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October, one of my favorite month's. Halloween, aspen trees changing colors, cool mornings and beautiful warm days and evenings. Great weather for Pickleball.

Welcome these New Members

Mark Anderson, Bret and Kelly Annoni, Jeff Forcier, Nancy and Mike Hitchcock, Ryan James, Jeff Kennison, Deborah Lan, Christine Miura, Sandy Moeller, Kelly Morgan, Jim Nash, Amy and Jeff Rice, and Carmen Sanz. Thank you so much for joining our club!

Portable Nets No More!

It was such a delight to take two of our portable nets, one to Tice in case we need an extra one this winter and the other went to the Ultimate Fieldhouse. One more went to **Darrell Hoh** who is trying to get pickleball at his homeowners group. The fourth one went to Berkeley with **David Yabusaki** who is trying to get pickleball going over there. It was soooo nice to see them go.....far, far away.....after putting them up at Rudgear for so many years! The new permanent courts are so much more fun!!

Fieldhouse

Speaking of the Fieldhouse, **Rusty Lent**, one of our members who is also a certified IPTPA instructor, ran a team building play day for the Chevron Company. Mark Nollsch helped him out and many loaned him paddles for the large group. He is the Best!

End of Summer Party

What a huge success! I think it was one of our best parties yet. The side dishes and salads and desserts that everyone brought to share were wonderful. **Bob and Joyce Jensen's** home could not have been more welcoming, the new therapeutic spa that a few tried out and the new bar with seating on the deck that over looked the hills. With 90 members and guests there, it was fun catching up with everyone and playing some ping pong too! Thank you Bob and Joyce for sharing your lovely home, once again!

Save the Date!!

The **Christmas Party** will be held on **December 16th, Sunday, at 6 PM.** Put it on your calendars now! More details to follow!

Tice Gym

The schedule of play for October has been the same. Mon, Wed, Thursday 9 AM to 1 PM and Friday from 9 AM to Noon.

The club is taking new balls there this week as we heard most had lost their zip and were not bouncing very much! Thank you **Wayne Moon** and **Thom Macpherson**!

Rudgear Park

We have been having lots of treats from our members, cookies and cake and kisses from **Rusty Lent** and his peanuts for the peanut gallery; **Cece Kohl** brought lots of treats, a great dip, spicy chicken wings and more from a party she had attended the night before. She brings breakfast goodies too. Sweet little tomatoes from **Leslie Holt**, several times! They are like sweet candy! New member, **Lu Lynn de Silva** was becoming known for her sweet watermelon too! **Mary Zaletel** has been sharing her harvest of pomegranates too! We have really been spoiled! Thank you all for being so thoughtful. It sure makes that time between games a lot more fun!

We have had a huge increase in play at Rudgear since we opened all 8 courts on Labor Day. Please be kind to the neighbors. If you can park on the park side, do that. Stay clear of their driveways. And no parking on the small opening between the two closest homes across the street. Karen lives in one house and has to transport a person in a wheel chair, so she needs to be able to back out of the driveway with no problems. No parking little red sports cars there please!

We need to sweep or blow off the courts most mornings, with the wind picking up, there are pine needles dropping more often. There are now brooms on the fences too. Everyone should help out and thank you to those that always do.

Community Service Day

Wow! What a day we all had! Everyone worked so hard for hours! We cleared the debris from around the entire edge of all the courts. Now they can really be cleaned and blown off. We built two more picnic tables, we built a new pad for those tables with digging and leveling and bender board and bark. We built a new path to the new gate that was installed between the new courts, more digging and leveling, bender board and wood chips. The new gate makes all four courts much more useable too. Less traffic walking on the courts. We dug up the DG granite chips and put wood chips down under the tables we already have. No more dust or rock being tracked on the courts.

Another gate was added on Monday afternoon near our tables, for more direct access to the old courts. Many thanks to the Maintenance Dept. and Public Works for everything you provided! The City of Walnut Creek has really helped to make this a great pickleball facility. And all our hard work has been real "Team Building". Hopefully, it wasn't back breaking! We have so many to thank....over 50 showed up to work on Saturday!

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! I am hoping I don't miss anyone and let me know if I do! **Tosh Kuritsubo and Jon Rego** acted as Team Leaders. Thank you for bringing all the tools we needed and the generator too! **Eric Benson, Randy Branaugh, Mark Bryant, Laura Cahalen, Julie and Randy Chandler, Bill Collins, Pat Chung, and Rosario Ysip, Annette and Mike Cohn, Karen Drescher, Donna Gray, Milo Harris, Jim Heick, Maggie Hochfelder and Miriam Garfinkel, Gordon Johnson; Cece Kohl**, thank you for checking everyone in! **Chris Lachmann, Rusty Lent, Mark Litzau, Carol Manuel, Kelly Morgan, Vicki Morse, Monita Pang, Carol Pillsbury, Rob Popowcer, Johanna Poulis and Jim Richards, Pete Sciarretta, Melinda Shaver, Kathy Sostaric, Leanne and Robert Strong, Sylvia Sum, Tim Tamura, Jerry Wertzer, Nick Wong, Monika Wyborney, Julia Young, Dutch and Zoe Zuurmond!!** We also had two middle school boys from Foothill that volunteered and worked hard for three hours for their school community service. We had 5 other non members that must have wondered why we needed so many picnic tables in one place, but they helped us too. I hope I haven't missed anyone. If you checked in late and helped us, thank you!!

Congratulate the Winners - Western Regionals, Claremont, CA

Gold medals were won by **Jeannie Lowe and Ayumi Otome** in WD, 50+, 4.0; **Elaine Hennessey and Denny Erardi** won gold in WD 55+, 4.5; **Kathy Brown and Ann Stokes** won gold in 65+, 4.0.

Ray Jueng and Ayumi Otome won gold in Mixed Doubles 50+, 4.0; **Gordon Johnson** and partner won gold in Men's Doubles 75+ 3.5; **Pat Chung** won Gold in Women's Singles, 65+, 3.5; **John Fontius** won gold in Men's Singles 76+, 4.5! **Terry Nemoff** won Gold in Men's 60+, 4.5; All Amazing Gold Medal Winners!

Silver medals won by **Rosario Ysip** and her mixed partner in 65+, 3.0; **Ray Jueng** won Silver in Men's Doubles 50+, 4.0; **Gordon Johnson** won Silver in Men's Singles 80+, 3.5; **Dutch Zuurmond** won Silver in Men's Singles, 70+, 3.0; **George Silvas** won Silver in 65+, 4.0;

Bronze medals won by **Linda Bower and Miriam Garfinkel** in WD 60+.3.5; **Batong Briones and Natalie Dang** won Bronze in Mixed 50+, 5.0; **David Wage and Bryan Leong** won Bronze Men's 35+, 5.0 (they played against Marcin Rozpedski and Morgan Evans!!); **George Silvas and David Silvas** got Bronze in Men's 60+, 4.0;

What a great tournament for everyone!

King/Queen of the Courts

This Saturday at 12:30, players will meet and try to become King or Queen for a day. Pick a partner and lets have some competitive fun. See you there!

October 31st Halloween

We will have regular drop in play, but wear a costume or mask or something fun! Cece Kohl is giving prizes too!

Annual Membership Meeting

Annual Membership Meeting is scheduled for **November 3rd, Saturday at 8:30 AM** at Rudgear Park. Members will vote for the 2019 Board and then play pickleball afterwards. Voting information to follow soon.

Pickleball Central

Don't forget to use your club code when ordering paddles or balls. It gives you 5% off your order. It is CRRPC. See the link on our website.

Join the USAPA

This is the pickleball organization. They send a e-magazine every other month with all the latest information about the game or rules or up coming clinics or events. See the links on our website.

Don't forget to get out and vote on November 6th! It is more important than ever. I've already sent my absentee ballot in!