



AGENDA

Meeting of the Scotts Valley Parks and Recreation Commission

In-Person and Remote Access

Date: June 23, 2026

Time: 6:00 PM

CONTACT INFORMATION	MEETING LOCATION	POSTING
Recreation Division 361 Kings Village Road Scotts Valley, CA 95066 (831) 438-3251	City Council Chambers 1 Civic Center Drive Scotts Valley, CA 95066 Or Zoom Video Conference https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81298572447	Agenda posted on 6-17-2026 at City Hall, SV Senior Center, SV Public Works Building, and on the Internet at: www.scottsvally.gov
COMMISSIONERS	CITY STAFF MEMBERS	
David Sanguinetti, Chair Heidi Denger, Vice Chair Kate Kelsey, Commissioner Corky Roberson, Commissioner Rebecca Sorci-Murray, Commissioner	Allison Pfefferkorn, Recreation Division Manager Brian Youmans, Administrative Assistant	

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Call to Order

Roll Call

Staff Updates

1. 6.23.2026 Staff Updates

Public Comment Time

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Consent Agenda

(Any person wishing to speak on the consent agenda may do so by raising their hand as the item is called out by the chairperson.)

1. 4.16.26 Park & Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Additions/Deletions to Regular Agenda

(Any person wishing to speak on the consent or regular agenda may do so by raising their hand as the item is called out by the chairperson.)

Regular Agenda

(Any person wishing to speak on the regular agenda may do so by raising their hand as the item is called out by the chairperson.)

1. Introduction of Skypark Master Plan Consultants RRM

2. Survey Results on Skypark Court Usage and The Impact on the Skypark Neighborhood

Adjournment

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Staff Updates: Recreation Division Manager Allison Pfefferkorn

June 23, 2026

Past City Events

- **Expressions of the Valley: Art and Poetry Contest & Showcase** was held on May 14th at the Community Center. Over 50 entries were submitted and displayed for friends and families to interact with and appreciate. Each age category read their poetry and presented their artwork. It was a wonderful evening celebrating artist of all ages.
- **Wacky Soccer Tournament-** In partnership with Kick Off Santa Cruz and Santa Cruz County Parks and Recreation, Scotts Valley Recreation hosted a World Cup celebration kick off weekend June 13 & 14. June 13 the county hosted a Skills and Drills clinic at Anna Jean Cummings Park and on June 14 Scotts Valley Recreation hosted a Wacky Soccer Tournament at Skypark. 24 teams competed in a round robin style wacky tournament filled with costumes, multiple goals and XL soccer balls. Thanks to Santa Cruz County District 3 Supervisor Justin Cummings, one lucky participant won 2 tickets to the FIFA World Cup game on Jun 26 to see Paraguay vs Australia. We are thankful for all the sponsors that made the event happen; Third District Santa Cruz County Supervisor Justin Cummings, Togos Sandwiches of Scotts Valley, PG &E, Comcast, Kaiser Permanente, New Leaf Market, Visit Santa Cruz, Monterey Bay FC.

Upcoming Events

- **Food Truck Friday-** June 26, 2026 is Food Truck Friday at Skypark. Come out and grab dinner and a drink and enjoy the park and live music.
- **4th of July Parade and Block Party-** Parade registration is open and pre registration is required. Parade starts at 11am. Join us for the Block Party pre and post Parade. Kids activities, vendor booths, food trucks, beer and wine and live music. Big thanks to all partners involved; Boys and Girls Club, Food Trucks a Go Go, and Kiwanis.
- **Hops & Barly Beer Festival-** will be back at Skypark on July 11th.
- **City 60th Anniversary Birthday Bash** will be held on Aug 2 at Skypark. A day of celebrating Scotts Valley! Stories of the past and present, live music, roller skating, crafts, historical booths, kids activities and more! Staff are working on special events to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of the City of Scotts Valley for the first week of August. Starting on August 2, the cities birthday, with a big birthday bash at Skypark. Other activities include Coffee with Legends at the Senior Center, National Night Out at MacDorsa Park, Hike the Trails Day, We Love Our Schools and a Business Scavenger hunt to finish out the week.
- **July is Parks Month-** July is full of fun free events each Wednesday and weekly prompts to get out and enjoy our parks. Check out our Parks Month calendar on our website to see how you can get involved.
- **Scotts Valley Art, Wine & Beer Festival** will be held at Skypark on Aug 15 & 16 for another wonderful year.

Recreation

- The summer recreation guide is live online at the City's website and hard copies can be found at the Recreation office, City Hall and various places around town.
- The Senior Center is asking all residents of Scotts Valley to give their input on the future offerings at the Senior Center. The survey can be found at the Senior Center and on our website. The survey will close June 30.
- Beginning in late June, the Parks and Recreation Office will be relocating to the office building at the Community Center to provide more office space for the Public Works team in the Skypark building.

Projects

- **Skypark Master Plan-** City Staff met with consultants from RRM for a kick off meeting of the Skypark Master plan. Project goals and timelines were discussed. The Skypark Master Plan subcommittee will be involved in the next process of community outreach.
- **Al Shugart Dog Park-** Verde Designs is completing the environmental reviews. Once those are completed, it will be brought to City Council for final approval in late summer.

Parks

- **Skypark-** New Bear Safe garbage cans were installed throughout the park. These cans have a recycling and trash section and have locking lids. The city was able to purchase these through the CalRecycle grant award. Over the year, other parks will also be receiving new trash receptacles.
- **Skypark Tennis and Pickleball Courts-** Staff met with contractors to assess the cracks on the courts and was told by several that the cracks will continue to happen due to moving ground beneath. Crack repair will remain on the maintenance calendar.
- **Assessment Districts-** Public Works completed the annual Engineer's Reports for both the Skypark and Pinewood Assessment Districts. These reports provide the required documentation for ongoing landscape and infrastructure maintenance, outlining annual costs and assessment allocations for the upcoming fiscal year.
- **MacDorsa Park-** Public Works upgraded the electronic locking system at the MacDorsa Park restrooms following security concerns involving unauthorized overnight occupancy. These improvements will help maintain proper facility hours, strengthen site security, and improve safety for park visitors and staff.



MINUTES

Special Meeting of the Scotts Valley Parks and Recreation Commission

Date: April 16th, 2026

Time: 6:00 PM

CONTACT INFORMATION	MEETING LOCATION	POSTING
Recreation Division 361 Kings Village Road Scotts Valley, CA 95066 (831) 438-3251	City Council Chambers 1 Civic Center Drive Scotts Valley, CA 95066 Or Zoom Video Conference https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86905757283	The agenda was posted on 04-10-26 at City Hall, SV Senior Center, SV Public Works Building, and on the Internet at www.scottsvally.gov .

Call to Order - 6:00 pm

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

Roll Call

APPOINTED OFFICIALS PRESENT: David Sanguinetti, Chair Kate Kelsey, Commissioner Corky Roberson, Commissioner Rebecca Sorci-Murray, Commissioner ABSENT: Heidi Denger, Vice Chair	CITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Allison Pfefferkorn, Recreation Division Manager Brian Youmans, Administrative Secretary
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Staff Updates

RDM Pfefferkorn provided a summary of recent Parks and Recreation programs and events, highlighted upcoming summer activity guide, and presented an overview of recent park maintenance completed by the Maintenance Division.

Public Comment Time

No public comment

Consent Agenda

1. 02-19-26 Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes

M/S: Kelsey/Roberson

To approve the Consent Agenda. Carried 4/0/0 (AYES: Sanguinetti, Kelsey, Roberson, Sorci-Murray; NOES: None; ABSENT: Denger)

Additions/Deletions to Regular Agenda

None.

Regular Agenda

1. Potential Mitigation Measures for Pickleball Noise and Related Impacts at Skypark Courts – RDM Pfefferkorn

RDM Pfefferkorn presented the background of information of concerns with the Skypark Tennis and Pickleball courts, the previous procedures the city implemented to address these concerns, and a recent complaint from a Skypark resident that highlighted two factors that still impact the quality of the neighborhood's life, which are chronic noise and the parking and traffic issues.

RDM Pfefferkorn then detailed the extent of these issues as well as presented suggestions for solutions

Commissioners asked clarifying questions and staff answered.

Public Comment:

- Santa Cruz Pickleball Club President Mark Dettle spoke on behalf of the club to express their appreciation for the city's cooperation and the ongoing partnership to improve the community's experience with the courts.
- The following neighborhood residents spoke regarding their concerns with the noise and traffic issues: Mark Teixeira, Will Simmons, Julie Owens, Rachel Jones, and an unnamed resident.
- The following pickleball court users spoke regarding the positive effects the courts have had in the community and the willingness to find a compromise: Owen Matheys, Mark Teixeira, Kristen Mitchell, Steve O'Connor, Jackie Signore, Bob Williams, Chuck Walker, Anne Marie, Homad, Andrea, Brendan, Nina, Darwin, Julie, Joseph, and an unnamed court user.

Commissioners asked more clarifying questions and staff answered.

M/S: Sanguinetti/Sorci-Murray

To approve the creation of a survey for mitigation measures for pickleball noise and traffic. Carried 4/0/0 (AYES: Sanguinetti, Kelsey, Roberson, Sorci-Murray; NOES: None; ABSENT: Denger)

Adjournment

Chair Sanguinetti suggested any commissioners make requests for any potential future agenda items they wish to see.

Commissioner Sorci-Murray requested an update on the Al Shugart Dog Park Project.

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM

City of Scotts Valley

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

DATE: 6/23/2026
TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Allison Pfefferkorn, Recreation Division Manager
APPROVED: Mali LaGoe, City Manager
SUBJECT: Introduction of Skypark Master Plan Consultants RRM

SUMMARY OF ISSUE

In 2024, the City adopted a citywide Parks Master Plan, which identified the need for additional amenities and recreational opportunities for Scotts Valley's growing community. Recognizing that the City doesn't have extra land available to build new parks, the plan recommended developing dedicated master plans for each park in order to maximize the park space the City has, and be able to accommodate the increasing needs of a growing community. The City identified Skypark as the first and most critical park to develop a park-specific master plan to guide future improvements to maximize the space available and ensure alignment with the Town Center Specific Plan.

The citywide plan emphasized the importance of connectivity, flexible event space, and upgraded amenities to meet the needs of a growing and diverse community.

To reflect and expand upon those goals, the Skypark Master Plan will be developed in coordination with the Town Center planning process to ensure seamless physical and visual integration along the shared edge. This includes collaboration on shared access points, landscape continuity, amenities, and community use.

The deadline for submissions ended on January 9, 2026, with a total of seven (7) proposals received. Upon carefully reviewing the consultant firm's submittals, City staff recommended to City Council RRM Design Group as the awardee of the development of the Skypark Master Plan based on their expertise in landscape architecture, park planning, and community engagement. City Council awarded the project to RRM at the May 6, 2026 meeting.

A kick off meeting with RRM took place in early June 2026 to set roles, expectations and timeline for the project.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Receive presentation on the outreach plan for the Skypark Master Plan.

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City of Scotts Valley PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

DATE: 6/23/2026
TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Allison Pfefferkorn, Recreation Division Manager
APPROVED: Mali LaGoe, City Manager
SUBJECT: **Survey Results on Skypark Court Usage and The Impact on the Skypark Neighborhood**

SUMMARY OF ISSUE

Beginning in 2023, the City has received concerns from Skypark residents regarding activity at the Skypark Tennis and Pickleball Courts. In response, the Parks and Recreation Commission established the Skypark Neighborhood Tennis & Pickleball Courts Ad Hoc Subcommittee in August 2023 to evaluate concerns and identify potential mitigation measures.

At the June 2024 Commission meeting, staff reported on several improvements implemented as a result of the subcommittee's recommendations, including improved court signage and court etiquette information, measures to discourage parking in unauthorized areas, and an online reservation system to better manage court use and activity levels.

Following implementation of these measures, no additional complaints were received until 2026, when the City received formal complaints from Skypark residents regarding ongoing impacts associated with court activity. Residents expressed concerns about pickleball-related noise, increased traffic, speeding, stop-sign violations, and parking overflow in the surrounding neighborhood, stating that these issues have negatively affected the neighborhood's quality of life and safety.

At the February 19, 2026, meeting, the Parks and Recreation Commission reviewed the concerns and discussed whether previously implemented mitigation measures had adequately addressed neighborhood impacts, as well as whether additional operational, parking, traffic, or noise mitigation strategies should be considered. Following discussion, the Commission directed staff to gather additional community input and return with potential mitigation strategies for future Commission consideration.

At the April 16, 2026, Parks and Recreation Commission meeting, possible mitigation measures were presented to the commission in response to public complaints about noise and traffic issues at the Skypark Tennis and Pickleball Courts. These mitigation measures included; traffic-calming solutions, sound dampening panels, quieter equipment, and reduced hours.

The commission suggested a survey to understand the overall concerns of the neighborhood as well as the use of the courts would be the best next step to aid in understanding the best mitigation strategy. Two surveys were made available. One to the Skypark neighborhood and one to all Court Users at the Skypark Courts. The intent of the two surveys was to gain perspectives from all parties involved. The neighborhood survey was mailed to all residents

within the Skypark neighborhood focusing on the experiences of residents and how court activity affects their daily lives. The court user survey was distributed at the Skypark courts through sandwich board signage and flyers posted on each court gate, both of which included QR codes linking to the survey. It was also advertised through social media and pickleball club connections. The court user survey was intended for people who use the courts and gathered information about court usage patterns, community benefits, and opinions regarding mitigation strategies.

The neighborhood survey asked residents about:

- How court activity affects their neighborhood experience
- Traffic safety concerns (speeding, stop-sign compliance, pedestrian safety)
- Parking impacts and overflow into residential streets
- Noise impacts from court activity
- Effects on sleep, relaxation, work-from-home, and quality of life
- Preferred operating hours and possible mitigation strategies
- Experiences reporting issues to the Police Department
- Open-ended comments about neighborhood impacts and potential solutions.

The court user survey asked users about:

- Where they live and how often they play
- What sports they play
- Days and times they use the courts
- Court availability and reservations
- Transportation and parking habits
- Traffic and parking observations
- Opinions on operating hours
- Support for various mitigation measures
- Willingness to contribute financially toward sound barriers
- Additional comments regarding the future of the courts.

Both surveys were open for four weeks and closed on June 1, 2026. The neighborhood survey generated 94 responses from the 195 mailed survey postcards with 64% living in the neighborhood 11+ years. The court user survey received 321 responses, with approximately 32% of respondents identifying as Scotts Valley residents and 86.3% of respondents being pickleball players.

Common Themes of Both Surveys

Traffic Safety

- Significant concerns regarding speeding and stop-sign compliance.
- Support for additional traffic control measures.

Parking Capacity

- Court parking lot is frequently full.
- Parking overflow impacts neighborhood streets.

- Illegal or inappropriate parking occurs during peak periods.
- More parking is needed

Traffic and parking were two of the most consistently identified concerns.

Importance of Recreation

- Many acknowledge the value of recreation and how the courts support a place for community building.
- Strong emphasis on health and wellness benefits of pickleball and tennis.

Comments more frequently focused on traffic, parking, and pickleball-specific impacts, than on noise from play.

Survey Results on Potential Court Mitigation Strategies

Current Court Hours

Sunday-Thursday 8am-8:30 pm

Friday & Saturday 8am- 9:30pm

Neighborhood Survey Responses

Neighborhood residents were divided on whether court hours should be modified. While some respondents indicated that current hours are appropriate, many expressed interest in reducing pickleball-related activity through later morning opening times, earlier evening closing times, restrictions on evening play, or limitations on pickleball hours specifically. Resident comments frequently linked requests for modified hours to concerns about noise, traffic, parking, and after-hours activity.

Key findings from the neighborhood survey:

- 39.4% felt the courts should be open fewer hours.
 - 33% supported courts closing at 8pm
 - 27% supported no play after sunset.
- 30.9% felt the current hours are appropriate.
- 22.3% indicated court hours did not matter to them.
- 7.4% felt the courts should be open more hours.

Court User Survey Responses

Court users generally supported maintaining current operating hours and opposed further reductions. Many respondents emphasized that evening access is important for working adults and families who cannot use the courts during daytime hours. Several users expressed support for extending evening hours, particularly during summer months.

Key findings from the court user survey:

- Approximately 68% of respondents felt the current operating hours are appropriate.
- Approximately 22% preferred additional hours.
- Only a small percentage supported reducing court hours.
 - 33% supported courts closing at 8pm
 - 13% supported courts closing at dusk
 - 10% supported courts closing 1 night a week

Court Hours Summary

Survey feedback did not identify a clear consensus regarding reduced court hours. Resident comments most commonly suggested later morning opening times, particularly on weekends, and stricter enforcement of closing hours. Court users generally supported maintaining existing hours, noting that evening access is critical for working adults. Comments more frequently focused on traffic, parking, and pickleball-specific impacts than on court hours alone.

Noise Mitigation

The survey comments show that noise concerns are primarily among residents closest to the courts and are associated with pickleball activity, particularly during peak evening and weekend hours. At the same time, more than half of respondents reported that court noise was either tolerable or not a significant concern compared to other neighborhood impacts.

How would you describe the overall impact of court noise on your daily life

94 responses



Sound Barriers

Respondents from both surveys supported sound barriers.

36% of neighborhood respondents were in support of sound barriers.

57.9% of court user respondents were in support of sound barriers, with 64.5 % saying they would be willing to donate towards the purchase of the sound barriers.

Quieter Equipment

59.5 % of court user respondents were opposed to the enforcement of quieter equipment

11% of court user respondents were fully supportive of it

14.9% of neighborhood respondents were in support.

Noise Mitigation Summary

While noise was a recurring concern throughout the survey, the feedback suggests that residents viewed traffic safety and parking impacts as more urgent issues. The noise coming specifically from pickleball was highlighted, as most respondents said tennis produced non-disruptive noise.

Traffic Safety and Parking

Traffic safety and parking was one of the most consistently identified concerns in both surveys.

92% of the Court User survey respondents reported driving their car to the courts.

Traffic Safety

- Significant concerns regarding speeding and stop-sign compliance.
- Support for additional traffic control measures.

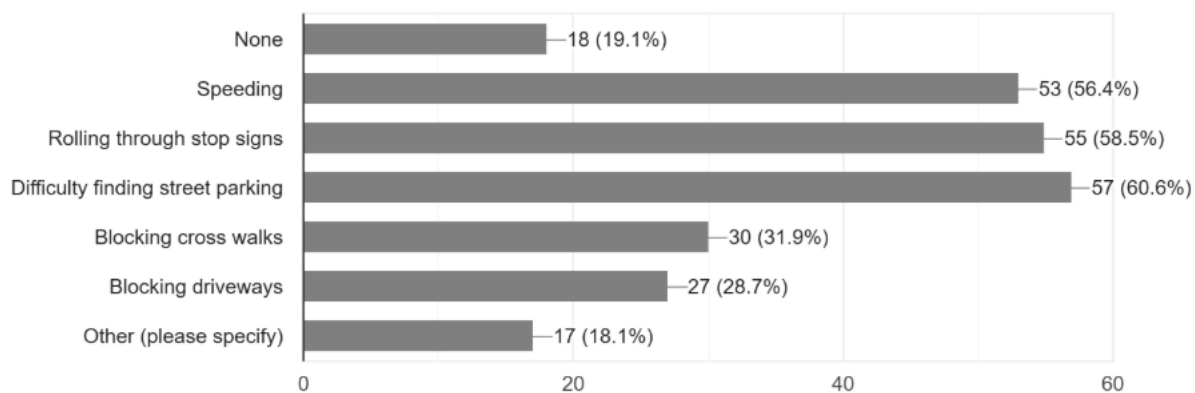
Parking Capacity

- Frequently report the court parking lot is full.
- Parking overflow impacts neighborhood streets.
- Illegal or inappropriate parking occurs during peak periods.
- More parking is needed

Of the respondents to the Neighborhood Survey,

What traffic impacts have you noticed

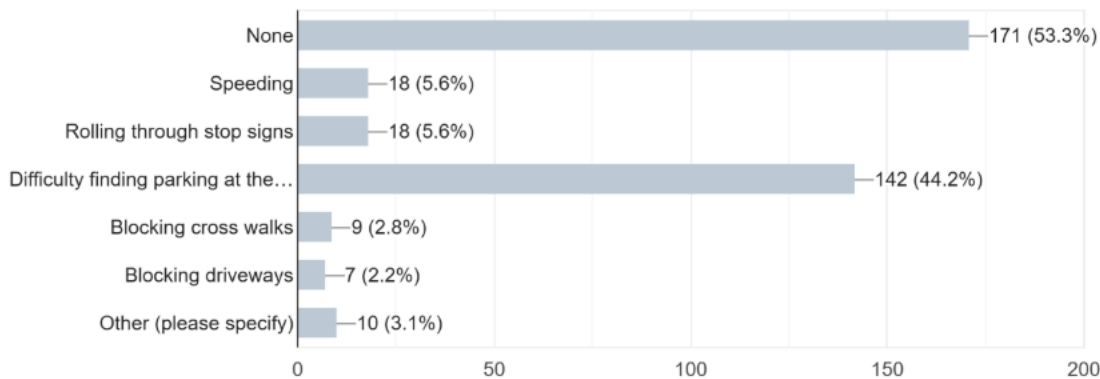
94 responses



Of the respondents to the court user survey,

What traffic impacts have you noticed

321 responses



Since the commission meeting in April 2026, the Scotts Valley Police Department has reported an increase in foot patrol around the courts (Tuesday & Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings), 29 documented traffic complaints including parking concerns and speeding, issued 2 parking citations, and educated or verbally warned 4 individuals about court hours.

Overall Survey Summary

The survey results show that the Skypark courts are an important recreational facility that provides health, fitness, and social benefits for residents and those living in Santa Cruz County. At the same time, being the only court in the county with lights, increased use of the courts has resulted in concerns from nearby residents related to traffic safety, parking, and noise.

While there were differing opinions regarding court operations and potential restrictions, both surveys identified traffic and parking as the most common concerns. Neighborhood respondents frequently referenced speeding, stop-sign violations, pedestrian safety, and limited parking availability, while court users also acknowledged parking challenges and expressed support for improvements to parking and traffic management.

Survey results did not identify a clear community consensus regarding reduced court hours. Neighborhood respondents were divided on whether hours should be modified, while court users generally supported maintaining existing access. Noise was identified as a concern by some residents, particularly those living closest to the courts, but comments from both surveys more frequently focused on traffic, parking, and enforcement issues than on noise alone. Overall, the survey results suggest that opportunities may exist to improve neighborhood conditions through traffic-calming measures, parking management strategies, enforcement, and noise mitigation while continuing to provide recreational opportunities at the Skypark courts.

The surveys indicate that court hours are not the primary area of agreement between residents and users. Residents were divided, with some advocating for reduced pickleball hours to lessen neighborhood impacts, while court users largely favored maintaining existing access. Across both surveys, concerns regarding traffic safety, parking capacity, and enforcement emerged more consistently than concerns related solely to operating hours. As a result, many respondents from both groups suggested focusing on infrastructure and operational improvements before considering significant changes to court hours.

Possible Mitigation

Traffic Safety

Recreation, Public Works and Police have met to discuss possible traffic safety measures to implement in the Skypark neighborhood, including the area near the courts. Stopping lines have been installed at the entrance and exit of the courts to provide a safe stopping point for the linear trail.

Parking

Other measures were discussed, such as red curbs at the crosswalks to prevent parking that inhibits view, flashing lights at crosswalks, striping parking spots along the curbs. Staff is also currently exploring parking permit programs in various locations throughout the City that could apply to the courts and Skypark neighborhood. Way-finding signage could be added for additional parking at Skypark as well as road-finding signs from Skypark to the courts.

Court Hours

Potential pilot program of reduced court hours for a pilot period of time. This may include, closing the courts at dusk (no lights), closing the courts at 8 pm every day, closing the courts one evening a week. As well as installing a locking court door with set hours.

Noise Abatement

The survey comments indicate that noise concerns are concentrated among residents closest to the courts. The survey showed strong support for sound barriers from neighbors and court users.

Court Play Adjustment

The neighborhood survey results showed that traffic and noise concerns have increased since the pickleball courts have been installed. A conversion of the shared court to tennis-only could limit the number of players on the courts and potentially reduce the traffic concerns as well as noise from the courts.

FISCAL IMPACT

Potential cost of various mitigation measures described above include:

Sound barriers — \$20k — \$40k

Automatic gate locks — \$5-\$10k each gate

Flashing sidewalk lights — \$25k—\$40k each

Quiet Equipment Signage — \$250

Re-striping shared court - \$2k-\$10k

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Potential discussion questions based on the survey results to identify strategies to mitigate impacts:

- Are there additional traffic safety and parking management measures to consider?
- Are there additional noise mitigation measures to consider?
- Should modifying court operations be considered?
 - Convert shared court back to tennis only - reducing the number of pickleball courts to 4

- Remove the lights to reduce evening play/impacts on neighborhood
- Should quiet equipment be required (pilot program?)
- Should court hours be modified, such as:
 - Close courts at 8:00 p.m.
 - Close courts at dusk.
 - Close Courts one evening a week
- Should identified measure be implemented as a pilot program and if so, what timeframe should a pilot program be implemented for, and how should results be measured?

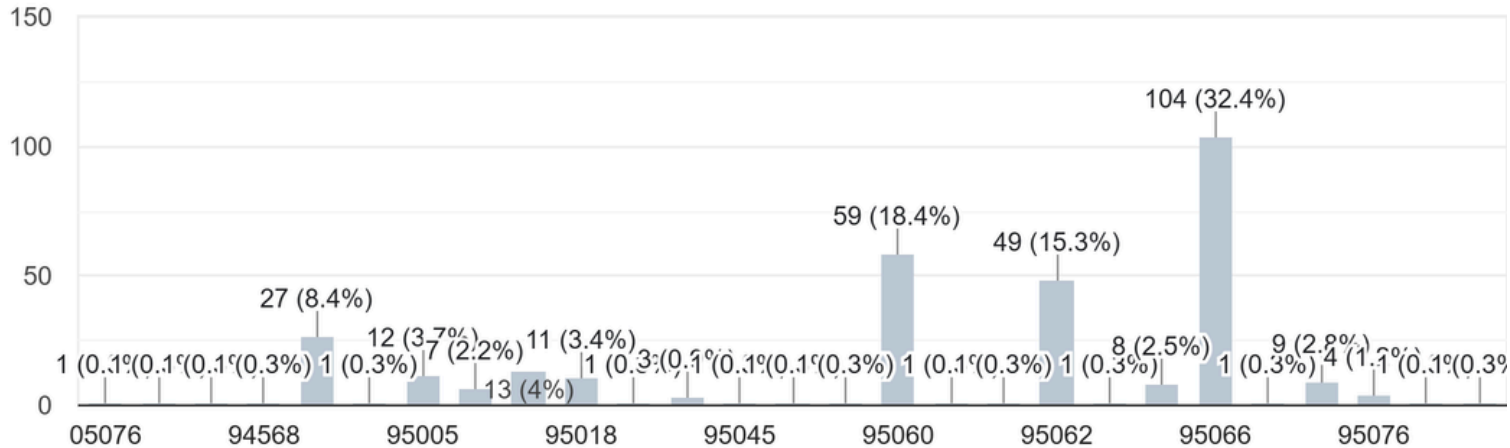
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2. Neighborhood Survey Results

Skypark Courts Player Survey

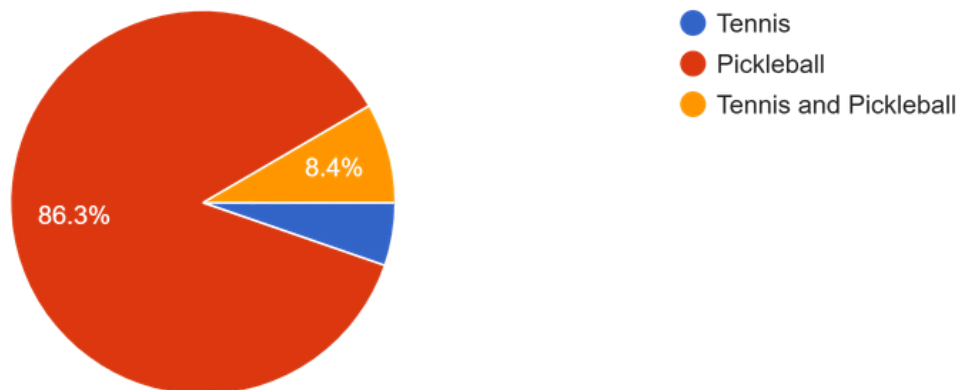
What is your zip code?

321 responses



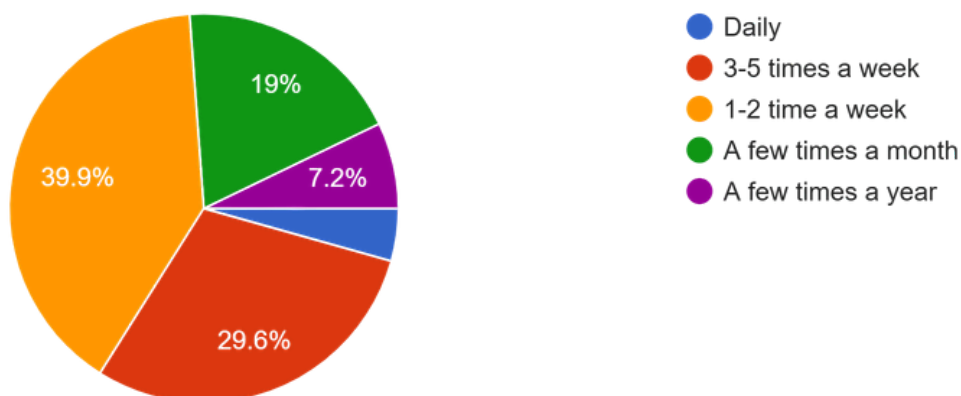
What sport do you play at the Skypark Courts?

321 responses



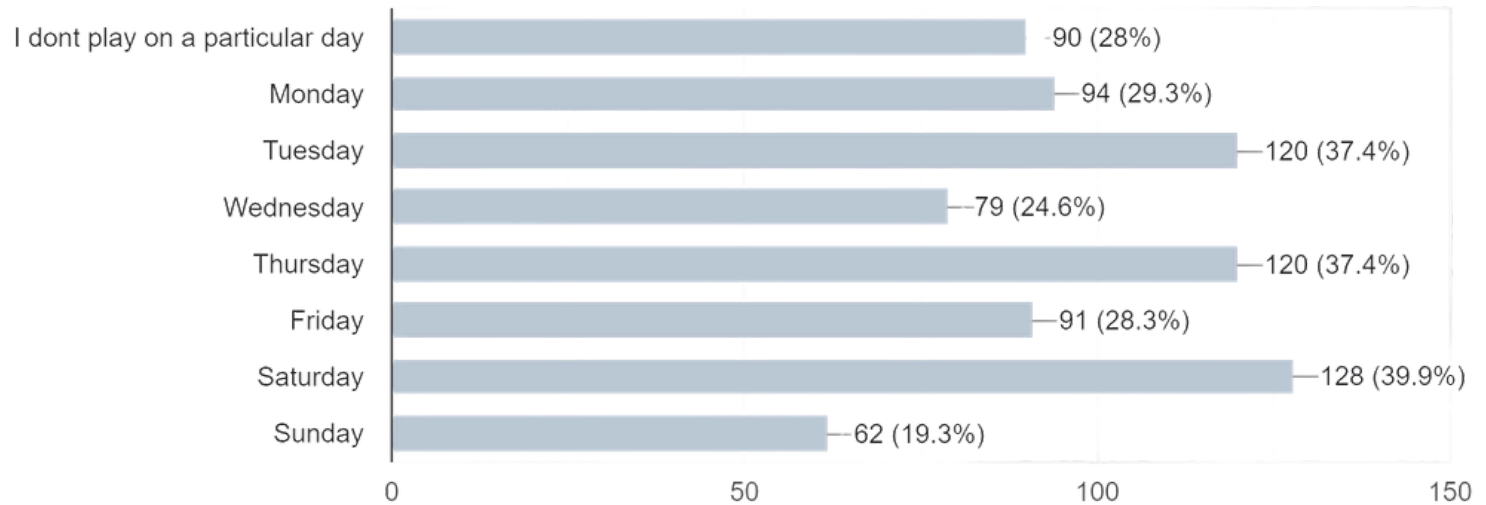
How often do you play?

321 responses



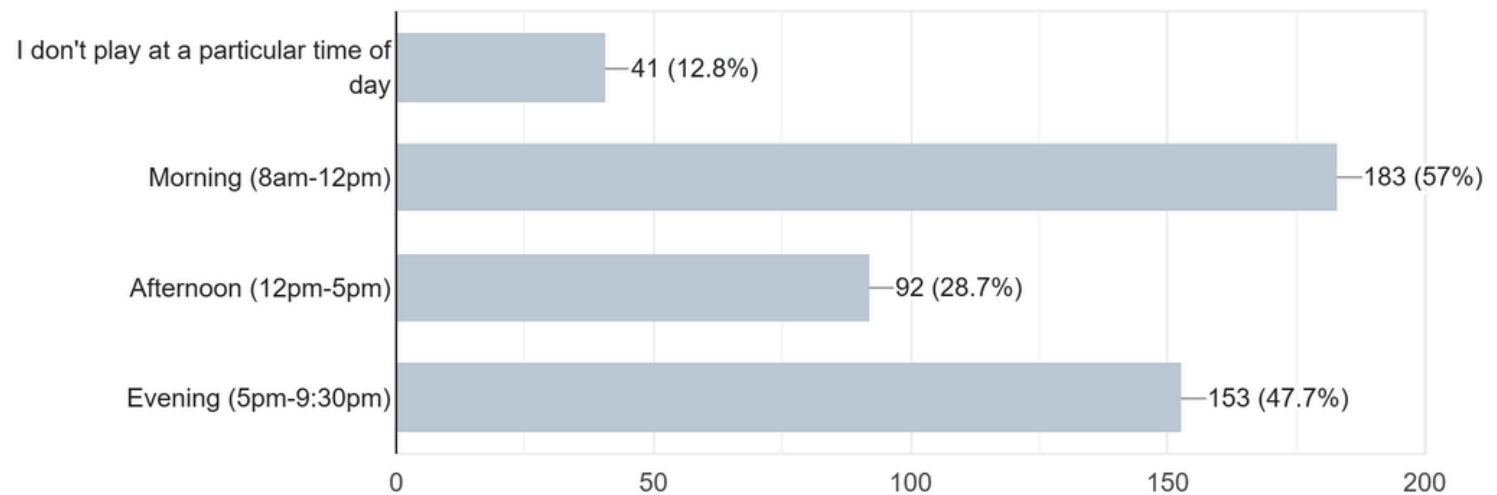
What day do you play on at the courts?

321 responses



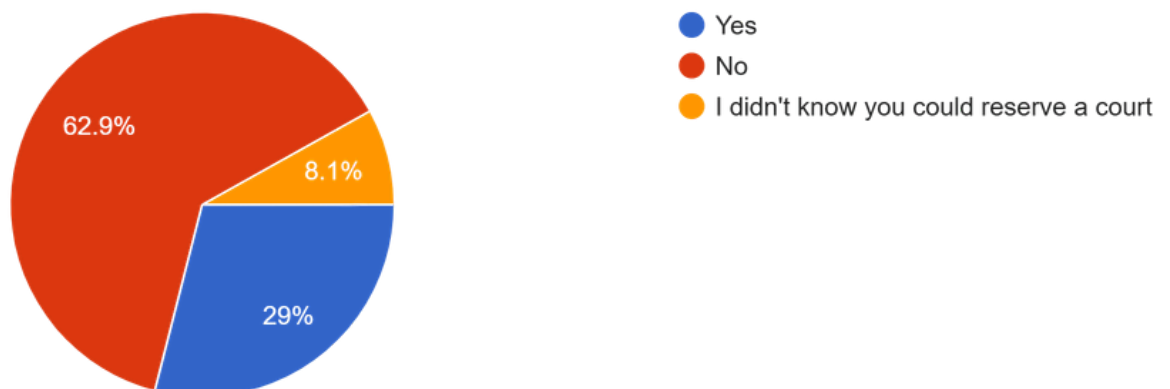
What time of day do you play at the courts?

321 responses



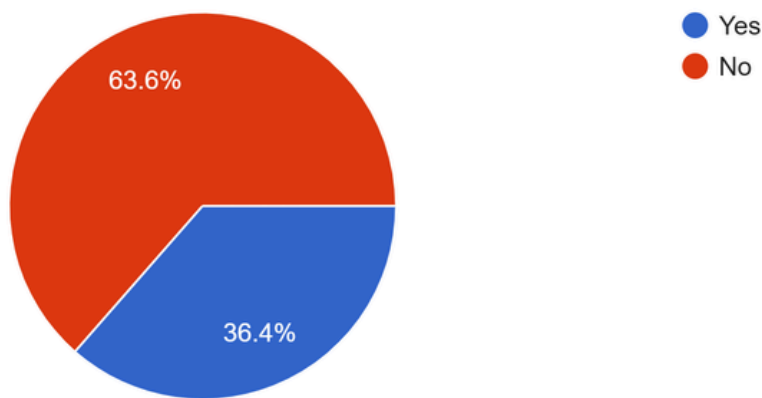
Have you made a court reservation?

321 responses



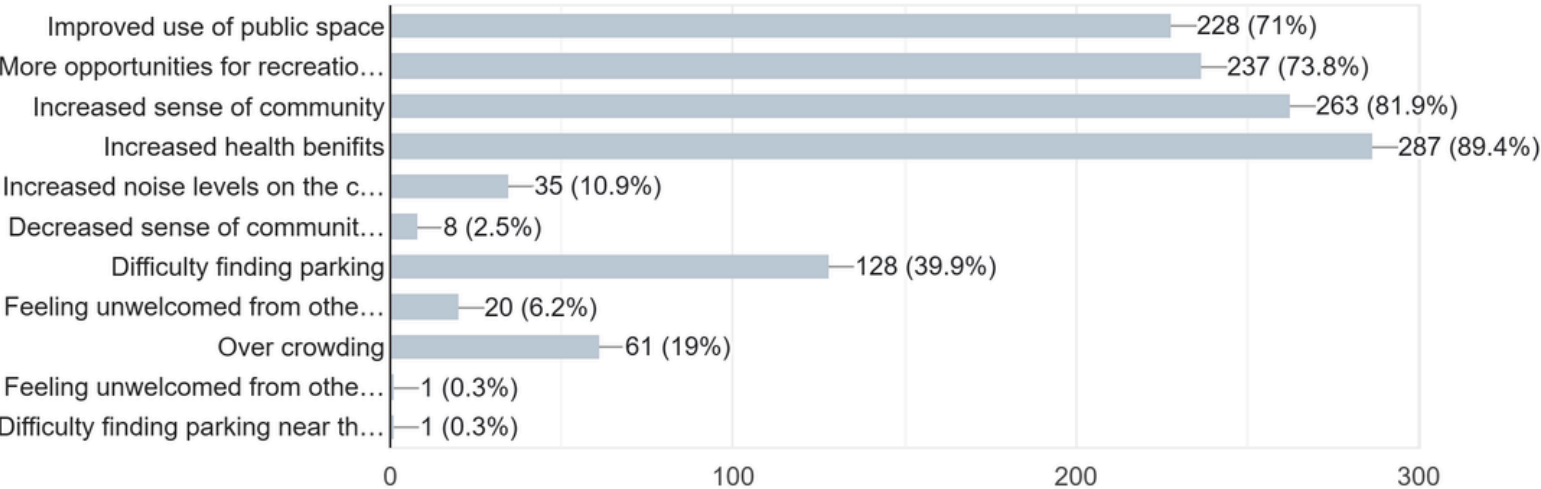
Have you ever been unable to play due to court availability?

321 responses



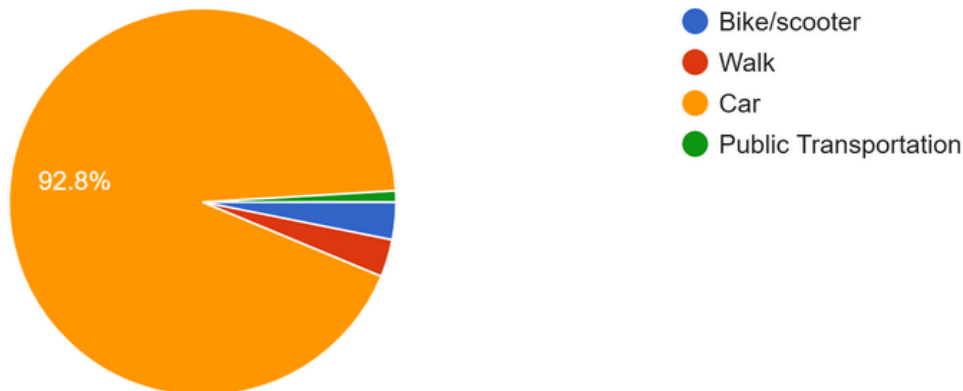
Which of these have you personally experienced at the Skypark courts?

321 responses



What mode of transportation do you use to get to the courts?

319 responses



If you drive, where do you typically park?

311 responses



Other

- Depends where there is space
- Sometimes on Saturday mornings I'll park by the rec building, to free up space for residents and visitors.
- If lot is full, I now park near the skate park.
- You only allow one selection and I don't only park in a single location. I park in the lot or on the street by the courts when it's not busy and by the grass part of the park when it is busy
- I also park by the soccer fields if the small parking lot is full
- also park on street by soccer fields
- All over but it would be nice to have the parking back by the tennis courts as we had a year or so ago.
- The designated court parking is almost always taken by the time I get there. So then I choose to park on the street as close as I can get to the courts.
- The court parking lot is often full, leading me to park on the street as overflow
- On street if lot is full
- When sky park lot is full (quite often) we pal in neighborhood—why not open dirt area by courts past portapoddy? Also plz keep lights on till 9:30pm in summer
- Now I park by the skatepark
- Both courts lot and coast range dr
- Just started parking near the skate park!
- parking lot at entrance to park, designated parking
- If the skypark courts lot is full I park on the street on Coast Range or in front of the soccer fields.
- In the morning I'll park at the park and walk, but evening I'll park at courts or the neighborhood since there are no lights on the walkway.

- Street if lot isn't available
- Or park in the court parking lot
- Some times in the lot or neighborhood
- The lot first, then the nearby streets closest to courts
- At tha courts, but if full, then on the street. Sometimes by the skate park
- Skypark parking by the skatepark when the court lot is full
- Use a mix of transport modes. Sometimes bike and lock up at courts, sometimes car parked by skate park depending on where I'm coming from
- depends on what is available - all of the above
- Depends on the time of day. Mornings there is parking by the courts. In the evening, the only parking availability is in the neighborhood.
- When the court lot is full (often) I park on the street leading to the courts
- if parking lot is full, near skatepark. I have also parked in neighborhood occasionally. This is not something unique to this neighborhood. Cars park in streets in all neighborhoods.
- Both Skypark parking lot. If full, streets near it.
- Carpool whenever possible
- I didn't know there was parking near a skate park
- I will park in the lot next to the courts if a spot is available. If not, I will park nearby in the neighborhood.
- I live in the neighborhood
- Skypark courts parking lot when available, otherwise street parking; I have also parked at the Skate Park, and will do so more in the future, since I now know that is preferred by the residents
- I try to park in the parking lot for the courts, but sometimes they are full, in which case I will park on the street somewhere.

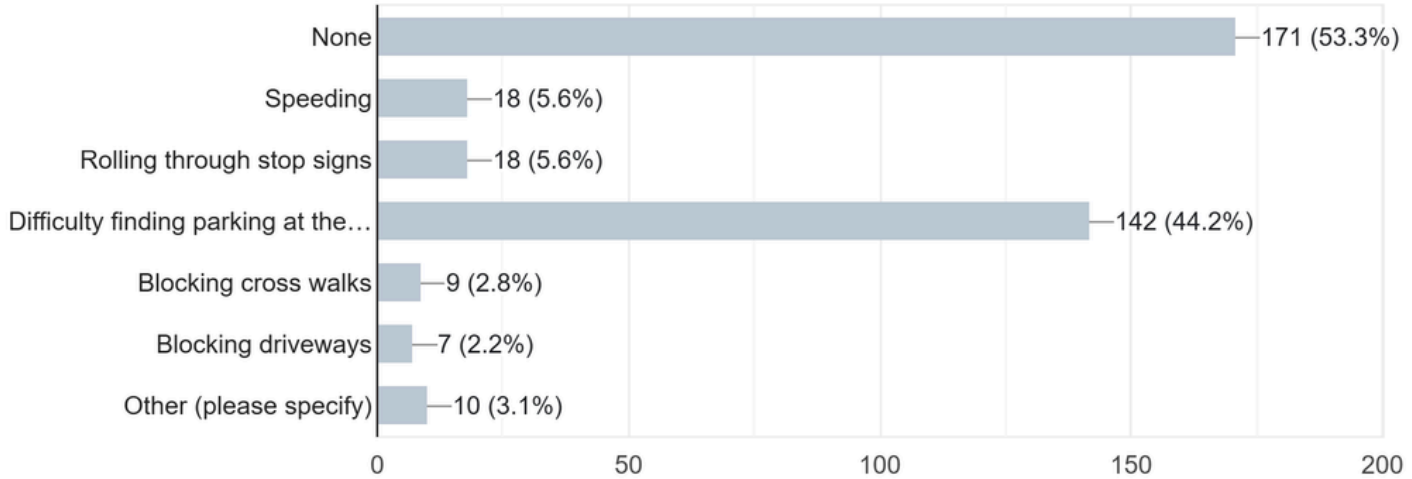
If you park on the surrounding streets, why do you choose to not park at the skate park lot or rec building lot?

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What traffic impacts have you noticed

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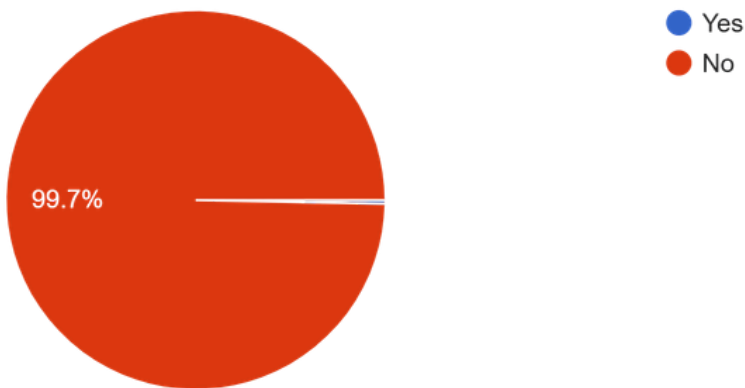
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- I see that visitors of all kinds, including soccer, tennis, pickleball etc sometimes make poor decisions related to parking too close to cross walks, driveways and intersections, however this is not exclusive to this neighborhood... this is just people in general can sometimes lack self awareness to how they are impacting others.
- I've seen people driving quickly through the neighborhood, but those are all types of people, not just people using the courts.
- A neighbor who lives next to the court has his camera on. If he didn't know the courts were there, they should have chosen a different location. It's like someone complaining about trains when they buy a home on the train tracks b
- Please keep lights on till 9:30 or at least 9pm in summer
- I had pickleball players park in my spot even though I was parked there and didn't want to share
- No problem
- Great place, to unwind and distress after work.
- Many people park by the wood fence- difficult to back out of a parking space.
- More parking can be made at the tennis courts
- Some court spots were closed off and created less parking
- I park on the street if there is no parking by the courts. If there was no parking at the courts, I would park at the skate park. However, as there is parking, I try there first and if no vacant spot, I then have to park in the neighborhood or be late.

- I could say that there should be a painted line at the stop signs leading to and from the courts. I believe this would be better at keeping cars from not stopping there. I have never run into a problem but will admit I have passed it and realized I needed to stop.
- Angry drunk neighbors screaming at players
- Loss of street parking on garbage day (Fridays)
- Narrow streets, drive more cautiously
- Sometimes when we come in the morning the parking lot is full, so often we wait until later.
- 90% of people are pickle Ballers and they each drive which creates an impact to the neighborhood and tennis players looking to play tennis
- Depending on what time of day I arrive, a spot in the court lot can be difficult
- I park where we were asked to! If we can play pickleball, we can walk the short distance!
- Just make street parking in skypark home streets residence only. People obey signing and will be forced to walk from skypark skate park lot. by the way last meetings noise level decibel readi is are not accurate. Use a decibels reader not statistics from the internet.
- I used to try and park at the courts and when it was full I did park on the streets. After the city council meeting, i started parking at the skate park. I hadnt even considered it before then. The walk isn't bad at all

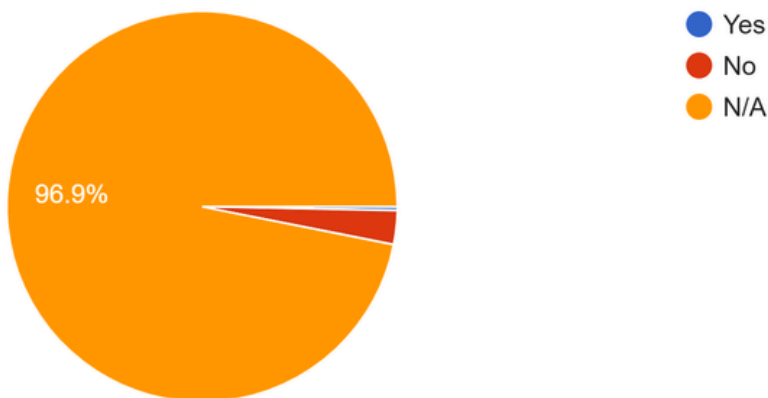
Have you ever reported a traffic concern or parking violation in the Skypark neighborhood to the Scotts Valley Police Department?

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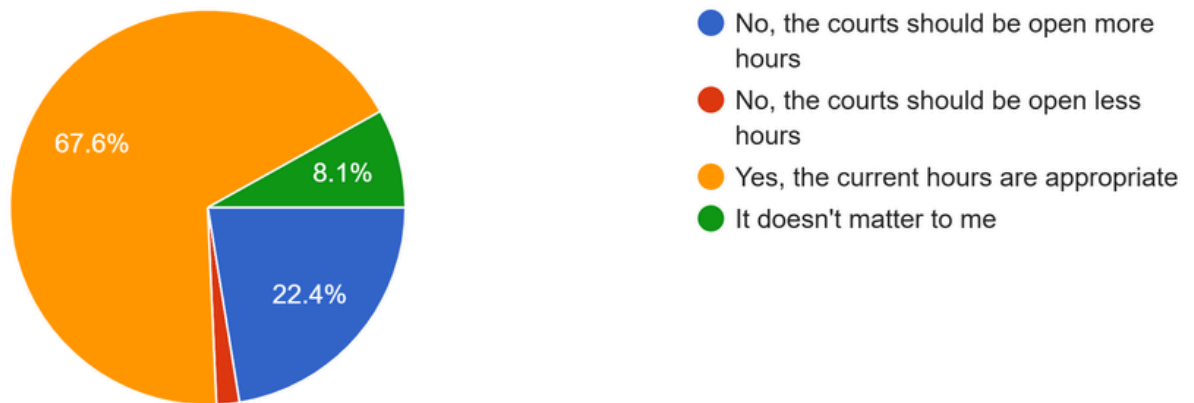
If yes, did you see or get a response from SVPD?

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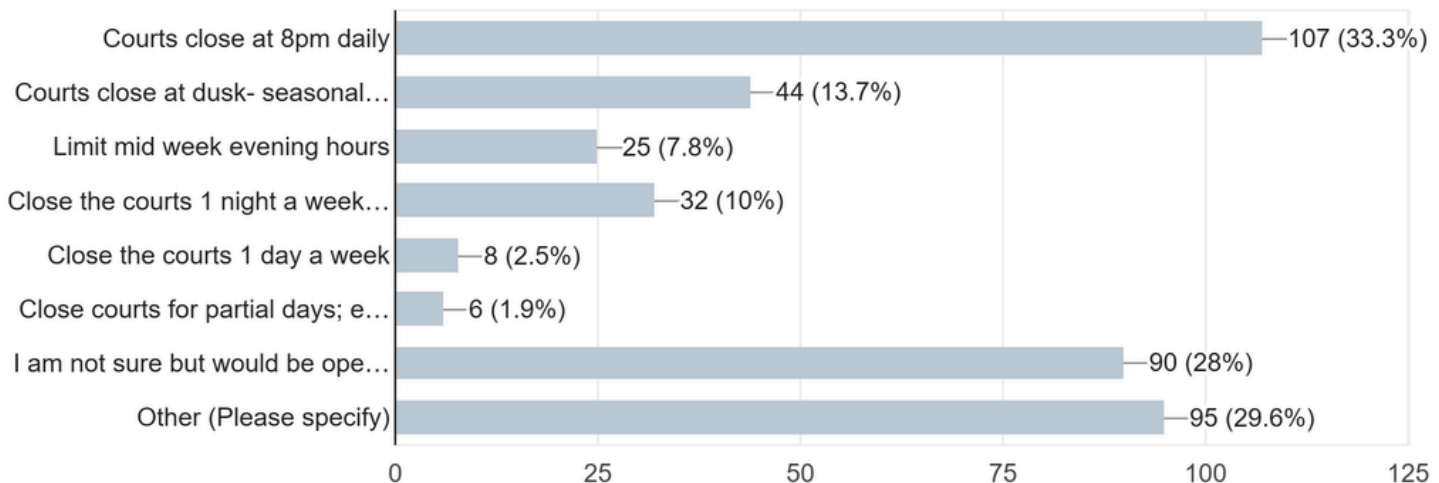
Do you feel the current operating hours of the Skypark Courts are appropriate?

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If court hours were to be adjusted, what adjustments would you be willing to make? select all that apply

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Other

- I think for the amount of people that use the courts they should be open until later in the summer. Also, as far as the parking/noise considerations - are all the other sports and events also being questioned? Seems like the focus is strictly on PB but all the other sports & events also contribute to the noise and parking situation.
- unsure, don't see the need
- I'm assuming this means closed courts and park for all... in service of quiet... otherwise, I'm not sure I see the value, given all that these park events (including pickleball,) brings to the community; sense of belonging, relationship building and wellness. There's too many other efforts in the world at the moment to divide and exclude, and I would think that parks and rec would be the one place we can come together.
- Reduce hours Monday, Wednesday, or Sunday
- Open earlier and stay available later

- I'd prefer more hours to play not less. I would be open to other solutions
- Court lights open till ten pm, similar to Paulmoore park in San Jose, Michelle park in Palo Alto, or West Valley college in Saratoga. This to accommodate folks who work during day time.
- I think you should keep them open like they are now
- Limiting hours at public parks seem antithetical to the purpose of public parks
- Do not impose any restrictions. Extend the time until 930pm every day. This is the only park with lights for pickleball in Santa Cruz area.
- Let's mitigate the concerns 100% of the time rather to address it only one day or hour out of the week. Cure rather than a bandaid.
- I don't see any of these as being truly necessary or making a significant difference.
- Reducing daily hours would effectively exclude those of us that work during the day. The court lights sometimes go off before it's even fully dark outside. If adjusting hours is the only way forward, I think the most inclusive option is having a designated day where the court is closed, for example on a Sunday morning.
- Later hours open on Tuesdays and Thursdays
- 10 pm close time
- sound ordinances are 10 pm. no reason the only lit court should close before then.
- Lights on if needed until 8:30pm
- repair the courts as the contractor who did the job appears to not have done a competent job
- If court hours are limited on certain evenings, tues and thurs are open play community nights where courts are shared and all people are welcomed. It would be best to not cut these nights.
- I think the court hours are appropriate and have already been adjusted to limit for the surrounding neighborhood
- If there is demand any weekday mornings to have the third tennis court available there are still four permanent pickleball courts. There may already be signage that has the shared court as dedicated to tennis certain weekday hours.
- Lights and play until 9pm
- Pickleball popularity will only further increase. I do appreciate Scotts Valley thinking ahead and constructing these courts...however, limiting play time would be counter productive and tragic. I would request as a Scotts Valley resident to have lights till 9:30pm, if not 10pm....at least in the summer days, when days are longer. Also, many were excited about new surface, but not happy with it now. Please consider resurfacing. Thank you and love the community...please keep up the good work.... 👍

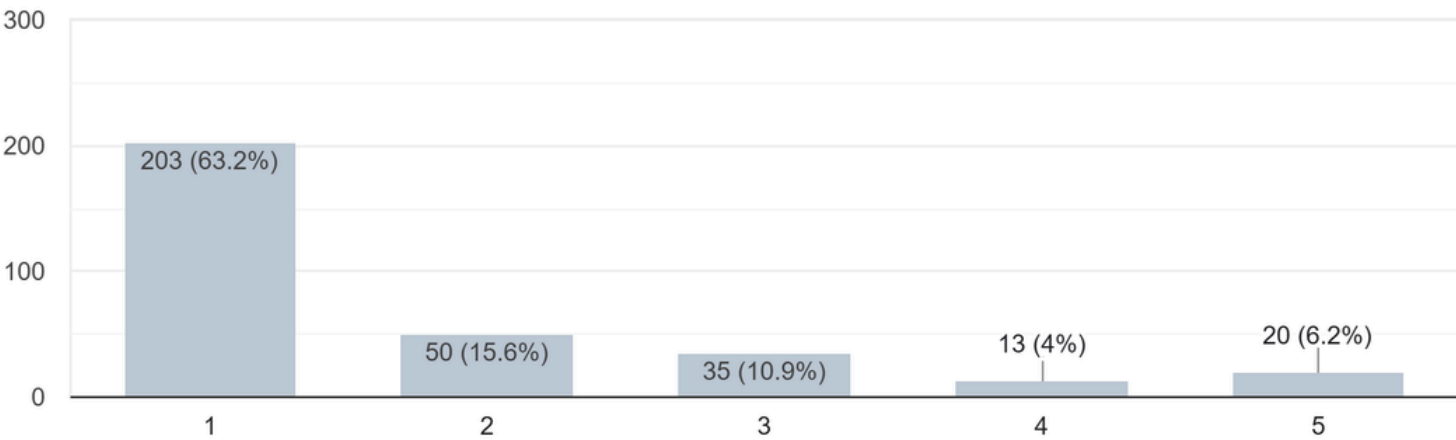
- Take pickleball away and keep all courts as originally planned and designed
- Longer evening hours with lights
- Open later in the evening, two week nights per week
- I don't see the need for any adjusted hours
- Sky Park is the only place that offers lighting so people can play after work. Hours have already been reduced.
- Open til 9:30 on weeknights
- I see absolutely no reason to limit court hours during daylight times. I could understand limiting Pickleball play after nine or 10 PM due to noise. But during day and early evenings, I think all courts should be available.
- Till 9:00 pm nightly
- Anything but cutting evening hours
- would not be open to adjusted hours.
- Longer hours, back to 9:30 how it used to be.
- More tennis hours, less pickleball hours
- Open later in the summer until 9pm
- Closed mid day would be ok. Closes in the evenings before 8:30 would be a huge bummer
- Do not adjust
- Extend the hours to 9pm.
- Open until 9:30pm every day
- More hours
- Do not limit court access
- I don't want the hours to be adjusted
- Extend courts to be open until 10pm everyday or at least weekends for summer hours :)
- Longer hrs on weekend
- In summer courts should stay open till 10 PM
- no play before 8am
- The hours are perfect. It gives those of us who work a chance to play after work
- I don't think the times should be adjusted.
- Don't close the courts.
- Limiting hours won't help anything, just make it more crowded during operating hours.
- Many people that work during the day use the courts after dusk
- Nothing should change
- Keep as is
- The only one I'd go with is closing at 8pm. I don't think it's necessary as I've walked it during peak play times from the neighborhood and I didn't think the sound was loud at all. I use to live a block away from Soquel drive in Soquel and that was more noisy than these courts are.
- I really liked the 930 close time-it allowed me to have dinner and then play afterwards on weekdays-such a fun way to exercise
- Don't change
- No necessary adjustments needed
- The courts shouldn't be closed. Taxpayers paid for the lights. They should remain on until 9:30 pm. How can you justify installing lights that taxpayers can't use?
- There is a big split of people who can play during the workday (retirees) vs. evening/night players (workers) so I think it's good that the courts have lights and are open later.
- 8am-9pm all year
- The court hours are fine the way they are.

- Open courts, 9:30 pm limit
- Add sound barriers like at McKenzie Park in Los Altos.
- Open courts at 7a on weekdays. People are up for school and work already
- In Scotts Valley, the commonly enforced residential quiet hours are generally considered to be 10:00 PM to 7:00 AM. That's the standard used across much of Santa Cruz County for noise complaints, parties, loud music, construction noise, etc.
- Typically the crowd in the daytime is older, retired. The evening brings younger, working people. It's wonderful that the courts have lights so they can play after work.
- Please don't close them at dusk. They are one of the only lighted facilities in Santa Cruz County. Maybe 9 pm instead of 8 pm.
- Close at 9 pm or 8:30 pm
- Keep courts open til 9 pm as these are only courts with lights in County
- Tennis doesn't create the same noise level as pickleball and only 2-8 tennis players at any given time.,
- Close on rainy and windy days. 😊
- Close at 9PM
- We did get spoken to by a neighbor when we were first playing and arrived at the courts before 8:00.
- County wide court lights are rare. Skypark has lights.
- I like the hours of availability and would be really upset if the impact Pickleball players have made affected the hours for Tennis players who don't make much noise at all
- I do not agree with restricting court hours they already are
- Close courts at 9PM during the week, and 10 PM on weekends
- It would be terrible to take away game time from those that work. Getting exercise and social time is needed. Why not add barriers to stop the noise?
- 9 pm every night. No wierd on/off schedule. It will just confuse people.
- Open late with lights for tennis. Pickleball is to loud
- Extend evening play hours
- We have a shortage of courts at certain times of the day, it would be a shame if any adjustments meant people could not play
- reservation system is redundant. Most public courts across the country simply use the play a game and rotate out. it works, its simple and its easily understood. Anyone new to the process is always told hiw this works and it also allows more people to play and no courts is blocked out from others to play amd rotate in.
- I'd REALLY prefer none of these... Wednesday would be best for me i suppose
- Hours are good. Later evenings would be nice.
- I think all pickleball should be Moved inside or stopped all together. The people are assholes and they don't care about the residents having some peace and quiet. They need to go or many people who can afford it will move out. The noise and the jerks who play are decreasing property value. In turn, this will decrease income to the city and less funds for community events. Pickleball is the worst thing that has happened to Outdoor sports.
- Court shouldn't be closed until 10 P.M. Scotts Valley noise ordinance. Should be 10 P.M. for Pickle Ball players as well. They already cut it back from 9 to 8. Most of us. Worked till 530. Don't get to the park till 630
- No adjustment to hours. And something to consider has the combination of noise from PB with the new bigger play structure been the tipping point for noise to the neighbors
- Do not believe adjusted hours are the solution here.

Rank sound mitigations you would support from 5 being full support to 1 being no support.

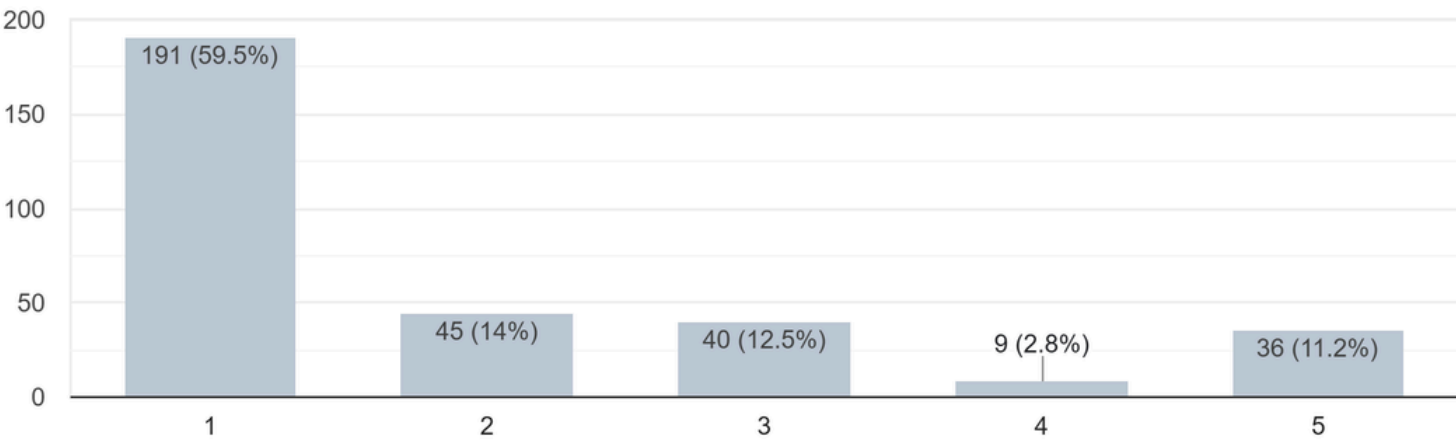
Reduced Hours

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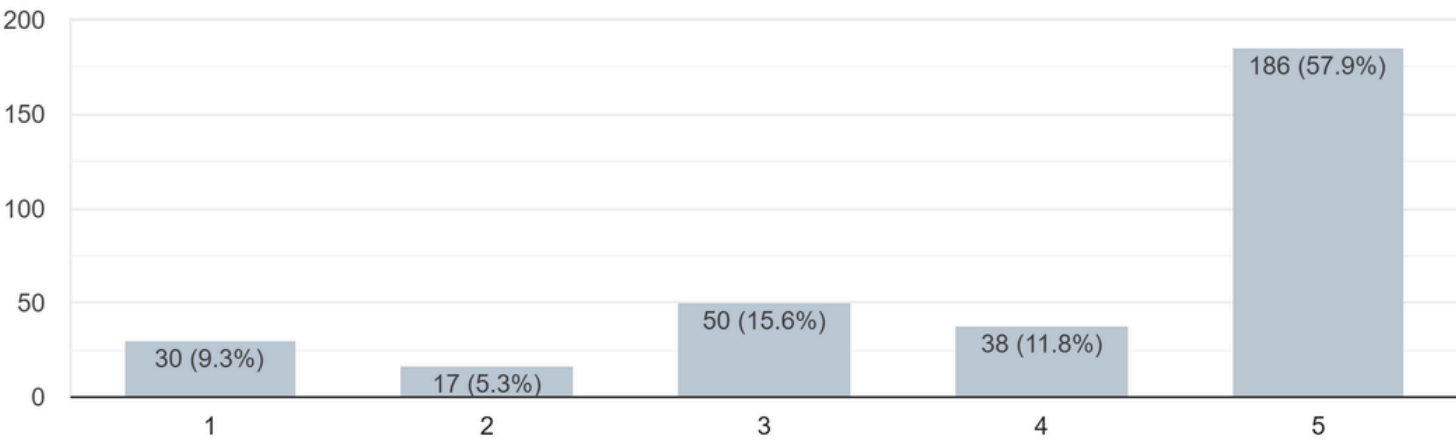
Quieter Equipment

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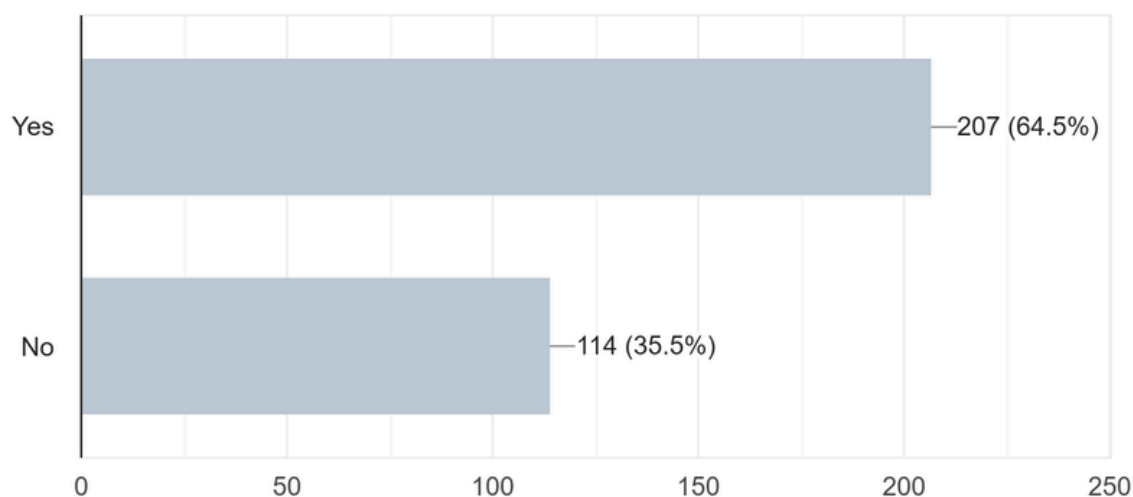
Sound Barriers

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If sound barriers were chosen to mitigate the noise, would you be willing to donate funds to support this effort?

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Is there anything else you would like the City to consider regarding the Skypark courts?

- Many of us who play have been tax paying residents of SV for many years and are now finally benefiting from using the park. There are so many benefits of Pickleball. From improved health, increased good will among people from all over, social & community connection across different ethnicities and age groups. Increased revenue for the city of SV due to grocery shopping, restaurants and community event exposure. I now have more friends in their 70's & 80's in my contacts than ever before, as well as many who have never spent time previously in SV and now frequent the store's & restaurants regularly.
- I love skypark! And the community it helps build. I am happier than ever meeting new friends and playing! Please keep our town active!
- As a pickleball player, I recognize the issues the neighborhood has raised and think collectively we as players can be more considerate moving around the neighborhood. This is a great first step - awareness of the issue. I don't think monetary investments (noise barriers or new equipment) or reduced hours need to go into effect yet.
- Open up access and incentives to more residents who want to learn to play pickleball, so that we can build more community with compassion and inclusion while promoting wellness for all ages. I drive all the way from Aptos to these courts... I often end up buying my coffee, lunch and / or groceries in SV since I am in the area... and have even considered moving to SC because of my positive experience.

- There are no alternatives to Scotts Valley residents for evening pickleball. Please help us come to a compromise without taking away this important and well loved resource.
- Noise from pickleball seems over exaggerated.
- I am very grateful to be able to use the Sky Park courts for my recreational activities. It has allowed me to build a sense of community that has contributed very positively to my mental health.
- I used to like the courts at Skypark because of how peaceful it was there. Now the environment is noisy and overcrowded. I counted almost fifty people crammed into an area that used to be two tennis courts. Pickleball players regularly walk into tennis courts while we are playing and put their bags on the fence, change clothes on the tennis court side. I see people's dogs, children bikes parked on court two. It feels like overuse when you're there. It would be nice if there was another location all together for pickleball or tennis because the two sports don't mix very well in this case.
- Better lights for evening play
- I park on the street now because it is legal and convenient. If there was regulated parking and signs, I would willingly park at the rec office. Meanwhile, the residents have two-car garages and driveways to use, just as I do in my neighborhood, where there is no street parking at all, and I do not feel deprived. I think bad driving is a police concern, not a parks concern. I would like to see hard data regarding actual calls and violations, which the city can use to address actual safety concerns as they would in any street of the city. I would like to see sound measurements taken from various locations around the park, rather than basing expensive mitigations on theoretical sound levels. It would be interesting to also measure levels from playgrounds, soccer, and other park events.
- Perhaps better bike parking near the courts to encourage bike use. Keep parking lot open during less busy hours, make a trail to the courts from the other parking lots
- Pickle ball is excellent for a person's social, emotional, and physical wellbeing. It creates community in this overly digital world.i can't express how much better my life has been since i have started playing this beautiful sport. I am so grateful that Skypark exists and Lori the city of Scotts Valley for having and maintaining the courts. Thank you!🙏
- There appears to be room around the sides of the court that could turn into additional parking
- Pickleball is extremely popular, safe, healthy, and community friendly. Pickleball popularity will only further increase. I do appreciate Scotts Valley thinking ahead and constructing these courts...however, limiting play time would be counter productive and tragic. I would request as a Scotts Valley resident to have lights till 9:30pm, if not 10pm....at least in the summer days, when days are longer. Also, many were excited about new surface, but not happy with it now. Please consider resurfacing. Thank you and love the community...please keep up the good work....👍
- Increased shade and expanded parking lot
- Permit parking for residents would automatically reduce traffic and speeding
- I am very supportive of the sound barrier (willing to donate) and suggest expanding parking behind the courts and also I would like to suggest extending operating hours to 9:30 PM every night since this the only Pickleball park in Santa cruz's area with lighting. I am willing to donate \$200 for the sound barrier.

- I think these courts and the whole game of Pickleball have created almost all the community. I have in retirement and I really love it. I'm super respectful when I do drive my car here. I live across the canyon in Montevalley and I hear the children screaming from the community center, I hear every band playing in sky Park. I can hear the Pickleball courts from my house and I just figure I live in a town so you just hear noise and I don't hear any noise after 11 PM so. I do think it's a little weird that you're introducing this whole reserve the courts thing for all the courts because that's not at all the community we built here. Our courts are known for being super cooperative and when anybody shows up if it's all the regular crowd that shows here on the weekday mornings, they welcome anyone to play. I think it would be really weird if people from out of town just showed up and kicked us off our own courts because they reserved it. If you want money just well I pay taxes so you got that money so far. The people that bought their house is next to a recreation center. Should let the buyer be aware. Change happens . You have a couple hundred people that are finding community out here. I don't think you should disrupt that for the four or five homeowners that are upset. You don't even know if it's Ball players that are driving fast. It could be the children of the people that live in those houses that are doing that.
- Pickleball at Skypark is an amazing social and recreational experience. Pickleball players would be very happy to help invest in sound mitigation along the fences to help create a win win for the residents. We live near the beach and people park in front of our house. We get it — it is a nice place to be. And we understand that it is important for Skypark visitors to be respectful to driving and parking rules as well as noise — especially near homes. Thank you for maintaining hours — Skypark has the only plugged public courts in the area. We value being able to still play after working and tending to our children. The time is very precious. Thank you to the Parks and Rec department for doing a great job.
- We are from the East Bay and really appreciate the SkyPark courts. They are much larger, newer and less crowded than pickleball courts in our area. We really appreciate that Scotts Valley made this wonderful facility for pickleball players!
- Make more parking available close to the courts. Later hours of operations on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- It's more of a health benefit to so many more people than it is a minor inconvenience to a few.
- skypark is a public park. the streets around the park are also public. people who live there signed up for the complexities of living next to a park. skypark is not *their* park. things change, new things come into popularity. they signed up for this. they should not get to dictate what is permissible outside of what a standard tax paying citizen can dictate.
- Support the most popular and fastest growing all age sport that brings the community together in a healthy and happy manner that promotes positive use of a park, keeps out partiers and homeless.
- More parking like we had and fix the courts as the contractor evidently missed on quite a few of the repairs so that cracks were forming within 2 months of completion of the "new work"
- Hours have already been reduced in the past and it only gets busy two evenings per week. For the positive community that is fostered at Sky Park that is well worth the trade-off. Clearly there is a better way than just shutting down earlier.
- More courts are needed. More parking is needed.
- I have been playing pickleball for a few years and find it a source of great joy, physical health, and community. I often see multi generations of families playing. Pickleball is a sport that is accessible to all, young and old and everyone in between. I love pickleball! And I love the Skypark courts. Thank you. Anna

- The Sky Park courts serve as a crucial lifeline for the community to recreate, socialize, exercise, and have fun. Many would consider it a privilege to live so close to such a great park, having Pickleball courts so close by. I personally live very close to a golf course, and I have to deal with stray golf balls flying into my neighborhood and sometimes damaging my property! But I reason that I knew what I was getting into when I moved into my community, and such a nuisance as golf balls is part of the package for the privilege of living near a golf course. Similarly, recreational noises and increased traffic from pickleball at Sky Park is part of the package that comes with the privilege of living in such a fine community as Sky Park. The parks are open to all, and should not be subjected to the whims of certain locals who happen to live in such close proximity to the park. For a number of years, Picklball has been the number one growing sport in the nation for a reason. It brings communities together both young and old. It promotes friendly, social relations, a healthy lifestyle, and provides the community with opportunities for lots of fun. Please don't take the fun away from Sky Park.
- I understand and sympathize with the neighborhood complaints. I typically play on M, W, F mornings, a little in the afternoon, and occasionally take lessons on a T or Th due to PB court availability. T, Th seem to be the quieter mornings with more open courts. My drills group just recently started playing at Sky park Th mornings for 2 hours since we can get a court at that time. I have had very welcoming and positive experiences at these times. I'm hoping if reduced hours are implemented it will not impede on quieter times when it has been better to hold lessons. T, Th evenings (after work hours) seem to be PB party-central. I once had a lesson that was on a Tues. afternoon and saw a very large crowd accumulate. The evening group was not rotating courts, they brought and played loud music, and parking was challenging. While this could be fun for those engaged, I could see it being annoying for residents. In this instance (which was a one-off for me) some were angry that we were not rotating our court even though we reserved it for a lesson. It was definately "a scene" and didn't have as much of the community vibe I experience during morning play. I don't take evening lessons anymore for the reasons mentioned. I also play at Brommer park, which is in a neighborhood. They do not have court lights and rely solely on sun light to play, which seems to work well in that neighborhood. And I am fortunate to have morning availability, when some don't due to working schedules. I'm wondering if the residents are sick of PB period or if there are specific days/times that are problematic? I personally have never seen the parking and speeding issues brought up. With the popularity of the sport, I'm wondering if the parks dept has considered regressing the courts back to tennis only, and putting in PB only courts by the dog park?
- some how provide more parking near the courts
- if neighbors are complaining about parking, then I would park at the other parking lot.
- It is important that the city of SV recognize the value this amenity brings to our community. The use of the pickleball courts reflect the growing demand for accessible, social and active recreation. Our parks are intended to serve the entire community and encourage people to get outside and stay active. The increased use we are seeing is a sign that the park is fulfilling its purpose of a well-used public space.
- Thank you for your all of efforts to be thoughtful and bring together the home owners, tennis players and pickleball players to seek creative solutions.
- Remove yes near parking area to increase space
- Limit pickleball to somewhere other than tennis courts

- Pickleball helps build healthy cross-generational community and connection. Many new people are coming to the game from all ages and walks of life, some with sporting backgrounds and some without. It gets people in the county out of isolation and recreating together, especially older folks, connecting with people outside of their typical demographic circles, and being out among the people. This is a huge reason why many people play and this makes our cities and counties better. Facilities for pickleball should not be viewed as a resource just niche 'pickleballers' or a quirky subgroup, but for the physical and social health of city/county as a whole. As such it deserves the support and advocacy by local governing bodies. There is a shortage of quality, lighted courts in this county. There is especially a need for places to play during the week between the hours of 4pm and 10pm, when working folks and school aged kids can play. Skypark has the only public courts in the county currently available with lights.
- More parking spots would be awesome
- I would only contribute to sound barriers if it was to have longer evening hour lighting at night
- Pickleball improves public health and is a great benefit to the community. More marking would help
- More on-site parking would be helpful
- Remember people who bought near the park have to realize there's a lot of activities at public parks
- This sport has made me healthier and brought me so much community -- the vast majority of people I play with at Sky Park are really nice, fun, considerate people. It's one of the last free ways people can still get together, have fun, get healthy, and form real connection with others. It's absurd that this is being treated like some kind of crime!
- Removing the poison oak on the ravine-side of the tennis courts; occasional errant balls land in the poison oak, and are irretrievable. Thank you!
- This sport is popular. It's here. It can coexist. People need to respect the streets and drive appropriately. Park at the skatepark. There are many angles to this topic and many ways to relive pressure from all parties involved.
- I didn't know there are multiple parking lots
- Add an additional fence between Tennis and Pickleball courts for sound mitigation barriers
- lights until 10 pm in the summer
- Do you get complaints from neighbors near The park with the increased noise from the new play structure. Or from concerts, festivals, or Soccer? As a Skypark resident I've seen more traffic issues on Skypark drive during those events.
- To encourage more parking over at the skate park parking lot, create a clearer, closer, more visible path to and from the areas.
- Why do pickleball players think they are entitled to tennis courts? Aren't they tennis courts? You don't see miniature golf being played on golf courses. Pickleball should pay for and get their own courts away from tennis and neighbors.
- Skypark are the only public pickleball courts in the county that have lights. This is so appreciated by those of us who work full time jobs and then are busy with our families on the weekends – weekday nights are the only time that a lot of folks who love playing at Skypark – can actually play.
- A lot of locals can't play during the day due to work. Sky park courts are the only place in the greater Santa Cruz area with court lights and it enables us to play after work. It is an outlet for many people, and It would be a huge bummer to see the impact of reduced hours or closures.

- Benefits to our health, being outside, supporting community businesses, social interaction
- Pickle needs their own facility...and return the space to all tennis courts
- Everyone needs more spaces to exercise and socialize, especially seniors. A healthy community is more productive and the benefits to living a full and joyful life is increased through the relationships formed with Pickleball.
- I would suggest a noise survey done by sound engineers and will send a note on that.
- More Pickleballs's courts
- There is a very small amount of homeowners in Skypark who are upset about pickleball. These homeowners bought a home in a park area, and are now unhappy. There is no way that parking, speeding, and running stop signs are the entire fault of pickleball players. Each afternoon and on the weekends the park is filled with members of the community and parking is taken up by kids sports teams and families enjoying the park. Pickleball players have been singled out by unrealistic and angry homeowners who are looking for scapegoats. Once the new SV Center is built the volume of people will increase tenfold. It seems the City of Scott's Valley needs to address parking and safety needs for all of us who use the park facilities.
- Create more parking at the pickleball courts
- The entire side away from parking lot to have permanent pickleball courts and tennis only on part closest to parking lot.
- Maybe an art wall can be built between tennis courts and parking lot. Tall evergreen bushes could help reduce noise. Even an 8' privacy fence would block noise. Is there a way to add parking to the north end of the courts?
- It's a public park
- Why don't you just expand the off street parking immediately adjacent to skypark courts? Why don't you post the guidelines for court three sharing at the courts themselves? On Mondays and Wednesdays, why don't you prioritize tennis on court three starting at 4:30 p.m. instead of 5:00 p.m. because lessons take up one of the tennis courts starting at 4:30 p.m.?
- While I appreciate that some neighborhood mitigation is appropriate, this is a hugely successful program that makes a material difference in the health and quality of life of a population composed mostly of senior citizens. Purely as a public health matter, this program should be supported, not limited. Perhaps a shuttle program and offsite parking on Saturday morning?
- It seems to me like the sound issue is not what's really bothering people. You can barely hear it from the court parking lot. I wish the lights would stay on longer. Id be willing to pay foto turn on lights, like with an app.
- I think the lights at the courts should go away so the residents have a break in the evening.
- I think closing at a reasonable hour for noise and out of respect for the neighborhood makes complete sense. I also think enforcing the reservation system and a maximum number of people (say a fire code or something of that nature) are also imperative, many people are way too invested and way too territorial. It should be available for everyone and everyone should feel welcomed.
- People who bought into skypark knew they were buying into community park... i oropose to make the parking lot bigger surrounding the courts or adding lights along the pathway to skatepark parking lot
- Really valuable courts. Beautifully maintained. Friendly community. Fair balance between pickleball and tennis. Thanks

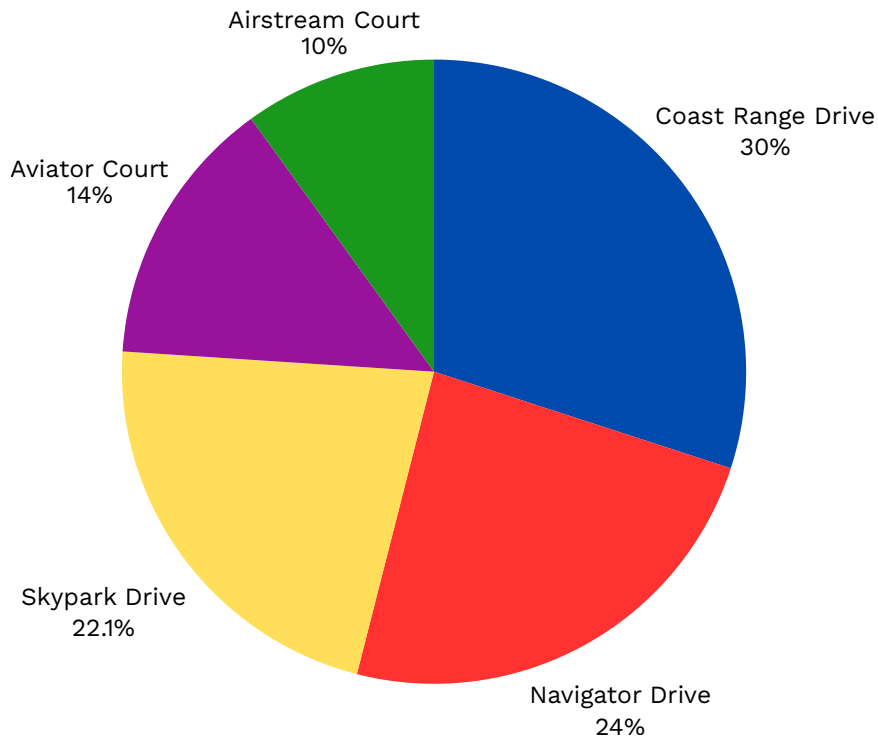
- It would be nice to resurface the courts- are cracked. Please consider how much this court is loved, used and has profoundly impacted our communities in a positive manner. It is one of the reliable sports to get exercise over the winter and evenings, as well, when the city sports leagues take a hiatus. Thanks !!
- Almost all of the noise comes from pickleball. Not only the racquet/ball noise but also the general pickleball crowd. I used to play tennis on weekends at skypark and enjoyed the quiet setting. Even quieter equipment would still leave the same crowd noise and car traffic issues. Any chance of putting in a pad for pickleball near the skate park where there is lots of parking? Thank you for asking for feedback.
- More parking spaces
- These courts are a wonderful addition to the community and bring a lot of people together.
- Picnic tables would be great!!
- Thank you for maintaining this very popular and well used park.
- Please give some canopy or shade corners at the courts when it's too hot. Please consider giving us the proper sanitary restrooms. Seems like city just funded all to the playing ground. I think we adults deserve a proper restroom at least.
- These are the only lighted public pickleball courts in the county, which is why it gets very busy on tuesday and thursday nights, the former pickleball club nights.
- Sadly whoever resurfaced the courts did a terrible job and they need to be redone not only because it's already cracking but the material is slippery causing unsafe conditions.
- thank you for such a great community resource
- The pickleball community is key to my health and happiness!
- Make more parking available at the courts by paving or putting gravel down where mulch is usually kept.
- Skypark creates the opportunity for so many people of all ages to play and socialize and build community and stay healthy and fit. People complaining of noise should adjust and appreciate the wonderful services the courts provide to all.
- Love this court and how many there are! Love that it's one of the only courts with lights in the county
- I bike drive and take public transit to the courts but that question only allowed me to select one. The reservation system shows the Santa Cruz pickleball League doing Saturday mornings but the other nights of the week. I wish there was some way to know which days there are likely to be pickup games available, if certain days have more advanced players, but that might not be possible or something the city would maintain. But would help novices like me know when are good times to show up and be able to get into a game. In the future, I would recommend making all the questions optional on your surveys which is best practice for survey distribution. To the question about where I park, I am arriving from Lockwood Lane, so first I drive to the sky Park courts to see if there are any spots available.if it's full then I will park in the adjacent neighborhood streets because they are closer than going to the other parking lots mentioned. I have used the reservation system to make a reservation but not at Sky Park
- Build more courts in a non residential area
- The bench/seating area and storage box could be put at the back of the courts, so that noise from players gathering would be further away from residents.
- Do not punish people for using PUBLIC spaces! There are hardly any recreational places left that the public can access for free
- As a local resident, playing pickleball at Skypark has become the core of my fitness regime and is the highlight of my week.

- It's a great place for community and we love it. Maybe adding more parking on the side of the courts, so it impacts the neighborhood less
- As a non SV resident and a non sky park resident, I understand the neighbors being upset. I don't live in the area, but I come and play there. Players need to be flexible and considerate. Homeowners were most likely there before pickleball. I do feel it is becoming more difficult to play tennis on public courts due to the increase in pickleball usage.
- I'd like the city to please consider the reasons why so many are now playing this pickleball game. All ages play it. It is a huge community of people who come together and have a good time. One where there is no fighting or graffiti or dangerous exposure. It presents itself as a whole demographic, where they all play together, and respect each other. From six to 86. What could be better than that?
- How many people are complaining vs how many are playing? Is Skypark just a Scott's Valley resource or is it a regional resource?
- This is part of a public park, we should be able to use it anytime.
- this is a community funded place if they don't like pickleball how do they feel about the playground people are welcome to move if they don't like joy being spread throughout the community
- Please return the parking that was there before, so that we don't have to park on the neighborhood streets.
- Repaint the pickleball lines in at highland park and people from Felton and Ben Lomond would go there.
- Pickleball is a wonderful sport for all ages, the Santa Cruz Pickleball Club has one day a week Saturday. Many seniors participate for exercise and social interactions which is great for mental health and wellness, Other neighborhoods have no problems living near a sports park. The city needs to provide for its community so better planning provides for all.
- Neighborhoods I hope knew that there was this type of park when they purchased their homes!
- Hours have already been reduced in the past and it only gets busy two evenings per week. For the positive community that is fostered at Sky Park that is well worth the trade-off. Clearly there is a better way than just shutting down earlier.
- Pickleball helps build healthy cross-generational community and connection. Many new people are coming to the game from all ages and walks of life, some with sporting backgrounds and some without. It gets people in the county out of isolation and recreating together, especially older folks, connecting with people outside of their typical demographic circles, and being out among the people. This is a huge reason why many people play and this makes our cities and counties better. Facilities for pickleball should not be viewed as a resource just niche 'pickleballers' or a quirky subgroup, but for the physical and social health of city/county as a whole. As such it deserves the support and advocacy by local governing bodies. There is a shortage of quality, lighted courts in this county. There is especially a need for places to play during the week between the hours of 4pm and 10pm, when working folks and school aged kids can play. Skypark has the only public courts in the county currently available with lights.
- Keeping the park open till 9pm on weekdays.
- Skypark creates the opportunity for so many people of all ages to play and socialize and build community and stay healthy and fit. People complaining of noise should adjust and appreciate the wonderful services the courts provide to all.
- How many people are complaining vs how many are playing? Is Skypark just a Scott's Valley resource or is it a regional resource?
- Expand the size of the current parking lot there at the courts

Skypark Neighborhood Survey

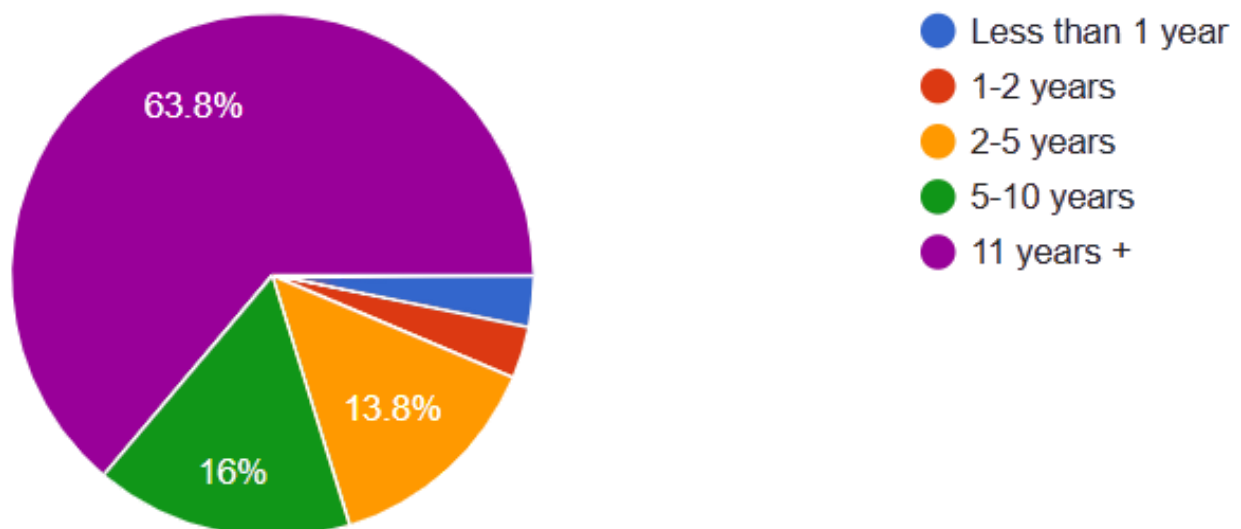
What Street do you live on?

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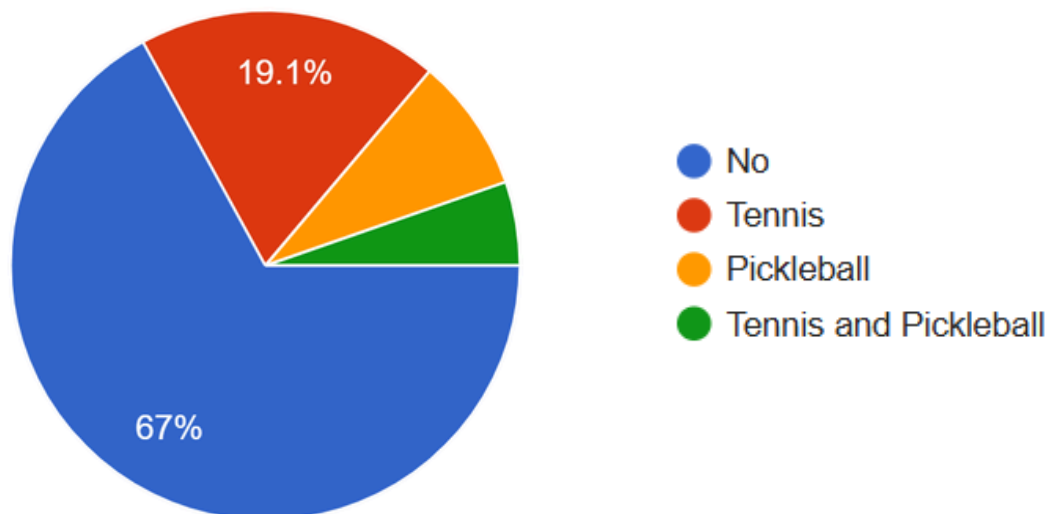
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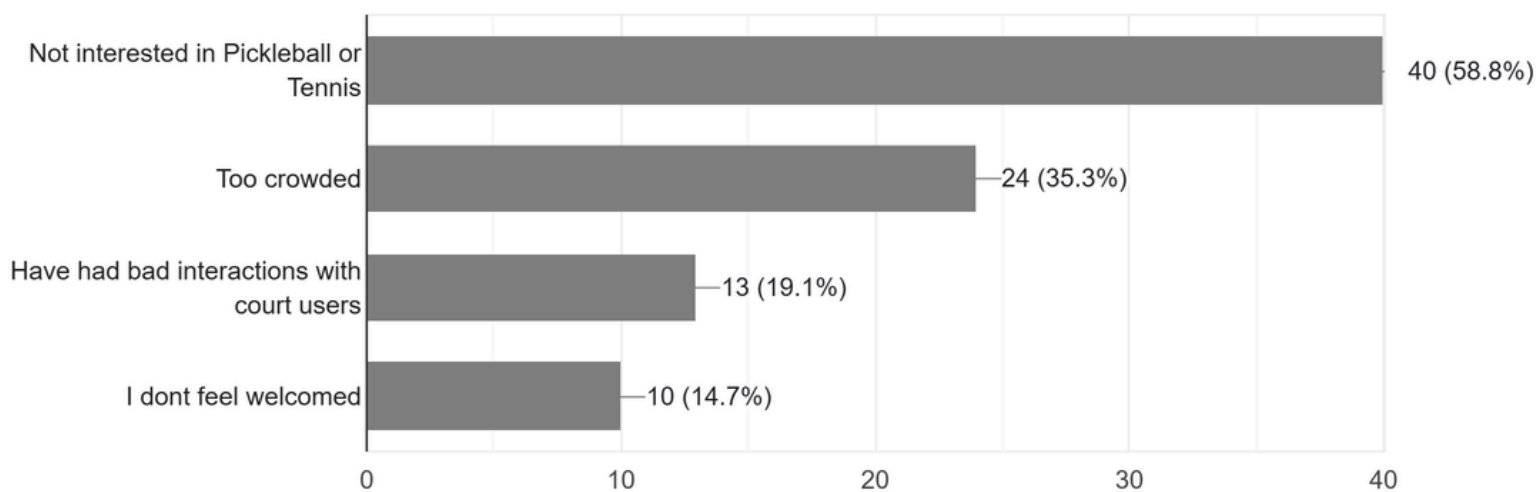
Do you play at the Skypark tennis/pickleball courts?

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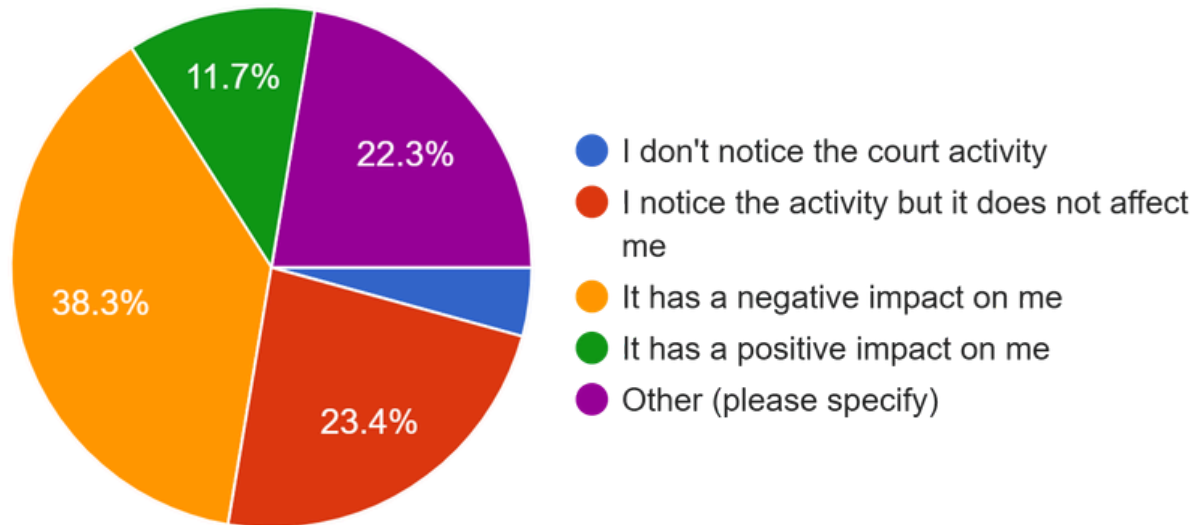
If no, what are the reasons you dont use the courts?

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How does activity at the courts affect you?

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Additional Comments

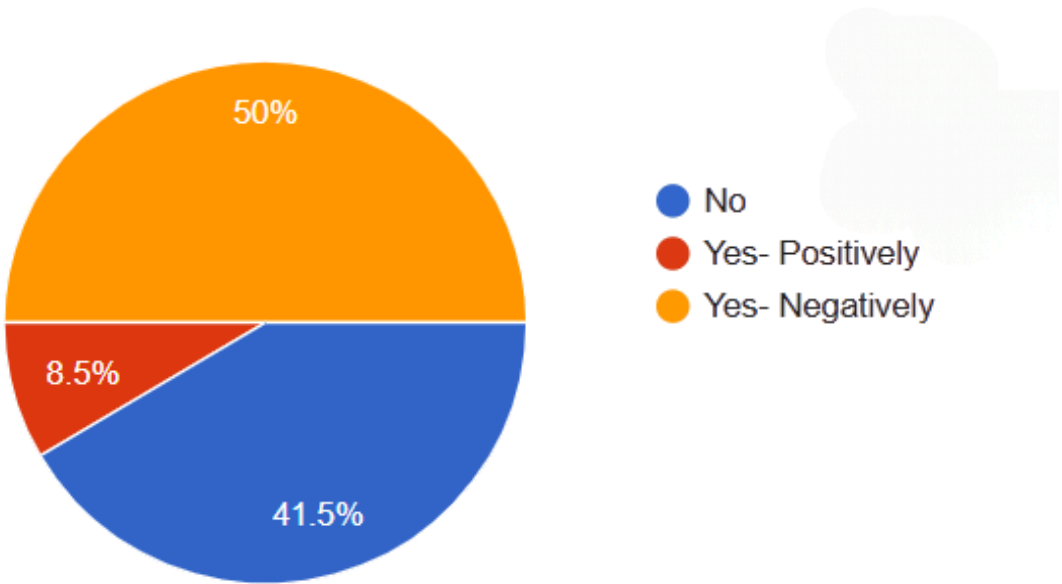
- We used to play tennis. We walk our dog and 50% of drivers almost run us over when crossing the parking lot entry. Pickle ball is loud, drivers don't stop at stop signs. I'd hate to live near the court now. There is 400% more players than the courts were designed for. They park all over the place including the dirt. I like people using it but it is just too much.
- It doesn't directly affect me but it does the neighborhood
- Activity at the courts does not affect me, the traffic coming and going does.
- People parking all over the neighborhood. Speeding and rolling through stop signs.
- While the impact on me is negative I'm more concerned for the kids and pets in this neighborhood. I grew up playing here and to see families fear letting their kids outside in their own yards the weekends is really upsetting. The blatant disregard for other people's safety is what upsets me the most. No one should feel unsafe in their own neighborhood.
- I look forward to playing when I have more free time
- I walk by the courts nearly every day. The noise levels present would definately bother me if i lived closer than I do
- Noise and parking are big problems

- No parking available for guests. Sound of pickleball and players screaming and yelling disruptive to quiet and peaceful nature of the neighborhood. Speeding and reckless driving on quiet neighborhood streets where people walk with pets and kids play.
- I play tennis and the pickle ball is overpowering
- The pickle ballers make a lot of noise and take up the tennis courts, they have use the other 2 tennis courts to play 4 different games of pickle ball. It kinda kicks out the tennis players because it's race to get your spot. It would be best if there was specific place that pickle ball players could play on pickle ball courts, not on tennis courts.
- It is very disruptive to my life, pickleball noise is extreme
- I live far from the courts, but I still hear Pickleball occasionally. It's an annoying sound. I noticed when I'm using the trail that parking and crowds sometimes are a little annoying, especially when I'm biking around on the trail or the nearby streets. Mainly, people that are coming into Sky Park. Just need to be more mindful of pedestrians and bikers. I think if I live closer to the court that it would be very annoying. I personally would not buy a house close to the courts for this reason.
- It's really just the parking in front of our house that is a problem.
- Speed bumps would be helpful on Skypark Dr and by the courts or flashing lights, something
- Parking and drivers driving too fast and not stopping at Stop sign
- We can hear the pickleball games, but it doesn't bother us. The traffic is the worst part.
- I have no issue just haven't had time to play yet
- Tennis is great. Pickleball is invasive.
- I like the activity and the people using the courts are in good spirits
- I notice the great court activity but the parking situation can be problematic although has gotten better in the last few months.
- Parking on the street becomes a huge problem. Most of the available parking spaces are taken up and there becomes nowhere to park.
- Unsafe driving by neighborhood visitors
- Mainly dangers from traffic, speeding, ignoring stop signs, since we have three young kids. And parking overflowing into the neighborhood
- Too noisy
- I have 3 young children and it is terrifying how the pickleball players are rolling through the stop signs and speeding on our streets. The children on foot and on bikes in our neighborhood have had countless close calls getting run over by their cars. There are 6 kids running around this culdesac alone. It's also extremely concerning how the driveway crosses through the waking trail without adequate warning of the pedestrians on it. And of course the parking lot is inadequate for the volume of pickleball players. Lastly, the bright court lights and street light there shines right into our bedroom window all night.
- I look forward to using the courts in my free time and believe they are a wonderful asset to our neighborhood.
- Speeding traffic through the neighborhood
- Too much traffic and no parking is available for residence or guests of residence or repair man

- Only notice activity at night
- I am very concerned about the speed at which drivers fly down Skypark dr and especially into the courts crossing right through the sidewalk of linear trail I think there must be a flashing signal and speed bump for better protection for kids
- It attracts many vehicles creating negative traffic and parking issues.
- I feel the courts bring positives and negatives. On one hand it helps build community and benefits our property values, but there are some negatives that are hard to ignore. The tennis and pickleball players often drive fast through the neighborhood and at times park outside the court parking lot, impacting the landscaping all around that part of linear park. They often park in the dirt all over the place. They also do not honor the tiny “stop” signs that are meant to protect the linear trail. I saw one driver come very close to hitting a little girl on a bike. Why are the stop signs so small? Why can’t we have standard stop signs and a line and “stop” painted on the road? It would be well worth adding a speed bump as well. It could save a child’s life.
- I don’t mind having people come into the neighborhood EXcept that quite a few people who use the courts do NOT respect that we live in a neighborhood and speed and run the stop sign on Skypark drive which is extremely dangerous!
- The tennis courts were design for tennis not pickleball. The space is not big enough to handle the many people at one time
- You only have one parking place per Home in this neighborhood due to the narrow lots and they’re all used up by the tennis and Pickleball players when the parking lot fills up
- Too many pickleball players, that area was Not designed to handle the pickleball capacity. The parking is over crowded and people parking in undesignated spots.
- Sometimes the players take up all of the open spots on the street.
- It’s loud and people park all over. Sometimes they even park in the grass.

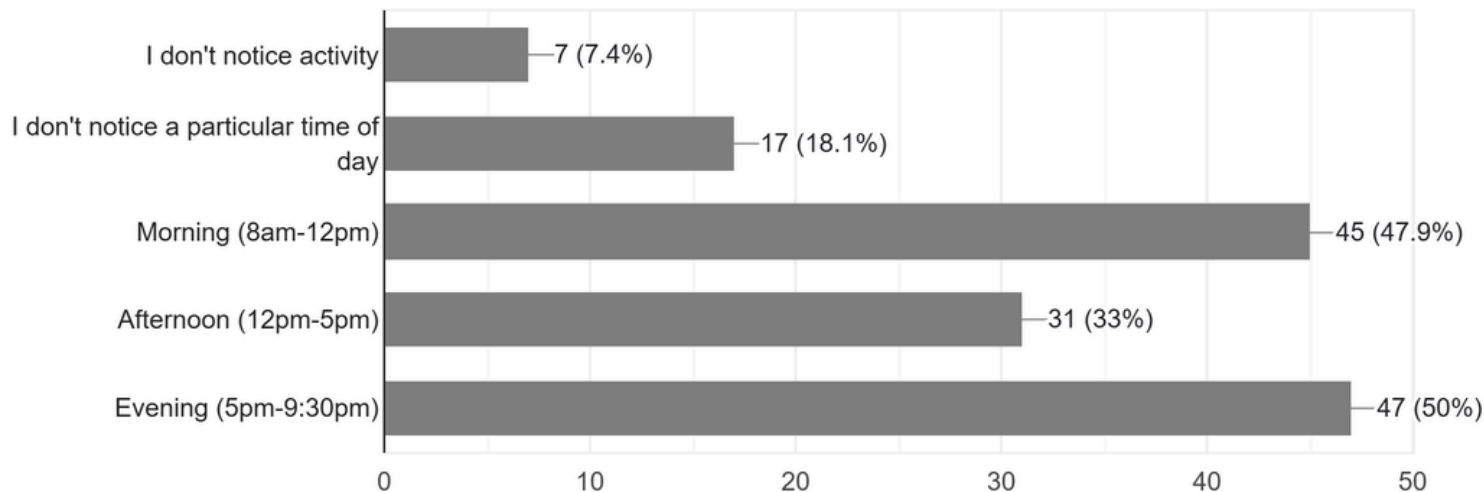
Has the court activity affected your sleep, relaxation, work-from-home, or neighborhood experiece?

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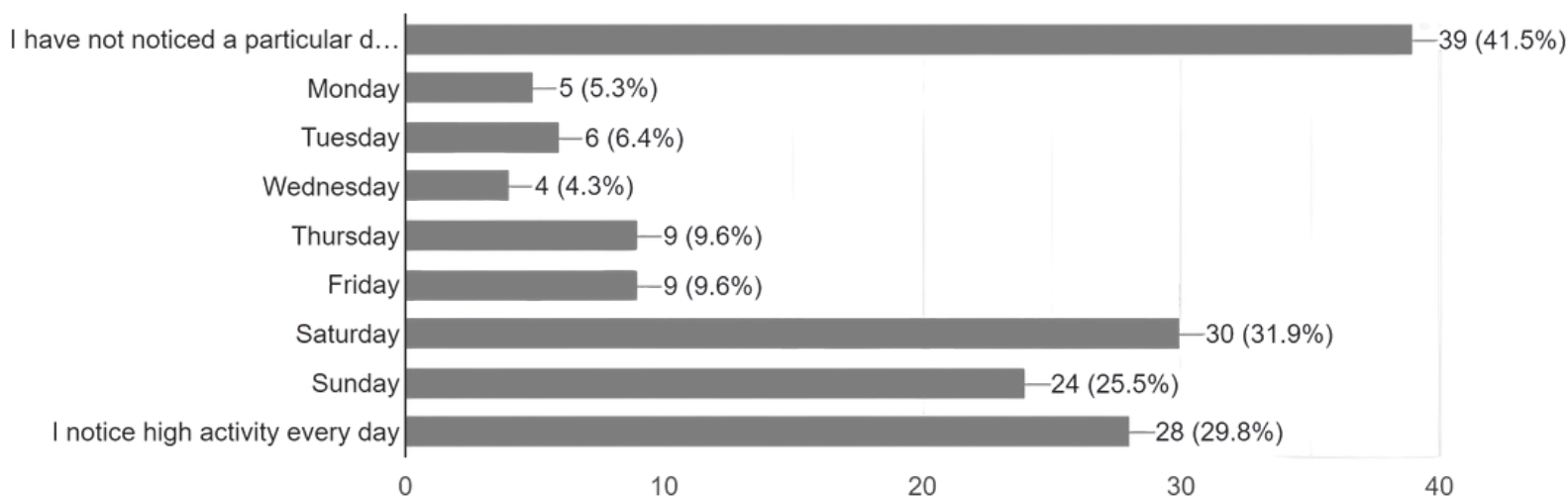
What time of day do you most notice the activity?

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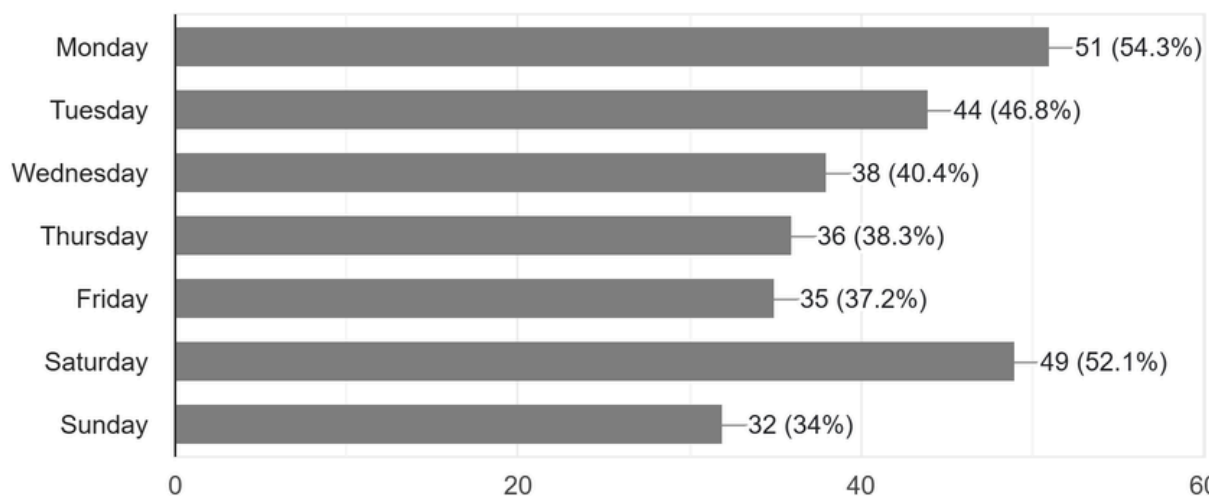
Are there specific days you notice activity more than others?

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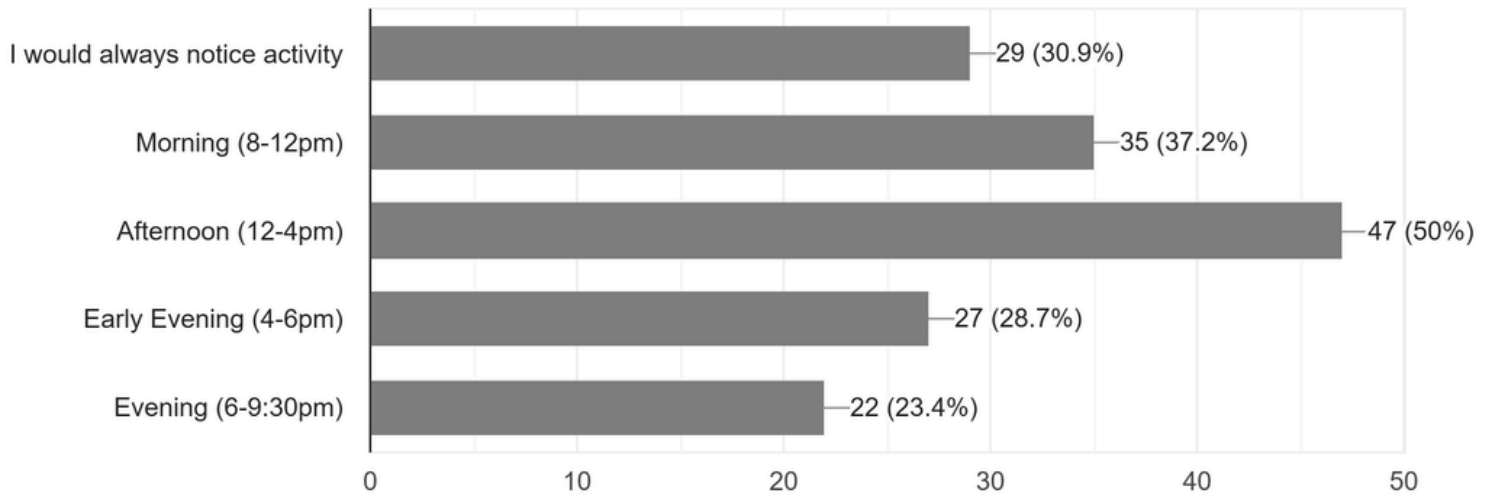
Are there particular days you would not mind activity or not notice activity

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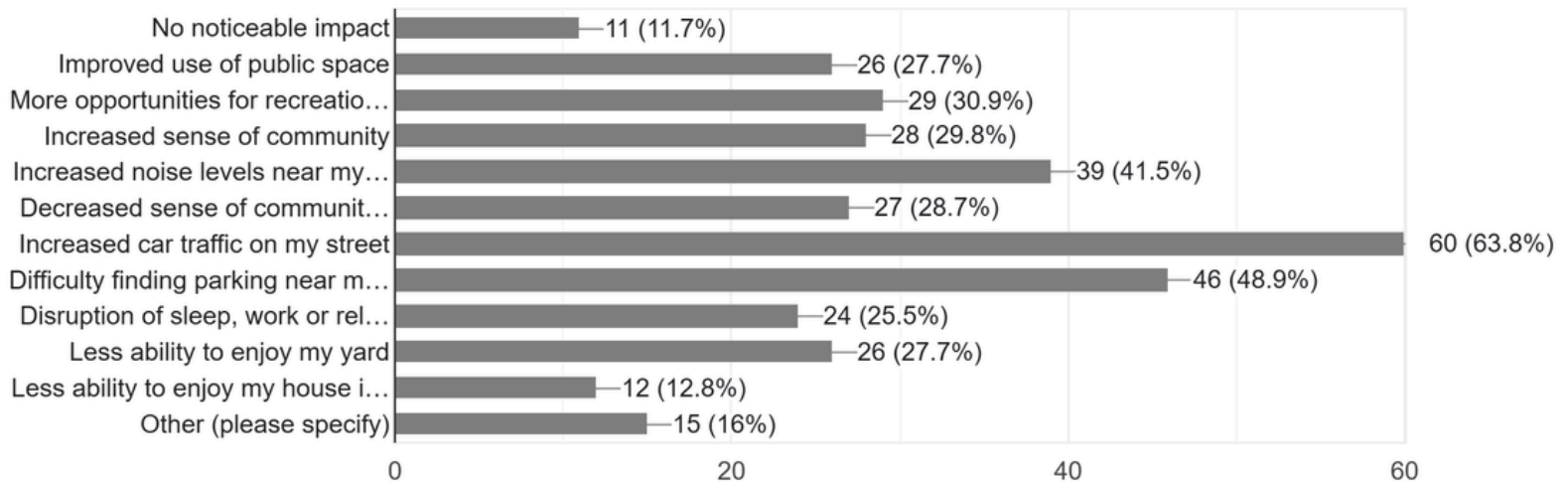
Are there particular hours you would not mind activity or not notice activity?

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Which of these have you personally experienced at the Skypark courts?

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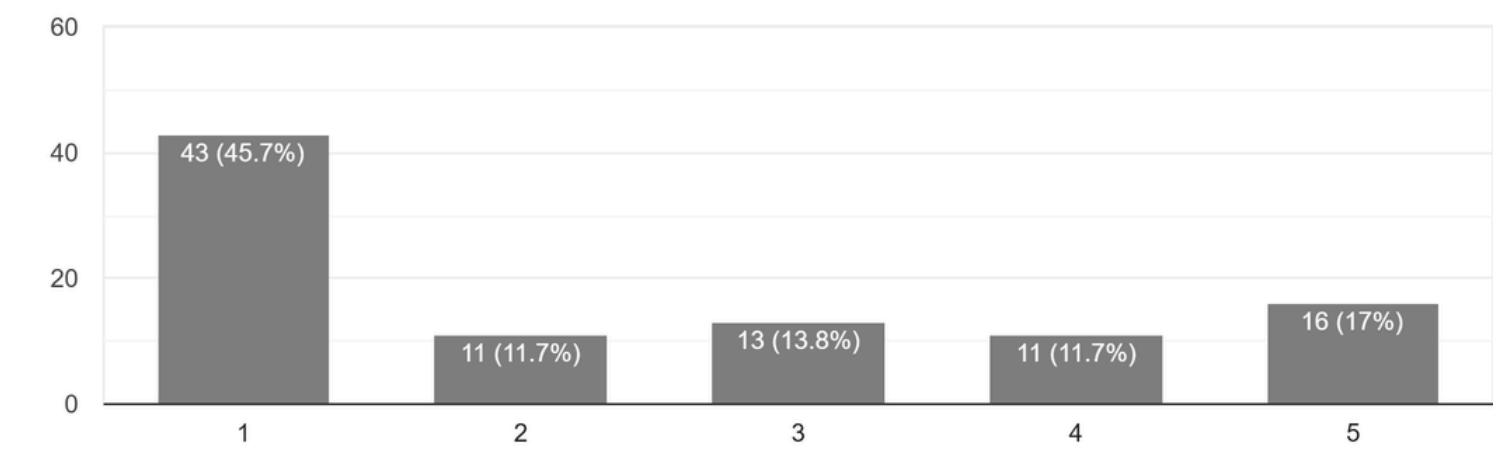
Other:

- As I mentioned it has brought 400% more people than the courts were designed for. I like the use and the community. But they need to be respectful. They should obey traffic laws. Drive slow. Stop for people. And park at the court parking, not wherever they can.
- Street parking is already an issue in Skypark and is exacerbated by use of the courts with minimal parking available
- The dangerous driving has the biggest impact. The excessive speeding and not stopping at the stops signs will eventually result in injury. I was personally almost hit in a crosswalk due to someone from the courts driving directly into the crosswalk without looking.
- Some pickleballers ignore stop signs & drive too fast
- Pickleball restricted to the far courts makes sense.
- Safety for the children playing in the neighborhood. Due to the traffic.
- Cars parked in landscaped areas
- I would mind and notice activity every day of the week but there was no option to say that it is daily problem
- Hard to find parking
- The pickle ball people are super loud and they talk really loudly. The tennis courts aren't made for pickle ball. It pickle players should have their own courts and not take over the tennis courts.
- Some of the court visitor bother my wife when she is watering her plants in front yard and some of the guys sit in a car right in front of my house and smoke some substance.
- See comment above... increased traffic, occasional disturbance to my enjoyment of the path by cars coming and going.
- There is no issue w people using the courts that I am aware of
- Pickleballers driving too fast and/or "running" the stop signs.
- Can hear the noise of the games, but doesn't bother me. Seems like a good rec opportunity; no negative reactions with players. Only bad thing is when players park on grass or earth berms, which tends to tear them up.
- unbelievably disrespectful use of the courts - basically every night of the week there are loud noises past 11PM deep into the night at the courts.
- Bad parking habits at the courts
- People parking in unauthorized spaces and damaging the landscaping
- Speeding vehicles and not observing stop signs
- Can't let the kids ride their bikes or skate on sidewalk, street, or trail by the courts due to traffic and speeding. Noise at 8/9pm when kids go to bed
- The primary concern for us is the constant speeding and its life-threatening danger to our kids. The light pollution isn't great either. Otherwise I enjoy having the community around and enjoying outdoor spaces together. Seems the best solutions would be for the courts to be made tennis only, or even better if the parking lot was moved and this became a true culdesac, with no driveways intersecting the trail. Speed bumps would be great too.
- I would like to see speed bumps put in to slow traffic especially on both ends of coast range drive

- Stress from speeders - I live on a non-traffic-regulated corner as well as spend time in my front yard, have/walk pets, watch over the neighborhood kids - and the amount of increased non-resident drivers treating Skypark, Coast Range and Navigator streets like 35mph zones - especially between 4-8pm weekdays and all day on weekends is ridiculous.
- I don't really mind the noise but the safety danger of fast traffic really concerns me
- Possible issues with increased traffic and parking and the safety of pedestrians particularly children.
- Speeding, running stop signs and parking wherever just to get to the court on time
- I cannot have a peaceful walk because the noise and some people speeding to make their pickleball matches.
- Pickleball people parking outside the parking lot in non parking areas around the courts. Speeding to make their pickleball matches. More car traffic in the condensed area. You can hear the pickleball games all the way from our house. That area was designed for tennis, it was Not designed for the crowded conditions of pickleball.
- Some players do not obey stop signs and speed through the neighborhood. This is my biggest complaint. I have been severely tailgated several times and been passed on the right as well. But I know that is an individual thing. I want to make it clear that I think the tennis courts are a positive thing.

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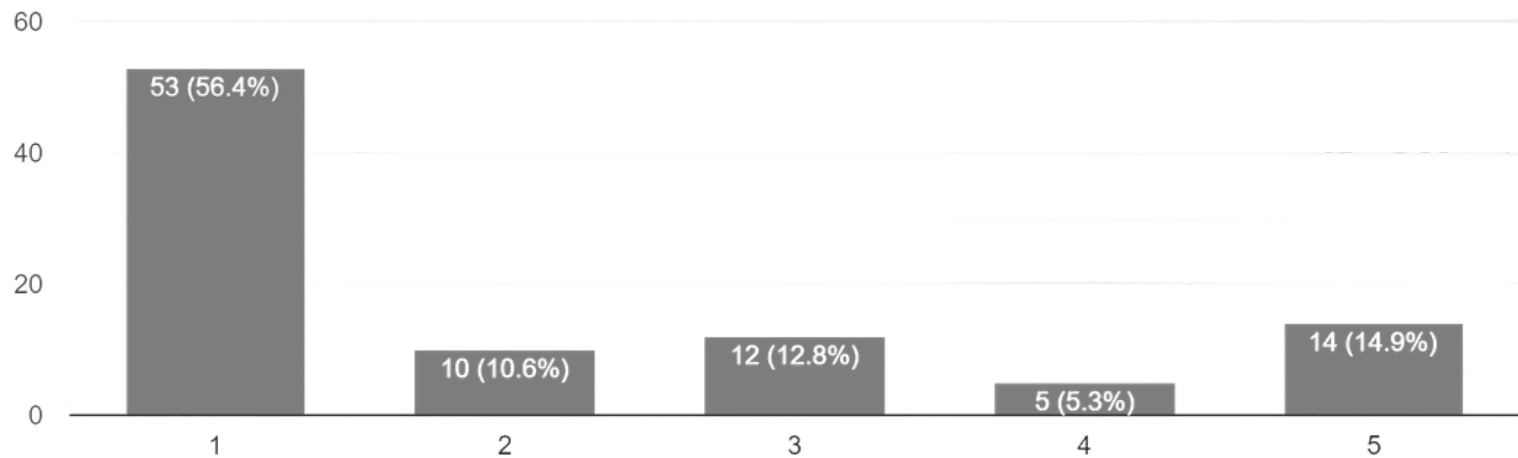
Paddle hits and ball bouncing
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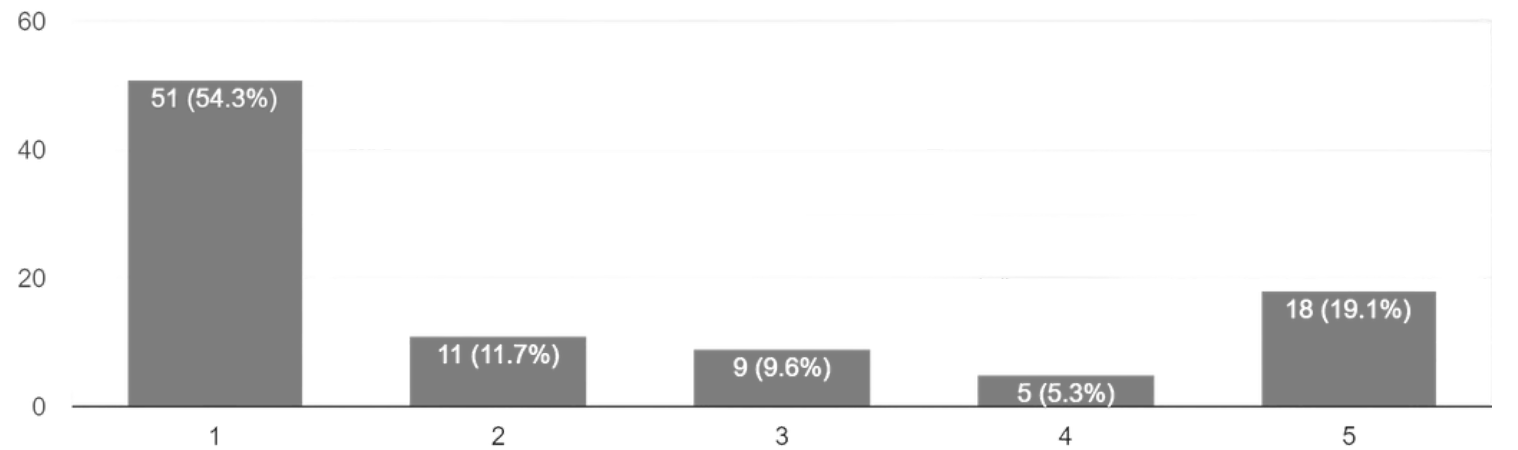
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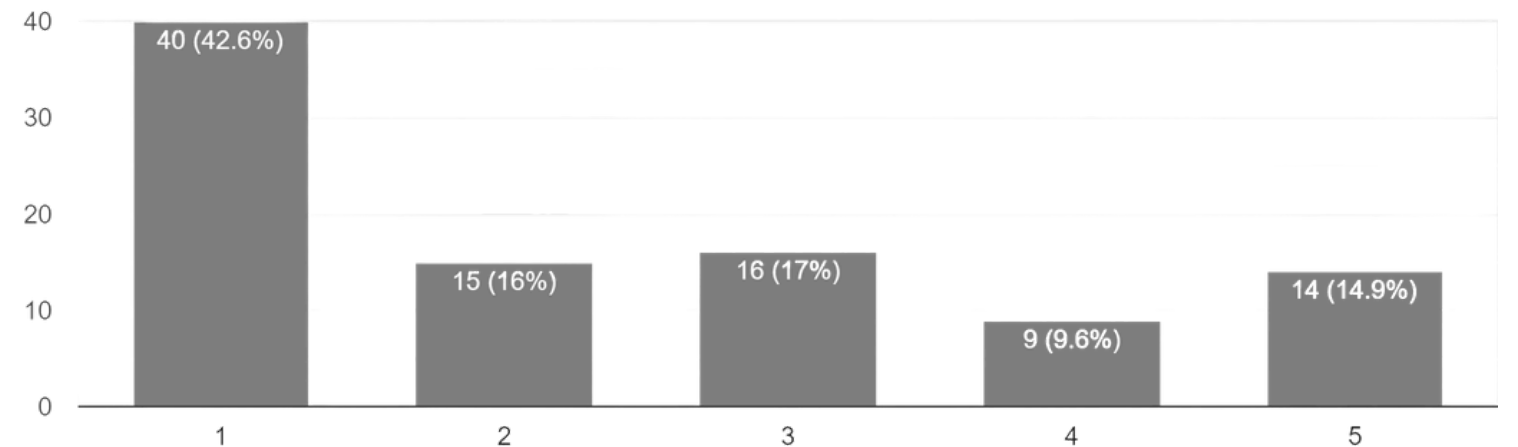
Loud conversations and socialization

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Vehicle noise

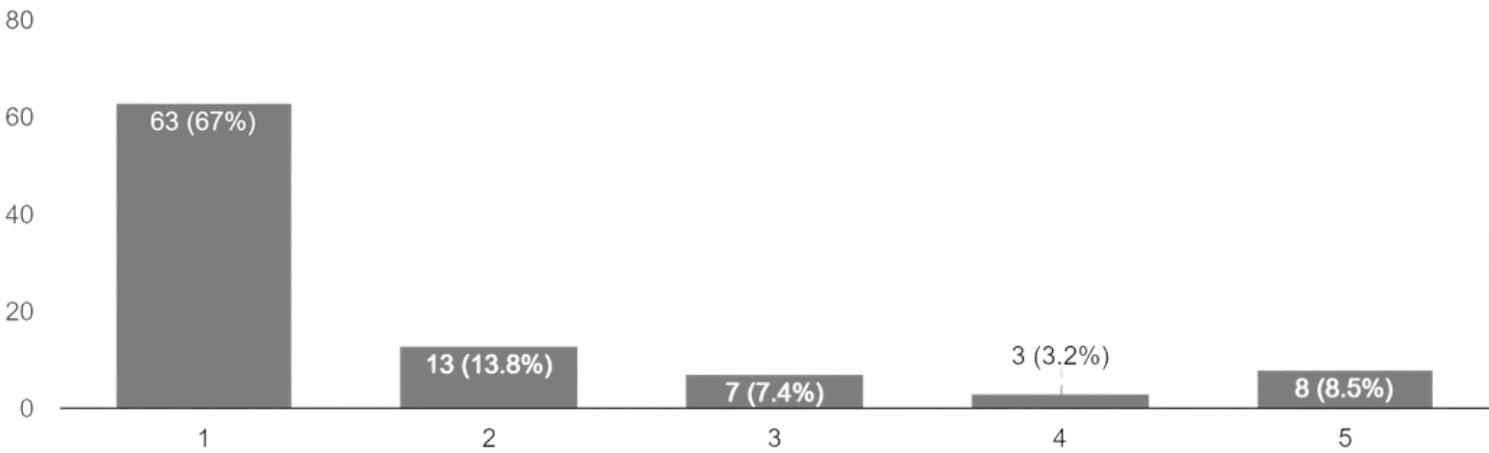
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Music from the courts

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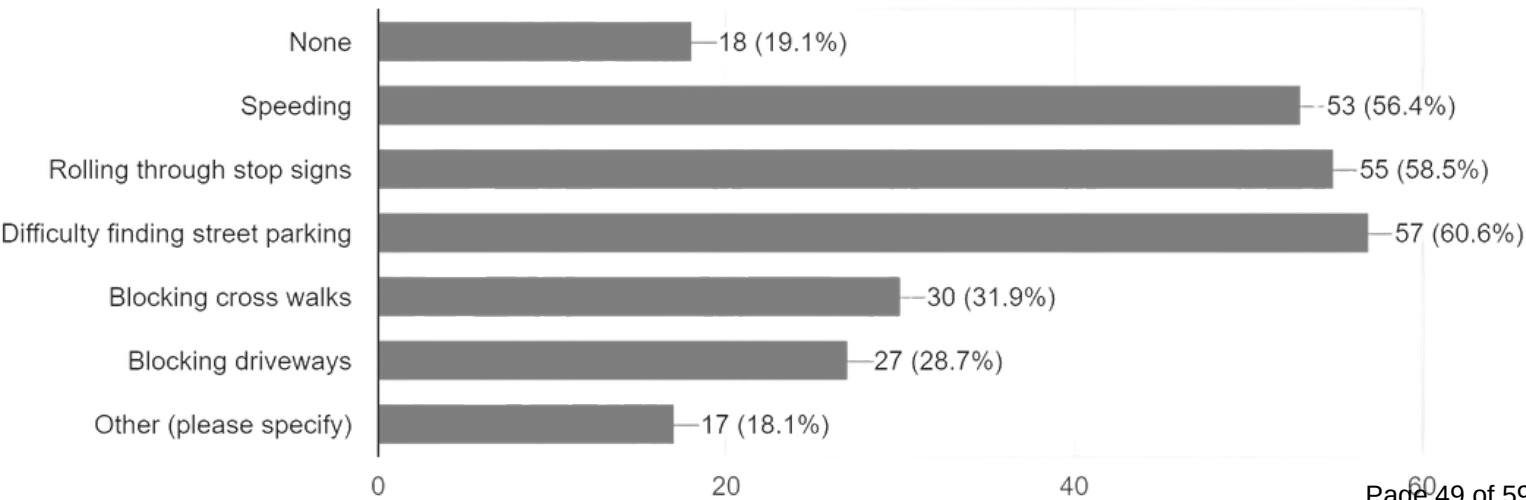
How would you describe the overall impact of court noise on your daily life

94 responses



What traffic impacts have you noticed

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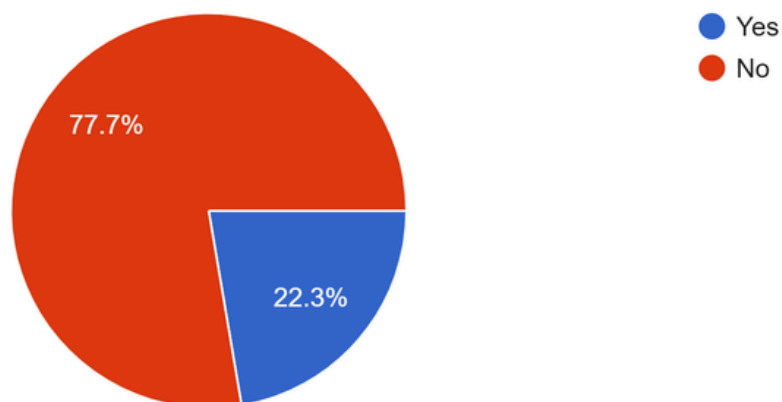
Other:

- They are often late to their court date and speed and can't find parking so speed some more. If they have to park in the neighborhood or sometimes they give up and just park wherever they are not paying attention.
- People not stopping at intersections at all
- Moving our trash cans so they can park. It sounds silly, but I put my trash cans so that if something goes wonky with the truck, my cars won't be damaged. They move the cans closer to my cars so they can park.
- We have several people who park on the road and then stand IN the road blocking traffic while they chat about their game. I also don't understand why they don't use the parking lot designated for the park and insist on taking residents spots. We have limited parking on our street and most homes have 3-5 cars each so telling us to park in our driveway does not solve this issue.
- Traffic and parking is more impacted by events at Skypark, particularly soccer events. Parents park all over Skypark Drive and adjoining streets, which is fine, but they often block driveways, walkways, and cause visibility issues. Children or parents will jump out in between cars without looking and it's a matter of time before someone gets badly hurt or killed. The parking on both sides of Skypark Drive narrows the road to a single lane, at best. I've seen so many near misses! Recommend making parking on one side of the road only and hitting that other side with no parking/red curb signage.
- Parking in/on landscaped areas
- The players move my garbage cans on trash day so they can park
- I notice more vehicle impact from soccer, festivals, concerts, food truck events and overall park use where I'm at.
- cars park like 5 feet into my driveway and make it very hard to drive out of garage
- They are not very mindful where the path meets the parking area for the courts. I also noticed around the area of the court that people tend to be focused on parking rather than looking for traffic or bikes.
- Turning around in the intersections...this is a big one, as is running the stop signs.
- Love that people use the courts - don't understand this survey
- Can hear the noise but doesn't bother me. Only thing that's occasionally a problem is when somebody has really loud music.
- cars also very frequently drive against traffic (on wrong side of the road) when entering or exiting the court parking lot. players/users also often park their cars not in the lot but on the ground, damaging the plants growing beside peoples' homes

- Parking lot is occasionally full
- For the neighbors by the courts, no street parking.
- Walking along the back path after sunset
- Please put speed bumps in to slow the cars especially on both ends of coast range drive. The speeding is so dangerous
- Potential increased hazards to pedestrians.
- Parking anywhere they can by courts like in the planted areas
- driving in opposite direction around the courts
- Pickleball people are parking under the trees in no parking zones.
- The vehicle issues are the most significant to me.

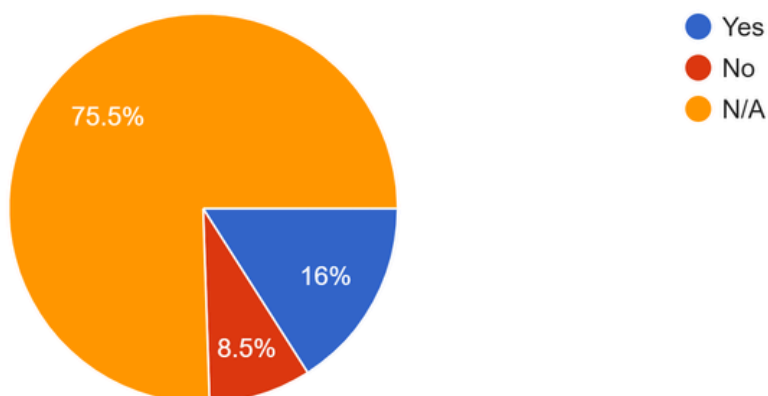
Have you ever reported a traffic concern or parking violation in the Skypark neighborhood to the Scotts Valley Police Department?

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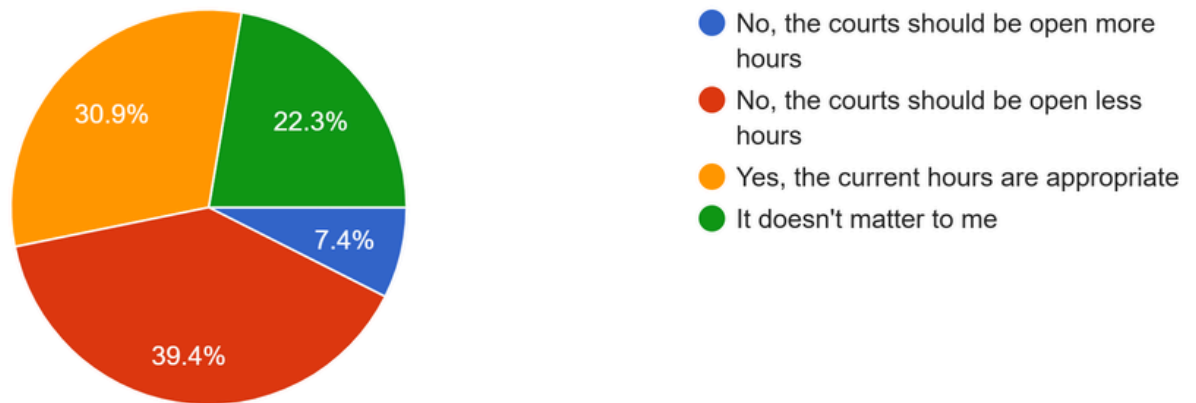
If yes, did you see or get a response from SVPD?

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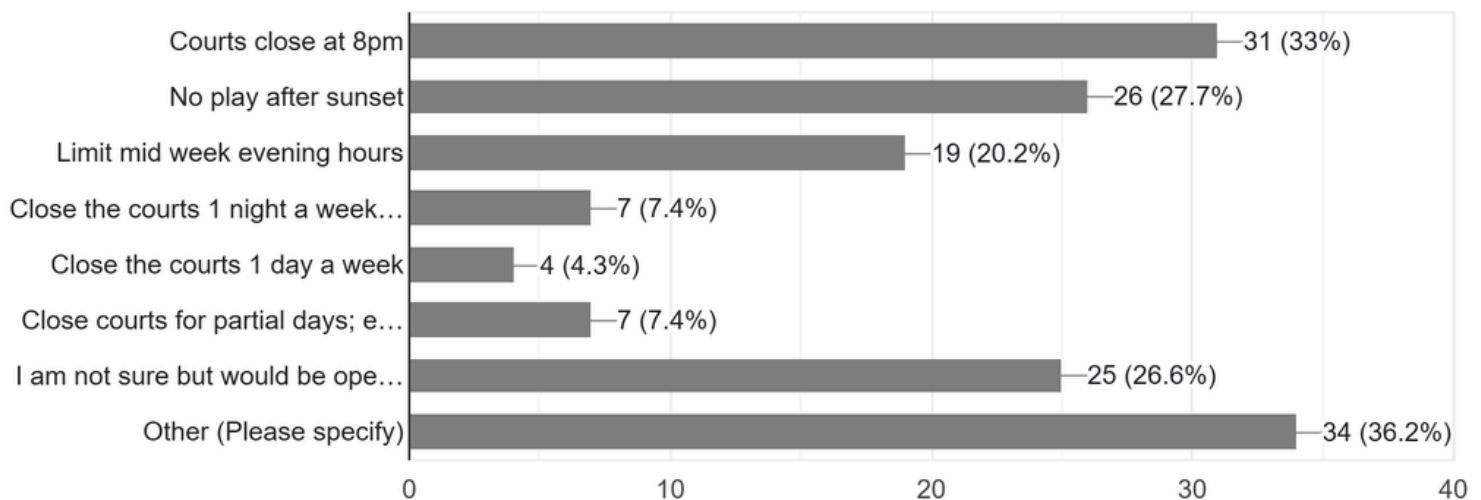
Do you feel the current operating hours of the Skypark Courts are appropriate?

94 responses



If court hours were to be adjusted, what adjustments would you be willing to make? select all that apply

94 responses



Other-

- 8pm is way too late. 6pm is an appropriate time to close. 9 or 10am to open. But I think pickle ball needs to be limited. It's just too many people.
- Maybe limit pickle ball to the evenings and the weekends. But allow Tennis to be all the time because it doesn't make noise.
- Open them later in the morning.
- I see no need to adjust the hours
- Limit or stop pickleball hours
- Open later for tennis
- Close courts by 9pm
- Adjusting morning hours
- 2 half days during the week 8-12
- Have courts open until 9:30 as they used to be.
- Look this is about increased traffic, speeding and noise from pickle ball; it's a loud sport and has to be regulated so it's not loud for residents
- Make new courts at Highlands Park in Ben Lomand and move the pickle ball there
- Courts closed after 7 pm. Courts closed partial days. Sunset dues not work. Court light must be turned off by city not pkayrs.
- put a lock on court gate and only registered players be allowed in operating hours that close after sunset and not allow any players on court before 9am.
- I don't think they need to be adjusted
- For me it's just parking is an issue so changing the hours wouldn't affect that.
- It currently seems like there is no control over the court hours. The lights/activity is frequently late into the evening.
- I would leave as is
- Start later in the morning on weekends.
- It's fine as is
- No play after 7:00pm / no weekends
- Close courts by 9pm.
- Hours are FINE for tennis. Limit the pickleball.
- Hours are fine
- We are in an obesity crisis and people are out moving their bodies! this survey... yeah let's make it stop? 🙄🙄 bless the existing bureaucracy!
- there needs to be a system where people cannot enter the tennis court parking lot + tennis court out of operating hours. people come late at night and loiter loudly, making disruptive noises and playing music loudly even when the court is closed after dark. a gate that opens only during operating hours is necessary to prevent after hour disruption to the neighborhood
- We'd like the courts to close later
- open the courts until 930 pm
- Reduced hours Monday, Wednesday, Sunday
- Please don't take hours away from the courts

- Whatever adjustments can be made to lessen people speeding through 4-8pm
- The courts should only be open a few days a week to late morning / early afternoon. This mitigates the overall impact in the neighborhood as most folks are at work or their kids are at school. This drastically cuts down the need for parking, disruption to our daily lives or the risk of Children getting hit by cars.
- Parking should be prohibited on the street and restricted to the court or skypark community building site parking. I am not certain why we have so many facilities the skypark is the only community that most soccer, tennis and community activities happen. It has made the area open to more traffic and not safe at all.
- Tennis courts current hours are fine if they are only use for tennis.
- Limit pickleball use times. Or build a court at the pump track just for pickleball. It's the noise, the crowds, and the car traffic that is most annoying.
- My biggest concern is traffic/drivers when 1) the kids are home playing in the neighborhood and 2) when we cannot get in or out of our driveways do to court players. Also, streets are narrow, and with all the cars, its hard to get down the street.
- I am not affected by the noise. I imagine houses that are closer can hear the ball and players shouting.

Is there anything else you would like the City to consider regarding the Skypark courts?

- When we moved to Skypark across the street from the park some +20yrs ago there were no Music in the park, food truck fridays, beer festivals. There was only the occasional art festival. So noise increased over the years but we chose to live across the street from the park. Likewise if you chose to live next to the tennis courts noise comes with it. IMHO
- It isn't safe to walk our dog over there. That isn't good because we have lived here a long time and before pickle ball is was fine. So many more people use the court, the number of people needs to be limited.
- These courts build a sense of community. It would be a huge blow to my family and broader community of SV not just Skypark if significant changes impacting people's use and enjoyment of these amenities.
- I would like to change them back to tennis courts and build Pickleball court somewhere else where it's not going to disturb the neighborhood.
- While the noise from the increased pickleball activity is noticeable, my primary concern is the significant increase in unsafe traffic behavior in our neighborhood. We have observed drivers speeding, failing to stop at stop signs, and parking across crosswalks, creating dangerous conditions for families and children who are walking, biking, playing, or riding scooters nearby. The safety of the children in our neighborhood should be the top priority, and the growing traffic violations associated with increased pickleball play have become deeply concerning. There is also a need for increased police presence and monitoring during peak pickleball hours to help enforce traffic laws and improve safety.

- It seems like deference is being given to the players and not the residents. I looked at the player survey, and it is asking what they are willing to do. They have clearly stated in the meetings that they are not willing to do much and they have an entitled attitude about it. We live here; they don't. And for those who came and spent an hour in our neighborhood, you don't live here either, so your hour enjoying the banter and camaraderie makes our complaints seem petty to you. As for something concrete, the 15-mph speed limit sign that is orange should be changed to white so it can be enforced. The speed/radar sign that was up in front of the orange 15 mph sign had 25 mph in big white letters which gave people license to drive 25 through the park area and in our neighborhood. That is way too fast for this neighborhood.
- It's a great facility and I'm glad a lot of people are using it. However, for the sky Park residence, the negative impact on parking and noise and street traffic is very high. I've lived here for 20+ years and I am quite shocked at the parking issues. I'm glad my young children are grown-up, and I worry for younger children safety with the street traffic. We never had any of these issues when it was just a Tennis tennis court., But since Pickleball has been added, the crowds have increased, the noise level has increased, and the sense of community has diminished because a lot of the people who now use the courts are not local sky Park residence or Scotts Valley residence.
- The dangerous driving is my biggest concern. If people won't be respectful of our neighborhood I don't believe they should get to use the courts. I grew up playing in this neighborhood and always felt safe. People were respectful when driving through. It used to be a super welcoming place to go play tennis and now the energy has completely shifted. I don't feel safe walking or driving on skypark or coast range drive. I hope you take into consideration that most of the players are coming from outside the community and skypark deserves to be respected by people coming to use the parks. The entitlement I've seen by SOME of the pickleball players is very disappointing and I hope we can find a way to make our community safer.
- I think it is a nice place for people to have fun together
- They're tennis courts. They were built as tennis courts. Let them be just tennis courts again!
- It is an open, public attraction without a parking lot. Add proper infrastructure or demo the whole thing.
- None. A more serious issue are the EV Bikes, they're riding on walk trails very fast & recklessly. This should be more of a priority than occasional noise from tennis balls. Put this action item on the agenda.
- Reduce the number of courts that are allowed to play pickleball. The real issue is that the number of people that can play and also be waiting in rotation to play can exceed 60+ players placing a huge burden on the neighborhood for parking and car traffic on a road that for most of my time living here was largely quiet and had very little car traffic on it. Days when there are sports events at Skypark (soccer, food truck Friday, etc) parking is difficult to find which causes "creative parking" resulting in semi blocked drives, people parking in red zones, parking in cross walks, and higher traffic resulting in observed near misses for accidents with pedestrians, cyclist, and cars.
- Using some additional unimproved land/space for parking to mitigate parking in the neighborhood.
- Charging for use during hours of darkness

- Complete sound study Complete traffic study Lighting turned off at sunset, no nighttime play.
- I feel that there are some neighbors that are closer to the courts that have the most issues. I'm curious to understand how the neighbors directly across from the play structure feel about noise. They deal with concerts, soccer games, and when I've walked by the noise from the new Play structure has increased dramatically. The parking along Skypark is pretty crazy in soccer nights as well. Just curious. Overall pickleball is a huge benefit for me specifically. I work full time and have a family, so evenings are the only time I can really play. The reduction to 8:30PM really affected a lot of us. I'm hoping with noise reduction panels and a parking solution we can keep these Courts open as is, and potentially return to the 9:30PM close Time.
- Skypark courts be reverted back to tennis only. Noise from group of pickle ballers are disruptive both to people living near the courts and to people playing tennis
- Better oversight
- Build courts in another area separate from tennis courts
- The tennis courts are built for tennis, not pickle ball, the paddles are louder than the rackets. I suggest to build a court specifically for pickle ball. However, keep the tennis courts because I still want to play tennis, and if the pickle ball players have their own courts, it wouldn't be a race to the courts. Because tennis and pickle ball can't fit on one court. I will express again, tennis courts are built for tennis, keep the courts please for tennis.
- Yes. First of all the noise, parking, speeding, disrespect, and impact on residents lives is. . Pickle ball should be moved to another location as these courts were developed originally just for tennis. If that will not occur, hours should be modified with earlier ending, lights should be automatically turned off at an early time, and partial day schedule should be developed. Players should be charged a fee for using the courts. parking for pickle ball should not occur in the neighborhood but can occur in that open lot by the dog park. I believe the city has a responsibility to the residents and should find another location for this game. Thank you.
- I urge the city to encourage the pickleball players to join a sports club right here in Scotts Valley that offers both indoor and outdoor pickleball. If the city feels obligated to provide the pickleball service, then the city can pay the pickleball membership fees. Enterprise Sports Club has both indoor and outdoor pickleball and it does not make sense the city compete with a business by offering the free services for adults who can easily afford it. It makes sense to provide recreation to kids but it does not make sense to subsidize wealthy persons while taking business from a club here in our city. Although , there is only one tennis court in an entire city of Scotts Valley and half of it is converted to pickleball court illegally with consent from residents . Players are coming from out of Scotts Valley to our neighborhood and they do not care about residents.
- I heard that they recently increased the number of courts at Sky Park and it seems like the number of courts does not really match what makes sense for the community. Again, my house is very far from there so it doesn't have a huge impact on me, but I know it does on others. Any additional cost should really be covered by those that are playing Pickleball. I don't think tennis is a big deal in terms of sound. It's really the pickle ball sound that's annoying.
- Maybe have players park at skypark parking or open more spots around the tennis courts.

- Can't stress enough the traffic and parking impact on the neighborhood. People racing through tight streets to get to the courts, rolling right through multiple stop signs. Parking on curbs, blocking crosswalks, fire hydrants wherever they want to park. My dog was nearly hit by a player driving right at the entrance to the court while out on a walk and I confronted them.
- Live to far away from courts to affect my daily life in Skypark
- I love that we have recreational uses in our neighborhood! It would be nice to make the parking lot large so less street parking from courts.
- Questions 1 and 2 of this survey conflict. I had to answer question 2, or I couldn't submit the survey. It feels like there are too many pickleball courts, and not enough tennis courts. Not nearly enough parking for the facility.
- Let people use the courts
- It's a lawsuit waiting to happen
- Not the courts, but enforce strict rules on EV Bikes in Walking path. It's been very dangerous & not being looked into.
- Keep them as tennis courts. That's what they were designed for.
- I enjoy having the courts and plan to use them
- The people who play bocce are super rude, they seem to hate children, perhaps we should go after them next and their little Narnia shed! 😏
- the after hour use of the court is unacceptable, in particular the phenomenon of random people coming and partying, playing music, screaming in the tennis court or the parking lot near the tennis court. the tennis court access should be restricted with a gate or other monitoring system to prevent people from disrupting the residents nearby at night and early in the morning, before or after the court closes
- They are a treasure and should be open as much as possible.
- As a homeowner we have right of enjoyment of our property including being free from unreasonable nuisances. The addition of pickleball courts was completed by the city and the city is responsible for the added noise and parking which is a nuisance. It's a problem of the city's making. There is no right to recreation of a specific sport. Return the courts back to original use.... tennis.
- Provide more public parking
- The skypark courts aren't louder than the events at skypark - kids playing at the park, the soccer games, the festivals, etc. The courts are tucked away and the noise from the park itself and are the noise is definitely not more disruptive than the park.
- Tennis doesn't bother me because it's much quieter and less crowded/less traffic.
- place lock on gate which opens only to registered tennis players at designated hours, no pickleball at all
- Leave the tennis courts for tennis only and move the pickleball courts to another location. That are is designed for tennis only. Not the loud noise and crowd density of pickleball.

- I am really not a complainer. But its been 20+ times that we have had negative interactions with drivers/vehicles. There needs to be parking somewhere else, and not in our neighborhoods. The speeding. Rolling stopsigns - just disregard for those who live here, and jave kids who play here, walk here, etc.
- Young children live at the section of Coast Range after you turn right to go to the tennis courts. I think the speed limit should be 10 mph there. Or add some speed bumps or more signage about children at play. And possibly put those little white round bumps before the stop sign at Skypark and Coast Range as people routinely ignore that sign.
- Weekday evenings are the offen the best time for working parents like myself to exercise.
- We can't use the courts because they are always in use when we go there. We need an easy court reservation app.
- The speeding is a constant concern and the steaks are too high to ignore
- My family and I love the idea that they are available for us to use at any time and are in walking distance. Please don't change the hours. Thank you
- The courts have been a wonderful place for residents of the city to enjoy an active lifestyle and community.
- Clarify whether Skypark residents are paying for the lighting electricity, court maintenance and/or porta-potty there, or if all of that comes out of the City's rec fund.
- Neighborhood Complaint – Traffic, Parking, and Life Safety Impacts Skypark Neighborhood / Pickleball Courts I am submitting this complaint to formally document the ongoing traffic, parking, and life safety hazards affecting residents of the Skypark neighborhood that have directly resulted from peak hour usage of the pickleball courts. Unsafe Driving Behavior at Skypark / Coast Range During peak pickleball usage hours, traffic volumes and driver behavior in the Skypark neighborhood have increased to a level that presents a clear and ongoing safety risk, particularly at the Skypark / Coast Range intersection directly in front of my home. It is common to observe drivers, clearly associated with court use—rolling through stop signs, running stop signs, or accelerating through the intersection in an apparent rush to find parking or arrive at the courts. When the tennis court parking lot is full, which happens frequently, vehicles circulate through the surrounding residential streets at unsafe speeds, often making abrupt turns or U turns in search of parking. This behavior reflects a lack of adequate parking and circulation planning associated with the conversion and expansion of court use. Illegal Parking and Obstructed Crosswalks Another recurring issue is illegal parking in marked crosswalks and sidewalks, particularly near the Skypark / Coast Range intersection. On many occasions, one to four crosswalks are partially or fully blocked by parked vehicles, eliminating clear paths of travel, sightlines, and safe crossing zones. This creates especially dangerous conditions for families and children who live in the neighborhood. Vehicles parked in crosswalks force pedestrians into the street and obstruct visibility for both drivers and pedestrians. Direct Impact on Children and Families My children, along with their friends who live nearby, play in the neighborhood, including in a cul de sac that was designed and historically functioned as a low traffic residential environment.
- Due to the current conditions, I have personally witnessed multiple near miss incidents, including an instance where my son physically tackled my daughter to prevent her from entering the street when a vehicle approached at unsafe speed with limited visibility caused by illegally parked cars. These are not hypothetical risks, they are actual, observed safety incidents resulting from congestion, illegal parking, and impaired sightlines. Parents should not have to rely on split second reactions to compensate for preventable traffic hazards.

- Ineffective Enforcement and Prior Good Faith Efforts In an effort to improve safety, I and other residents have taken multiple good faith steps, including:
 - Placing friendly neighborhood driving reminder signs
 - Contacting local police repeatedly to report unsafe driving and illegal parking
 - Attempting informal community awareness and compliance approaches
 While some drivers comply, many ignore the signs, and some vehicles have even driven over or damaged them. Despite numerous calls to the police over the years, enforcement has been minimal. Typically, officers perform a brief “drive by” with no measurable or lasting improvement. To my knowledge, only one parking citation has been issued in this area over the past ten years. The lack of consistent enforcement has effectively normalized unsafe behavior and left residents without meaningful protection. Escalating Neighborhood Impacts The severity of these impacts cannot be overstated. One neighboring household ultimately sold their home and moved out of the neighborhood due in part to the ongoing disruptions and safety concerns associated with the courts and the City’s inability to establish sustained public safety conditions in our cul de sac. This represents not only a safety issue but also a quality of life and neighborhood stability issue for long term residents. Requested City Action The current conditions demonstrate that the pickleball court conversion has introduced significant traffic and parking impacts that were not adequately planned, studied, or mitigated. At a minimum, I respectfully request:
 - A formal traffic and parking impact review specific to peak pickleball usage
 - Immediate targeted enforcement during peak hours (illegal parking, stop sign compliance, speeding)
 - Evaluation of physical or operational controls (parking restrictions, signage, curb markings, bollards, or traffic calming)
 - Clear accountability and follow through from the City and Police Department
 Residents should not be placed in a position where recreational facility demand compromises basic public safety. Until these issues are addressed, the current conditions remain unsafe and unacceptable for families living in the Skypark neighborhood.
- Please add more recreational spaces such as pickleball court, swimming pool, soccer field, popular grocery store, such as Trader Joe’s or new leaf closer to the granite Creek exit so the traffic is even spread around Scotts Valley. Has 22 years resident of Skypark community. This area has become very difficult to live in.
- Traffic enforcement, lots of speeding vehicles, especially on Skypark Dr and in and out of parking lot, trying to find parking. More parking spaces are needed.
- 1) Please close the Pickleball parking lot and approve neighborhood parking permits. It would eliminate almost all of the traffic problems.
- I beg of you to please put a speed bump in a flashing light at the entry that crosses the linear Trail. It’s almost impossible for the cars to see small kids who ride freely feeling safe from traffic, especially when the cars don’t bother to slow down and certainly don’t stop. In fact I’d be open to speed bumps all along sky Park dr because I feel people just come to fast down the street, especially around the corner that’s near our house.
- More police patrols for parking violations and enforcement of reduced operating hours.
- Players should use parking lot by the Skypark not around the neighborhood and especially no parking between trees on “grassy” areas in front of the courts. They go to exercise so they can walk to the courts from the parking lot by the Skypark.
- Yes! Please send SVPD to monitor the stop sign that people blow through daily on Skypark drive!!!
- To leave the courts for tennis user only and build a separate facility for pickleball.
- Local neighborhood access at certain times, we used to be able to walk down and play. With pickleball this is now impossible