

# KEOWEE KEY PICKLEBALL CLUB WEEKLY UPDATE

#### President's Corner

Pickleball Club Members,

What a weekend it has been! About 150 spectators turned out to watch the Elliott exhibition on Friday before our Annual Membership Drive and PB&B. The Elliotts stayed on the courts to play with club members and the courts were full until well after 9 PM. Over 70 members took the opportunity to renew their membership at the PB&B. No worries if you weren't one of those who renewed- there's still time. Just send a completed form and your dues to Randy Kamischke as soon as possible. This year's memberships will expire on Thursday, June 30 but we will continue to honor last year's memberships until July 8th. You can find the membership form at keoweekeypickleball.org > Club Info > membership Application.

The Elliotts were with us for the whole weekend with the exhibition, clinics, private and semi-private lessons and a special social instructional event on Saturday night for club members only. The Elliotts brought their Engage paddles and sold quite a few.. If you liked the Engage paddles and weren't able to get one over the weekend, you can order from <a href="mailto:pickleballcentral.com">pickleballcentral.com</a> and use you Keowee Key Pickleball Club Rewards code (CRKKey) to get a 5% discount on your paddle purchase.

We have added a new block time to our weekly schedule. On Tuesday evenings from 7-9 PM we will have added two more hours for social play. The entire schedule is as follows:

Sunday (Social; 4 courts): 4:00-6:00 PM Monday (C players; 4 courts): 8:00 AM-noon Monday (A/B players; 2 courts): 5:00-7:00 PM Tuesday (Men's play; 2 courts): 8:00-10:00 AM Tuesday (A/B players; 2 courts): 9:00 AM-11:00 AM Tuesday (Social Play; 4 courts): 7:00-9:00 PM

Wednesday (player development\*; 4 courts): 10:00 AM-noon (facilitated every other Wednesday\*)

Thursday (C players; 4 courts) 8:00 AM-noon Thursday (A/B players; 2 courts) 5:00-7:00 PM Friday (Ladies play; 3 courts) 9:00 AM-noon Saturday (social; 4 courts) 9:00 AM-noon

\*please sign up for facilitated player development in advance with John Walker

And now for this week's quiz question: You are right-handed and serving from the left service court very close to the court center line. Your feet are within the service rules, but when your paddle contacts the ball it is slightly across the imaginary extension of the center line, above the playing surface of the right hand court. This is a fault (True/False). The answer and associated rule can be found on our website. keoweekeypickleball.org > Club Info > USAPA Rules Quiz.

Ann

#### Social Scene

#### GIRLS' NIGHT OUT JULY 8th

Ladies, come and join us on the courts for *Girls' Night Out – Friday, July 8* from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. Great time to socialize and get to know everyone! Yeah, let's party!

#### Thanks to the Social Team

Thanks so much to our fabulous Social Team - Debbie Rote, Leslie Walker, Elaine Smith, Ginny Bench, Mary Overman, Bob Skaluba, Janet Kamischke, Ilene Lund, Bob Skaluba and Dee Helvik. It took a village for all the events this weekend. Be sure to thank these folks for all their hard work!

Kaleen (Dixon), Dorcas (Annett) and the Social Team

# Competition

### JULY 16 SUMMER MIXED DOUBLES-MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND SIGN UP NOW

We have 19 signed up now we need around 2 dozen to make this happen - so we are getting close.

Play is scheduled to begin at 9:00 (while it is still cool) and will finish before noon.

This is a fun event where we will have two groups of players, Advanced and Intermediate, and all games will be mixed men and women versus men and women. All players that sign up will be put into an advanced or intermediate group and THEN a random draw will be done to pick partners. If you are single or your significant other is not a pickleball player, you are more than welcome to sign up we will make the matchups.

Please let me know soon if you are interested in playing by email: <a href="mailto:govertj@gmail.com">govertj@gmail.com</a> and tell me your level (advanced or intermediate). We are 3 weeks away from finalizing the draw but please don't wait - sign up now.

Jon (Goyert)

## Player Development

Thank you Facilitators (Rich Kovitch, Geoff Chambers, Fred Bell, Jim Jacobs) for the terrific job on last Wednesday's session. There were reports of significant improvements in particular on serves consistency.

Wow! Wow! Wow! The Elliott Clinics were a big hit. Jodi and Robert demonstrated incredible energy and delivered focused instruction with specific useful feedback on the skills/drills. They are so positive and encouraging that it makes the learning process enjoyable. We have lots of Drills, Drills, Drills to work on.

Speaking of Drilling...Next Wednesday's Self-Directed Player Development will be a great opportunity to practice implementing all that we learned from the Elliotts. Remember, "drill more, play less"!

Wednesday, July 6th is the next Facilitator Led Player Development. Please remember to let us know what skills/drills/strategies you think might be of greatest benefit to you so we can focus on your needs. You can expect direct integration of the Elliott delivered skills and drills. Please sign-up at <a href="mailto:jswalker5233d@gmail.com">jswalker5233d@gmail.com</a>

John (Walker)

<u>Click here to view calendar for pickleball block times and special events.</u> We encourage you to create your own schedule by going to the reservations column and reserving a court(s) up to 72 hours in advance when available.

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