



SCOV Pickleball Club Newsletter January 2019

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A NEW YEAR...A NEW WEBSITE!



As we head into this new year, we begin the transition from our current website (<https://scovpickleballclub.wildapricot.org>) to our new custom built website (<http://scovpb.org>). A huge Thank You goes out to Don Teiser, our website designer, who has worked diligently to make this new site a reality!

During the month of January, we will continue to use our current website (Wild Apricot) while we fine tune our new site. Our goal is to complete the transition to our new site (scovpb.org) by the end of this month.

In order to complete this transition, we need your help! If you have not yet logged into the new site, created an account, and paid your dues, we ask that you do so before February 1.

Directions on how to do this are on page 2 of this newsletter.

To make this process smooth and easy, we are offering two help sessions in our computer lab (adjacent to the library); Saturday, January 12 and Saturday, January 19. Both sessions are from 1:00pm to 2:30pm. Please bring your credit card for dues payment.

If you have any questions or concerns about our new website or would like to make some suggestions to enhance the site, please contact Don Teiser at donteiser@gmail.com.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL on our new site has begun!

Our new custom website is now ready for limited Club use! If you haven't already done so, you must log into our new website (<https://scovpb.org>) to pay your dues for 2019:

On the homepage of the new website, click on "Login" on the right-hand side of the menu at the top of the page.

Click on "Lost your password?", fill in your email address, and click "Get New Password".

You will receive an email message with a link to be able to set or reset your password on the new website.

When you click on the password reset link in that email message, you will be taken to a form to enter your new password twice (to make sure it is not mistyped). The top password field will have a long jumble of characters already in it that is the very secure password suggested for you by the website, you can shorten it or delete it completely and put in a password of your own choosing.

Once you have successfully set your new password, log into the new site. Your name will appear in the upper right-hand corner of the home page.

To pay your dues for 2019 if you haven't already done so:

Hover your cursor over "Join" in the menu at the top, and then click on "Membership Account" beneath it.

On the Membership Account page, click the "Select" button next to the words "Member \$10 now" to begin the dues payment process.

On the "Membership Checkout" page, fill in:

- your credit or debit card number,
- your card's expiration month and year, and
- the security code (CVC) fields

Click the "Submit and Checkout" button at the bottom of the page.

You will be taken to a confirmation page to make sure everything is correct, then submit it for payment.

You will be sent an email confirmation of the transaction. Please keep it for your records.

Your membership renewal will be complete, and you will have full access to the new website's features every time you login.

SCOV PICKLEBALL CLUB BOARD ELECTIONS ...

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!

The 5 members of the current SCOV Pickleball Club Board were all elected at the same time. If entirely new Boards were to be elected every 2 years, continuity would be a problem. Recognizing this difficulty, the bylaws were changed this year so that 2 members of the current Board will fill a one-year term, while the other 3 will serve for two years. Thus, in this and all future elections, either 2 or 3 seats on the Board will be elected for a two-year term.

There are three nominees running for the two board seats:

- **Nelson Brown**
- **Dave Burnham**
- **John McConnaughey**

Voting will be done electronically during the week of January 7th through January 14th. You will receive an email from our Wild Apricot website on January 7th that will include specific instructions on the voting process, the bios of each candidate and a link that will take you to Survey Monkey where you will cast your vote. You will be asked to vote for two candidates to serve on the board for 2019. Results will be announced at our Annual Board Meeting on Friday, January 18.

If there are two pickleball members in the same household, each of you must vote from the link sent to your individual email address. If there are two pickleball members in one house sharing a computer, please note the second voter must use a different device (lap top, tablet, cell phone) to be able to cast a vote.

If you have any questions or concerns about the voting process, please contact Jo Eaton at roadrunnerjo7@gmail.com.

Calling all Computer Geeks!

We are looking for volunteers who would like to serve as administrators for our new pickleball club website. As an administrator, you will be responsible for overseeing and keeping up-to-date one or more website functions. Training and support will be provided by Don Teiser. You must be comfortable with technology and navigating websites.

If you are interested please contact Don at donteiser@gmail.com.

CLUB HIGHLIGHTS 2018...By the Numbers and More!



- Our club has grown to 416 members as of December 26! 97 new members have been added since January 1, 2018.
- Training this year:
 - 108 people attended the Safety Orientation
 - 262 members participated in mini-clinics
 - 21 mini-clinics were offered
- Five Newsletters were sent to membership in 2018
- Eleven Tipster articles were published in 2018
- Two Club tournaments were accomplished in 2018
- Two new premium paddles were received for review from Pickleball Central
- Two trial schedules were tested in order to improve courts usage
- Dues was kept to \$10 per member
- The Board has been working closely with the Long Range Planning Committee to justify additional courts
- New Custom website decision to save money and improve communication/operations
- Court improvements:
 - Wind vane installed
 - Fence top protectors installed
 - New bulletin boards installed
 - New paddle racks installed for newer paddles
 - New Onix Pure 2 balls on courts
 - Added new leaf blower to clean courts quicker
 - Yellow awning lights covered
 - New training line markers obtained
 - New Round Robin kit added for weekly RRs
 - Bird deflectors installed on court lights
 - Bad ball bag installed
 - Balls refilled daily
 - Nets measured bi-weekly
 - Courts cleaned off most every morning by members

REMINDER! BEGINNER MENTORING PROGRAM

During each beginner's time slot, there is an experienced player present to provide tips on serving, hitting, and play strategy as well as providing assistance with scoring and answering general club policy questions.

If you are a beginner level player, we hope you will take advantage of this service to improve your game, gain confidence in your playing ability and meet other club members.

BEGINNER'S CONTACT LIST

A beginner's contact list is being compiled so that beginning level players can contact others of the same level to play with during the beginner's time slot or during open/reserve times. If you would like to be added to this list please email Dave Burnham at dburnhampton@gmail.com. Make sure to include your name, email address and phone number.

This list will be posted on the website and will be password protected so that only paid members can access.

There's a Skills Clinic for you!



Do you want to improve your playing skills and up your game?

Lesson 2.1 Serve and Return of Serve will be presented on January 5

Additional lessons coming each Tuesday and Saturday afternoon (the Tuesday lesson is repeated on Saturday) from 1:00pm to 2:20pm. Upcoming clinics will be announced by email. No registration...First Come, First Serve. All ability levels welcome!

January Mystery Club Member...Who AM I?

I was born and raised on an island in Maine. My husband and I continue to spend summers there. We currently rent in Sun City and divide winter months between here and Northern California.

My husband and I founded the third brewery in Maine. (There are now nearly 100 breweries in the state) We were among the first to commercially produce rich, dark, bottle-conditioned ales. Our Cadillac Mtn. Stout and Thunder Hole Ale consistently beat Guinness, Murphy's, Sam Adams and other internationally known beers at The World Beer Championships. Our Blueberry Soda and Martini Syrup was featured in a national magazine at the beginning of the flavored martini craze. We were fortunate to have been at the right place at the right time in our business venture.

Early retirement allows me to explore other interests, including certification as EMT and ambulance driver; bookkeeping for a local non-profit; hiking with friends; foraging for wild mushrooms and berries; cooking, and my greatest joy, playing pickleball. I learned to play here at Sun City and especially love the community of wonderful people I have met through the pickleball club.

Can you guess who this is?? Their name can be found at the bottom of this page.

2019 GENERAL MEETING Save the Date!

Friday, January 18th

Activity Center Auditorium

5pm to 7pm

Pizza and Dessert

BYOB

\$5.00 per person (members and guests)

Board election results will be announced

Watch for the email invitation to register



Did you guess who our January mystery member is? Thank you Suze Foster for sharing with us.