



PRI Newsletter #32 – Winter & Summer Programs

1. Winter Programs

There are a few openings in some of Pickleball Regina's winter programs. Check out the [SignUp Genius](#) invitation for details and to sign up. Since the sessions have already started, you will be able to pay a prorated registration fee. Contact Les Kingston at leskin@sasktel.net for more information.

Also, under the recently revised [Drop-In Play Policy](#), un-registered members may participate in programs subject to space availability and with the approval of the Host. A \$10 per day drop in fee is to be paid in cash to the host upon arrival. A receipt will be provided.

2. Summer Programs

Watch for a survey to arrive in your mailbox before the end of January where you will be asked to indicate which of the following three options for play you are likely to take part in this summer. Also, you will be asked to indicate your preferred format(s). This information will be used to determine the format of play for all three programs:

1. SZRB/PRI Outdoor Weekday

- Lakeview Par 3 Golf Course courts (3100 Kings Road).
- Six courts
- Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 8:00 a.m. – noon.
- Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.
- May through September.
- Two 2-hour sessions will be held each day offering a variety of programs to older adults (ages 50+) of various skill levels.
- Our partnership with the South Zone Recreation Board allows access to the courts at a very low cost.
- One \$50 registration fee covers enrolment for all days but does not guarantee you will be able to play all days.
- Participation will be managed using Signup Genius.

• Signup to begin April 1, 2019

2. PRI Outdoor PRime-Time

- Lakeview Par 3 Golf Course courts (3100 Kings Road).
- Six courts
- Wednesday evenings from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
- Saturday mornings from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.
- June 1 to September 28 (except June 8).
- For Pickleball Regina members ages 13+.
- Since full hourly court rental rates will be payable, the registration fee for the summer term for each day will probably be \$50.
- Participation may be managed using Signup Genius.

- **Signup to begin April 1, 2019.**
- 3. PRI Indoor Morning & Evening
 - An indoor option for play has been arranged in the Canada Centre West Show Sale Arena at Evraz Place.
 - Five courts on cement with excellent lighting, parking and restroom facilities.
 - Sessions on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:00 – 11:30 a.m. and evenings from 7:00 – 9:30 p.m.
 - Two terms: Spring (April 1 – June 30) and Summer (July 1 – September 30)
 - The facility rental cost will be similar to other Pickleball Regina indoor locations so the registration fee will be in the \$60 - \$80 range.
 - Participation may be managed using Signup Genius.
 - **Signup to begin February 17, 2019**

3. Program Pricing

There are comments made from time to time that Pickleball Regina's programs are 'expensive'. This is a relative concept and when compared to other activities, pickleball is still very affordable both in terms of equipment and cost to participate.

Please keep in mind that Community Association and Zone programs use City of Regina facilities rent-free, or for a minimal 'permit' charge. This allows them to offer programs at a nominal cost to participants.

On the other hand, Pickleball Regina must pay facility rent (\$55 - \$70/hour, plus tax) for the programs we offer. Registration fees are priced to cover the rent, provide an allowance for equipment expense, and to provide a contribution (\$1/session/player) to the Court Construction fund. Another factor is the number of players registered as the facility rental cost is spread over the number of people participating. Fortunately we have volunteers willing to perform the administrative, training and hosting tasks so these potential additional expenses do not have to be recovered.

Speaking of volunteers, we are still looking for someone to help with developing the content for a new website! Contact Allan Carpentier for more information or to volunteer: carpentiera53@gmail.com

4. AED

The Pickleball Regina Board has approved the purchase of a portable AED device. This expenditure was not in the budget presented and approved at the October 26, 2018 Annual General Meeting. However, with the recent significant health issues of some of our members and the lack of an AED at Laval school, we decided to proceed with purchasing the device at a cost of approximately \$1,600. It will be kept in the storage box at Laval school and available for other special events throughout the year.

5. Winter Fling Tournament Results

Congratulations to the event winners who took home a beautiful "I Love Pickleball" wine glass.



Quite a few people also took home unique pickleball jewellery created by Carla Desnoyers. Carla donated \$230 to the Court Construction fund from the jewellery sales. Thank you Carla!

The winners of the four events were:

GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
Women's Doubles 2.5		
Ounie Pepler/Brenda Stroh	Erica Tuza/Norma Winter	Karen Larsen/Diana McNaughton
Women's Doubles 3.0+		
Carolyn Fahlman/Noreen Hetherington	Bev Tollefson/Jennifer Hogan	Deb Sluser/Linda Helfrich
Men's Doubles 2.5		
Mike Debert/Scott Terison	Lloyd Hanna/Sam McNaughton	Greg O'Byrne/Mark Scott
Men's Doubles 3.0+		
Dave Clarke/Mike Ruecker	Robert Sluser/Dave Horton	Keith Jackson/Lonnie Dynna

THANK YOU to Allan Carpentier, (Tournament Director), Les Kingston, (Assistant Tournament Director), Donna Loran (Registrar) and the small army of volunteers who did such a great job putting on this tournament for Pickleball Regina members.

6. Upcoming Tournaments:

a. Saskatchewan Provincial Tournament

- Canada Games Athletic Complex in Douglas Park, Regina
- Maximum 120 players each day
- June 8 & 9, 2019
- Saturday – Men’s and Women’s Doubles
- Skill level & Age brackets
- Sunday – Mixed Doubles
- Skill level & Age brackets
- Sanctioned by Pickleball Canada as a Tier II tournament
- Referees and Line Judges for medal matches
- **Great-looking Manta-designed “Saskatchewan” tee shirt for registered players**
- Medals for event winners
- Registration opens at 10:00 a.m. on **March 9** through www.pickleballtournaments.com

b. Paddles on the Prairie

- Canada Games Athletic Complex in Douglas Park, Regina
- Maximum 120 players each day
- August 24 & 25, 2019
- Saturday – Men’s and Women’s Doubles
- Skill level & Age brackets
- Sunday – Mixed Doubles
- Skill level & Age brackets
- Sanctioned by Pickleball Canada as a Tier III tournament
- Referees and Line Judges for medal matches
- Medals for event winners
- Registration opens at 10:00 a.m. on **May 25** through www.pickleballtournaments.com

***Watch for the Summer Programs survey to arrive in your email box later
this month!***