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CONSIDER PLAYING AT HAMILTON AT 11 OR 1



The above is a typical site about 9:00 EVERY morning at Hamilton. There are more players waiting to play than there are players playing. Maybe you could consider getting a few Pickler friends to play at either 11:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. You'll get many more games per hour at those times. You may also find the courts at Sycamore or Locust less crowded.

We've all been very good about keeping the number of courts for competitive and rec proportional to the paddles in the respective paddle racks. We can all take pride in how well our morning policies are working. I've heard several times this spring that we have the best system of any place picklers have played.

CALLING ALL WHO HAD MILITARY OR GOVERNMENT JOBS

Thursday, August 15th at 9:00 a.m. in Lake Barrington's Canlan Sportsplex we'll have a tournament exclusively for those whose background includes military or government service. If this is you, email me at aokbarry@yahoo.com to get in on this fun. This will be around robin so you'll partner once with each of your fellow competitors. The we go to lunch a mile away.

THIS TOURNAMENT EARNED AN "A"

On July 11th a dozen current or former teachers proved to be as much of a class act on the courts as they were in their classrooms.



Front: Jodi, Marcia, JoAnne, Mary Jo, & Amy. Back: Deb, Marianne, Katja, Terri, Joanne, Mary, & Nancy



Terri finished 2nd

Marianne won the Teachers Tournament

JoAnne finished 3rd

CORRECTIONS FOR 2 ERRORS IN THE JULY NEWSLETTER

25,262



Super Stepper Janice Becker



Brian Szady & Daniel Koste -
Fast Hands & Furious Charity
Tournament, Mundelein –
Mens 4.0 - Gold

WHO HAS MULTIPLE PETS?

Thursday, August 29th we'll have our first Multiple Pet Owner Tournament at Canlan at 9:00 a.m. Whether 3 dogs, a snail and a spider, a mouse and a bird, it doesn't matter. If you have more than one pet, just email me at aokbarry@yahoo.com with the number and species of your pets. This is a first tournament, but I suspect it could become an annual. As are all my fun tournaments, it's a round robin so you'll play one game partnering with each of your competitors so, no matter how well or poorly you play, you cannot affect the outcome. The best three will likely end up in the top three. It's a lot of fun, and then we go to lunch.

CHECK OUT SOME WONDERFUL WALKING/RUNNING

SUPER STEPPERS (20K+ in a day)

29,879



Jeff Colish

28,229



Ben Farb

28,065



Denise Hopkins

24,065



Lois Farb

20,285



Bobbie Campbell

WORTHY WALKERS (15K+ in a day)

19,742



Ben Farb

19,687



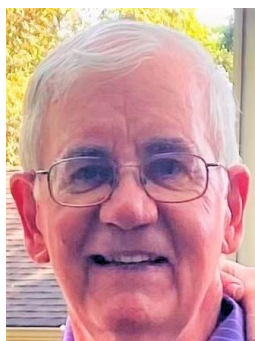
Bear Shatwell

17,106



Lois Farb

16,284



Bob McGowan

15,112



Denise Hopkins

CHECK YOUR PHONE, SEND A SCREEN SHOT, & JOIN US HERE

Many of you don't realize it, but your phone may be tracking your daily steps. If you have a little, red heart icon, that's where you'll find your daily steps. If you get 15K or more, just take a screen shot and email it to me at aokbarry@yahoo.com. You too can be featured in this walker-honoring section!

JULY NEWBIES



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ANDREW



BARBARA



BILL



BRENDA



CAMERON



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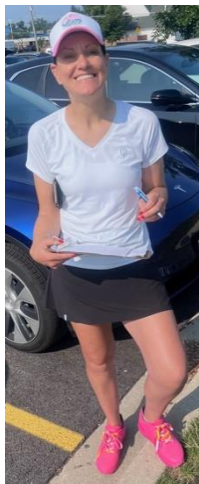
JOANNA



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RICH



SERGE



STEVE



SUE



TED



WENDY

GRANDPARENTS TOURNAMENT

Originally billed as the tournament for grandparents with the most grandkids, it became simply the Grandparents Tournament. That's because I'd anticipated more than the 24 Picklers we could handle. Everyone who applied, even one proud granddad of 1, got to participate. Here's our happy group.



Kneeling: Clay (2) & Janice (3) Standing: Angela (5), Chris (2), Sheila (4), Bear (4), Janet (2), Howard (5), Marv (2), Mary (5), Pam (7), Steve (2.5), Mike (1), & John (6)



2 After almost three hours of play, our four top finishers were, from left to right, Pam 3rd, Mary and Marv tied for 1st, Mike 4^h (who doesn't seem happy about that)

REMEMBER OUR PICKLER DISCOUNTS

5% OFF anything sold on PickleballCentral.com, when you use the code CRPALATINEPB.

10-20% OFF Paddletek paddles from Chuck at 847-877-7770 or grtfuldad@aol.com.

20% OFF anything at engagepickleball.com, with the code 20jon.

25% OFF anything from Gammasports.com, with the code ba_soderborg25

\$10 OFF Vatic Pro paddles...https://vaticpro.com?sca_ref=3606076.ir5retg8qU Code CHICAGO

MANY MEDALS THIS MONTH



. Daniel & Brian Szady – WPT
Regional Qualifier, Center Court
Club – 4.0-4.5 – Silver



Daniel & Brian – Windy City Open
40-49 4.0-4.5 – Silver



Singles Qualifier -
Center Court Club
Singles – 40+ - 3.5-3.9 - Bronze



Vera Chan & Daniel – Chicago Open -
40-49 3.5-3.9 – Bronze



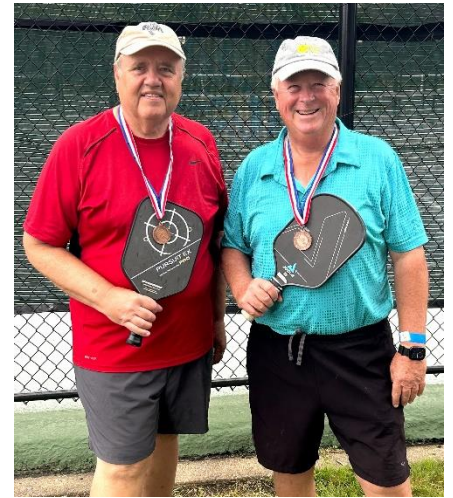
Chicago Open – Singles
3.5-3.9 – Bronze



Bob Bregenzer & Shelly Rubin
6 County Sr Games – 75-79 -
Gold



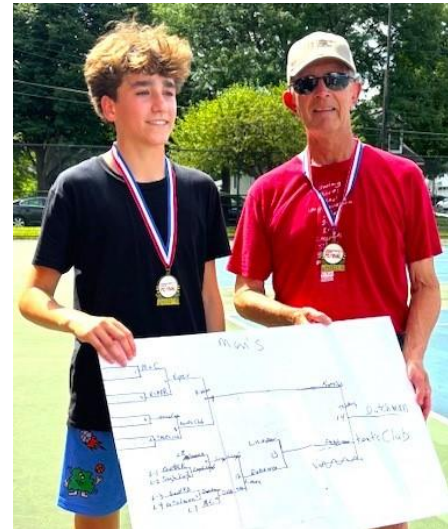
Bob Eukovich & Joyce Pihl -
Newport Beach Open – 70+
3.5 – Silver



Ron Haaker & Rick Liston -
6 County Sr Games – 70-74 -
Bronze



Kallren Hoppel & Carol Hawes -
6-County Sr Games – 65+ - Bronze



Austin & Kent Kleiva – Arlington
Frontier Days Tournament – 14 yr old Austin
visiting from AZ got paired with Kent.
They took 2nd in Men's

CHANGES TO THURSDAY & SATURDAY MENTORING

Starting August 8th Thursday mentoring at Hamilton will return to 3:00 to 5:00. This week it is still 2:00 to 4:00. Saturday remains 3:00 to 5:00 FOR ONLY THOSE WHO CANNOT attend either Wednesday or Thursday sessions.

Starting now NOONE who has been in mentoring for at least a year can participate in either the Thursday or Saturday sessions. Court availability is too limited and should be for newbies.

HEY, HAMILTON PICKLERS ... LET'S HAVE A PICNIC



PALATINE PICKLERS PICNIC! (HAMILTON GROUP)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11TH
NOON - 4:30 PM

DEER GROVE FOREST PRESERVE
1756 N. Quentin Rd.
Palatine, IL 60074
SHELTER #1 (West of Quentin)

Baggos/Music/Fun

\$5 Donation Per Person
Prior to Event to
Chris Vaia or JoAnne McNamee

Bring your own food/drinks
Optional: Dish to Share

Questions?
Chris Vaia (847-894-0782)

PPC PART-TIME MEMBER THANKS US

Hello Bear!

I wanted to follow up with you in sharing a note for the Pickler newsletter, feel free to edit as you see fit. I also included photos of Carol and I. See you next year!

Take Care,
Katie B.

Dear Palatine Picklers,

I wanted to send a huge thank you to you all for making me feel so welcome at Hamilton.

I had the opportunity to play with several Picklers during my two-week visit surrounding the 4th of July, a guest of Carol S, playing bright an early nearly every morning.

One year ago the Palatine Picklers taught me how to play the game and, once I returned home to CA, I immediately sought out a local place to continue learning. I've been playing ever since. I genuinely appreciate everyone's patience and kindness, and I always pay it forward anytime I encounter a newbie.

On my visit this year I remembered many faces from last year and wanted to thank you all for making me feel so welcome and for challenging my game. So many great players!

Should you ever make your way to Newport Beach CA please reach out, I'd be delighted to have you as a guest at my pickleball club.

~Katie Beckmann

POTENTIAL LIFE-SAVING JEWELRY

Pickler Sue Rose suggested I share this "Road ID" information. It seemed a good idea. Click on the logo, and you'll find a wealth of information and options. You've all heard of Life Alert. This may be even more appealing. We've had a couple situations in the last month which would have made the Road ID a helpful tool. Check it out. Copy & paste the link below.



https://www.roadid.com/pages/shop-road-id?utm_source=google&campaign_id=17132039482&ad_id=595978103995&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign={campaign}&utm_content=143074107584&utm_term=&gclid=&gad_source=1&gbraid=0AAAAAD6s2GtZOK0C2XBdTsBaW3p3NsL3

APP's CHICAGO OPEN NEEDS YOU TO VOLUNTEER

We are returning to Danny Cuniff Park again this year, Aug 28 - Sept 1. We would LOVE to have you as part of our team at this event!

As a volunteer, you will enjoy:

- FREE APP dri-fit shirt
- FREE refreshments during your shift.
- FREE lunch, if you work 5+ hours in a single day.
- **COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS** to the event all week
- A chance to witness world-class pickleball action!

All volunteers will have direct access to me via cell phone if they have a question or a need during their shift. Upon arrival, you will get a quick tour of the facility, an overview of tournament operations, and some on-the-job training for your volunteer role. You will get a break during your shift as well. You can sign up via Pickleball Desk, or simply open the Volunteer Schedule below and send your shift preferences directly to me at Dawn Horan / glrhoran@gmail.com / 260-273-0855. Please include your name, phone, and email on any correspondence.

Pickleball Desk Sign Up

Volunteer Schedule - APP Chicago

We've had a LOT of volunteer Palatine Pickler presence at these Chicago Opens. Hope you volunteer AND wear your PPC colors while there. Thanks.

DO NOT RUN BACKWARDS ON A PB COURT

I preach to Mentorees, "Not even in your worst nightmare, should you dream about running backwards on a pickleball court. It is truly discourteous to your peers. First off, your court has to be shut down due to the blood. Then Mentorees feel compelled to watch the Paramedics wrap you up like a mummy and haul you away. You've wasted about 45 minutes of their mentoring time and taken a court out of play making the remaining courts more crowded."

Twice last month we had backwards runners get hauled away ... two broken wrists and a fractured femur. PLEASE don't become another casualty of running backwards.

PALATINE PICKERS' PADDLES PROMOTE PHILIPPINES PICKLING

Palatine Pickler Arnie Walker's local partner and friend MJ Yap Bandico sent him this about the program they're starting for us here in the USA to donate old paddles to enthusiastic, appreciative players in the Philippines. They are currently a beneficiary of a similar program from Texas but MJ suggested starting our own program so we can help more people as this is a wonderful opportunity to enrich lives and spread health and goodwill!

We can use this shipping service and MJ's address:

<https://www.lbcexpress.com/us/shipping-services#:~:text=No%20matter%20where%20in%20the,using%20our%20reliable%20shipping%20services.>

Maejo Joy Yap Bandico

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Purok Parpagayo II, Gulayon, Dipolog City, Zamboanga del Norte

“Paddle It Forward” Building Pickleball Communities in Dipolog City and Beyond

Objective:

The Paddle It Forward program aims to promote and grow the sport of pickleball in Dipolog City, neighboring towns and beyond by providing used paddles donated by Palatine Picklers in the US. This initiative not only introduces the game to more individuals but also fosters community development and social engagement through pickleball.

Partners:

- Dipolog Picklers: Local pickleball enthusiasts and players who will facilitate the distribution of paddles and organize community events and tournaments.
- Palatine Picklers: US-based pickleball club that will donate used paddles for the program.

Activities:

1. Paddle Donation Drive: Palatine Picklers will collect and donate used paddles to Dipolog Picklers for distribution to interested individuals and organizations.
2. Community Workshops: Dipolog Picklers will conduct pickleball workshops and training sessions for beginners and experienced players to improve their skills and knowledge of the game.
3. Pickleball Clinics: Inviting experienced players from both local and international organizations to highlight best practices and techniques in playing pickleball.
4. Community Tournaments: Organize friendly tournaments and competitions to showcase the talent and sportsmanship of players in Dipolog City, nearby areas and beyond.
5. Outreach Program: Visiting schools, universities, and barangays to introduce pickleball as a sport and recreational activity for all ages.

Outcomes:

- Increased participation and interest in pickleball in Dipolog City and neighboring communities.
- Promotion of sportsmanship, teamwork, and physical fitness through pickleball.
- Establishment of pickleball clubs and organized play in schools, barangays, and local organizations.

- Enhanced social cohesion and community engagement through pickleball.

Budget:

- Equipment: Used paddles donation (donated by Palatine Picklers)
- Marketing and Promotion: Collaterals, advertisements, and social media campaigns
- Venue Rental: Community workshops, clinics, and tournaments
- Miscellaneous: Transportation, refreshments, and other event-related expenses

Overall, the Paddle It Forward program is a collaborative effort between Dipolog Picklers and Palatine Picklers to create sustainable pickleball communities in the Philippines and support community development through pickleball. Together, we aim to inspire and empower individuals of all ages to pick up a paddle, play, and enjoy the game of pickleball.

Arnie Walker is the Pickler at right who is promoting this.



CHECK OUT THE EXPANDING PICKLER LOCATIONS



Our action shot layout volunteer, Jonny Storm, currently teaches at The Picklr in Naperville and they are opening locations in Mundelein, Villa Park, and Lake Zurich. The link below will give anyone who goes through the link a free 30 day trial at any Picklr location.

The Picklr 30 Day Free

Trial: https://thepicklr.com/affiliate?rstr=STORM&utm_source=organic-referral&utm_medium=ambassador&utm_campaign=JonBradford-4104

This will give anyone who goes through the link a free 30 day trial at any Picklr location.

Jonny's photo is on the left.

WANT TO PROFILE YOU

Since I began writing Pickler profiles in December of 2020, I have profiled 55 Palatine Picklers. All you have to do to see your life story in a newsletter is email me your desire. I'm at aokbarry@yahoo.com. I'll send you my profile prompter. Just answer the questions you like, add whatever else you want to share, and find several photos of you doing anything other than pickleball.

You just supply the information. I will write your profile. Everyone has an interesting life. We all would like to get a better look at yours. Thanks.



Adam



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Alicia



Amy



Angie



Ann



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Anna



Annette



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Monica



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Pam



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Robert



Sheila



Susan



Steve



Susan



Ted



Terri



Tim



Tom



Tom



Tom



Tom



Tracey



Valery



Wendy

ORDER YOUR SHIRTS, BEFORE THE PRICE RAISE

They'll still be a bargain, but all our shirts will cost you one more dollar in September. Remember the old saying, "A dollar saved is a dollar earned." So earn yourself a dollar or three this month. Just go to PalatinePicklers.com (not on your phone) and click "SHIRTS." Find the style/s you like, select a recommended color, select your size, and scroll to the very bottom of the page to place your order.

Linda O'Connor, our Shirt Lady, will be in touch with you, to let you know how to pay. She places orders with our printer, once she has the required minimum number of shirts.

THAT'S IT FOR NOW

Let's summarize what was covered in the above pages. We have two fun, round robin tournaments this month ... Thursday the 15th is for anyone who has worked for the government, including the military ... Thursday the 29th brings together Picklers whose family currently includes multiple pets.



We REALLY want our intermediate level Pickler to give intramural competition a try. These morning matches are in the Canlan Sportsplex in Lake Barrington every other Tuesday morning. Just email me with your interest and your MMDDYY date of birth, as I pit the younger half of those rostered each match against their older peers. Just tell me the dates you can participate, starting with August 6th. I'll let you know Sunday afternoon, if you're rostered.

Check out the Picklr facilities, as they open throughout the suburbs. Volunteer at the APP Chicago Open. Beginner or newer Picklers sign up for Wednesday mentoring and/or walk-on sessions Thursday and Saturday. Donate your extra paddles. Consider a Road

ID. Picklers who play at Hamilton are invited to our picnic on Sunday, August 11th. Just make your reservation.

'Til next month, I wish you happy pickling.

Bear Shatwell
PicklersPrez
aokbarry@yahoo.com