Hello, Villagers! We hope you're enjoying your summer! I know that part of your summer enjoyment is playing pickleball, if you're a member of our club! Besides us, millions of people of all ages across the country enjoy our sport as well.

Pickleball is growing more than ever and it's no longer just a fringe sport with a funny name. It's become a mainstream sport that's played in every one of the 50 states and many countries around the world. It's grown so much since its' beginnings in 1965 that all kinds of people are starting to play, including you....and the rich and famous.

Here you go! Did you know that the following people enjoy playing: Brene Brown (podcaster) who said, "For me, Joy + Play = Pickleball...the only place I'm fully in the now...not thinking ahead, worrying, or wondering—just keeping my eye on the ball and my head in the game. When I don't do both, there's immediate feedback...like a ball to my face!"

Other Celebrity PB Players: Bill Gates (Microsoft founder); Ellen Degeneres (TV); Kardashian sisters (reality TV); Jillian Michaels(TV); Gary Vee Internet personality); Andre Agassi (tennis);Steve Nash and the Brooklyn Nets (NBA);Kid Rock (singer); Julian Edelman (Superbowl Champ); Fred Savage (TV); Ben Crane (Pro Golfer); Jamie Foxx (movies); Owen Wilson (actor); George Clooney (movies);Leonardo DiCaprio (movies) Nick Foles (NFL), Larry David (TV producer); Jenna Bush Hager (and extended Bush family); Juliana and Bill Rancic (TV); Robbie Williams (singer/songwriter); and last but not least...Kelly Ripa, TV talk show host, who sounds like Pickleball's secret media ambassador when she says, "Pickleball is the social media influencer of the sports world."

Well, there you have it. There are more stars who love PB, but maybe you were surprised by a few?

PS Hope we'll see a lot of members at our social drop-in today from 4:30-7:30.