



SLPC Newsletter



January 2026

Advancing Pickleball For All, For Life!

Board of Directors and Officers

Welcome

During our AGM, our 2026 executive was established, with the addition of Diane Chute. We want to welcome Diane to the board and welcome her insights, input and energy to the club. For those who could not make the AGM, here is the link to the notes from the meeting. [SLPC AGM 2025](#)

President: Ron Mombourquette

Vice President: Aldo Adamo

Secretary: Leslie Dugas

Treasurer: Kathryn Poole

Directors: Bill Lindsay, Heather Moran, Wendy Harris-Warner, Carrie Cicchelli, Diane Chute



Welcome to the Rally House – Our New Pickleball Home!

We're excited to announce the opening of the **Rally House**, the new home for **SLPC members** to play, connect, and grow our pickleball community!

The Rally House was created with our members in mind—a dedicated space where players of all levels can enjoy great games, improve their skills, and build friendships both on and off the court. This new facility represents an exciting next chapter for SLPC and our continued commitment to providing a fun, welcoming, and organized pickleball experience.

What the Rally House Offers:

- 🏓 Dedicated courts for SLPC play
- 🤝 A central hub for leagues, open play, and social events
- 📈 Opportunities for skill development, clinics, and friendly competition
- 🏠 A true “home base” for our growing SLPC community

We can't wait to see the courts filled with energy, laughter, and great rallies. Whether you're a seasoned player or just getting started, the Rally House is **your place to play**.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Rally House and sharing many great games ahead!



Facility & Court Information

- ☐ [Rally House Bookings](#)
- ☐ [Rally House Court Booking Procedures](#)
- ☐ [Rally House Pricing](#)



Committee Announcements

Finance

A note to remind all SLPC members and guests to have a valid **credit card** (not a debit card) on their payment profile in Court Reserve. We continue to look for and encourage sponsorship/donation monies. While we are not a registered charity and therefore cannot provide a charitable tax receipt, we can offer recognition options.

Facilities/Operations

We would like to thank KERN WATER for providing us with a refillable water station in the reception area for our use so please bring your reusable water bottles and enjoy! To help keep our club clean, safe, and enjoyable for everyone, we kindly ask all members to take home any food, beverages, and packaging that they bring into the facility. We do not have a recycling program, so properly disposing of these items at home will keep recyclables out of our landfills, and will significantly reduce the workload for the volunteers who generously give of their time. Your cooperation makes a real difference in maintaining a healthy environment and ensuring our club remains a welcoming place to play.



Social

We are asking for your continued support in helping those in our community who are less fortunate. We are currently collecting non-perishable food items and hygiene products, and we encourage members to give regularly and often. Many families rely on support throughout the entire year, and together we can make a lasting difference. In addition, we are also collecting warm winter clothing. New or gently used items are greatly appreciated. **Drop-off location: The Rally House**

Court Play and Development

The Club is happy to announce that it will resume its Training Program at the new facility, led by our fine group of volunteer instructors. Starting in January we will once again be offering a variety of formats and opportunities for members to improve their game. Formats will include mentoring, play with a mentor, skills and drills, and targeted skill sessions. We will also offer the occasional Learn to Play session as the need arises. Please keep an eye out on your Court Reserve scheduler and please take advantage of these opportunities to learn and improve.

Update to Reservations

A reminder that you can add players to a Reservation up until it starts. We have also now added that you can change the time and/or court of a Reservation as long as neither reservation has started and it is to something that is available that same day. Please also remember that any cancellations of people within the 24 hours of the start time will still be charged.

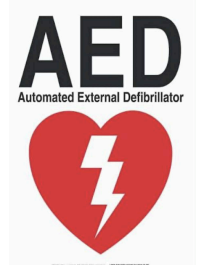
Events

We are always looking to improve our programming. If there is an event you'd like to see added that would draw interest, please pass along the details and we will do our best to accommodate.

Health and Safety



SLPC Health/Safety reminds all members to wear eye protection and court shoes. In case of an emergency, call 911 and meet EMS at the front doors. Anyone can use an AED without training. Our AED at this time is on the wall behind reception with First Aid kit. If you open the First Aid Kit an incident report needs to be written. Instant ice packs and bandaids are at the reception desk.



Please only park in designated parking spots to keep the lane way clear for emergency vehicles. Play safe!

Membership

If you have not done so already, [RENEW](#) your membership here to be able to play, laugh, and enjoy the SLPC pickleball life. You must be an active member in good standing to be able to book on Court Reserve.

Tournaments

The SLPC Tournament Committee is planning a new format for this year's annual tournament! We're excited to host it at the newly opened Rally House. Dates and more details coming soon.



Looking Ahead

- Rally House "**OPEN HOUSE**" to be determined
- Tournament information to be announced soon
- New programming scheduled for the month of February
- Members who have not purchased an access card for the Rally House may do so through email to Carrie Cicchelli: ccicchelli10@gmail.com You **MUST** have a court reserve account with a **credit card attached** to purchase a card. An SLPC form must also be filled out and sent to sarnialambtonpickleball@gmail.com before a card will be available to you. **All details** regarding the procedure are on the website under RALLY HOUSE.
- Reminder to people at Rally House to read the various notes and signs that are posted around the building for members' reference and questions.
- The board is making efforts to create a more working committee structure, so that more people can participate in many aspects of the SLPC club operations. More information to follow.
- As a club with MANY talented members in all areas, not just pickleball, the club would love to keep an inventory of members' talents and interests. We will be reaching out further in the near future with respect to this.
- Food and Drink - We kindly ask that there is no food on the court or runway areas. Please use the lounge or reception area to have a snack. Water and sports drinks may be used on the runway (not courts). However, please clean up after yourself should you spill.



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