



THE INSIDER

Learn, Play, And Grow Together

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1. Join the Fun - Western Regional Championship

Pickleball Regina is pleased to announce that we have reached capacity with our registrations for the Pickleball Canada Western Regional Championship. You can still add your name to the wait list in case of any last-minute withdrawals. With over 300 registrations we are proud to host the inaugural western regional championship. Special thanks to the Organizing Committee for a super job!!

Free social on Thursday, July 21st, from 3:00-7:00 p.m. at the Viterra International Trade Centre at REAL District. Come join us for an afternoon of good fun! This will be a good chance for you to see the Viterra International Trade Centre all set up for the regional championship. Come check out the courts, parking, and find your favourite location to watch - by the courts or overlooking the courts from the upper mezzanine. Grab a drink, check out the food vendors and get ready to enjoy the weekend!

2. Invitation to volunteer - Western Regional Championship

Our thanks to the many volunteers who have already signed up. We still need more volunteers to sign up for one or more shifts, as we prepare to host the Pickleball Canada Western Regional Championship in Regina July 22-24, 2022. Click [HERE](#) to see the various roles and the detailed shift schedule on Sign Up Genius.

3. New Member Ambassador(s) Needed

Pickleball Regina is looking for one or more volunteers to act as our “ambassadors” who will help introduce new players to Pickleball Regina. This role responds to new member inquiries, coordinate “Learn to Play” sessions and promotes/supports new members through the various sign up processes. This valuable role requires less than 2 hours/week – if interested, please contact pickleballreginainc@gmail.com for more information.

Special thanks to Sylvia Ross for all your efforts, enthusiasm and energy over the past two years. Your leadership has made new members really feel part of PRI!

4. Congratulations!

2022 Canadian Nationals held in Kingston Ontario was well represented by Pickleball Regina members. There were 26 participants that brought home 19 medals, a very respectable number considering there was over 950 participants.

Congratulations go out to:

Ray and Johnny Greenwood, Gold in MD 3.5 and under category

Rick Beattie and Kevin Serle, Bronze in MD 3.5 and under category

Ray and Johnny Greenwood, Silver in MD skills 19+ and 35+ 3.5 and under category

Al Carpentier and Reg Lakness, Bronze in MD Skills 4.0 category

Dave Clarke, Silver in Mens Singles 35+ 3.5 and under category

Dave and Pam Clarke, Gold in Mixed 40-49 4.0+ category

Jason Duran and Rose Sawatzky, Silver in Mixed 50-54 4.0+ category

Carla and Ed Desnoyers, Bronze In Mixed 65+ 3.0 and under category

Maelyn and Johnny Greenwood, Silver in Mixed 19+ and 35+ 3.0 and under category

Jane Powell and Partner, Gold in Mixed 65+ 4.0 and under category

Reg Lakness and partner, Silver in Mixed 65+ 4.0 and under category

Pam and Dave Clarke, Bronze in Mixed skills 35+ 4.5 and under category

Jason Duran, Gold in Mixed Senior Open

Pam Clarke and partner, Gold in Senior Womens Doubles category

Lauren Henning and Audrey Joostema, Bronze in Women's Doubles 40-49 3.5 and under category

Pam Clarke and Partner, Gold in Womens Doubles 50-59 4.0+ Category

Maelyn Greenwood and partner, Silver in Womens Doubles skill 19+ and 35+ 3.0 and under category.

Maelyn Greenwood, Bronze in Women's Singles 19+ and 35+ 3.0 and under category

5. Queen City Pickleball Hub Celebrates

The QCPH passed a milestone in mid-June by celebrating their 1st anniversary. Congratulations from all PRI members! It's been great working with you over the past year.

6. Membership Update

PRI is pleased to report that our membership has reached an all-time high at 922members. Our thanks to you for supporting Pickleball Regina as we are one of the larger clubs in Canada. Your support provides PRI with a solid base for programming, volunteers and the ability to attract major events to Regina.

7. Summer Programs

We are pleased to report that over 300 members have registered for outdoor play for 2022. This is one of the highest sign-up rates we've seen in recent years. Click [HERE](#) to go to webpage with link to most current schedule.

While repairs have been made at Douglas Park, there are still concerns about the surface at Douglas Park, and fencing for wind screens at all outdoor courts. PRI encourages all members to contact your CityCouncillor to express your concerns or call 306-777-7000 to raise your voice about the need for wind screens and the condition of the courts. Click [HERE to contact your city councillor](#) and/or click [HERE to submit a service request to the City of Regina](#).

The indoor play schedule, fees and sign up for July-August 2022 at the Queen City Pickleball Hub is available [HERE](#). PRI supports these indoor programs at the QCPH.

8. Fall Program Planning

The Programming Committee is developing ideas for the fall schedule. Discussions will occur with the QCPH to develop a more integrated schedule starting in October.

The fee structure including the \$2 overhead fee will no longer be collected. For play at the QCPH, members will only pay the court fees based on whatever fee package you choose to purchase at QCPH. PRI Fees and operational funding will be discussed at the AGM in October.

9. Member's Code of Conduct

At Pickleball Regina, we believe that everyone should expect to be treated with respect, courtesy and encouragement. Our court etiquette policy reflects our views. All members are expected to understand expectations and play in ways that follow expectations. Where there are situations that can make another member uncomfortable, sportsmanship and court etiquette are important.

We are inviting all members to refresh your understanding of this policy with a quick review so every member can continue to play and enjoy pickleball. Click [HERE](#) to view.

10. Youth Pickleball League (YPL)

The YPL will run outdoors at Douglas Park for July and August each Wednesday from 1pm-3pm. Click [HERE](#) for details and to register. The youth league will continue indoors at the QCPH in the fall as well as additional opportunities for new youth players.

11. Mark your Calendars - 2022 Tournaments

Pickleball Canada Western Regional Championship

The Pickleball Canada Western Regional Championship is scheduled for **July 22 - 24, 2022** at the Viterra International Trade Centre, Regina, SK. For more information, click [HERE](#). Special thanks to our sponsors (shown as part of the Western Regionals on Pickleball Brackets) for their generous support of this event.

12. Annual General Meeting

The 2022 AGM is being planned for October 23, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. This will be an in-person meeting at the Atlas Hotel, 4177 Albert Street, Regina. Updates on PRI operations, fees and plans will be presented.

The Nominations Committee (Randy Dove, Al Carpentier and Marilyn Picard) is also looking for nominees for the Board as several terms are set to expire in October. If you are interested in learning more about the role of a Director, please contact rwd51@sasktel.net.

Meet your 2021 - 2022 Board of Directors

President – Reg Lakness

Vice-President – Randy Dove

Treasurer – Joyce Rieder*

Secretary – Randy Dove

Directors at Large – Al Carpentier*, Donna Loran, Georgia Hearn*, Murray Bennett, Marilyn Picard, and Steven Sagal*

*Term expires at the October 2022 AGM.

*Two vacant director positions

Questions or comments:

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