DUPR information for all our APA members

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Using a rating system allows players to play with similarly skilled players giving all a better play experience.

Members and Hosts have let us know that DUPR sessions can be troublesome.

Our hosts have experienced aggressive behavior from members who expected a different court assignment. We will not tolerate continued aggressive behaviour toward hosts or players.

Following we explain why we organize the way we do. Questions or suggestions are welcome, <u>email us</u>.

When we started DUPR at Ag-Rec, we assigned all players on the bottom levels with the idea that they could earn their way up. What this did was place skilled players with inexperienced players. The skilled players would play hard in their effort to move up as quickly as possible. The less skilled players were finding it next to impossible to maintain or raise their rating because they were constantly playing against skilled players who we assigned to courts based on the 2.0 rating. This was very discouraging and no fun for any of the players.

Following are our guidelines for assigning courts now.

When a member signs up to play in a DUPR session at Ag-Rec:

- 1. Players who have a DUPR rating, we assign courts based on that rating.
- 2. Players who are playing in DUPR sessions the first time and have no rating (NR or 0.00) or show up in <u>Pickleball Sign Up Hub (SUH)</u> as 2.00:
 - a. Pre-session, we ask you to self rate. We may contact you by email, text, or phone, please reply. Self rate means you tell us what level of players you think you belong with.
 - b. We allow self rate only the first time playing in a DUPR session.
 - c. We assign courts based on self rate, if reasonable. The host has final say.
 - d. And the above is what mydupr.com recommends doing.
- 3. After we enter the match scores, DUPR will assign the NR players a rating that is usually pretty close to those they played with. We then import those ratings into SUH.

If a player with a 0.00 or 2.00 rating is assigned to a court above you, we are doing this for a reason. If you check the DUPR ratings later, you will most likely find that player now has a higher rating and you were better off not playing DUPR against them.

Following is more information about DUPR.

On the <u>DUPR website</u>, when a member joins DUPR, DUPR assigns them a rating of NR (not rated) and a Reliability Rating of 0%. The Reliability Rating is the number you see in the mydupr.com next to the player rating, this changes after match scores are entered. How quickly it reaches 100% is affected by the reliability rating of those you play with and how consistently you play.

After DUPR match scores are entered, DUPR will assign a rating of 2.00 or higher, depending on who they played with, and against, and how they did, i.e. win, lose, scores close, scores not close.

For your DUPR rating to be imported into our <u>Pickleball Sign Up Hub (SUH)</u> we need you to Join the <u>Abbotsford Pickleball DUPR Club</u> on a computer. Or on the <u>DUPR for iPhone app</u> or the <u>DUPR for Android app</u>: on the menu at the bottom, click on Clubs, search for Abbotsford, click on our club, then click the Join button.

In SUH the number you see in the list of players on all events is the DUPR Doubles rating. We import the ratings from mydupr.com into SUH, multiple times a week. Those members who have joined APDC will have a minimum DUPR Doubles rating of 2.00, those with a 0.00 rating have not joined APDC.

When you play DUPR matches at Ag-Rec and we enter the scores, those match scores have a "x2 club weighting". If you and your friends play anywhere and enter the scores yourself, those scores will have a "x1 weighting". Matches entered from a DUPR sanctioned tournament play will have a "x4 weighting". Our MLP sessions are not sanctioned.

Your rating and reliability rating will change every time you play matches. Often your rating will change even when you haven't played for awhile, that is because the mydupr algorithms are constantly calculating. If you don't play in a DUPR session in a long time, you can expect your rating to go down. APA has no control at all over anyone's DUPR ratings.