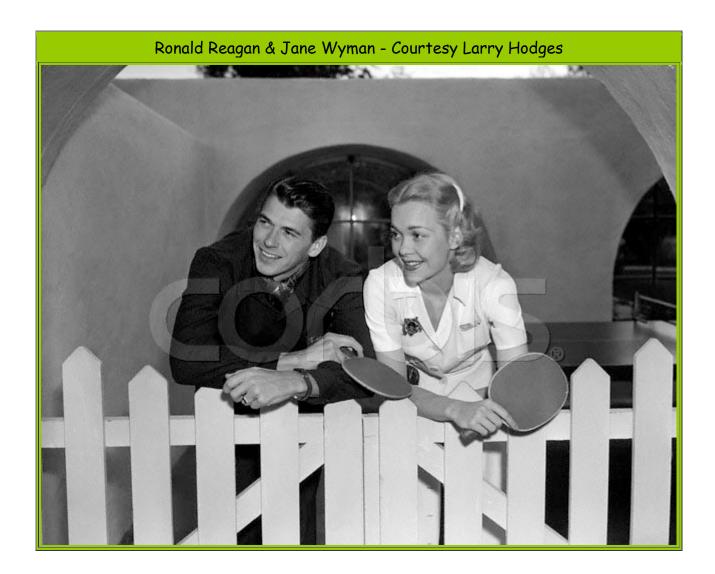
To all Members

I found this old article which applies to our Club today.

The success of our club depend on each of us putting in at least what we are taking out of the club.

To help preserve the excellent atmosphere we have surrounding our games, it helps immensely if everyone remains friendly and cordial and abides by the rules.



Some subtle tips to remember are these:

- It is an honor to play with an accomplished player who has dedicated many years to perfecting his skills.
- Good players enjoy playing against other good players who can test their skills.
- It is always best for all when players join up with players of skills comparable to their own.
- Unless there is only one table, it is best if novice players only attempt to join the better players when invited.
- We are fortunate that we have multiple tables and the different skill levels can
 easily find a suitable place to play.

Some Club Etiquette

Now that the club is expanding, it is good etiquette for each member to consider pitching in and lending a hand wherever possible and not leave the running of the club to an overworked few. Ask how you can help. A place where everyone can help is the setup and takedown segments of each session.

During setup, the proper etiquette is to:

- 1. Arrive early enough so that you could help.
- 2. If you don't know how you can help, ask one of the veterans who will be happy to show you.
- 3. Do not begin play until all the tables and partitions are in place. It is discourteous to begin play while others are still setting up.

Takedown and put away etiquette is a bit different. When you leave, it is discourteous to leave empty tables for the remaining players to have to put away all by themselves. Look around and see if there is any unused equipment that you could help to put away. If you fold up even one table, it will be a big help to the few tired players who remain.

The club has no paid leaders. It belongs to all of us and its success depends on each of us putting in at least what we are taking out. That is both common sense... and good etiquette.