



## **November/December 2025 Newsletter**



**Pickleball Visalia would be delighted to have you join our club. \$20 annual dues supports club activities, financial costs, and court maintenance.**

## It's Happening!

**General Club Meeting,** Pickleball Visalia will host a General Membership Meeting on November 14, 2025, 6:30pm. Church of LDS , 825 W. Tulare Ave. Visalia, CA 93277. All members and prospective members are invited to attend. The agenda will include discussions on current events, Q&A session and a demonstration on rewinding your paddle handle (bring your paddle).

Let us know you will attend the meeting by going to [PBVis.org](https://PBVis.org) and filling out the Attending Form under Events..General Club Meeting...click to learn more.

**Generations Express,** Adult/Child Tournament, Plaza Park, Brought to you by A-Train and Pickleball Visalia! 11/15/25 9:00am-1:00pm. Entry Fee \$30. This exciting event will feature one adult teamed up with a child (14 and under) to compete together!

**DUPR Event,** Plaza Park, Brought to you by A-Train and Pickleball Visalia! 12/13/25 11:00am – 2:00pm. \$20 Entry Fee. Pickleball Visalia Club Members will receive priority registration! Another great reason to join Pickleball Visalia!

### Members Representing Visalia on the Road

**Don and John Warkentin** will compete in the 2025 USA Pickleball National Championships. November 15, 2025. The event will be held in San Diego, CA at the Barnes Tennis Center. Streaming on QVC+ and HSN+.

**Monique McAlister,** will be competing with the DMV Picklers team in the U.S. Legends Pickleball League. December 5-7, 2025, Baltimore MD. & January 9-11, 2026, Robbinsville, NJ. Streaming on YouTube, U.S. Legends Pickleball League channel.

**T-shirts:** More Pickleball Visalia merchandise is on the way. If you would like to reserve a shirt or cap, Please visit [PBVIS.org](https://PBVIS.org), click on Contact Us and leave a message with your size request.



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## Tips and Tricks

The “5Ps of Pickleball” Patience, Placement, Positioning, Poaching and Power. These Principles cover key aspects of strategy, technique, and mental approach to playing the game successfully.



The official ball is made of plastic and has a diameter between 7 and 7.5cm and weighs 22 to 26 grams. The noise from a pickleball court reaches 70 decibels, similar to a vacuum cleaner.



## Pickleball Courts Coming to the Visalia

**4 New Courts** at Recreation Park: City of Visalia Engineering Dept. is working on the design. The most probable location will be one court added to the west side of the current courts and three courts south of the current courts, where the basketball court is currently located. It is anticipated that they will be ready Summer 2026.

**And 4 more courts....**The City Council will receive a proposal from Jason Glick, Parks Director, recommending the incorporation of four pickleball courts as a feature within one of the new community parks. The park's site is currently designated as the Pearl Woods Property. The property is located between South Lovers Lane and road 148, just south of East Cherry Avenue. Groundbreaking is set for spring 2026 and completion projected for Fall 2027.

**Plaza Park Court Resurfacing:** planned for late Spring 2026, after the Senior Games.



## Happy Birthday Wishes to our November/December Players



Sharon Smith	Nov 03	Vanessa Sambel	Nov 24	Kathy Yaeger	Dec 13
Ryan Sick	Nov 04	Allan Burns	Nov 25	TJ Baker	Dec 14
Margie Davidian	Nov 07	Michael Hauber	Nov 27	Laurie Winn	Dec 14
Meggan Cook	Nov 09	Eileen Denney	Dec 03	Shelly Lozano	Dec 15
Mj Eastes	Nov 11	Carol Salvador	Dec 04	Randy Pfitzer	Dec 15
Donna Nottingham	Nov 12	Natalie Bolin	Dec 05	Mindy Gosvener	Dec 15
Susan Kroeber	Nov 12	Lacey Arellano	Dec 05	CeCi Gutierrez	Dec 18
Alisa Evans	Nov 13	Alice Hengst	Dec 06	Richard McComb	Dec 20
Crecia Plaughter	Nov 16	Karol Andranda	Dec 08	Jennifer Petty	Dec 20
Marshall Lapp	Nov 17	Jen Hanson	Dec 08	Tamara Navarrette	Dec 27
Diane Davis	Nov 18	Fredna Van Dellen	Dec 10	Lela Clubb	Dec 28
Jon Castro	Nov 20	Doug Martinez	Dec 10	Leslie Sorensen	Dec 28
Marlene Fode	Nov 20	Garner Hoffman	Dec 12	Erin Johnson	Dec 28
Tyler McComb	Nov 21	Donna Burnette	Dec 13	Linda Hollis	Dec 30

## Member Spotlight



### Robert Jesus — Creative Visionary & Pickleball Enthusiast

Meet Robert Jesus, founder and creative director of Image Shift, a leading graphic design and advertising agency known for delivering cutting-edge, creative solutions for businesses across industries.

Beyond his professional work, Robert is a dedicated pickleball player, bringing energy and enthusiasm to every match. He also serves as the webmaster for Pickleball Visalia, ensuring the club's website stays fresh, functional, and community-focused — from event updates to fun additions like the Halloween Sign-Up Sheet.

When he's not designing or on the court, Robert enjoys crafting his own home-brewed beer — a creative pursuit that perfectly complements his artistic spirit.

**City Council meetings**, 7:00pm, 11/3/25, 11/17/25, 12/1/25 & 12/15/25.

**Parks and Recreation** Commission meetings, 5:30pm, 2nd Tuesday of each month.

If you are interested in meeting Visalia city leaders and staying informed on city and parks developments, these meetings are an excellent source of information.



### Pickleball in the Olympics?

The 2032 Brisbane Olympics are the earliest possible window for pickleball to be added to the Olympics.



## Pickleball Visalia Steering Committee

<b>Chair</b>	Joyce Reed	<b>General Officer</b>	JC Chamberlain
<b>Vice Chair</b>	Bill Roache'	<b>General Officer</b>	Jon Bray
<b>Secretary</b>	Sarah Palmer	<b>General Officer</b>	Tony Fox
<b>Treasurer</b>	Bob Croft	<b>Advisor</b>	Brent Winn