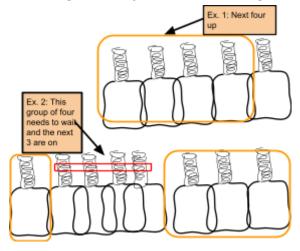
# WE NEED RFPA AMBASSADORS!!

If you are interested - contact Scott Zevin (scottzevin@gmail.com)

#### **Expectations:**

- 1. Make sure you are very familiar with the <u>open-play rules</u> for RFPA. We need to all be consistent with following these rules.
- 2. Prioritize your role as ambassador vs. playing. If attendance is light, feel free to help fill in on a court. (2-hour shifts)
- 3. Post your name on the A-frame white boards and place one at the east and west side of the courts.
- 4. Collect daily drop-in fees or annual dues from guests and members. Use the QR codes for membership sign up and daily drop-ins. If you collect cash, either make the QR payment for them or get the \$\$ to Trevor.
- 5. Issue <u>Paddle Bands</u> to members and check them off our membership list (will be updated regularly). You will get a master list via email. For now, don't sweat it if a member does not have their band.
- 6. Monitor and manage the 4-on-4-off paddles that are waiting to get onto a court.

  Particularly when folks are bundling paddles to stay with a group or partner. Add paddles to the right of any paddles waiting (left side are the next paddles up).



- 7. Check-in with groups at the challenge courts and make sure they are following the rules.
- 8. Help mitigate any issues that may arise during open-play.
- 9. Report any concerns to RFPA president and the Lead Ambassador.
- If you cannot cover a shift you have signed up for, try to find a replacement or message the group and ask for coverage.
- 11. As a RFPA Ambassador, we encourage you to consider offering social events, club fundraisers, etc. Please, just reach out to the board with your ideas and we will try to set aside court time. We want members to see value in being a part of our club and you play a critical role.

### RFPA OPEN-PLAY RULES

During Open-Play times, 8 courts will be utilized. 6 pickleball courts and 2 Darien Courts with the new heavy duty nets, when available. The two Darien courts and the three Young Callaway courts on the East side will be 4-on, 4-off format. The 3 Westside courts will be challenge courts.

### > 4-on, 4-off Court Rules:

- All Games are to be played to 11 (*TRADITIONAL SCORING*), win by 2
- Waiting Players: Players place their paddles in the paddle holders if available or line them up on the east fence. These paddle holders are used to manage who is up next. (Usually 4-on, 4-off unless there are less than 4 paddles).
- If you wish to play with a specific partner or play in a specific group, bundle your paddles with a wrist band, hair tie, etc, before you place your paddles on the fence.
- Please place your name on your paddle or make sure you are monitoring the stack of paddles. We don't want to hunt for you when your court is available and the next paddle up will take your spot.
- No "organized" (no monopolization of courts by a group of players) play will be allowed during Club Member Drop-In. If you find this is still occurring, please feel free to email the Club President stating the situation at <a href="mailto:rfpickleball@gmail.com">rfpickleball@gmail.com</a>

## Challenge Court rules:

- Players may challenge a team on the challenge court.
- Challenge Courts are designated by skill level. These are designed to have competitive play, so try your best to stick to your level. (Ex. A 4.5 player should not be down on the mild court and a 3.0 player should not be up on the spicy court)
- o If no paddles are up on the fence, teams may stay on and continue to play.
- o Games on challenge courts are played to 11 points, win by 2 (traditional scoring).
- At the end of each game, the players with the next two paddles in the fence, will take the court as challengers. 3rd and or 4th paddle - wait.
- After 2 consecutive wins, the winning team will split and the challengers will split to match up with the winning team <u>UNLESS</u> the challenging team wishes to stay together.
- o If there is a single paddle up, the players coming off can flip to see who stays on.
- If a dominant player presents itself, they should consider taking a break after four straight wins to be respectful of others.