



SCOV Pickleball Club Newsletter October 2025

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PICKLEBALL RULES YOU SHOULD KNOW!

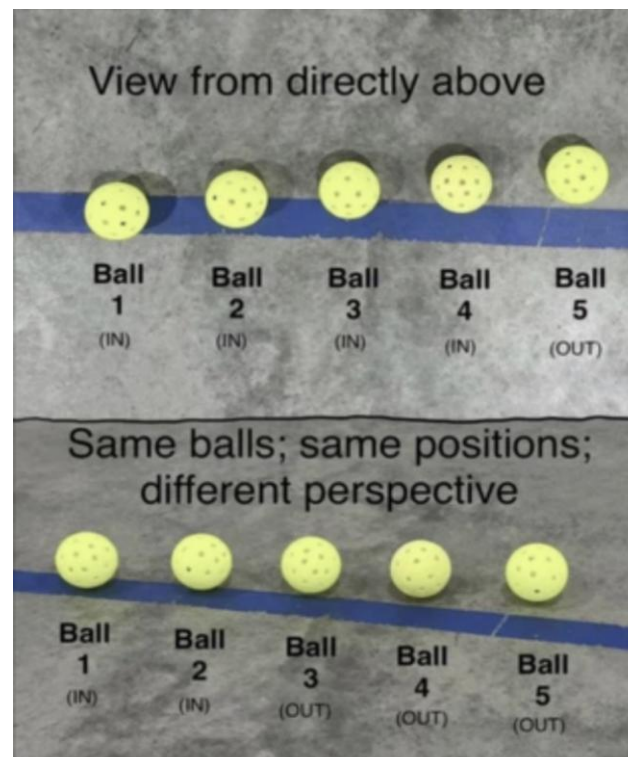


MAKING LINE CALLS

Did you know...?

Line calls are made by the team on the side where the ball landed. Trust your opponents to make a fair judgement. Do not second guess or argue calls. If you are in a position to see a ball near a line call "in" or "out" quickly and decisively after the ball lands. **DO NOT** call a ball out unless you can clearly see a space between the edge of the ball and the line. Perspective matters (see attached image). Promptly correct any wrong call made by your partner and resolve any uncertainty in favor of your opponent.

Line calls are very tricky depending on where you are on the court. Never assume the worst of your opponent should you disagree with a line call. This photo illustrates very well the challenges we all face in trying to make accurate calls.





WHAT'S NEW ON THE COURTS!

With Picklr now open, our club president Phil Rose has heard they are NOT honoring Silver Sneakers memberships as he was originally told. We do not know their reason for not honoring this pledge as other Picklr franchises do offer this program. Qualifying Medicare advantage players may want to advocate for themselves and contact Greg Larsen (Franchise owner/operator) directly. Greg's cell is 801-400-3091. Email is greg.larsen@thepicklrfanchise.com

Update on SCOV Teams and the Arizona Pickleball Players League (APPL): Over 50 people completed the survey and indicated that they have an interest in playing on a SCOV APPL team. Two teams have notified the board that they will be playing in the 2026 APPL season. One is a returning team and the other is a new team. The returning team is a Women's 3.0 (50+) team and this team has a full roster. The second team is a new Women's 3.0 (65+) team. Anne Wolfinger is the captain of the team and she may need a couple of additional players. Any interested women can contact Anne by email: Anne.wolfinger@gmail.com. If anyone is interested in forming/being a captain of a new SCOV team you should know that "new team" registration begins on October 13th, and by November 15th you must have at least six registered players. The APPL season begins on January 4th. If you want to form a new SCOV team please contact the APPL committee at SCOVAPPL@gmail.com. We will assist you in any way possible. Also, the survey responses, by skill level, can be found on our website (members only/Arizona Pickleball Players League interest).

Court Maintenance Report: Over the summer there were 18 items that were handled. You will find the complete list posted on the court bulletin board. Almost all the work on these items were done by club members. One important item is the resurfacing of courts 1-5. This is currently being coordinated with SCOV maintenance. We left electrical work to the SCOV maintenance staff! It is more important to recognize some of the club members that have contributed their time and talents to maintain our courts. When you see Nelson Brown, Bob Shull, Craig Jones, Larry Lehmann, Steve Loomis, Jeff Rusch, Phil Rose, Suzy Rose, share a thanks!

The **fall schedule** will start October 6, 2025. It will be posted on gates to the courts and on bulletin boards. You will also find the schedule on our website.

CLUB NEWS !

We want to recognize George Sauter for his generous donation of a Mini Tutor Ball Machine to the SCOV Pickleball Club this summer. If this wasn't enough he also donated 100 new Franklin X-40 balls for filling the hopper of the ball machine. This is uncommon generosity, and I hope anyone who sees George will thank him personally. The gift takes a large capital expenditure off the table as we were seeking acquisition of a new ball machine this calendar year. Thank You George!

SAVE THE DATE: Get your Pajamas on and join your fellow Pickleball Club Members on Saturday, November 22, 2025 at the Fall Welcome-Back Social and Pajama Party to be held in the Navajo Room of the Activity Center. Further Details to follow soon.



The nominating committee of Laurie Brown, Phil Rose and Louise Everett have put forth Beth Nuveen as a candidate for BoD PB Club. She has agreed to run. Jerry Franklin feels he is medically retired from PB and will not seek re-election. Ralph Perillo, Laurie Brown and Louise Everett have also decided to run for a board position. Phil Rose is entering his second year of service on the BoD. The online election will take place between November 8-15 with results posted soon thereafter according to the PB Club bylaws”.

SCOV Players—An Opportunity to GIVE BACK and be the BIG DILLS!

The 3rd Annual Oro Valley Pickle-icious Jingle Jam is coming December 12-14 and NOT ONLY will partners play for medals, but can also represent Sun City in the Home Court Paddle Battle—a light-hearted, spirited, camaraderie driven, and brag-worthy competition where every point you and your partner score adds to our team total. Best part? Teams can include players of all ages and skill levels—everyone's points count. At the end, one Tucson Pickleball Community takes home the Traveling Trophy (and year-long bragging rights). WHY NOT US?

WHEN: Dec 12-14, 2025

WHERE: Oro Valley Community Center

WHY: Support *We Care Tucson*, have fun, and show Tucson that SCOV rules the courts.

HOW:

- o During registration check the box to represent Sun City in the Paddle Battle.
- o Play hard, laugh harder, and help bring the trophy home!
- o Only 5 teams (10 people) per division (Women's, Men's and Mixed Doubles) can represent so don't delay-REGISTER TODAY!

o Link to learn more and register: <https://www.pickle-iciousjinglejam.com/>



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THE ORO VALLEY PICKLE-ICIOUS JINGLE JAM
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Free T-shirt when you register by SEPT 30th!
Free breakfast or lunch for all players!

DECEMBER 12-14, 2025

EXPLORE ORO VALLEY
Oro Valley Community & Recreation Center
10555 N La Canada Dr., Oro Valley

- ✓ Women's Doubles
- ✓ Men's Doubles
- ✓ Home Court Paddle Battle **NEW**
- ✓ Mixed Doubles
- ✓ Family Doubles

REGISTRATION IS OPEN
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Tips to Improve Your Play!

CAN HEAT DAMAGE YOUR PADDLE?



Yes, excessive heat can damage pickleball paddles. Temperatures above 140°F (60°C) can warp the paddle, weaken the resin, and cause delamination, according to Play Henry and Selkirk Sport. This can affect the paddle's performance and longevity. Here's a more detailed explanation:

Warping: High temperatures can cause the paddle's materials to expand unevenly, leading to warping or bending.

Weakened Resin: The resin that binds the paddle layers together can soften and weaken under heat, making the paddle more susceptible to breakage or delamination.

Delamination: Delamination is when the layers of the paddle separate, particularly affecting the surface layer. This can significantly impact the paddle's performance and make it feel less responsive.

Softening: Excessive heat can soften the paddle face, affecting how the ball responds and potentially leading to a less consistent playing experience.

Cold Damage: While the question focuses on heat, it's worth noting that extreme cold can also damage paddles by making them more brittle and prone to cracking.

Car Storage: Leaving paddles in hot cars for extended periods is a common cause of heat damage, as the temperature inside a parked car can rise significantly.

In summary, to protect your pickleball paddles, avoid leaving them in extreme temperatures, especially in direct sunlight or hot cars.