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## Rally Scoring - Survey Results

A big thank you to all members who participated in Rally Scoring Week and responded to our survey. We would like to take a moment to share our data on the length of games, as well as feedback received from the survey.

Over the course of the week, 54 rally scored games (first to 21, win by 1) were timed across all skill levels. The average length of these games was approximately 11 minutes, with a range of 7 to 14 minutes.

As a comparison, the same number of games were timed the following week, using traditional scoring (first to 11, win by 2). The average length of these games was approximately 13 minutes, with a range of 6 to 26 minutes.

These numbers suggest that 21 point rally scored games take nearly the same amount of time as traditionally scored 11 point games. However, the length of rally scored games had more predictability than traditionally scored games.

### Summary of Survey Results (93 responses)

- 84% of respondents thought it was worthwhile to learn and try rally scoring at Tustin Pickleball, versus 16% who did not.
- The largest percentage of respondents (39%) indicated that rally scoring should not be used on a regular basis and should only be used when courts are overcrowded. 23% of respondents thought that rally scoring should never be used.
- To deal with overcrowding, 42% of respondents preferred shorter games (11 points, win by 1) using traditional scoring, 29% preferred rally scoring. 29% preferred staying with traditional scoring 11 points win by 2, regardless of crowd size.
- The majority of respondents (54%) consider excessive crowding to be 5 or more players waiting on their court.

Your feedback is highly appreciated and will help us make important decisions. The Board of Directors will discuss the above findings and survey results at the next Board meeting, scheduled for May 2023. Should there be any changes to the Policy of Play (i.e., to deal with overcrowding and excessive wait times), they will be communicated to the membership at that time.

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