

APRIL '22



Lost and Found

WSPC has provided Lost and found boxes for each play area. One on the East Courts and West Courts at Lincoln Park. Pineridge has one as well. The combination for the LP Boxes are 0123 and the Pineridge Box is BILL.

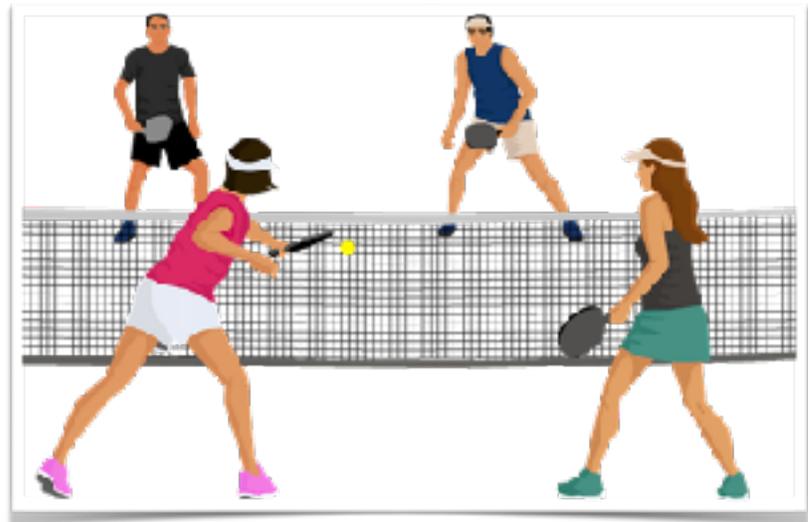
In the boxes there are also first aid kits and Rule books.

If you find an item that someone has forgotten please place it in one of the Boxes.

We are in need of another Lincoln Park Representative. Please bear with us as we work to find a replacement.

Squeegees

There are Squeegees at both Lincoln Park and Pineridge Park. The combination for Pineridge is PLAY and the combinations for the LP squeegees can be found on the inside of the lid of the lost and found box on the East Courts. If you use them, make sure they are locked back up.



WSPC Miscellaneous

Save the Dates:

May 5th and 6th. Member Appreciation with donuts, coffee and juices. Pineridge from 0800-0900 on the 5th and Lincoln Park from 0800-0900 on the 6th.

WSPC Annual Meeting will be in June following Board Elections. A slate of candidates will be e-mailed to the members on May 1st with request for additional candidates. Please be watching for it.

When considering candidates please give careful consideration to the nominees and existing officers in regards to what they can bring to the board and the past performances of existing officers.

May 21, 2022: Spring Social and Silent Auction: This will consist of Burgers and Bids! Combination fundraiser and Social. WSPC will provide the Burgers. Flyer to follow.

Updates to follow in the next Quarterly Newsletter

If you have a suggestion or anything you find of interest you would like to share about pickleball or something else please let me know. I would love to add small tid-bits that are fun and informational! my contact information is: bcfurn@msn.com

A fun fact I bet you didn't know....

Last Issues Trivia Question:

Question: Can you name the initial Officers of our WSPC Board that are still actively serving on the Board?

The first person the answer the question was Alecia Gordon. Congratulations on your Franklin Ball!

Answer: Brenda Furnace, George Gerson and Linda Griffith

Please send feedback about the newsletter. Any and all input is welcome and appreciated!

Bob Anderson got his Paddle Back! A huge thank you to the person who made sure to get it back to its owner!!!

Continued:

New ball stoppers are out at LP. If damaged please contact Jim Craig. 970 250-6883.

Please visit our Website for information on Calendar of events, Board Information, Archived News Letters, Tournament information, Membership Renewals and more! westernslopepickleballclub.com or www.wspcgj.com.

Up-Coming Tournaments

Grand Junction Parks and Recreation tournament (Registration is underway)

April 30, May 1, 2022

Contact: Shon Birch

shonb@gjcity.org

www.gjparksandrec.org

Summit County Tournament: July 15th - 16th , Rain Date July 17.

Lorie Miller 970 418-0490

Carbondale Tournament August 20-21. Watch for Updates

Grand Junction Senior Games, August 27-28. Watch for updates!

Delta Pickleball Tournament (formerly known as Oktoberfest)

September 24 and 25, 2022

Contact person (for now) Maxine Behrman

mxcdbdi@gmail.com

970-275-1078

Western Slope Pickleball Club tournament

Grand Junction, CO.

September 30 (Singles) October 1 & 2, 2022 Doubles Save the Date. Age and skill levels in the Doubles play. bcfurn@msn.com

Contact: BrendaFurnace 970-589-0488

Tournaments Continued:

Montrose Tournament: September 10th and 11, 2022
Contact: Cindy Marino
cmarino@montroserec.com

Salida Tournament: September 17-18, 2022 Information to follow.



Rule Book Changes for 2022

1. **Technical Warning** – A referee’s warning of a behavioral violation given to a player or team. Points are neither awarded nor deducted for a technical warning.
2. **Verbal Warning** – A referee’s warning of a behavioral violation. A single verbal warning may be issued to each team once per match.
3. **The Volley Serve.** The server shall use only one hand to release the ball to perform the serve. If the ball is visibly spun by the server during the release, the part(s) of the hand contacting the ball must be bare. The server’s release of the ball must be visible to the referee and the receiver. In matches without a referee, the server’s release of the ball must be visible to the receiver. A replay shall be called before the return of serve if the release of the ball is not visible or if the referee (or receiver in non- officiated matches) cannot discern whether an item on the hand contacted a visibly spun ball. **Exception:** A player who has the use of only one hand may use their hand or paddle to release the ball to perform the serve.
4. **Servers must release the ball from one of the server’s hands or dropped off the server’s paddle face from any natural (un-aided) height and hit the ball after the ball bounces. There is no restriction how many times the ball can bounce nor where the ball can bounce on the playing surface. The server’s release of the ball must be visible to the referee and the receiver. In matches without a referee, the server’s release of the ball must be visible to the receiver. A replay shall be called before the return of serve if the release of the ball is not visible. The rules for feet placement (4.A.4) still apply.**

5. **Before the serve occurs, any player may ask the referee for the score, [Page 4](#) correct server or receiver, correct player position, and may challenge/confirm the called score. Any player may ask any one or more of these questions.**
6. **Wrong Score Called. If the server or referee calls the wrong score, once the serve is made, play shall continue to the end of the rally and the correction made before the next serve. After the serve is made, a player who stops play based solely on an incorrect score call, will have committed a fault and shall lose the rally.**
7. **Once the end change point has been scored, a technical foul resulting in the loss of a point for the serving team shall have no impact on the completion of the end change.**
8. **New: After the serve, a ball contacting any permanent object before bouncing on the court. Reason: This small change clarifies that after the score had been called (the ball is “live”) but before the serve occurs, if the ball happened to slip out of the server’s hand and rolled and touched a permanent object, such as a bleacher or fence, this is not a fault as long as the server served within the 10-second count.**
9. **A player deliberately carrying or catching the ball on the paddle while performing the serve or during a rally. Reason: The unintended consequence in 2021 for allowing a player to “sling” the ball on the paddle face allowed for tremendous spin to be applied to the ball on the serve. This change simply puts the rule back to previous years of how the serve was to be performed. This rule eliminates the colloquial ‘Covid serve’ and the ‘Chainsaw serve’. The change also allows for a player to “balance” a ball on their paddle before, during or after the score call as long as they don’t sling the ball off the paddle face to perform the serve.**
10. **In non-officiated matches, players may carry additional pickleball(s) as long as the ball(s) are carried in a way that the ball(s) are not visible to their opponent during play. If an additional ball that a player was carrying falls on the playing surface during play, a fault shall be declared.**
11. **Other than non-volley zone violations, faults may only be committed when the ball is live. The penalty for faults (other than not non-volley zone faults) are normally enforced the moment they are identified (e.g., incorrect player/position, distractions, double bounces, etc.) but may also be enforced any time before the next serve occurs.**
12. **The referee will announce when there are 15 seconds remaining. At the end of the time-out period, the referee shall call 'time in' and then call the score when all players are (or should be) ready to play.**
13. **In the interest of safety, if the referee determines a potential medical situation exists, (for example, heat exhaustion, heat stroke, etc.) and the player is unable to or refuses to call a medical timeout, the referee is authorized to call a referee**

time-out and summon medical personnel or the Tournament Director. Page 5
Referee requested medical time-outs will not be charged against the player.

- 14. Double Hits. Balls can be hit twice, but this must occur during an unintentional, continuous, single-direction stroke, by one player. If the stroke made while performing the serve or during a rally is deliberately not continuous, or not in a single direction, or the ball is struck by a second player, it is a fault.**
- 15. Players shall not wear any form of headphones or earbuds during competition play. Exception: Prescribed or necessary. hearing aids are permitted.**
- 16. Tournament Scoring Options. The recommended tournament scoring option is best two of three games to 11 points, win by 2 points. Other options include: best three of five games to 11 points, one game to 15 or one game to 21. All formats win by 2 points. Round Robins may also use one game to 11, win by 2, as long as the bracket has six or more teams.**
- 17. If a player/team has completed any matches, the player/team may request to be withdrawn from ALL upcoming matches in that bracket. The request must be made prior to the initial score being called to start their next match.**
- 18. Actual game scores at the time of retirement shall be reported for the team that retires. The opponents shall be awarded all points necessary for proper match completion, ensuring a two-point margin. For example, in Game 1 of a 2-out-of-3 match, a team with 10 points retires when the score is 10-5. The final scores will be reported as: "12-10, 11-0". Game scores after a rule-based forfeit shall be reported as: 2/3 Format: "11-0, 11-0". 15/21 Format: "15-0" or "21-0".**
- 19. Verbal Warnings, Technical Warnings and Technical Fouls. The referee is empowered to issue a single verbal warning to each team or call technical warnings. Actions or behavior that shall result in a technical warning:**
- 20. Verbal warnings, technical warnings and technical fouls may be assessed any time the players are at the court, independent of whether the match is in progress. This includes during warm-up time. Play shall not be stopped to assess a warning or foul. The assessment of the warning or foul shall be applied after rally has ended. Behavior raising to the level of a warning or foul after the match is over shall be brought to the attention of the Tournament Director.**

For the Official Rules Book please go to USAPickleball.org. Rules Books may be printed for free or there is an option for purchase of the printed Rules Book. It is important to stay up to date and current of all rules.



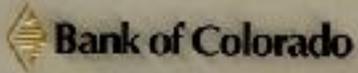
All I can say is, OUCH!
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I can totally relate!!!



Warmer Weather Tips:

1. Stay Hydrated (Frequently hydrate before, during and after play)
2. Get used to the heat (Gradually increase the amount of time outside. Do not overdo) Shade breaks always welcome!
3. Maintain a Healthy Weight (Whether heavy or extra thin be cautious)
4. Wear appropriate clothing including a hat and eye protection
5. Be extra careful if you are sick (Makes you more at risk for heat stroke/exhaustion)
6. Use the Buddy System (Watch out for your fellow players)
7. Mind the temperature and time (The hotter it is: Proceed with caution.)
8. Use sunblock/sunscreen. Reapply every 2 hours as recommended.

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