

## HCP Committee

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Aloha, my wife and I have played outdoor sports, including tennis, for many years as a source of enjoyment and physical conditioning. Around 10 years ago my knees finally gave out requiring several surgeries which resulted in my inability to participate further. This was devastating to us. I don't know if you can understand the fact that in your life you can no longer do something that you always have. Maybe it won't happen to you but age catches us all.

About 3 years ago we found Pickleball and discovered that there were many people just like us who thought we couldn't play this type of sport anymore. Suddenly we are once again outside playing, exercising and having fun with others. This sport is growing faster than any other sport in the US and it is this increase that needs to be addressed. More Dedicated Courts are needed and especially in the Wailuku area. This is because there aren't any, we are forced to play Pickleball on tennis courts using the incorrect nets and taped court lines. Seems odd because normally there are 8 to 20 players on two tennis courts playing Pickleball while all the other tennis courts are empty.

Something to think about: Almost every tennis player who continues to play tennis while getting older WILL BE PLAYING PICKLEBALL IN THEIR FUTURE. Don't wait to build the courts. Your help and far sightedness will assure others like my wife and I, to continue to enjoy an active life. Thank You

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