



Congratulations! To Our Medal Winners at the USAPA Nationals!

Their success is continuing proof that hard work in practice, drills, and tournament competition really pays off. AND, that great pickleball is being played in all ages and skill levels right here in the Treasure Valley! Over 20 of us had great fun and experiences at Indian Wells and 15 came home with medals:

Gold

Kirk White (2)
Dave Grube
Porter Barr
Kelli Berg
Todd McLain
Jean Verdini
Kim McLain

Silver

Dick Johnson
Mark Cools
Randy Winwood

Bronze

Susanna Barr (2)
Gail Walker
Porter Barr
Bob Calver
Dave Grube

By the way, there were other medal winners from Idaho, too. Indeed, Tyson McGuffin from Northern Idaho won medals and has been frequently mentioned by many as the #1 Men's Pro Player in 2018 - 19. And, Dick Johnson received the NSGA Personal Best Award out of 100,000 athletes in 30 sports and was also chosen as pickleball's Male Player of the Year. It is all just further proof that our state, though not the mecca of the pickleball world, produces great people and players. And, the future looks very bright, too! It was really fun watching 12 year old Porter Barr win a Gold medal and take a major step to follow his great Pro mother, Susannah Barr.

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Nationals was the largest and one of the toughest and enjoyable sanctioned tournaments in history:

- Championship Stadium. 50 lighted courts, many with bleachers
- Great food & music daily at this 10 day premier event of the USAPA
- Vendors from practically every equipment, apparel, etc. provider
- Fun entertainment. Hundreds of friendly, dedicated volunteers
- Clinics by top Pros, wheelchair events, parent-child competition
- 50 hours live streaming. TV broadcast

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