

March 2022 Pickleblast

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Board Meeting Highlights - 03/17/2022

Allocate up to \$500 to purchase club logo'd shirts for Developing Skills volunteer coaches.

Court Scheduling & Usage Survey Analysis and Recommendations - [click here to view presentation](#)

2022 Board Election Results

Of the 927 eligible voters the following numbers of members cast votes for:

Patrick Furumoto, President - 2022-24 - 405 votes

Secretary, Bev Lauby - 2022-24 - 393 votes

Member at Large Position 2, Mike McCarry - 2022-24 - 379 votes

Treasurer, Janet Reynolds - 2022-23 - 378 votes

Player Development - Ratings

[Club testing for ratings](#) Between 02/15/2022 and 03/22/2022 the following club members were successful in advancing their skill level rating. The * denotes [IPTPA](#) ratings test. Congratulations everyone!

2.5 to 3.0 - Ann Grediagin, Larry Swenson, Jack Loan, Jane Hathaway, Norm Leja*, Charles Egender*, Franci Kinkade*, Karna Nelson*, Randi Nelson*, Norma Bridgewater*

3.0 to 3.5 - Kay Keding, Monica immerman, Peggy Cornett, Jean Nistico, Aryn Duncan, Julie Gish, Jacque Goodrich*, Elaine Petersen*, Fred Petersen*

3.5 to 4.0 - Mary Drey, Mark Patterson, Kerry Shaw*

4.5 - Mike Goodrich*

The club has processed the final group eligible for April 2022 testing. Anytime of the year, but especially after April and through mid-October, club members can pursue the [IPTPA rating](#). If a club member elects this option, they should indicate that they are a member of Green Valley Recreation Pickleball Club to receive the \$10 IPTPA Member Club discount.

New Members

51 new members 02/01/2022 - 02/28/2022 - WELCOME!

Daniel Taylor, Julie Taylor, Stephen Schein, Stephanie Loiacono, Ronald Aigner, Bob Landry, Jerilyn Champagne, Ken King, Janice Archibald, Jerry Miller, Barbara Trentadue, Michael McCrann, Ward Clark, Lesli Konigsberger, Sue Johnson, Laura Bond, Gary Ream, Angela Krahulec, Jim Green, Janet Fuller, Tom Taylor, Thomas Taraba, David Wick, Keith Riley, Jane Riley, Arne Hales, Martin Jaeggli, Paula Williamson, Dennis R Borkgren, Christine Jaeggli, Arlene Baiza, Craig Hardy, Cynthia Taylor, Jeanne Carr, Lizetta Smith, Linda Dodge, Eileen Gordon, Trish Landry, Thomas Clark, Penny VanOurkerk, Brian Lauby, Jeff Washburn, Julie Lutze, Marina Carey-Harsha, Mary Agan, Teri Grier, Elaine Korsch, Mike VanOurkerk, Samuel Gorsline III, Grant Stewart, Todd Lutze

Social Activities

Dink & Dine April 2, Volunteer Appreciation
East Center Auditorium & Courts
Pizza and Desserts
5:00-7:00 PM

Let's acknowledge & recognize members who make our programming & events possible!
Pizza & Dessert will be provided by the club. All you need is BYOB!

Sign up is available <https://gvpc.pickleball.plus>

NOTE: If you are unable to attend, please delete your name from sign up. This will help for a better count to order pizza.

Club Classes

The Club offers options free of charge to active club members for those looking to learn (beginners) and improve (intermediate and advanced) their skills. While there is no charge for these they do require registration through Pickleball Plus (gvpc.pickleball.plus) (select Events tab and look for available options). See [explanation of Pickleball Plus](#) for more information on the sign up process.

Developing Skills (to sign up look for DS on the Event tab in [Pickleball.Plus](#)). Sessions are designed for new and beginner players who have completed the GVR Pickleball 101 class or equivalent. These sessions incorporate drills and game play with a coach observer. Coaches are authorized to advance players from 2.0 to 2.5.

Player Skills Development (sign ups are limited in number, it's recommended to look for openings at the beginning of the month for PSD on the Event tab in [Pickleball.Plus](#)) sessions are intended for intermediate and advanced players seeking to move up to the next level. They are organized around the [ratings process](#) skills requirements.

GVR Classes

Registration continues for the remainder of Winter 2022 classes offered through GVR. [Click here](#) to access the online catalog descriptions, prerequisites, cost and registration instructions for the following classes. Or, if you need additional assistance call **(520) 625-3440, please choose option #2 for class registration.** All classes are held at the Pickleball Center.

Training for Ball Machine

There are monthly signups for the second Wednesday of each month at 12:00 pm, East Center Court 7. Signups will be open 30 days in advance of the training date. Signups will close two days in advance of the training date to allow instructors time to prepare. Once you have been trained you will be added to the certified Tutor Group allowing you to reserve Tutor.

SASG 2022

By all accounts the Southern Arizona Senior Games was a success! Thanks to all of the volunteers who assisted our tournament director, Donna Davis, to plan and execute on a terrific event. Photos and a summary of the weekend will be forthcoming.

Member Survey

Incoming President, Patrick Furumoto, provided an analysis at the Annual Meeting on March 17. [Click here for the presentation.](#) Key takeaways include:

- Add Mixed Play Options – All Ratings are Open to Mixed Play
- Explore Recreational vs Competitive Focus Play – 80% 2.0 – 3.5 are Recreational
- Review Guest Play – 53% Members have Guests
- Review Comments for Further Action

Thanks and Farewell!

What an amazing experience and honor to serve the past two years as your club president, thank you! Through the work of many, we addressed needs for growth in specific areas of player development, facilities management and club operations. In addition, with the results of the member survey on court scheduling and usage, the club can continue to address other areas where additional attention is needed. I look forward to how the next chapters for the club will unfold and I wish the next board much success. See you on the courts!

Carpe Dinkum!



Gina Rowsam, President
GVR Pickleball Club