

THE INSIDER

Learn, Play, And Grow Together!

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1. Pickleball Canada National System - Launched!

Pickleball Canada has launched a fully integrated system for pickleball clubs across Canada. The Pickleball Canada National System (PCNS) brings together many of the independent systems now being used into one single integrated system. Saskatchewan converted to the new system with the membership and website modules in early March 2021.

All Saskatchewan memberships (both active and those recently expired) were converted to the new system. Those that expired prior to Jan 1, 2020 will have to sign up as a new member.

Refer to <u>PCNS User Guide for Members</u> (stored on PRI's website) for an overview of the new system and other helpful information.

To login, join or renew, or to see our new website go to www.pickleballregina.ca

And here's the integration part - it's a two-way street!!

You can login or access your account from any webpage on the system (top left).



You can also access the website of your club(s), from the MY ACCOUNT dropdown, when logged in to your account.



My Registrations Fort Pickleball Club Pickleball Regina Inc. Login Information

Information from the current site has been migrated to the new site or archived so our history has been stored for future reference. Continued site improvement is ongoing and we welcome your feedback.

2. Health Orders Extended---AGAIN!

In case you haven't heard, the Saskatchewan Health Orders have been extended to **April 26, 2021**. They specifically state that "All team/group sports, activities, games, competitions, recitals, practices, etc. are suspended, including amateur and recreational leagues for all age groups." Anyone in contravention of these guidelines could be fined and should be aware that any insurance provided by Pickleball Canada is not in effect.

3. Summer Program Planning

The Programs Committee is hard at work building the schedule for outdoor summer play at the Douglas Park and Mahon Courts. Permits from the City are expected around mid April. Some repairs to the fencing are needed at both locations due to the windstorm in the winter.

4. Pickleball Brackets - Creating an Account

If you plan to participate in PRI's ladder (shootout) leagues in future or play in a tournament, you can Sign Up now. PRI will no longer be using Clique and Club, so you will need to set up a new profile in the Pickleball Brackets system.

*Note that this is a 3-part process – you must do all 3 parts to be fully enrolled. Refer to <u>PBB 3-Part Sign Up Guide for PRI Members</u> (stored on PRI's website) for step-by-step instructions.

Summary:

- Go to https://pickleballbrackets.com
- Click on 'Sign Up' to create your Player Profile and follow the steps indicated.
- *Use same email address as you use with your Pickleball Canada/SK/Regina membership.
- For ratings see 6 d) on page 2 of <u>Sign Up Guide</u>.
- Once you "Complete Account Setup", you need to continue or login again to complete Part 2 find Pickleball Regina Inc and click on "Become a Member".
- Part 3 Update your profile with your Pickleball Canada member number and other details.

5. Training

- a) Introduction to Pickleball (New Horizons for Seniors, COVID-19 Relief Grant) the lessons scheduled to begin in November, just as indoor play was shutdown, will be held as soon as possible once play is allowed to resume.
- b) Introduction to Pickleball (Albert Park Community Association Partnership) a new introduction to pickleball four week program will be offered this summer at the Realtor's Park courts. Details and an opportunity to register will be available once permits from the City and permission from the Health Authority are granted.
- c) Skills Development a new lesson plan is being developed with the focus of preparing players to develop the skills that will allow them be successful in achieving a higher Club Rating. This program will be offered in advance of a future rating session to allow time to practice and be well prepared for the rating session.

Training inquiries may be directed to training@pickleballregina.ca.

6. Mark your Calendars - 2021-22 Tournaments

a) Canadian National Championship

The Red Deer Pickleball Club is excited and proud to host the Pickleball Canada National Championship 2021. The dates are **August 10 - 15, 2021.**

b) Saskatchewan Provincial Championship

Saskatoon Pickleball Inc. will host the 2021 Pickleball Saskatchewan Provincial Tournament. The dates are **August 28-29, 2021** at the new indoor Soccer Centre courts.

c) Western Canadian Regional Championship

The inaugural Western Canadian Regional Pickleball Championship has been rescheduled to **July 22 - 24, 2022** at The International Trade Centre, Regina, SK.

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Questions or comments:

Let us know at pickleballreginainc@gmail.com

Special Message:

"Although delayed, I would like to pass along my heartfelt appreciation to all of my pickleball friends for their ongoing care, concern, and many acts of kindness since my husband's passing. As we sometimes struggle to face our new reality without him, it is the love and support of our pickleball community that is helping to give me strength and helping me to move forward, however slowly that might seem sometimes. Once again, sending my many sincere thanks and hugs to you all."

Warmest Regards, Jane Powell