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## JULY, 2019 NEWSLETTER

## HAMILTON'S 2-DAY GRAND OPENING BIG SUCCESS

Despite pending rain Monday, June $24^{\text {th }}$ saw 40 Picklers show up. We didn't get rained out until 11:00


The photo above and all photos in this newsletter with PPD were taken by Joan from the Palatine Park District.


On Tuesday we had over 70 Picklers... 60 shown here plus me taking this photo. Another dozen came later.


Bear had $1^{\text {st }}$ serve on courts

Jeff \& Howard faced off against Ann \& Bob


Joe \& Tom faced off against Marlene \& Debbie PPD
"Good game," Joan, Mike, Carol, \& Fran PPD


Tuesday's competitive crowd begins to grow


So does the recreation crowd
The courts are beautiful. Our "Grand Opening" Picklers ate 65 donuts \& took 44 felt bags and $; 7$ of 24 balls.

## NEW, REGULARLY SCHEDULED PLAY TIMES

ALL 7 DAYS ... Hamilton Courts ... 9:00 to Noon (Competitive on North \& Rec on South courts) MONDAY ... Harper College Building M ... 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

TUESDAY ... Sycamore Park ... 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. (Show up on time, to keep this session. It's in jeopardy.) TUESDAY ... Birchwood Park Gym ... 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY ... Hamilton's 2 NE courts ... 9-Noon ... 4.25+ players scheduled by Elke (ecjacobsen@gmail.com)
WEDNESDAY ... Sycamore Park ... 10:30 to Noon FREE MENTORING for beginner level (May move to 9:00)
WEDNESDAY ... Hamilton Courts ... 8:00-10:00 p.m. under the lights THIS ONE IS NEW
THURSDAY ... Sycamore Park ... 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.
THURSDAY ... Birchwood Park Gym ... 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
SATURDAY ... Sycamore Park ... 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.
SUNDAY ... Sycamore Park ... 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.



## FAMILY FUN TOURNAMENT

Perhaps the most fun tournament in four+ years, of the couple dozen I've run for Picklers. This was a round robin for (ready for this?) 13 pairs. Each pair of relatives played each of their 12 opponents one game to 8 points, win by 1 . Obviously, games were quick. Every point mattered. We had a lot of $4.0+$ players and a lot of kin who had played fewer than ten games. SO much fun. So was the post-play lunch.



Kim \& Kristine Corrodo Mom \& Daughter


Margaret Hoff \& Cathy Aunt \& Niece


Masato \& Jeff Suzuki Dad \& Son


Sue \& Brittany Dougherty Mom \& Daughter


John \& Jeff


Cathy \& Margaret

Kim \& Kristine



Jeff \& Masato

Bear \& Kim
Cora \& John


Adam \& Danny


Jim \& Jimmy

Sue, Brittany, Kim, \& Kristine



Luke \& Cathy

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Greg


Frank


Dennis


Janice

## SKINNY SINGLES KING/QUEEN TOURNAMENT

This one was so much fun last year, it's assured to be an annual event. What is it? It's singles, but using only half the court. That means your entire court is only $10^{\prime}$ wide. There is no cross court hitting, just lobbing, dinking, and effectively placing shots within a $10^{\prime}$ wide target. Games are to 15 , win by one and change ends at 8. This has been a genderless competition. However, if enough sign up, I'll run both a ladies' and a men's event, one on another day. You'll play all seven opponents. It will be at Canlan Sportsplex in Lake Barrington at 9:30 Thursday, August 15th. If you'd like to compete, email me at AOKBARRY@YAHOO.COM.



Cindy


Connie


Dana


Bill


Frank


Jay


Mary


Jeff


Greg


Doug
Denise


Mark


Lizanne


Lou


Marlene


Mike


Steve


Valery


Bob

Dennis


Elke


Barb


Anne


Barb


Fran


Carole

## VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED FOR BIG EVENT



We're hosting what will be a major stop on the pro pickleball tour. This is the inaugural Chicago Pickleball Open. Because it's the first, it's the most challenging to stage. Your help is needed to make this as incredible as it should be. Many of the world's top players will be here ... and many of your local peers will be competing (you should be too) ... From Thursday, July $18^{\text {th }}$ through Sunday, July $21^{\text {st }}$, whatever time you can donate will be greatly appreciated. Call or email Dana Joseph with your availability. She'll find just the right spot/s for you. Positions include Information Booth, Chicago Metro Pickleball Booth, Check-In Desk, Score Posters, Court Monitors, Match Coordinators, and Announcers. Reach Dana at 847-404-3174 or DSJ2@comcast.net. Thanks.




Linda


Elena


Fran


Howard


Gary


Jeannie
Linda's shirt
Sue
Masato


Roxanne


Sally


Sherry


Vida


Wendy

soo


Tony


Judy


Linda


Linda


Michael

## MEDAL-WINNING PERFORMANCES



Ron Olesiak \& Ray Jenkins ... Michigan State Games ... 3.5 men's ... Gold

. Ray Jenkins \& Ron Olesiak ... Lockport

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\text { Men’s } 3.5 \text {... Bronze }
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Holly Goldsmith \& Kathy McWhorter...
. Lockport ... Women's 3.5 ... Silver


Nez Agrawal teachs kids the game at Sycamore. This is a Palatine Park District program for 6 to 13 year olds. If you have a Gherkin (mini pickle) at home who wants to learn the sport you love, the next Tue \& Thu sessions run from July $9^{\text {th }}$ from 4:00 to 5:00 or from 5:00 to 6:00 through July $25^{\text {th }}$. Call the PPD. The catalog has errors.


## MORE NATIONAL SENIOR OLYMPICS MEDALS




Tom



Steve


Tina


Mike


Joe


Jerry


Jim

## LESSONS FOR PICKLERS OF ALL LEVELS

In most of our newsletters, you'll find photos of Chuck Feinstein displaying his most recent 5.0 medals. What you don't see as often is a mention of his being as good a Coach as he is a top-level player. Whether you opt for private, semi-private, or small group lessons, your investment will pay off on the courts immediately. Contact Chuck directly for rates and to arrange convenient times and courts for your lesson/s. 847-877-7770 or grtfuldad@aol.com.


## PADDLERIFFIC, SUMMER SAVINGS

Chuck Feinstein, our local Paddletek representative, is offering all his paddles at 15-20\% off, through August. You can demo most paddles, before buying. Call him at 847-877-7770 or email him at grtfuldad@aol.com.


## TIME TO ADD MORE COLOR TO YOUR WARDROBE?

Picklers have ordered 437 of these club T-shirts. Five Picklers are now waiting for you to pay for seven more. We need 12, desired shirts, before I can place our order. So, whether it's your first, or like me, your $8^{\text {th }}$ Palatine Picklers shirt, let us know what you'd like. Just go to PalatinePicklers.com. Go to "Shirts." Shop for the style, color, and size you want. Then let Anne Stein (ceceduc8r@gmail.com) or me (aokbarry@yahoo.com) know your preference/s and arrange to get the money to us. REMEMBER all shirts have gone up $\$ 1$ recently, but I haven't yet updated the website.


## AGAIN, REMEMBER OUR DISCOUNT CODE

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## REF WANNABES WORKED HARD

Last month nine aspiring pickleball referees invested an entire day learning and honing the needed skills. Among them were seven Palatine Picklers ... Angelina Seltzer, Dennis Bourgoin, Holly Goldsmith, Kathy McWhorter, Lynn Weisbart, Madonna Stoioff, and Nez Agrawal.

Melody Woodsum, Certified Referee and Certified Referee Trainer (1 of 181 nationwide) held her three-hour classroom training at the Arlington Heights Memorial Library. It included scoring a medal mach on video, with a lot of stop action to discuss things taking place. Students were given their copy of the USAPA Referee Handbook. After a lunch break was three hours of on-court training at River Trails Tennis Center where each participant served as Referee twice.

Dave Stover, USAPA Middle States Referee Training Coordinator, came up from the Quad Cities for the day and brought with him three Ref Trainees (Vicki \& Jim Ryan and Cindy Wiseman) who had completed the class and are working toward certification.

All participants now have the ability to referee rec play matches. When comfortable they may move up to tournament matches.


HAMILTON'S PADDLE RACKS


Club Handyman Jim Blair did it again. He made four, windproof paddle racks for the Hamilton courts. Thanks, Jim.

## TOM HOBNOBBING



Tom Kramer socialized with Tyson McGuffin, top singles player, at a Coronado, CA clinic.


## NOT ALL CHAIRS ARE CREATED EQUAL

We need your help, to keep Hamilton looking as awesome as it is right now. The Palatine Park District has asked us to keep chairs with uncapped, metal legs out on the sidewalk. Rubber bottomed legs are fine, but any bare metal that could touch the painted surface is not allowed inside the fences. Thank you.



Tom


Laurie


Bob PPD


Giuseppe


Fred


Ray


Janet


Dori


## IN SUMMARY

Note the new schedule of times \& courts ... Volunteer to help the Chicago Pickleball Open ... Sign up for the Skinny Singles tournament ... Enroll your mini Picklers in lessons ... Buy paddles at savings ... Use your promo code on pickleballcentral.com ... Come to weekly mentoring or get lessons from Chuck ... Check your chair ...

With our awesome, new courts, this summer will be our best yet. Try Wenesday night play. The lights couldn't be better.

NEWS FLASH: Craig Ritchie just became the $1100^{\text {th }}$ pickler to join our club. He and wife Amy played at Hamilton Saturday morning.

Happy pickling ...
Bear
PicklersPrez


