



DEDICATED TO THE PROMOTION OF THE SPORT OF PICKLEBALL

November Update 2017

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Rico Goedjen

As we begin our second year of existence pickleball is on an incredible growth curve spurt. Not only in the number of players but, more dramatically, in how the communities in our area are recognizing the need to provide quality places to play. By next fall we should be able to enjoy no less than 20 new dedicated pickleball courts! Middleton, Waunakee and Stoughton are planning locations with at least six courts each and Sun Prairie is adding two courts to the Wyndham Hills location. In addition, Deerfield has recently cut the ribbon on a dedicated court.

Play is continuing at a brisk pace indoors, as well. Our website has a complete list of the 35 indoor

courts that are available in the area. There also will be an ongoing opportunity to compete in one day mini tournaments and open play social gatherings.

With membership at 272 and growing, it is clear that CAPA is a major factor in growing the sport. Of course, it also helps that our area gets a lot of regional and national attention from our highly accomplished members!

As always the board is eager to listen to any ideas you may have about how to make our association meet your needs. Please let us know if there is and thank you for your ongoing support.



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CAPA MEMBERS SOCIALS

Upcoming Pickleball & Pizza events in the planning!

Save the dates:

January 14

March 11

for Sunday afternoon pickleball and socializing at Hitters Sportsplex in Middleton.

With only four courts available the number of players will be limited but all are invited to come for pizza. Please watch for future email announcements and details.

If anyone is available on either of these two afternoons to help, please contact Joe Sokal at 608-354-9584 or jwsokal@yahoo.com



New CAPA Banners!

Watch for the new CAPA banners at future events. These new banners represent a super fun group of people coming together as a proud organization to enjoy and promote the sport of pickleball.

Did you know that we grew to over 270 members in our first fiscal year ending August 31, 2017? The number of new members joining into the Association during our second year is surpassing the growth of new members during this same period last year.

Being a part of a local pickleball club has its advantages — to you

as an individual for sure, but also to your community and the many new players seeking to learn and play this crazily addictive game.

We plan to display our new banners at another full 2018 schedule of social events, leagues, tournaments, clinics, classes and more.

Come to play and get involved!

Check these out!

[CAPA Website](#)

[On-Line Membership Application](#)

CAPA MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

AS OF NOVEMBER 1, 2017

272

MEMBERS OF CAPA

PLEASE HELP
SPREAD THE
WORD AND
ENCOURAGE
PLAYERS TO
JOIN CAPA.

Capareapb.com
THANK YOU!

CAPA BOARD MEETINGS

CAPA Board Meetings are open to the public and held the 2nd Wednesday of these months: February, April, May, June, July, August, October, and December. Time and location noted in the Agenda. Minutes from the last meeting can be found [here](#).

How Many Pickleball Courts Are There in CAPA's Membership Demographic Area?

Would you believe 50 outdoor and 35 indoor publicly available courts? And, no doubt, there may be others we don't know about. Check out the full listing on CAPA's website under [Court Schedules](#).

If you know of a court that is not listed, please email details to pickleball@capareapb.com.



The new court in the Village of Deerfield

On Sunday, Oct 29th, the Village of Deerfield celebrated the opening of their new pickleball court. This was the result of 18 months of work by village officials and citizens. Fred Fry, a village trustee, spearheaded this effort. This court was funded with a combination of public money and private donations. Fred has organized and run the Wisconsin Senior Games for many years which are held each June at Prairie Athletic Club.

As most of the players in the Deerfield area are beginner to 3.5 level, Fred contacted several CAPA members before the opening to put on a demonstration of "elite" play. Karen Jerg, Scott Smith, Xuezheng Wu and Warren Luehring volunteered to do the demo. Fred commented on the strategies during the demo including getting to the non-volley line, the dink game, etc. They're already talking about adding a second court in the next few years. This is certainly a nice addition to the growing list of outdoor facilities in Dane County.

WAS IT IN OR OUT?

A quick guide: For line calls, you and your partner are responsible for calling all "outs" on your side. If you and your partner disagree, the ball was "in." Your opponents cannot call "in" or "out" on your side. However, if you ask your opponent for their call, you must accept what they say. Etiquette of play implies the favor goes to the opponent and there are no arguments.

For Non Volley Zone Line (kitchen) calls: Any player can call a NVZ foot-fault -- either side of the net. Again, no arguments.

WHAT BALL SHOULD I USE?

The continuous question...

Please click on the following [link](#) to see what is USAPA approved for tournaments.



2017 USAPA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

CAPA was well represented at the National Championships held recently in Arizona. Remarkably, every CAPA player who participated brought at least one medal home... a continuing testimony to the talent level in our area.

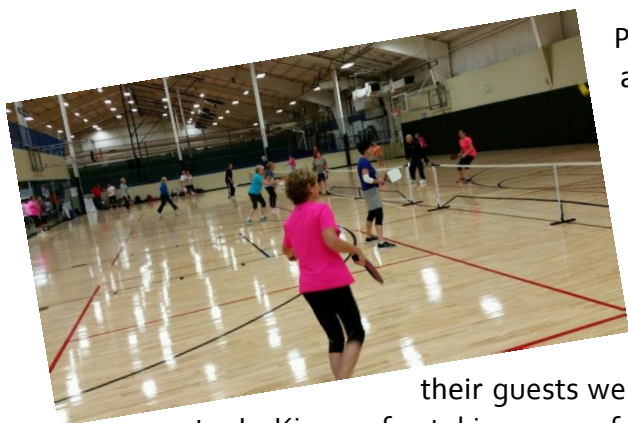
FYI - CBS Sports will air a special about the National Championships on Dec. 6th at 6 p.m.

EVENT	PLAYER	AWARD	AGE GROUP
Junior Mens Doubles	Jake Weinbach & Brian Astbury	Silver	15-18
Junior Mens Singles	Jake Weinbach	Bronze	16-18
Junior Mixed Doubles	Jake Weinbach & LeEllen Lane	Silver	15-18
Men's Doubles 5.0	Dave Weinbach & Aspen Kern	Gold	19+
Men's Doubles 4.5	Rick Schworck & Peter Giljohann	Bronze	65+
Mixed Doubles 5.0	Dave Weinbach & Stephanie Lane	Gold	35+
Mixed Doubles 4.5	Sherri Steinhauer & Mike Moonan	Gold	55+

CAPA members in **bold**.

Pictures can be found [here](#).

Pickleball and Pizza Social



Prairie Athletic Club in Sun Prairie was the site for CAPA's pickleball and pizza social held on Tuesday, November 14. The event started at noon with about 25 beginners taking lessons from Andy Thompson, assisted by Jeff Barkley, Sharon Kolb, John McGee, Todd Leider, and Xuezheng Wu - all CAPA members. The new players learned the basic skills of pickleball and played a game before the session was over. From 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. there was open play for all skill levels. Nine courts were available for the nearly 70 players that came to play. After a full afternoon of play, CAPA members and their guests went to the Lost Court (bar) for pizza and more socializing. Thank you

to Jo Kiesow for taking care of the pizza. Present throughout the afternoon was April Wahl from Humana who answered many insurance questions and had towels (perfect for pickleball) for the participants. A big thank you to Prairie Athletic Club for the use of their facility and for the donation of door prizes. This event was open to CAPA members and non-members. Welcome to the new CAPA members who joined at this event. It was a fun afternoon for all who attended.



The beginner group and the instructors

More pictures from the Pickleball and Pizza Social at PAC



The beginner lesson in action



The CAPA event registration table



Participants at the PAC Lost Court (bar) for pizza and more socializing

Two More Courts to be Built in Sun Prairie

An anonymous person has donated \$85,000.00 to the city of Sun Prairie for the construction of two pickleball courts. These two courts will connect with the current two courts in Wyndham Hills Community Park to give the park a total of four dedicated courts. The project will begin in spring and weather permitting will be ready for play by mid-June. The number of players who participate in leagues, clinics, mini tournaments and lessons will be able to increase because of these two additional courts. A huge thank you to the person who made this generous donation. A special event will take place at Wyndham Hills this summer to celebrate the opening of the new courts.

It was great fun for all who were part of the Dink Tournament on November 4!
Congratulations to Frank Durham on eight perfect games.
Thanks to everyone who participated.

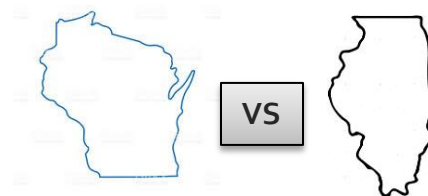


The Border Battle

WHAT: The top EIGHT male players from Wisconsin vs. Illinois

DATE: Sunday, January 7th, 1 P.M.

WHERE: Hitters in Middleton



Save the date and plan to watch the top eight men from Wisconsin battle the top eight men from Illinois. More information to come.