I Wish I Could Win More Games!

"What can I do to improve my chances of winning in Pickleball?" We often hear this lament on our PB courts. Below are some reasons you may be losing games more than winning.

- 10. You may be making too many sharp angle shots rather than high percentage shots down the middle of the court.
 - 9. You hit the ball too fast for good placement...and don't give yourself enough leeway for error.
 - 8. You don't keep the ball at your opponent's feet as much as possible.
 - 7. Maybe you don't play up to the No Volley Zone (Kitchen Line).
 - 6. Do you get upset with your excellent partner who has successfully jumped in front of you to win the point? (Although poaching too often is not encouraged!)
 - 5. Do you take away your partner's easy forehand shots with your weaker backhand shots?
 - 4. When your opponent hits a difficult fast shot at you, do you try and hit a low percentage sharp angled shot for a winner rather than a defensive shot?
 - 3. Do you ever help your opponents by keeping their out balls in play?
 - 2. Do you frequently miss your return of serve?
 - 1. Number one reason you will lose more Pickleball games than you win: Frequently miss your serve. <u>Remember</u>, the best players in the world lob their serves. They don't hit hard low serves. If your serve goes out, you don't have the opportunity to score a point.

Wishing all our PB buddies a week of awesome pickleballing and other sources of joy!

