

SCPB NEWSLETTER

Up-Coming Events | Special Events| Targeting

EVENTS

March/April

**3/14 "PICKLEBALL ROCKS"
DINNER/DANCE**

**3/28 FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS
5PM PICKLEBALL -6:30 PM
POTLUCK**

4/5 MIXER 9:30

**4/25 FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS
5PM PICKLEBALL -6:30 PM
POTLUCK**

ID Tags

When you renew your membership next year, you will be given two new items.

- One, you will be asked to sign a court guideline's document along with your membership form.
- Two, you will be given an ID tag to be filled out and attached to your bag. This is for safety reasons in case of an emergency as well as for security



2025-2026 SCPD CLUB OFFICERS



Featured left to right: Rich Allison, President; Raymond Bartus, Secretary; Bob Briedis, Treasurer; Tom Watson, Member At Large; Jean Mylen, Vice-President; Sandy Berk, Vice-President of Events; Taffy Golden, Membership. In addition, Devon Heckert, Activities Assistant, and Vicky Harrison, Communications Director, who were not available for photo.

The HOA requires that clubs have an Executive Board; it does not require clubs to provide activities/events to their membership. The activities and events that our membership enjoys which includes ladders, mixers, evening events, and our annual dinner/dance is incumbent on volunteers which are organized and scheduled by the Board (who are also volunteers).

Attending General Meetings is important to learn about the club, elect new officers and have valuable interactions with the board. Your vote and voice counts! 1

LADIES LADDER CELEBRATES GALENTINES



Ramona Schaefer, Captain of the Ladies Ladder organized a fun day! *“It was a super event, and I think everyone had an enjoyable time.”* Ladies Ladder has over eighty members. Photos by Ron Golden

VOLUNTEERS ENJOY A DINNER ON THE CLUB



Pickleball Club Volunteers gathered to enjoy a dinner at Cali Cafe on the Club! Without these volunteers, we wouldn't be able to schedule Ladders, Mixers, Clinics, special events and our annual Dinner/Dance. We have over seventy volunteers dedicate their time throughout the year to make a difference for our overall club members.

BEWARE

Recently, several of our members have experienced thefts in our breezeway. Not all people entering our courts are members. Please take note of where your backpack is at all times. And, please put your name PERMANENTLY on your paddle. Losing a paddle or wallet is costly.

ACTIVITIES AROUND THE COURTS ANNUAL CAN/AM TOURNAMENT



Everyone wore their country's colors and fought hard in the heat with fans turning out to cheer on their team from both sides. 🇨🇦🇺🇸 Congratulations to the USA who won the team division with Canada at 547 total points and USA at 561. Top four individual point earners from each country went on to medal matches. Bronze went to USA Jerry and Joe who were up early in their match, but Canada's June and Cecile fought back making it a very close match. It was a battle for Gold and Silver. Team USA Deb and Tracey won the Gold with a score 15/13, narrowly edging out Canada's Kristen and Corine. Congratulations to all for representing their countries with great pride and sportsmanship.

TARGETING HAS BEEN HOT NEWS LATELY

All of us have been targeted at one time or another. Particularly, if you play in competitive situations. But, along with targeting can be a hard drive headed at you at close range. Injuries happen as a result, some of them pretty serious. One would wonder if the person who targets is really demonstrating good sportsmanship. As paddles become more powerful as a result of new technology and materials, the game naturally speeds up, intentional targeting is becoming more prevalent.

The new Targeting rule, is a measure to "preserve both player safety and the integrity of professional competition. While the modern game has become faster and more aggressive, respect for opponents remains paramount. Players are encouraged to compete with intensity but must avoid endangering fellow competitors. Now, UPA-A officials during tournaments will assess intent, ball trajectory, and overall gameplay context when determining violations.

This rule is designed to preserve both player safety and the integrity of professional competition, ensuring that pickleball remains a sport built on skill, strategy, and sportsmanship.