

SHASTA VALLEY PICKLEBALL CLUB NEWS

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Your 2025 Shasta Valley Pickleball Club Board

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SISKIYOU FAMILY YMCA YOUTH CAMP

The Siskiyou Family YMCA added youth pickleball to their summer camp series for the first time this year. We had 2nd through 8th graders come with their parents and we had a respectable turnout. Kathy Koon developed a three-day curriculum. Mentors included Destiny McNally, Autumn Branson, Jaime Tarne, Buzzy McClusky, Teagan Koon, and myself.

The YMCA supports our local clubs. We were excited and humbled to answer the call. You'll probably see a few of these kids on the courts someday soon.





MONTAGUE COURT RESURFACING CELEBRATION

On July 24 we found a reason to host a bbq/potluck by celebrating the court resurfacing efforts of Steve Sluss' family and a few of our volunteers. Eventually we'll want to get our courts looking as spiffy as Mount Shasta and Etna. For now we'll be happy with very few bad bounces and tripping hazards. It was a challenge trying to accommodate everyone's schedules. We hope to have a more inclusive event at our October 4th Scramble.



SVPC Logo

The club is currently working on 3-5 different examples that we would like to put to our membership for suggestions and a vote. A few board members, including moi are “get it done” types. The others are “get it right” types. Since we only really get one shot at a good logo the get-it-right folks will get the upper hand with logo development. It may just take a little longer ☺.

POSSIBLE 501(c)3 CERTIFICATION

The club is considering entering an application for 501(c)3 certification which is basically a federally tax exempt acknowledgment for performing services not funded by the government. There are many pros to this including fund raising and donations. There is some extra work involved with securing and maintaining certification. We welcome opinions on this and it will be discussed at one of our upcoming board meetings. Stay tuned.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mount Shasta Events:

- **August 9** - Summer Smash. See Playtime Scheduler (PTS).
- Rumor is they are cooking up a scramble for September.

Scott and Quartz Valley Events:

- **August 16** - Community Challenge and Police Activities League (PAL) Fundraiser. Lots of different pickleball related games, raffles, and other recreational opportunities. See PTS for more details.

Shasta Valley Events:

- **October 4** – Shasta VolleyToberfest Scramble and BBQ potluck. We booked our next scramble on PTS for October 4th in Montague. What you'll see is a single session set up, and the scramble director will assign people to 4 different brackets labeled “mild”, “medium”, “spicy”, and “caliente” play depending on their self-reported skill levels. That's the current plan anyway subject to the number of signups for each bracket.

There will be a 2nd session set up to help RSVP for folks who might show up but not play.

A 3rd and later session in the early afternoon will be set up for open play.

Closing Thoughts:

1. Membership: We extend our thanks to those continuing and new members who sent in their dues for 2025-26. Those dues help us buy small equipment, helped support the resurfacing project and secure insurance. They potentially help support "matching" funds for other grant sources. There are currently quite a few people that were members last year that have not renewed yet. We want to keep nudging you to rejoin us when you can.

2. SHASTA VALLEY PICKLEBALL EMAIL

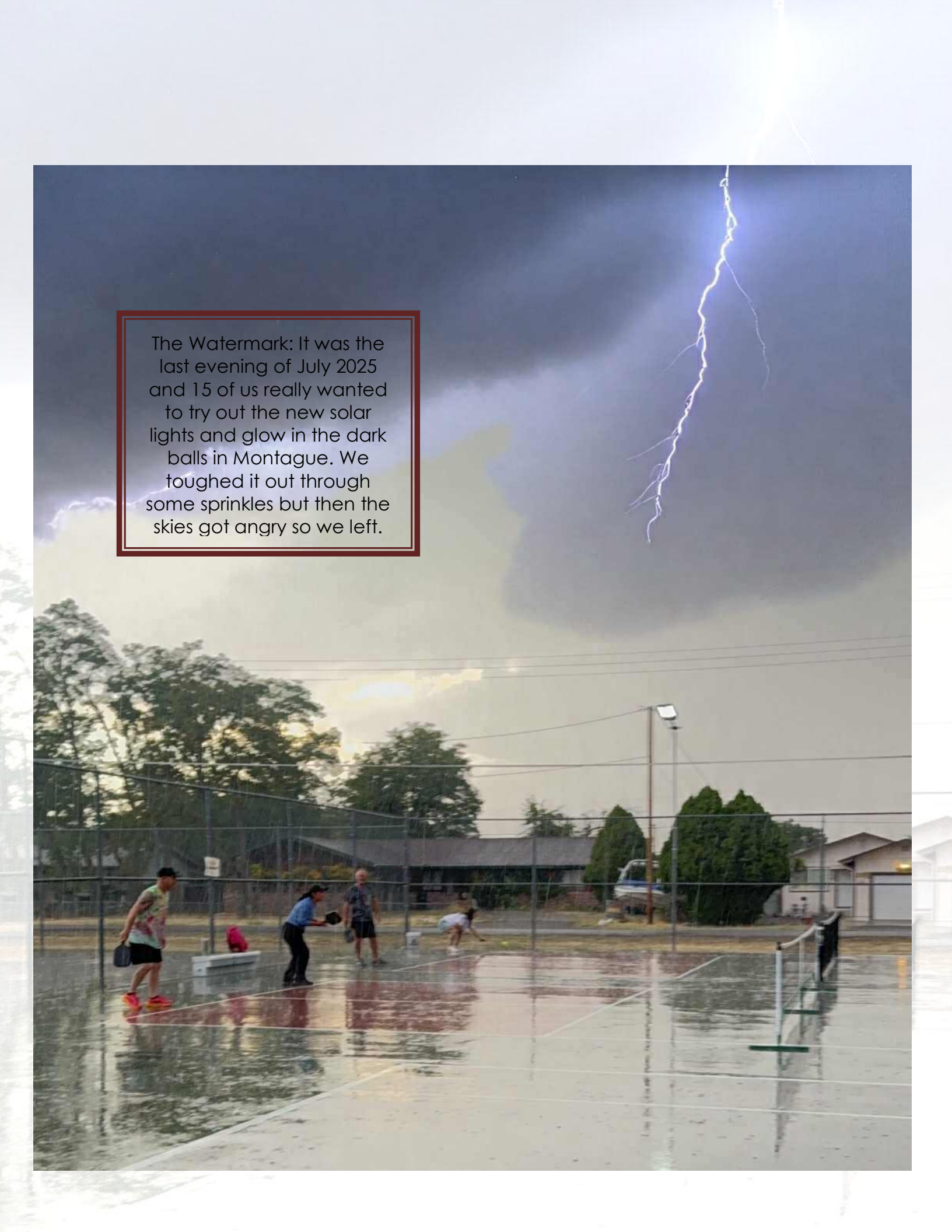
Are you receiving the Shasta Valley Pickleball Club member emails?

If you are a paid-up member for the 2025-2026 season and are *not* receiving messages, please check your email inbox for a message from Nathan Agin and/or "FreeLists.org" - you have been invited to join! If you don't see anything, you can subscribe yourself by:

1. Going to <https://www.freelists.org/list/svpc-members>
2. Enter your email address in the "Your Email Address" box
3. Click the "Next" button under Subscribe
4. You will receive an email to confirm - you *must* open and click the link to complete the process.

We cannot subscribe anyone without their opt-in consent; thanks for understanding! We also don't include non-members on this list.

3. Play at the YMCA & Montague varies according to the weather. Check on PTS to see where the group is headed.



The Watermark: It was the last evening of July 2025 and 15 of us really wanted to try out the new solar lights and glow in the dark balls in Montague. We toughed it out through some sprinkles but then the skies got angry so we left.