

Silveridge PickleBall Club



June 2020 Membership Survey Responses

See you on the court!

The Survey:

The survey link was sent to 192 members in the June 1, 2020 President's Message using SignUpGenius. 158 (82%) of the members opened the message and 46 (29%) of those individuals participated in the survey.

The survey responses were not changed in anyway when extracted on June 23, 2020 and placed into this document for the Silveridge Pickleball Executive to review.

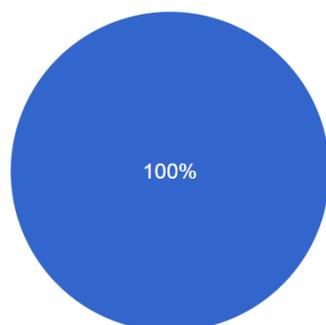
Question One

With the installation of lights on the pickleball courts, we will now be able to utilize the courts in the evening. How would you suggest we best utilize evening play time? For example, All Play, ladies only, social events, 70+ league, ladder play, mixing skill level play time with 2.5 and 3.0 or 3.0 and 3.5, etc.

1. All Playb
2. Ladder play & mixing levels.
3. All play, social events, mixing skill level play time, 70+ league, all make sense.
4. Open play.
5. I'm in for it.
6. All play
7. All play, ladies, mixed skill levels, socials, I'm not sure what ladder play is.
8. I think we start out all Play and see what there is for other interested groups.
9. Skill level would be good
10. All Play and social events
11. The ladies were using the courts in the evening for practice time and play when lightening permitted. Most of the participants were 3.5/4.0's.
12. Given we have all play and round robins, I think ladies and or men's play and mixed skill should be contemplated for most evening but leave some time for social play. Previously if a group of friends wanted to play this seemed to be the only time because everything else was so structured
13. Ladder Play
14. Open play for folks that want to play with friends in a relaxed way.
15. social events, all play
16. I would like one night as Ladies only. I would like one night with all-play, but with 2 courts designated for 2.5 and under and 2 courts for higher levels. I would like some court time for people to play with others of their choice (which I think is Open Play like Sundays).

Question Two

Do you participate in round robins? *46 responses*



- Yes
- No

Question Three

What can we do to improve the round robin play?

1. Change day and time of play for groups a couple times a year as it is difficult to partake in some early evening functions ie: boogies, if you are in a group that is always late afternoon on Tuesdays or thursdays
2. Working fine
3. Have them more often
4. There should be inter-group round robin play to eliminate any segregation of groups.
5. Keep as is.
6. Occasionally mixing skill levels
7. Do not let advanced player intimidade new players. Have them teach and not dominate. Need to have court monitors watch for this, we all can help each other.
8. Emphases placed on a better level placement. Some 2.5 should be 3 and some 3 should be 2.5, etc.etc.
9. seems to be working fine
10. Nothing I think a great job is being done
11. Its rely good as is
12. Begin earlier so RRs are finished before Tues Boogie, Wed Bingo, and Thurs dinner events.
13. Fewer games... A bit less time
14. The round robin play seems to be working well. Maybe have more and different levels.
15. Change up the groups and times from year to year. The 2.5 is always 3:30-5 on Tuesday which is boogie night. We always miss one of the round robins or they are poorly attended.
16. I play in 3.5 we never had many players
17. All is good with changing times of day for each round robin group incase of inclimate weather or other commitments.
18. I enjoy the round robin play very much. We could possibly find a different way of grouping people. Men's/ladies or actual look at individual skill levels
19. Not sure at this time.
20. continue to ensure that people are playing in a level that matches their skills
21. Have people feel like they belong not why are you here
22. Make more divisions.
23. It is fine the way it is
24. At my level it works fine, but i wonder at other levels if the turn out is always full and why that is not
25. Reduce the number of players in Group 4. Several times I couldn't play because all the slots were taken.
26. assess players often, maybe every month . This will encourage players to move up or down. I believe this will keep each group more competitive
27. have correct levelif players in each play
28. I think it works well the way it is.

Question Four

Would you like to play in different groups? For example, ladies only, 70+, mixed doubles, etc.?

1. No
2. Yes
3. yes
4. Not necessarily
5. I like playing with the same caliber of players or better
6. Mixed doubles.
7. It makes sense to offer some of these groups to see if they are successful.
8. My wife would like ladies only.
9. Mixed doubles
10. Yes to all above, and a in house league. Also Play against another parks for a fun days for all not just a special few.
11. I support a 70+ league or even 73 or 75 league.
12. Variety of all groups noted is good.
13. would be interesting to try some different scenerios. court time is the issue.
14. Sure , I like all three-day
15. Yes, all of the above.
16. No. I enjoy playing with a wide variety of players.
17. Possibly
18. Not necessary
19. Yes - sure!
20. I thought our 2-2.5 group had great variety of play and enthusiasm so I enjoyed it.
21. Yes.
22. I am open to different groups to play.
23. Would be open to different groups but am fine the way things are now.
24. Yes good
25. Ladies only would be a nice change once in awhile.
26. Yes, I would.
27. Men's Only
28. Mixed doubles would be fun.
29. maybe, not sure how that would work
30. Any or all of the above!!
31. See answer above (for evening and weekend play).

Question Five

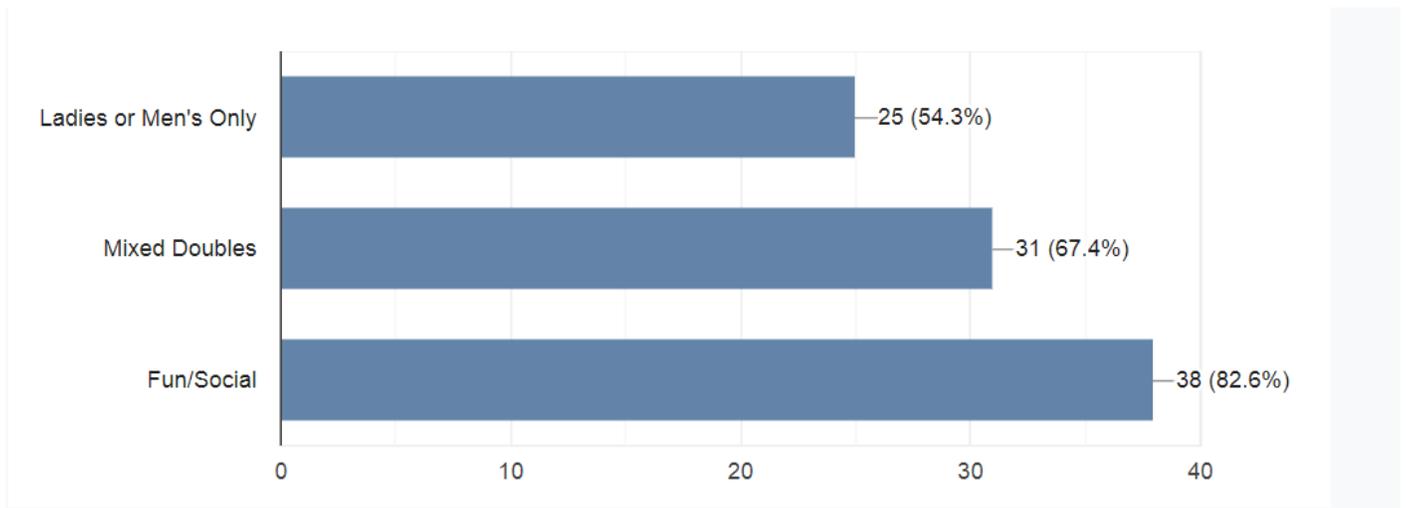
How could we improve our tournaments?

1. Seems like someone is often left out. Nice if sign up was easier some how. Don't let show ups play until 5 min after start time to make sure all signed up players are there
2. More courts to move it along
3. I thought it was great
4. Let us pick our own partners.
5. Maybe try some pool play.
6. Separate all groups. If the numbers allow.
7. One day tournament. Some players got tired out before the end. Make it a two or three day event with all levels. Easier to set up and run draw sheets. it's only one weekend. (Friday, Saturday, Sunday,) With all finals on Sunday.
8. As a rule I don't play tournaments. But if levels were more accurate I probably would.
9. The format now is both fun and competitive
10. Again a fantastic job
11. haven't done one
12. Keep them somewhat shorter. Tough when they are all-day (gets too hot, too intense for us oldies, etc.).
13. Have them earlier than March so the weather is cooler.
14. All good
15. Last season tournament was cancelled, so I haven't played in one for two years
16. Unfortunately, I've been unable to participate in the tournaments
17. Too new to say.
18. Maybe more than 1?
19. Don't know we're not allowed to play
20. Men against men, women against women. The last tournament I played was against two very strong men. My partner, a woman, was fairly new to pickleball and we got slaughtered. Not what I would call a fair competition.
21. I think we have enough.
22. Have not played in tournaments
23. We have only had two and they were run very well, I don't know if there is a large demand for more than what we have or if different structures would encourage participants
24. More of them.
25. have correct skills level in each categories
26. Think they work well. Like having a referee for gold medal matches.

Question Six

Which of the following types of tournaments would you be interested in participating in, if any?

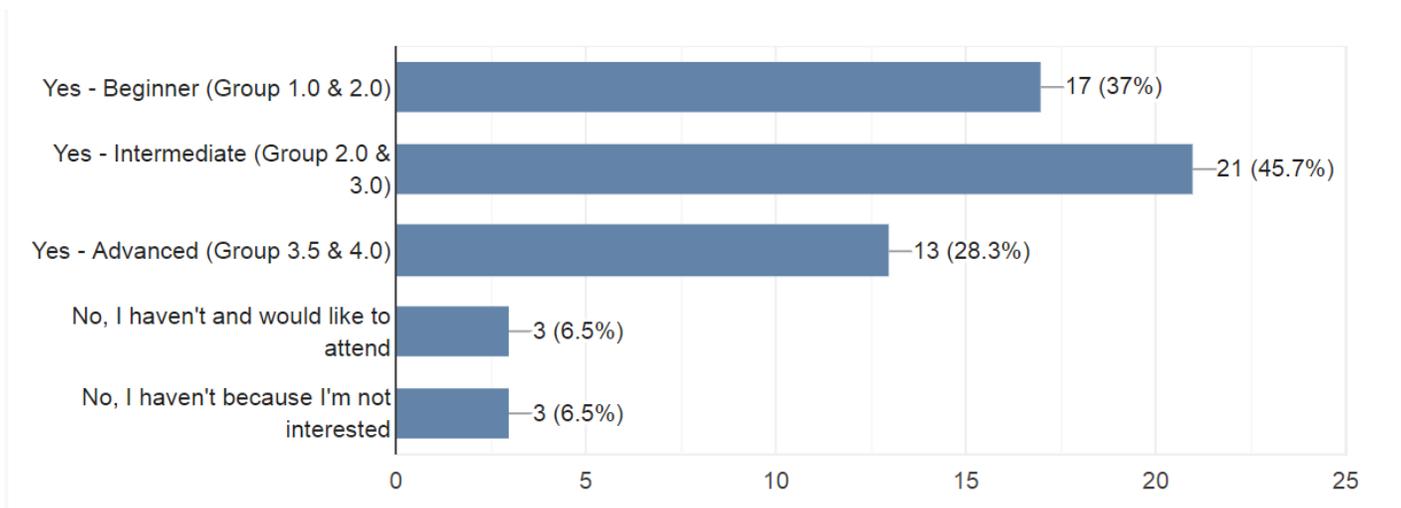
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Question Seven

Have you participated in any of our free skills and drills clinics?

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Question Eight

What can we do to improve our clinics?

1. Possibly have some evening clinics so that they are not always in Saturdays
2. Possibly make them smaller groups so everyone can practise and ask questions
3. Introduce odd even scoring. Saying scores clearly and loudly BEFORE serving
4. They seem to be well organized as is, but lower group players should be allowed to partake in higher level clinics to learn how to improve their play to the next level if they so desire.
5. Nothing.
6. Offer clinics on weekdays.
7. they are great
8. Teach them the fundamentals. Each persons swing style is differnt they learn on a different level. Later on help them if they are still struggling all advanced player should step up.
9. Everyone wants to improve but too much emphasis is placed on competitiveness.
10. Seemed fine to me.
11. would be interesting getting an out of park instructor to get a different perspective.
12. It was very slow done with lots of helpc feedback.
13. Have more clinics to practice skills and build on skills learned.
14. More practice
15. I teach some of the clinics. I think they work very well.
16. All good
17. The clinics are good except at the start of each the instructor starts as though we are beginners. We know the safety measures and don't need to waist time going over them each time.
18. As long as we have the schedule ahead of time, then hopefully we can alter other interests to be able to join in them.
19. I thought it was a very informative clinic. I felt for the intermediate clinic not going over rules and Etiquette would be okay. It took a lot of time. I also felt working on the 3rd shot should be covered a bit more.
20. no suggestion
21. Have smaller groups and more one on one
22. All good.
23. I think two hours is too long. Shorten the time to 1 1/2 hours.
24. I thought the clinics were excellent no improvements required
25. I think they are well run and informative
26. Do them in the evenings. More intermediate clinics.
27. clinics have been wuite organized, well done
28. I think they've been extremely helpful. The leaders are very good.
29. Ensure maximum of 16 players. We need to have some clinics for the advanced players. We need to bring in paid instructors. Users pay.

Question Nine

How are we doing with our social events? Would you like to see more, less, same format or something different?

1. Same
2. Socials are good.
3. They are great
4. It seems that social events need to be curtailed for the future season.
5. Same.
6. New last year so wasn't able to participate enough to make a judgement.
7. same
8. Our in house events are good. Need to add other parks to our fun days on weekends once or twice a month.
9. Social events have been great.
10. I like as is.
11. seems to be working fine
12. More often
13. never made it to one
14. They're fun and I like the 2-hour format.
15. I like the format we have now. I am certainly open to other types but I cannot think what they would be.
16. They are great
17. They are fun. We need to somehow get more to participate. Maybe they could start earlier in the day.
18. Fun
19. I am really not that interested in participating.
20. I did not have the opportunity to attend one. I did come in on the tail end of one and all were having a great time.
21. I enjoy the socials and meeting new people!
22. Same is fine with me
23. Doing good job
24. Doing great.
25. They are good. Encourage each group to have more of their own social hours after their latest round robins. For example, group four tries to have a happy hour once a week.
26. Same format
27. They are fine
28. social events are great
29. same is good for me!
30. They're ok the way they are. The socials with all-play and snacks are a good mixer.

Question Ten

What should we continue doing?

1. Continue to encourage new participants to join our club. It was great that the better players offered pick up tips/drills and games with lower ranked players. Good on them for sharing their personal time
2. Like open play in morning
3. Love the format & way you do round robins
4. Keep up with the clinics, and perhaps offer more clinics utilizing the increased evening times.
5. Continue as currently is.
6. Everything offered last year.
7. Promoting fun. Helping others improve and develop their game by example and leadership not everybody has the same swing pattern and technique's.
8. Making it fun, that's what we are all here for.
9. everything we are doing currently
10. Everything
11. I thought things were very well organized. Evenings could include some open time
12. Having fun!
13. Involve more members in events and clinics. When people are involved, they work better together.
14. Everything ok
15. keep good communications coming to the membership.
16. I really like how everyone is welcoming and willing to play with everyone.
17. I am new to Silverridge so I am limited in my experience with the group.
18. Making sure people are having fun
19. Keeping pickleball fun. No drama.
20. When you consider where we started, this club has been growing strongly and is definitely going in the right direction.
21. All play in the mornings
22. Everything we are doing but increasing mixed level play so as to have better skilled players integrated in other groups for helping improve skills. I don't think the way all play is set up this happens
23. Round robin and clinics.
24. you are doing a great job
25. Everything that is being done.
26. Round-robins are good. Communications are good.

Question Eleven

What should we start doing?

1. The beginner groups need more help. There were a few of us that tried to get out and play with them last year but there should be an assignment of someone to be there for their round robin every time they play. Not just to help with skills but to help work them through the rules and how to organize their games (How to use the book timer)etc. A few of us helped last year but we were not always available for e wry time slot so a group of volunteers would be best. We also tried to help set up the ball machine. Think a year ago it was made available on Sundays. Might be something to consider scheduling again
2. Making sure "open play" is really open play and the 4.0 aren't taking over 2 of the courts for themselves
3. Create more inter group play to eliminate to eliminate any elitist stigma, this is a fun social sport that should promote park moral.
4. Evening open play.
5. Mixing skill levels, use of "pool play" in tourneys. Maybe a bit more open play during the week.
6. Helping all players with learning the game they are our new blood. This will help our game advance. Help anyone whom would like to enter tournaments, be a leader and have some leadership abilities, have a class on how to this for all. And not be clickish!!! share the fun for all!!
7. See previous answers.
8. With more court time available possibly a calibrated competitive league good be implemented.
9. Begin the RRs earlier in the day, maybe 9 a.m., even 8:30!
10. Maybe be more strict in assigning players to the levels. There are players who are in the wrong level and it is sometimes hard to play with them.
11. More open play, but the night hours will help that
12. Adjust the round robins to get more participation. Maybe combine some of the groups like 3 &3.5 etc. The Board members have to be willing to play with all levels and maybe come out to open play more often. Good way to get to know more of the members.
13. Take more of the beginner's under the senior wings.
14. More information regarding movement between levels.
15. Do what you are doing
16. Try to balance the number of women and men in each group.
17. All play in the evenings
18. Get more courts
19. More open court time for residents that don't want structured play { evenings}
20. can not add to that
21. Evening play
22. Continue to push for more courts. Bring in paid clinic instructors.

Question Twelve

What should we stop doing?

1. Nothing
2. Not sure I like the visitors being able to play in round robins. Especially younger players that seem to be able to stay at a 55 plus resort for months at a time. They could be welcome at all play but there again they should respect the age and skill level of the residents of the park as not all being there for continual kill shots etc There seemed to be some confusion when the 4.0/tournament players had the "courts booked". While I don't believe anyone thought they shouldn't be allowed to practice it should be posted on the schedule board as to what day time and how many courts they have booked. There was a lot of confusion last year
3. All play should be "ALL PLAY", clicks of four people not allowing others to join in should not be allowed.
4. Nothing.
5. No suggestions.
6. Having tournament player play time on friday. This make members think tournament players are better then are, and they deserve a special time. Remove the play time. There is plenty of time on the weekends for them or all to reserve playtime for this type of an event.
7. To me the competition aspect should be mostly on #4s.
8. everything seems to be working the way it is.
9. We should absolutely ban any swearing or anger from the courts.
10. Please stop the baseball teams from using our Pavillion while we're actively playing.
11. Not sure at this time.
12. Can't think of a thing.
13. The 3:30 round robin it interfers with Bougie night on Tuesdays
14. I don't know of anything we should stop doing.
15. nothing
16. Nothing that I can think of.

Question Thirteen

Other comments and suggestions.

1. I appreciate the work the executive do as well as the volunteers. Thank you for your time to help make Silveridge a great place to live and play
2. More courts would really be beneficial for ALL of the membership which the club has been pushing for, maybe with Rhonda gone we can get that accomplished! Thanks for all that you and the board do!
3. Good pickleball club with opportunity for all skill levels.
4. Need to have a in house league play for all group levels. Right now every level plays at least 3 or more times a week if they can get signed up. Once a week is fine for a group if you are playing in a league and all play in the morning or evening.
5. You are doing a great job. There is a fine line between encouragement to just play for fun OR encourage competition. Good luck.
6. I am there only 6 weeks or so. Limited opinion but always enjoy all that is offered.
7. We feel the club's main purpose is to make all club members regardless of skill level feel that they belong to the "club" Schedules and plans should be made with that in mind.
8. We've had exceptional executive leadership for the last few years. Keep it up.
9. As noted earlier, start the Round Robins earlier in the day. All play can be at the end of the day for those who aren't participating in the Boogies, Bingo and dinner, or Thursday evening events.
10. Sometimes we were thinned out by our groups (empty courts). Not enough people but lots of groups.
11. Thank you to the board and all their efforts. Silveridge Pickleball is a fun group.
12. I really enjoyed the game and the people, most players were very considerate of us newbies. Thank you!!!
13. Always talk to a person before it's decided what level they belong find a way to address with out making that person feel they don't belong
14. I think having a men only division and a women only division added to the existing categories would be great.
15. Is there any way to have inter park play so we can measure our success against other clubs
16. Concerned that COVID-19 will still be an issue. Suggest specific guidelines be given and agreed to ahead of time. Include steps taken if guidelines not adhered to
17. With evening time now available we could reserve court one for the ball machine on a booking type thing. That would make the machine available with the court.
18. The Executive is doing their best to make it fair and equitable for all levels. The membership is strong.