

Club Growth

We have been pleased by the presence of new members this year. We now have fifteen people on our contact list. Some come to almost every meeting and others average once a week. We are also delighted that this growth has increased the number of women in the club to four.

As the Club has grown it has raised enough money to buy two very good quality tables at garage sales. We have also acquired cardboard barriers to fence in the ping pong balls around each table.



Senior Center Table Tennis Club Newport, Oregon



We are a small club with the twin goals of having fun and improving our skill levels. Some of our members have been playing and improving their skills for many years. Others have less experience but are working to improve their level of play.



Striving to improve our skills, means that we get a much better workout than people might think who have only played recreational ping pong. There is also real satisfaction and joy in movement as we master new skills. It is wonderful to a part of a friendly group where we can be getting better at a sport late in life.

We have members who are willing to spend some time each meeting with newcomers who desire to improve their skills so that they can enjoy playing within the skill range of the other club members.

We welcome visitors from other table tennis clubs when they are in town. Since school functions have priority in the use of the building, occasionally we are not able to use the gym. There are also sometimes date and time changes in our schedule. To confirm dates and times you should check our web page. You can find the webpage by Googling “Newport Oregon Table Tennis”. The website currently has maps and instructions for finding our location at Yaquina View School gym in Newport.

We are currently meeting at the Yaquina View School in Newport on Tuesdays at 7:15 pm and Saturdays at 5:30 pm. We play both singles and doubles for a couple of hours. **However, we are looking for an alternate site since the current site may become unavailable, for our use as of April 1, 2015.**

The Club History

2006 The club’s founding members included Don Hunt, Will Ogren, and Bill Kobialka. We were and are grateful for the sponsorship of the Newport Senior Center. In the early years we met twice a week in the basement of the Senior Center. For several years the Senior Center sponsored small local tournaments at the Rec Center.

2010 When the Senior Center remodeled its basement we moved to the public meeting room at the PUD and played there for about a year or so.

2012 In this year we were grateful to the Lincoln County School system for letting us move to the Yaquina Bay Elementary school gymnasium. This space has been an excellent facility for us to meet in and has permitted the club to grow.

2013 The Senior Center and the Newport Recreation Center sponsored a large regional table tennis tournament that also included exhibitions and coaching clinics. The special coaching and exhibitions featured Olympian Sean O’Neill and Oregon State Champion Tim Aikey. Some of our club members also were able to play a little with these highly skilled athletes



2015 As the school system is now revising the use of its facilities we may be looking for a new location as of April 1, 2015.