

General Comments/ Suggestions

<p>This survey brought up a lot of good questions! Thank you.</p> <p>Theres always so much going on in our lives (prior to COVID 19) on the courts with social play, private group play and organized play.</p> <p>Sometimes, it seems like the courts are not available when a private group wants to play and then during morning social play, its hard to play with certain people.</p> <p>(Thus the reason for trying to get our own groups together)</p> <p>Its always nice to have courts available throughout the days to do our own thing.</p> <p>By the way, the new gravel looks great! Thanks everyone for your hard work throughout the year!!</p>
<p>Have more instructional and drill / skill development sessions for 3.5 + to 4.5+ players.</p> <p>Ladders needs to be re-evaluated, I.e. rankings (issues with self ranking)</p> <p>Rotational play can be done a bit differently (good model for improvement to model or get ideas Palm Creek in Casa Grande)</p>
<p>Would like to assist in introducing new players to game.</p>
<p>There are training modules for all lower levels but none for moving from 3.5 to 4.0.</p> <p>That might be a worthwhile addition.</p>
<p>The volunteers helping at beginners class were awesome!! Thank you!!!</p>
<p>We have such a strong wonderful group of volunteers in our pickleball club. I can not imagine any other club running as well as this club.</p>
<p>Craig</p>
<p>I'm suffering from pb deprivation!</p>
<p>I feel fortunate to have access to such nice and well kept pickleball courts. I sincerely appreciate how well organized and creative the people are that volunteer to keep the club running. Thank you!</p>
<p>More organized activities for the 4.0-4.5 players.</p>
<p>Doing great job!!!!</p>
<p>I have trouble accessing the roster. Is it updated periodically ?</p>
<p>As a brand new player, I really enjoyed and appreciated the 2.0 training classes. Our group has stayed together and practiced when we could. I like the idea of drills and specific training for different skills.</p>
<p>Again, great questions.....Iâ€™m content at this time, but Iâ€™m sure some people will have good suggestions due to this email.</p> <p>Thanks again.</p>
<p>I would like to see the top players mentor and play more with the less skilled ones, only on a volunteer bases of course.</p>
<p>I haven't needed to contact the board. I do appreciate the communication and look forward to being able to get out there and play!!</p>
<p>Would like Round Robin/Ladders for 4.0 and above rated IPTPA or USAPA</p>

How about an ending statement too:

"The Board was disappointed in how this spring season ended with the closure of the Pickleball Courts, and we're sure our membership is too. We do recognize that this is an extraordinary time in our lives and for the world. Hopefully something we don't experience again in our lifetime. Our best wishes for all of you to stay safe and healthy and we're looking forward to resuming pickleball activities when it is safe to do so."

Or maybe this would be better in the email blast sent out with the link to Survey?

I love PB here at Festival. By far the best thing going in our community. Thank you to all who make it happen and thank you to all the Board Members for stepping up.

Bruce & Michelle Smith were very impressed with your pickleball program, board, members, courts etc

We had a great time visiting from Jan 06 till March 17, 2020

We both became members the second day we were there

We are both board members on our small club (only 52 members) here in Cold Lake, Alberta, and you guys seem to make all this run very smoothly.

Thanks very much, and hope to see you next winter

I think you have covered it with your survey questions above.

Since wagner parking lot is empty, can we get a street sweeper to clean it off? Now that larger rocks are around courts, yeah!, the parking lot is full of small rocks and sand, which get in our shoes as we walk to the courts.

Thanks for taking time to reach out to members

It would be nice to have an all womens play that would allow a women to play at or above their level so that they could experience better play and be able to work on improving ones game.

It seems that there are a significant number of members at the 3.0 level, but relatively few organized groups reflecting that demand....would love to see more, including evenings in summer

Program to move your game from 3.5 to 4.0.

More rotations, more drills

Limit the amount of organized activities for the lower level players. The amount of offerings is taking away court time from other facets of the club membership and these folks are "taking over" the club. They are becoming "entitled". Other area clubs, while offering pickleball clinics for lower level players, do not cater to them as our club does.

Summer league would be nice, but start time needs to be at 7:30pm, not 6-8pm, as the sun tends to go down around 7:40pm. From my experience, it is TOO HOT before 7:30pm, but just right after the sun goes down.

And as previously mentioned:

Other tournaments - no medals/major expense required - would be nice! Tournament play is good competitive fun & draws more interest from both participants & non-participants.

It could even be like the NCAA March Madness, where it take place over the course of several weeks, rather than crammed into a few days!? To me, this is much more interesting & competitive than the regular Ladders events, which. Many have stopped attending.

It seems the club has a volunteer imbalance. Perhaps it needs to be split into social players and rated players and have individual volunteer pools from each. Some other clubs require minimum volunteer time to prioritize doing or using certain things, even though all pay the same membership. Example : The pottery club requires a minimum of 24 volunteer hours per year from each member who wants shelf space in the studio.

I think you are doing great!

I recently finished 2.5 modules so need more practice sessions but with covid19 out of luck. Prior to the closing of courts a neighbor and I were practicing on courts and felt no risk given the separation of us on court.

The Beginners sessions were not effective this year. The attempt to make it a formal 4--week sequence was not good. Changing things mid-stream make it worse and was very confusing for both coaches and participants. I believe it would be better to leave it as it was in the past--informal and open to anyone to come anytime and as often as they wish. With a sufficient number of coaches, the participants can be split into groups based upon their level of knowledge and experience with the game. Be sure to communicate that structure clearly.

We need to figure out how to find a new club president at the end of this year. I have spoken to some good candidates but none have been interested. There must be some way to get someone excited to run the show.

Thanks, Craig

I think you guys have done a great job with our growing club. My husband and I both love PB and are so thankful for our many events. Having the courts closed has particularly reminded us of how we love this game. Thanks sooo much for all you do. God bless.

It would be nice to hold some 2.5 Rotational club programs at Wagner - instead of ALWAYS at Sage. A) It allows for more courts to be allocated to the program and accommodates the popularity of the program. B) It is more inclusive of all skill levels within the club - instead of the unsaid but strongly received message that the Wagner courts are ONLY for the 4.0s and the 2.5s, the second class citizens, can use the older courts. Just saying!

When people are entering a new level, it seems difficult to comfortably join in the new level for organized play, especially from 3.0 to 3.5. Almost feel like we need something for new/beginner 3.5's
Evening rotation sessions would be of interest please.
Just more instructional opportunities for 3.0 to 3.5 players
Need to set organized play times based on actual avg outside temps....for example, 7:00 am starts could extend to mid/late November in most years and could resume again in mid-March.
Make it easier for a lone player to become integrated into games. Not everyone comes with a foursome.
More drills.
Maybe organized rotational play should be an hour playing 4 games instead of 6 games to allow more times for people to play for those popular sessions
Has the club thought about putting limits of how many people can sign up for rotational? For example, Thursday morning 2:5 rotations can easily have 10:people sitting out. Maybe only the first 32 people get to play. (of course that causes other problems).