

PRI Newsletter #34 – Summer Programs, Training and Tournaments

1. Summer Programs

The following charts outline the programs available to Pickleball Regina members this summer:

Pickleball Regina Indoor Play Schedule Five Courts - Evraz Place

*** April 2, 2019 to June 27, 2019***

Ages 13+	Play Time	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	9 - 11:30 a.m.		Open Play With Challenge Court(s) (SUG 38 Max)		Open Play With Challenge Court(s) (SUG 38 Max)		
	7 - 9:30 p.m.		Open Play With Challenge Court(s) (SUG 38 Max)		Shootout for All Skill Levels (SUG 25 Max)		

Pickleball Regina PRIme Time Outdoor Play Schedule Six Courts - Lakeview Par 3 Golf Course

*** June 1, 2019 to Sept 28, 2019***

Ages 13+	Play Time	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	9 - 11 a.m.						Shootout for All Skill Levels (SUG 30 Max)
	6:30 - 8:30 p.m.			Open Play With Challenge Court(s) (SUG 36 Max)			

SZRB/PRI Summer Outdoor Play Schedule Six Courts - Lakeview Par 3 Golf Course

*** Effective June 1, 2019 ***

	Play Time	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
OLDER ADULT (55+)	8 - 10 a.m.	Open Play* (SUG 40 Max)		Open Play* (SUG 40 Max)		Round Robin* (SUG 30 Max)	
	10 a.m noon	Round Robin* (SUG 30 Max)		Shootout Competitive (SUG 30 Max)		Open Play* (SUG 40 Max)	
	1 - 3 p.m.		Round Robin* (SUG 30 Max)		Shootout Recreational (SUG 30 Max)		
	3 - 5 p.m.		Open Play* (SUG 40 Max)		Round Robin* (SUG 30 Max)		

^{*} Recreational and Competitive Courts will be allocated for Round Robins and Open Play based on participant's preferences

Note - For Round Robin and Shootout Play, you must check-in 15 minutes before the start time!!!

Outdoor Open Play will start in May, as soon as the weather is warm enough with the full schedule starting no later than June 1.

Registration Information:

- a. Evraz Place Indoor <u>SignUpGenius for Evraz</u> (a limited number of spaces still available)
- b. PRImetime Outdoor at Lakeview SignUpGenius for PRImetime (full)
- c. SZRB/PRI Outdoor at Lakeview –registration information provided by the SZRB follows:

Registration information for the 55+ Outdoor Summer Pickleball program can be found on the SZRB website and in the Community Ties newsletter. It starts April 1st, 2019 for South Zone residents, and April 15th for non South Zone residents. No early registrations will be accepted before April 1st, 2019 (including by mail or dropped off). Registrations dropped off or sent by mail must have photocopy of ID to verify age and residence, have a Pickleball Regina membership, and provide a copy of their Community Assoc. membership (or include payment of this in registration fees).

Participants must be at least 55 years of age as of May 1, 2019

In-person registration for South Zone residents will be held April 1st from 6 - 8 pm at the South Leisure Centre. Players must bring ID to verify age and residence, must be a member of PR, and must have a current Community Assoc membership or purchase one there. We will have registration forms on hand.

Non South Zone residents may register starting April 15th, 2019. Registrations may be dropped off or mailed in. These registrations must include photocopies of ID (to verify age) and a current Community Assoc membership. We will not accept registrations without the photocopy IDs required.

An In-person Registration night will be held for Non South Zone players on Monday, April 15th from 6 - 8 pm at the South Leisure Centre. ID will be needed to verify age. A PR membership will be required, as well as a current Community Assoc membership (can be purchased that night). We will have registration forms on hand.

We will not accept any non South Zone registration forms before April 15th, 2019.

Pickleball Regina's role is to run this program on behalf of the South Zone board. We pay for the court rental, provide the equipment, training, volunteers, technical support, etc. For this, we receive 4/5 of the registration fee. Volunteer hosts will be required for each session. If you are willing to help out in this area for all, or part of the summer, please contact:

Karen Rust <u>rust_karen@yahoo.ca</u> or Les Kingston <u>leskin@sasktel.net</u>

2. Training

Pickleball Regina is pleased to be able to bring options for pickleball training for players of all skill levels to our members:

- a. Club Rating, Small Group and Larger Group sessions with International Pickleball Teaching Professionals Association (IPTPA) Master Instructor Brooke Siver will be offered April 8, 9 & 10. There are still a few spots open, which can be registered for through SignUpGenius Brooke.
- b. **Charles Neufeldt** Head Pickleball Coach, North Vancouver Pickleball Academy, Level 2 IPTPA Pickleball Coach and 5.0 Player is putting

together some clinics for the Friday before and Monday after the June 8/9 Provincial tournament. More information to follow.

c. **Introduction to Pickleball -** Sessions will be arranged based on demand. Please advise anyone you know who is interested in learning to play pickleball, to send an email to training@pickleballregina.ca. Training will follow the IPTPA curriculum.

3. Tournaments

- a. Saskatchewan Provincial Tournament, June 8 & 9
 - o Registration opened on **March 9** and filled in a few days with participants coming from five provinces and skill levels from 2.5 to 5.0
 - Three vendor/sponsors are already lined up, so even if you aren't competing you will have the opportunity to watch some great play, cheer on your friends and do some shopping.
 - We need volunteers to help put on the biggest and best pickleball tournament held, so far in Saskatchewan. If you are able to volunteer, please contact the Team Lead.
 - o Team Leads are in place as follows:
 - Tournament Director, <u>Karen Rust</u>
 - Assistant Tournament Director and Tournament Operations, <u>Karen Paisley</u>
 - Registrar, <u>Donna Loran</u>
 - Medical, <u>Adele Mather</u>
 - Facilities, Norm Drummond
 - Sponsorship, <u>Vivian Jasper</u>
 - Line Judges, Jane Powell
 - PR & Media, <u>Allan Carpentier</u>
 - Hospitality, VACANT!
 - If you are willing to take on the Hospitality team lead role, please contact <u>Karen Rust</u>. This involves liaising with the food truck (already booked), arranging for water and player snacks and preparing the player swag bags.
 - We will be requiring Referees or Scorekeepers for every match at this Tier II level tournament. Watch for information to come on Scorekeeper training and Referee refresher training. Please don't hesitate to get involved. It is a great way to give back to the sport and have the best view of the action!
 - O Please contact <u>Vivian Jasper</u> or <u>Reg Lakness</u> if you have or know of any contacts that you feel might be able to donate cash or prizes to the tournament. Click <u>here</u> for a copy of the sponsorship letter. Hard copies are also available from Vivian.

b. Paddles on the Prairie

o Registration opens at 10:00 a.m. on May 25 through

www.pickleballtournaments.com

4. Board Update

Director at Large and Membership Committee Chair, Ray Webb, resigned from the Pickleball Regina board of directors on February 24, 2019. The board of directors would like to thank Ray for the countless hours he spent on behalf of all members of Pickleball Regina. Donna Loran has been appointed to fill the vacant position, until the October Annual General Meeting.

There will be three Director at Large, the Vice-President and President positions up for election, at the October, 2019 AGM. If you are interested in getting involved in your organization at the board level, please contact Vice-President, Noreen Hetherington at pickleballregina@yahoo.com

5. Dedicated Outdoor Pickleball Courts

The City is in the process of determining which (two court) outdoor asphalt tennis facility in the east end (Varsity Park, Howell Park or Mahon Arena) will be converted to a six court dedicated pickleball facility. A community engagement session is being planned for April 11, 7:00 p.m., at St. Catherine School, where Pickleball Regina will demonstrate the sport, answer questions and provide an introductory lesson. If you live in the area, please come to show support for the court conversion!

There has been no decision made by the City regarding which two synthetic-surfaced tennis courts (Douglas Park or Lakeview) will be converted to provide the second set of six dedicated pickleball courts. We look forward in the near future to having 12 dedicated outdoor Pickleball courts for our rapidly growing membership to enjoy.

Note – there are now 584 members of Pickleball Regina Inc.!

Welcome back Snowbirds and Hello Spring!