



February 5, 2024

Good day fellow club members,

It is February already and we are quickly moving closer to the opening of the outdoor season. Your board and its committees have been busy over the past few months working on the completion of the interior of the Amenities Building, passing 2 new policies (Non-profit and for-profit organizations seeking assistance with Pickleball related fundraising events Policy and the Social Media Policy (includes Facebook, Instagram, X, website, etc...), and working on the Medicine Hat Pickleball Club OPEN Tournament Friday July 5th – Sunday 7th, 2024.

Going forward with the tournament, we are looking for willing volunteers to head up the tournament and bring their ideas to life. We are asking for members to step up and considering this. We have attempted to reduce the workload and responsibilities from one Tournament Director to a Tournament Management Team. Seeing this as a smaller tournament, some of the past offerings would be at the discretion of the Tournament Management Team.

The Manage Team would consist of:

Tournament Director, overseeing the following committees: Registration, Draw, Check-in and working closely with officiating.

Operations Director, overseeing the following committees: Players Lounge, MC, Medals, Vendors.

Facilities Director, in charge of practice courts, Wi-Fi, tents, tables & chairs, court maintenance.

As well as a, **Volunteer Lead**.

The jobs are not hard, and training will be provided with guidance along the way. These positions could be filled by one person or shared by a couple of members.

The tournament including the description, and events is ready to be posted on Pickleball Brackets this week for all to see and the budget has been created. We have applied to Pickleball Canada for Sanctioning Approval.

Our Annual Sanctioned tournament is the main fundraiser for our Club. It is a lot of fun not only to play in but to work at as well. We need your help to organize this tournament that will provide a great experience for players, volunteers and make a profit for our club.

If no one steps forward, this tournament will be in jeopardy of being cancelled.

So please, if you are interested at all, please reach out to me or Ken MacPhail.

Thank you for considering this request!

Respectfully,
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