



WALNUT CREEK PICKLEBALL CLUB NEWS

President's Message

On Ground Hog Day , Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow and predicted six more weeks of winter. The Bay Area had other ideas by resisting that prediction with the beautiful weather we've been having.

2021 started out bleak with Contra Costa County in the purple tier. With vaccinations on the rise we quickly moved to the red tier and as of Tuesday, April 6th we moved to the orange tier.

As case rates continue to drop , more of our members who have received both vaccinations are returning to the courts after being absent for a year.

Not only are they happy to have been vaccinated but to be back playing Pickleball! Welcome Back, we've missed you!

We hope restrictions will continue to loosen as more businesses are allowed to reopen or expand their indoor

and outdoor capacity. This means that the Walnut Creek Pickleball Club may soon be able to manage play at the Rudgear Park courts. Fingers are crossed!

Beginning this month we wanted to let the membership know that the newsletter will be going out quarterly rather than monthly.

Hormoz Baba



New Member Welcome!

We would like to welcome the following new members who have joined our club since January:

- Ricardo Amayo
- Gary Buffo
- Corinne Coffrini
- Karen Davis
- Michael Drazen
- Leslie Estrada
- Kimberly Everett
- Phyllis Flack
- Sharon Gutierrez
- Bonnie Halpern
- Keith Hammersle
- Michelle Hemenway
- Roger Heule
- Mari Ikeda
- Joyce Iwata
- Michelle Pero Iyo
- Glenn Jensen
- Mark Joseph
- Joanne Jouris
- Michael Lippitt
- Theresa McGanney
- Peggy Mozek
- Jacque Preble
- Diane Repulles
- Debbi Ryan
- Albert SooHoo
- Christina SooHoo
- Jodi Souza

Important Reminders

Please remember when you are at the Rudgear Courts to please avoid parking across the street from the courts. The neighbors have been getting cranky and making complaints to the club and the City. Also, don't forget to wear your mask when you are not playing, entering and exiting the courts. Don't forget to **Social Distance!**

Summer Evening Play Starting!

Now that Daylight Savings is in effect and our days are getting longer, **Eric and Liz Tate** will be managing evening play at Rudgear beginning **May 1st**. The courts will be reserved for play on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings. This is a perfect outlet for those who can't play in the morning or afternoon. Lifetime Time Activities will be posting signs about the reservations by the end of April.

Membership News

Our membership has stayed strong with 512 active members to date. We continue to get new members on a weekly basis. The number of players are increasing as more and more people are getting their vaccinations. Many days all eight courts are going with several rows of paddles on the fence! Thank you to those members who made donations to our club: **Rusty Lent, Mary Parodi, Tom Caldwell and Liz LeGrady** Your generosity is greatly appreciated. When we are all vaccinated the party



Balls Still for Sale!

There is still balls for sale if you need some. Please contact **Laurie Savage** or **Kris Hunter** laurithia@gmail.com or shywyo@aol.com If you interested in making a purchase. Laurie is often at the courts with extra balls to sell as well.



Got News???

We love to share everyone's success stories! If you have medaled at a tournament or have other exciting news to share feel free to email **Hormoz Baba** at **hormoz@californiahomeliving.com**. Tournaments are continuing to coming up. Regretfully the Citrus Heights Tournament has been cancelled do to a recent spike in COVID cases.

2021 Board of Directors

Our Board of Directors is an elected board that volunteers to serve our club and membership. It is the goal of our club for all our members to have fun and enjoy playing the game of Pickleball. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to any of us listed below.

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