## **Email to PsaT Player Registrants**

## Welcome to APPL!

Thank you for your interest in APPL. Your name and contact information have been entered into the Players Seeking a Team (PSaT) database and you are now a "Free Agent". Free agent contact information is available to Captains looking to add players, APPL volunteers for coordinating events and free agents seeking other free agents in their region to form teams.

APPL teams are seasonal with teams playing half of the games on their Home courts and the other half at different locations within their region on their opponent's Home courts. Each team will select the location, day and time for their Home matches.

APPL teams are all Captain driven; <u>APPL does not assign players to teams</u>. You must be invited by a team captain to join their team as each Captain forms and manages their own team. Captains can be hesitant to add new players without knowing them and whether they will be a good fit for their team. The best way to join a team is to talk to other players you meet and if they play APPL get them to introduce you to APPL players and Captains. You may also choose to form your own team! As long as you have a few friends interested in going this route, you will soon find additional players who would also like to join. Realistically, a team should have 10-14 players to cover for absences; you have plenty of time to find them before the season.

Free agents are encouraged to **meet**, **play and network** to form new teams. Periodically, APPL will send you a contact list of free agents in your region and skill level for the purpose of helping you form teams. If you are interested in starting a team, check the APPL newsletter for the precise dates for team registration.

## **Key Dates:**

Early July – PSaT registrations open for free agents to sign up for the next season

Early October – Team and player registrations open

Early November – Team registrations close but players may still be added

January to March – APPL Winter Season

Late January – Teams can no longer able to add players

Early April – State Championships

Early May – Player APPL Index Updates released

Note- The Player Seeking a Team database is purged at the end of each season. You must resubmit ANNUALLY (Opens Early July) for the next season.

Visit the APPL homepage for FAQ and more information on how to start a team.

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