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SEPTEMBER, 2019 NEWSLETTER

PALATINE PICKLERS' NEW PLAY TIMES

ALL 7 DAYS ... Hamilton Courts ... 9:00 to Noon

MONDAY ... Harper College Building M ... 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

TUESDAY ... Birchwood Park Gym ... 6:30 to 9:00 a.m. Early Bird open play

WEDNESDAY ... Hamilton's 2 NE courts ... 8 - Noon ... 4.25+ players scheduled by Elke (ecjacobsen@gmail.com)

WEDNESDAY ... Sycamore Park ... 9:00 -11:00 Mentorees' & Beginners' unsupervised play

WEDNESDAY ... Hamilton Courts ... 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. under the lights

THURSDAY ... Birchwood Park Gym ... 6:30 to 9:00 a.m. Early Bird open play

THURSDAY ... Birchwood Park Gym ... Noon to 3:00 p.m. .

SATURDAY ... Sycamore Park ... 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY ... Sycamore Park ... 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

SUNDAY ... Hamilton Courts ... 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.



Deb



Kevin



John



Sherry

HAMILTON POLICIES

- Competitive play in North (left) cage & Rec play in South ... Go where you think appropriate. If you lose three in a row on competitive courts, please move to rec side. If you win three on rec, consider moving.
- If competitive players outnumber rec, they can also have the eastern rec court, not the 2 western ones.
- When a court clears, everyone move east to the farthest open court.
- After your game, put your paddle in the Winners or Losers rack, in the "IN" side.
- When taking 4 paddles from the "OUT" side of the rack with the clip, move the clip to the other rack.
- No chairs with metal or wood legs are allowed inside the cages.
- If you are the last to leave courts, pick up whatever has been left and give it to Bear for lost & found.



Rosie



Brian



Jean



John

WOODSUMS MEET AN ORIGINAL PICKLER

Greg and Melody Woodsum were in Bainbridge, WA for the first "Founders Tournament." This is where it all began. They met Barney McCallum, one of the game's inventors, even played with wooden paddles on the unrestored, original, driveway court. How cool is this?



STORAGE BOX INSTALLED AT HAMILTON

Just outside the south door we now have a storage box. It has the same combination as the Sycamore box. If you don't know it but would like to, email Bear at aokbarry@yahoo.com. I'll attempt to keep about a dozen balls there for Palatine Picklers to use and return. Anyone have an old broom to put in there for damp days? It is imperative that the padlock be reinserted from the left to right. There's a weather shield that makes it really difficult to open anyway, but if the lock is inserted right to left, it may never be opened again.



Adam



Roland



Steve



Sue



Jeff



Jennalee



Nancy



Paula



Tom



Rick



Dennis



Debi & Ryan



Lynn

MENTORING IS OVER, BUT MENTOREES STILL PLAY

Beginners, whether or not mentoring vets, can play with their own kind at Sycamore Wednesday mornings.

SKINNY SINGLES TOURNAMENT RESULTS

We had a LOT of fun and had some competitive games ... and a really fun lunch after the tournament.



Angelina, Howard, Denise, John, Bear, Chris, John, Mary Pat, Clay

John 2nd John 1st Bear 3rd



Tom



Valery



Jess



Harry



Jeff



Nick



Patti



Connie



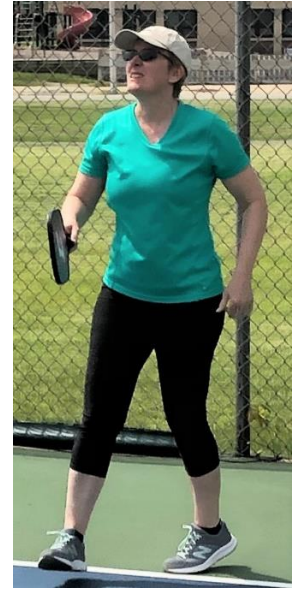
Pam



Deb



Bob



Deb



Angelina



Priscilla



Ray



Rick



Janice



Ethan



Elliott

SWEATSHIRTS NOW AN OPTION

For the first time, you can now order a sweatshirt with the Palatine Picklers logo. And they're only \$16. Bear has one he'll keep in his backpack so you can see the quality of this really nice sweatshirt. Check our website (PalatinePicklers.com) for color options. For all T-shirt or sweatshirt orders, contact Anne at ceceduc8r@gmail.com or me at aokbarry@yahoo.com. Just give us style, color, and size.

HARDWARE SUMMARY



Melody & Greg Woodsum
Founders Tournament, Bainbridge
.Island ... 4.0 50+ Mixed ... Bronze



Dennis Girardi & Wayne Burdick
Lemont Hope & Friendship
... 3.0 - 3.5 ... Gold



Jim Bauer & Kathy McWhorter
Midstates Regional, Indian Wells, MN ...
3.5 Mixed ... Gold



Bill



Brad



Deanna



Charles



Chuck

HOW 'BOUT A SUNDAY MIXED LEAGUE ?

There's interest in mixed doubles play at Hamilton. Whether a league or just open play, who's interested in a 4:00 start on Sundays? At least to start, this won't have skill restrictions. It's just for fun and socializing and being able to play games with your favorite mixed partner. If interested email me at aokbarry@yahoo.com.



Dawn



John



Jane



Jerry



Joslin



Chris



Chandra



Judy



Kelly



Joyce & (Webmaster) John



Rick



.. Wendy



Darrell



Dan



Connie

PING PONG PICKLERS

The 2ND Annual Palatine Picklers Ping Pong Tournament will be held at Play & Thrive. That's at 81 Remington Rd, Schaumburg. That's about a quarter mile east of Roselle Rd on the south side. I'm awaiting a call back from them for date and confirming we can again have five tables in a private room. Meanwhile, I'm shooting for Wednesday, October 16th at 3:00. If you'd like to play in this tournament whenever it is, let me know. Also, let me know if the October 16th time works for you. This will again be a round robin tournament. The first ten to apply will be in for sure. It's a round robin tournament so you'll play one game against each of your fellow competitors. If a few more than ten want to play, I'll try to accommodate them. We'll just play shorter games. Bring your own paddle. I'll supply balls. Real rules will be enforced ... serve must be tossed from a flat palm and hit in the air. No serving over the table or outside the sidelines. Touching the table is loss of point. Etc.



Daniel



Dan



Crain



Brandon



Emilie



Elena



Gail



Cindy



Diana



Doris



Jim



John



Linda



Martha



Neal



Pat

PICKLERS' PICNIC PLANNED

This fall's Pickler Picnic will be on the Twin Lakes deck again. It will be at 12:30 on Thursday, September 19th. Don't bring anything. Outside food and drink are not allowed. There is a fine picnic menu and even adult beverages available onsite. No R.S.V.P. required. Just show up. Inside, if raining. We had a great time here last year and hope to have even more Picklers wanting to socialize this year. So mark your calendar now. Even if you've yet to share a court with us, this is the perfect time to get to know other Palatine Picklers.



Cathie



Jenny



Mary Pat



Alberto



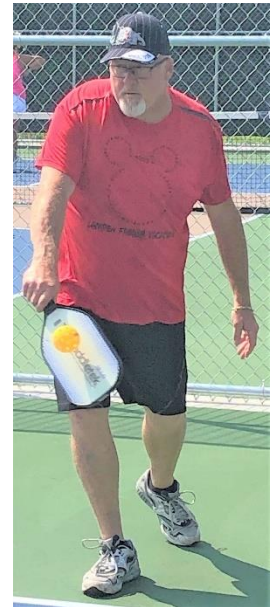
Michele



Mike



Masato



Bob

CALLING SEPTUAGENARIAN PICKLEMEN

It's time again to call our 70+ year old men to Canlan for another King of the Court tournament. Play will begin at 9:30 on Thursday, October 3rd, for the first eight to email me at aokbarry@yahoo.com with their desire to compete in this fun event. You'll play seven games to 13, one with each of your fellow competitors. Of course, as is tradition, after the tournament, if your schedule allows, we'll adjourn to the Onion Pub for lunch and libations.



Mike



Sandy



Priscilla



Leroy



Linda



Laura



Jay



Kristine

Psst. HEY, PICKLER, WANNA BUY A BRICK ?

You read above about the Woodsums meeting the last living founder of the game and playing on the original court. Bainbridge Island's Parks & Recreation Department has approved \$230,000 for the Founders Courts Project. Phase 1 is creating six, new courts to complement the six existing ones. Phase 2 is to create a park-like setting at the entrance that chronicles the history of the sport and honors the founders. Engraved bricks are being sold to help fund the project. For \$450 we can have our logo and 8 lines (15 characters including spaces) on a 12"x12" brick that bears our logo. If you'd like your name on one of those lines, it will cost you \$56.25. If you prefer, for \$30 you can have one of 5 lines up to 20 characters under "PALATINE PICKLERS" on an 8'x8" brick. If you'd like to be immortalized at the "Cooperstown of pickleball," let me know (aokbarry@yahoo.com) which option you choose. If we don't have multiples of 8 for the large brick or 5 for the smaller one, it will be the order of receiving your request that determines which of you will get on a brick. I'll get your characters and collect your fee after that.

For more information go to founderscourts.com.



Gail



George



Gail



Jean



Josh



Kim



Liinda



Marianne



Luke



Lynn



Nancy



Christina



Mike



Dave



Craig



Amy



Mike



Barb



Bear & Kim



Beth



Ina

UNCLAIMED ITEMS see or email Bear at okbarry@yahoo.com



OUR 55-65 CONTENDERS COMPETED FOR QUEEN OF COURT



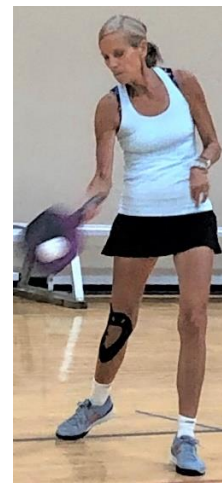
Donna, Melody, Connie, Denise, Mary, Kim, Sandy, Elena Connie (tie 2nd), Queen Donna, Melody (tie 2nd)
 The group photo was staged by height. Hmmm. The tallest three were also the winningest three. Coincidence?



Elena



Denise



Donna



Connie



Melody



Kim



Mary



Sandy

These King, Queen, & King/Queen tournaments have always been fun for all. They usually do have a talent disparity, but it really doesn't matter. It's just a lot of fun to play with seven different partners and face each of them twice ... and then go to lunch with them all. Don't think I've run one of these in which anyone knew every one of the competitors, but by the end of lunch, they're all friends. That's what our club is about.

STILL TIME TO GET IN PADDLE BATTLE

A pair of our esteemed and very talented Picklers are running this tournament. It's popular but not yet full.

HIGHLAND PARK PADDLE BATTLE

CASH PAYOUTS FOR EVERY LEVEL
(3.0, 3.5, 4.0 and OPEN 4.5+)

September 21 & 22, 2019

Danny Cunniff Park
2700 Trail Way
Highland Park, IL 60035

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6 BRAND NEW COURTS AS OF 9/1

\$40 PER EVENT - 50% REGISTRATION PAYOUTS FOR EVERY EVENT
REGISTRATION BEGINS AUGUST 8TH, 2019
REGISTRATION ENDS SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2019

Schedule of Events:
Saturday, 9/21 - Men's & Women's Doubles
Sunday, 9/22 - Mixed Doubles

More information and registration
is available at pickleballtournaments.com

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Why not make their day and your month? Recruit a partner and sign up for this, sure to be fun tournament. You can help to make this an annual event. Check it out at DinkBandSideout.com. Just remember ... if you win a medal, our procedure is for you to email me with your pic, your division, and the color of your hardware.



Marlene



Ron



Al



Sharon



Jim



John



Heather



Howard



Molly



Mike



Spiro



Tim



Sue



Terry



Tom



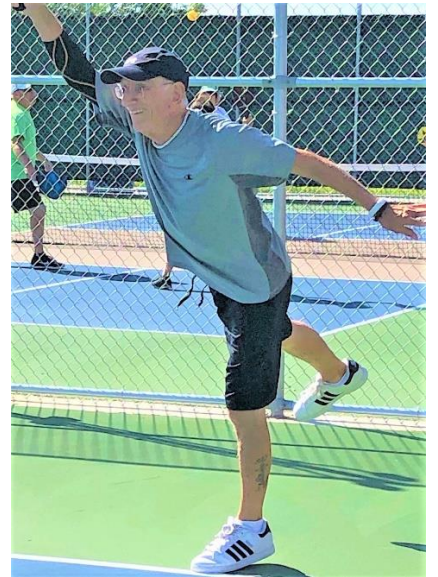
Tom



Tom



Tom



Tom

YOU A LEFTY? DON'T BE LEFT OUT

If 8+ southpaws reply (aokbarry@yahoo.com), we'll have a King/Queen of the Court tournament one Tuesday or Thursday October morning. If 8 men and 8 ladies reply, we'll have 2 tournaments. I'll offer multiple dates. The most popular wins. This may be your only chance to play in a lefty-exclusive event AND share lunch.



Natalie



Lucia



Kim



Kush



Linda



Kathleen



Frank



Diane



Diane

EVER THOUGHT ABOUT REFFING?

If any of you Picklers are interested in taking a referee training class, contact our own Melody Woodsum at mawoodsum@aol.com. She will schedule another classroom & court training session this fall



Carole



Carol



Carla



Lou

WHERE ARE OUR THURSDAY AFTERNOON PICKLERS?

It was in a Tweener Memo that the return of Thursday Noon to 3:00 play at Sycamore has resumed. It seems a lot of last year's regulars didn't see that. The evening play has ended so the only indoor options now are Harper on Monday evenings and Birchwood on Thursday afternoons. Birchwood could really use more Picklers.

WANT MORE INDOOR PLAY? Later in this newsletter, you'll see we can have virtually all we want.



Gina



Bob



Giuseppe



Marti



Sandy



Terry



Vigdis



Susan



Sue's shirt



Steve



Phil



Mary



Jamie



Jim



Jim



John



Lizanne



Ana



Barb



Austen

CATTLE CALL ... LOWER INTERMEDIATE

Assuming someone at Barrington accepts the “challenge” of getting two men and two ladies every two weeks to play all morning, I’m still accepting Picklers to go on the “Want to play” list. The season is to start October 8th. For each match I select four men and four ladies to play against a combined team of Barrington and Midtown. If interested, email me (aokbarry@yahoo.com). I’ll then ask for dates you expect to be available.

CAPTAIN CALL ... FOR BARRINGTON PLAYERS

We need someone to serve as Canlan Captain and put four bodies on your court every other Tuesday morning. Ken Monico will put four Midtowners there to partner with them. This is not an overwhelming task. I could do it, but I’m not going to. If there’s zero interest in these matches, I’ll pull the plug on them, after several fun years. If you’re willing to take the reins of your team, email me at aokbarry@yahoo.com.



Donna



Linda's shirt



Sherry



Bob



Mike



Jacques



June



Elke



Tim



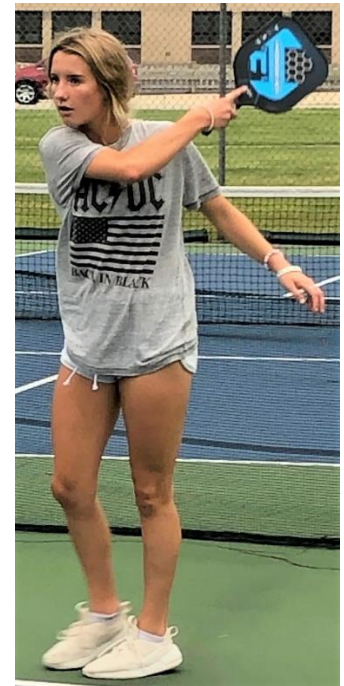
Lori



Ann



Jim



Allie



Joe



Janet



Tim



Denise



Henry



Jaime



Mike



Bob



Anne



Hannah



Gary



April

WHEN DOES FALCON START AGAIN ?

For 18+ Wednesday mornings, it's October 2nd. For 50+ Mondays & Fridays, it's October 14th.



John



Jim



Don



John



Joshua



John



Halina



Gus



Sheryl



Lori



Linda



Dave

MENTOREES COMPETED IN ANNUAL TOURNAMENT

This was the fourth, year-end Mentoree tournament. For the third, consecutive a Lady Pickler came out on top. Once again, EVERYONE who participated had a great time. Though we did no mentoring during the play, Dennis Bourgoin and I did ref each game. Everyone won, and everyone lost. That's a good tournament.



Bear (Ref/Mentor), Halina, Sue, Lucia, Deb, Emilie, Tom, Jim, Dennis, Dennis (Ref/Mentor)
Emilie (Tie 2nd), Sue (Magna Mentoree), Tom (Tie 2nd)



INDOOR PLAY OPTIONS NEED YOUR INPUT

Wow!!! Our Birchwood evenings expired. The Palatine Park District gave us Thursday noon to 3:00 which is slow to catch on, though it was tremendously popular last year. I asked the PPD for Tuesday noon to 3:00 and, longshot, any other time the gym was available. They came through BIG TIME. Now it's up to us. They've offered us all the available times in the gym which you can see below. What I need is for you to tell me which times you would expect to play at least half the time for each of these time slots. Then I'll see what we want most and let them know. This is HUGE. Please check these times and let me know NOW. I said I'd get back to them within a week. You have no idea how thrilled I am that they're taking us this seriously. We're facing a long winter with no Hamilton. Falcon is only three mornings a week, and Harper only one evening (and early mornings at Birchwood & Harper). Canlan in Lake Barrington has been our go-to spot. Let's bring play back to Palatine. Let me know when you'd like to play ... aokbarry@yahoo.com.

MONDAY ... 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

TUESDAY ... 6:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

TUESDAY ... 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. (until Oct 29)

WEDNESDAY ... 9:00 a.m. to Noon

WEDNESDAY ... Noon to 2:00 p.m. (you can play all the way to 4:00)

WEDNESDAY ... 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. (you can come as early as Noon)

THURSDAY ... 9:00 a.m. to Noon (Noon to 3:00 p.m. is ours now, but only a few are coming)

THURSDAY ... Noon to 2:00 p.m. (you can play all the way to 4:00)

THURSDAY ... 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. (you can come as early as Noon)

FRIDAY ... 6:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. (This is already available to us, but could use more players)

FRIDAY ... 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday and Thursday we can have the gym all day, but I want to know when you'd show up. That's why the separate time slots. I don't want to tell the Park District, sure, we'll take all day and then have an empty gym by noon. PLEASE do respond to me with times you'd expect to make. Apart from DUH Hamilton, this offer is the most dream come true gift ever. Let's take advantage of it appropriately. Thanks.

Crystal Lake Racquet Club ...
Inaugural Open ... 5.0 Men's Doubles
... *John Cincola & Chuck Feinstein* ...
Silver ... (Dave Weinbach & Bill
Ritchie took gold.)



PADDETECK SUPER SALE

Our local rep, Chuck Feinstein just informed me that Paddleteck will give 20% off any of their paddles for the rest of September. This is major so, if you're thinking of upgrading your court effectiveness, now is the time. See/contact Chuck ... 847-877-7770 or grtfuldad@aol.com



Ron



Paul



Stana



Barb



Ann



Steve



Hank



Julie



Mary



Larry



Annette



Mike

LET'S SUMMARIZE WHAT YOU NEED TO DO ...

Mark your calendar for 12:30 on Thursday, September 19th for our fall picnic

Contact Melody if you're interested in learning how to ref a pickleball game

Contact Chuck if you'd like a great deal on a paddle

Email me if you

- A) are interested in mixed play Sunday afternoons
- B) want to play in our annual Picklers Ping Pong Tournament
- C) would like to know the combination to the Hamilton storage box
- D) would like to play in the Men's 70+ tournament
- E) would like to have your name put on a brick at the birthplace of pickleball
- F) have interest in playing in a tournament for only left-handed Picklers
- G) would like to play occasionally in our Tuesday, lower intermediate matches at Canlan
- H) would be willing every other week to get two men and two ladies from Canlan to compete there
- I) want to play in the Birchwood gym ... tell me which days and times appeal to you
- J) want to claim one of the items in my lost & found

PLEASE DO ME A FAVOR. After each monthly newsletter, I get a LOT of emails. I enjoy responding to the vast majority of them. I'm not a fan of the dozen or two that ask something that I'd just covered in the newsletter. For instance, I expect to get 15-20 emails this coming week asking when Falcon starts. Before you ask me to answer something, please make sure I haven't already done so. Thank you.

To end on a couple happy notes, our summer mentoring program was attended by more than 50 Picklers, and most came to several/all sessions. While Kathy and I were in Door County last month, I enjoyed playing pickleball in Fish Creek and Sturgeon Bar with four Palatine Picklers who were up there at the same time.

Hope you all have a
pickleriffic month.

Bear Shatwell
PicklersPrez
aokbarry@yahoo.com

