats. He was more impressed with the chickens who were severely impressed with him, as well.

I've been watching the weather back in the Upstate since we left on Tuesday. It looks like you guys might be getting a little sunshine deficient about now so, I'll loan you a little from here. What a perfect spot for a Pickleball court!



Speaking of Pickleball, I hope you're all catching CBS Sports coverage of the 2018 U.S. Open from down in Naples, FL. Men's and Women's Pro Doubles will be broadcast live at 7:00 pm on Friday, June 1st. A lot of this year's matches are up on YouTube already so you can check them out there, too.

And finally, don't forget to show your support for our pal John Walker by liking both of the nominations for him on the Third Shot Sports Facebook page. **Voting ends at midnight on May 30th PST** so go now to the link below and record your "likes" for his nominations. Here's the link:

www.facebook.com/pg/thirdshotsports/photos/?tab=album&album_id=860182074188487

As usual, 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 that you can reserve the hard tennis courts (first court no.1 and then no. 2) when block times are crowded or our courts are otherwise unavailable. We are trying to track our usage of the tennis courts. So, when you book a reservation, **please TRY enter "Pickleball" (not your name) in the description space.** (It's not clear yet if the new reservations system will allow this, yet.) The portable nets are now located in a storage container adjacent to the tennis courts. Let me know if you need help setting them up.

Doug Crenshaw

Social Committee

Mark your calendars for our next event:

Thursday, June 21

Play Until You Drop Summer Solstice Party

We play until the last player surrenders!

We will be serving sub sandwiches, beer, soft drinks and moonshine!

More details to come...

Our next Ladies Party will be July 11 from 5-7 pm

It's a Beach Party with a "Swimsuits From The Past" Contest.

Ladies, Start looking for your bikini photo now!

Yours in partying,

Jim and Jennifer Rowe

Player Development

On **Friday, May 25th** we had an extraordinary Train-the-Trainer session for our KK PB Club Facilitators that was delivered by **Mark Renneson of 3rd Shot**

Sports. The 4 hour session covered a wide array of topics that focused on how to make player development sessions fun for all participating while ensuring that people make noticeable improvements. Our Facilitator corps is eager to implement what we have learned.

Reminders:

Wednesdays June 6 & 13 are informal **Player Development sessions 9:00 - 11:00**. This is open to any skill level

Fridays - Int/Adv Drills for Skills sessions 9:00 - 11:00.

Wednesday **June 20th** is our next monthly **Facilitator Led Player Development session 9:00 - 11:00**. Sign-up at jswalker5233d@gmail.com.

John (Walker)

Competition

July 21, 2018 is the date for the Keowee Key Summer Mixed Doubles Pickleball Championship.

Sign up for the event will be in June.

Competition Co-chairs

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