



PRI Newsletter #40 – Training, Programs, etc.

1. Brooke Siver Club Ratings and Training Sessions

We are very pleased Brooke was able to arrange his schedule to be in Regina November 9 – 11. The assorted Club Ratings sessions, Skill Training sessions and Small Group Lessons he is providing are almost fully subscribed. If you have been considering signing up, don't delay.

Click here for the link to the [Signup](#).

2. Evraz Sessions are Moving

The Canadian Western Agribition folks are going to start moving into the Show Sale Arena on November 1. Reg Lakness has made arrangements with Evraz for our programs to be moved to the International Trade Centre (ITC), Salon A so the November 3 to 10 sessions do not have to be cancelled.

A group of volunteers have taped five courts in Salon A and the equipment will be moved to the ITC after the Thursday Oct. 31 morning session. Please help with the move if you can.

Access will continue to be made through the same blue doors we usually go in. There is a hallway leading to the ITC on the East side of the Show Sale Arena.

It will be a nice opportunity to **try out this facility** which will be the site of the Western Canadian Regional tournament next summer. A big thank you goes to Reg for all his efforts the past several months to provide these options for indoor play in the Evraz facilities. Managing this relationship has been challenging and more time consuming than anyone realizes.

There will be opportunity for a limited number of Pickleball Regina members to drop-in during the Open Play for all skill levels scheduled sessions on:

- Tuesday, November 5 and Thursday, November 7 mornings from 10 – 12,
- Wednesday evening, November 6 from 7 – 9,
- Sunday afternoon, November 10 from 2 – 4.
- Wednesday morning, November 6 from 10 – 12 is open to 3.0+ Club or Tournament rated players.

A \$10 per day drop in fee is to be paid in cash to the host upon arrival. A receipt will be provided.

3. Pickleball Regina Merchandise

Pickleball Regina and the Sergin' General (Rhonda Lang) are happy to offer apparel and window stickers with the Pickleball Regina logo!

Click on [this link](#) to shop online. Please read and follow the directions provided.

Rhonda will take orders this Fall, but will be leaving for the winter mid-November so don't delay placing your order. She will be home the first week of April.

A percentage of every sale of products with the PRI logo will be returned to PRI!

4. Winter 2020 Program Registration

The Program committee is busy working on the new schedule which will run from January to the end of April.

Evraz will not be available in the New Year, and some changes to the Fall programs at Laval will be made. The SignUp will be open for Volunteers starting November 15 and to all members starting November 18. If the session you want to join is full, please put your name on the Waitlist. This is how we will know there is demand for more sessions!

5. Summer 2020 Program Survey

Thank you to the 447 members who took the time to respond to the recent survey.

Not every question was answered by every participant, but the Question "Do you want PRI to provide structured play?" was answered Yes, by 90% and No by 10%.

The Question "Do you want unstructured play?" was answered Yes, by 59%, and No by 41%. This isn't contradictory, as many members want both structured and unstructured play options.

78% answered Yes to the question "Would you like to see an option for Indoor Play at Evraz in 2020".

Douglas Park is the most preferred location, fairly closely followed by Lakeview and the Mahon courts.

The South Zone Recreation Board plans to offer a weekday, older adult (55+) program next summer at the Lakeview courts - which is something many members commented that they hope will continue.

The 2.5 level players would like some sessions for their skill level rather than being combined with beginners. And the beginners would like more support and encouragement with some programs just for them.

Many members would like to see skills drills sessions included in future plans and some are willing to pay for the instruction.

The input provided will be very useful in developing the programs for next summer. We will provide updates as plans are developed.

6. Christmas Supper and Tournament Fundraiser

Please come to Pickleball Regina's Christmas supper and Tournament Fundraising event at the Press Box Sports Bar, 909 Albert St. on Tuesday December 10. Meal service begins at 6:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$25, with \$10 from each ticket going to Pickleball Regina. This will be used to help offset some of the costs of the Western Regional Pickleball tournament being hosted in 2020.

The meal will be a hamburger and fries, plus a highball, beer, coffee, tea or soft drink.

Come out and enjoy the company of your fellow players as well as supporting the club.

The event is open to everyone, Pickleball Regina members, family and friends.

Tickets can be purchased on [Sign Up Genius](#) or directly from Norm or Pat Drummond (ph. 306-201-5763). Tickets will be available from Norm or Pat (address: 2233 7th Ave. East).

If you have questions, please e-mail Norm or Pat at ndrummond48@gmail.com

We sure hope you will join us!!!

7. Annual General Meeting

Thank you, to the 92 members who attended the October 18 Pickleball Regina Annual General Meeting. The minutes have been posted on our website [Members' Information](#) page along with the amended Bylaws, Financial reports, Budget, and President's Report.

Please continue to support your 2019 - 2020 Board consisting of:

President - Karen Rust

Vice-President - Reg Lakness

Treasurer - Murray Cook

Secretary - Michelle Askew

Directors at Large - Allan Carpentier, Barry Thuen, Leslie Kingston, Donna Loran, Shelley Serle, Randy Dove and Doug Olson.

Safe travels to our snowbirds!!!