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## From the President

Thanks to all for your continued support of CAPA. As a new organization it can sometimes make those of us on the Board feel like we may be progressing without a clear sense of overall direction. We often ask: What should be our main objectives? How can we be sure the organization is serving our members?

Our success has been reflected in our membership growth to over 215, representing 25 communities in just 9 months. Where we may be lacking is in attracting the involvement of more individuals into the activities of the Association. And no wonder, since we are not always certain about what the membership wants.

The opportunity of representing many communities and providing value to each one does present challenges. With the return of all you snow birds and with decent out-door play weather, many of you will be looking for events hosted by CAPA. Please continue to watch for e-mails that will be providing information on a variety of playing and other opportunities.

And of course, if there is something you think CAPA should be doing, or if you have an idea you would like to propose, please [contact any Board member](#) with your ideas and your offer to help.

## General Membership Meeting

Over 40 members attended the general meeting at Turners in April. Highlights of the meeting included the passage of several by-law amendments and updates of play in many locations. It was very encouraging to see attendees from a broad cross-section of the pickleball community. You can find complete minutes at [capareapb.com](http://capareapb.com).

## Members in the News

Dave Weinbach, an acclaimed member of CAPA, successfully defended his US Open Men's Doubles Championship in Naples Florida at the end of April. In

addition to the Men's Doubles, he also took gold in Mixed Doubles and Singles. Dave was gracious to provide a [free skills clinic](#) to over 50 of our members a week later. Congratulations Dave and thank you for your support of CAPA.

## Skills, Drills, and Mini-Tournaments, Mondays at Wyndham Hills Courts in Sun Prairie, June 5- August 28

Learn and practice drills designed to increase consistency in your dinks, serves, returns, 3rd shot drops, volleying at the kitchen, and skinny play to prepare participants for scrambles, tournaments, and a better understanding and enjoyment of the game. Clinics will be interactive and led by advanced players who will teach the drills and organize games in the same session. Watch for sign-up invitational emails coming out soon to all members.

## Summer Leagues & Scheduled Play

Summer leagues have started, or will soon at pickleball courts near you!

- [Wyndham Hills](#) in Sun Prairie is the location for Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday leagues.
- There are also Monday and Wednesday Leagues at [Garner Park](#).
- Community play occurs Tuesday and Thursday evenings in Oregon at [Kiser Fireman's Park](#)

You can always check our website — [CAPAREAPB.COM](http://CAPAREAPB.COM) — for more information about these and other places to play.

## Skinny Tournament

What is a [Skinny Pickleball Tournament](#)? Skinny Pickleball is a term associated with singles play -- but using only 1/2 of the court. The game itself is a great skills builder. The tournament will be comprised of 6 person men's and women's groups. Each group plays 5 games. Prizes will be awarded to the winners. The rosters are full, but come watch if you can! June 1 @ 4:00pm at Garner Park.

## T-Shirts

Thank you to everyone who purchased shirts. CAPA will have made a small profit when we sell the few remaining in our inventory. Some of you joined after the pre-order period in late March. If you are a newer member or wanted to have a better idea of fit and finish, you can contact Rico ([rg53705@gmail.com](mailto:rg53705@gmail.com)) to purchase a shirt. There is a limited selection of sizes and colors available.

## New Email and Sign-Up programs

In response to membership requests and to make things run a little smoother, we have started using MailChimp as our email service, and SignUpGenius as our event program. The sign-up program will be linked from MailChimp emails and our website and will allow you to see where you are on the roster when you sign up. Hopefully you will find the sign-up program relatively easy to use. If you have any comments or questions please send them to [pickleball@capareapb.com](mailto:pickleball@capareapb.com) – our new email address.

## Lost and Found at Garner Park

CAPA has collected a variety of items left on the courts last fall and this spring. If you are looking for an item, please contact Rico at [rg53705@gmail.com](mailto:rg53705@gmail.com).

## Membership Renewal

Several people have inquired when memberships should be renewed. Our fiscal year runs from September 1 to August 31. We will be sending out renewal notices in early August. We appreciate you being a member and hope you will extend your membership through 2018. The cost will remain a bargain at \$10.

See you on the Courts!  
Rico Goedjen  
President