

# NEWSLETTER



## From Kirby's Paddle to Yours! A message from TVPC's President

Hello TVPC family! It's been a year since our last newsletter—thanks for your patience! We plan to send you a Newsletter each quarter, so be on the lookout for future emails with key info, tips, and celebrations.

Over the past year, our club has been busy! We hosted our biggest-ever **Harvest Crush** with 240 players, welcomed a **Volunteer Committee** to help power our events, and launched a **Pickleball Recycling Program** to keep things sustainable. Plus, Tri-Valley court usage continues to soar—with over **4,000 monthly visits** at Livermore Downs, May Nissen, and Muirwood combined!

As always, thank you to every volunteer who shows up and pitches in—you make this club special.

#### FRIENDLY REMINDERS & TIPS

#### Paddle Rack & Court Etiquette

See someone getting skipped in line because no one is putting their paddle with theirs? Invite them into your game. We were all beginners once—and TVPC is a community, not just a club. We want everyone to feel welcome, consider playing with new people.

**Reminder:** Please don't walk behind or through courts during play—let them finish their point. Please also call out for balls headed toward other courts (safety first!)

#### John Lubeck's Lowdown on Updated Rules

USA Pickleball dropped its 2025 rule changes, and here's one worth knowing: If you or your partner commit a fault—*call it on yourselves* before the next serve. You can also call foot faults and service faults on opponents, and if there's a dispute, it's a **replay**. Here's the kicker: If you and your partner **disagree** on a fault call, the point goes to your **opponents**. Ouch! Communicate clearly and play fair!

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**



We've got something for everyone! From tournaments to wine-filled happy hours, mark your calendars and RSVP early. Visit our <u>Events</u> Calendar to browse all our scheduled events!

- Harvest Crush Tournament: Sept 6-7
- Club Championship Tournament: Oct 18-19 Save the date!
- Holiday Party: Dec 16th Save the date!
- Skills & Drills: Always in high demand. New dates posted regularly!
- Be on the lookout for Friday Night Socials & Happy Hours.

### **BALL RECYCLING PROGRAM**

Did you know almost 500 million pickleballs are made each year an *almost all* end up in a landfill? Thanks to **Kyle Cairel**, we've collected hundreds of used balls for recycling. Dropoffs are easy—just look for the green bin at May Nissen. Keep plastic out of landfills and help grow the game sustainably. Kyle asks you to please not step on or crush broken balls, just add to the bin as is!

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#### **MEMBERSHIP OVERVIEW**

Membership	1 Year	3 Year	Perks
Bronze	\$40	\$102	
Silver	\$80	\$204	20% discount on merch & club events
Gold	\$120	\$306	40% discount on merch & club events
Platinum	\$800 for a lifetime membership		40% discount on merch & club events



### FIND YOUR SQUAD - JOIN A LEAGUE

Our leagues are the best way to get consistent play, meet new friends, and bring out your competitive spirit. All leagues are for active TVPC members only.



Our **U-40 (under 40) league** features fast rallies, big energy, and serious bragging rights. If you've got the fire, this is your court. **Learn more about U-40.** 



Where experience meets finesse. Join our **Boomers league** and fellow legends of the game for competitive play, good laughs, and the occasional joint ache! **Learn more & join our Whatsapp here.** 

NEW! Too old for Gen Z, too young for early bird specials—welcome to your pickleball sweet spot: Tweeners. For those born between 1963-1985. Bring your hustle & humor! Learn more about Tweeners.

## TO THE MVP'S BEHIND THE SCENES

**Big cheers to our volunteers**—whether you're hosting socials, setting up nets, or coaching newcomers, we appreciate you! Special shoutout to our amazing **trainers** who run clinics and welcome new players with patience and passion.

Sincere thanks from your TVPC Board: Roger, Robert, Lori, Kirby, & Larry (left to right)



Special thanks to the Livermore Rotary Club for donating \$1,500 and to LARPD for a \$1,000 grant for court rentals!





#### LETTERS FROM THE TVPC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## Fostering Inclusion at Livermore Downs and May Nissen Pickleball Courts. Let's Welcome Everyone to Play & Enjoy the Game!

To all TVPC members,

Pickleball thrives when our courts are alive with laughter, encouragement, and the spirit of welcome. Whether you're a seasoned pro or picking up a paddle for the very first time, everyone deserves the chance to play, improve, and enjoy the game together. Our courts are at their best when they reflect the diversity and camaraderie that make our community strong.

Let's remember: inclusion isn't just a word—it's an action. When someone new comes to play, greet them with a smile and invite them onto the court. When a beginner asks to join a game, make space for them and offer patience. Embrace the variety of skill levels, backgrounds, and personalities that make our pickleball family unique. It's important to keep our courts open, vibrant, and accessible to all. Excluding or sidelining players can sour the experience and may lead to stricter policies, such as reservations only—a step backwards for everyone who values spontaneity and shared fun.

We have a wonderful privilege: open play, where any player can come, join in, and feel the joy of friendly competition. Let's not jeopardize that. Instead, let's each commit to being the person who welcomes others, who cheers for every effort, and who makes Livermore Downs and May Nissen a model for sportsmanship and community spirit.

Pickleball is more than just a game—it's a way to connect, grow, and have fun together. So, the next time you're at the courts, invite everyone to play, share your love of the sport, and celebrate the fact that at Livermore Downs and May Nissen, there's a place for all.

Please contact a board member for clarification if needed. Play fair. Play together. Play on.

**TVPC Board of Directors** 

## Important Guidelines for May Nissen Pickleball Facility Parking and Play Time Reminders

Dear TVPC members,

We kindly ask for your cooperation to ensure that our activities at May Nissen remain enjoyable for everyone and respectful of our neighbors and the facility.

#### **Parking Instructions**

- Please do not park on the street near May Nissen.
- All members should use the designated parking lot for club events and play.
- Once in the parking lot, please drive at a safe speed and watch for pedestrians.

#### **Play Start Time**

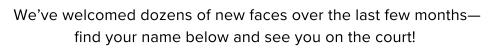
- Play shall not begin before 7:00 AM.
- Out of consideration for the surrounding community, please wait until after 7:00 AM to start any games or activities.

Thank you for your understanding and support in keeping our club welcoming and considerate. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to the club leadership.

Enjoy the game,
TVPC Board of Directors



## **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!**





#### Have a friend who wants to join? Share this link.

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