



THE INSIDER

Learn, Play, And Grow Together

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1. Regina Awarded the 2023 Pickleball Canada National Championship!

Pickleball Canada has awarded the 2023 National Championship to Regina! Pickleball Regina will host this premiere event on August 23-27, 2023 in two locations, the Viterra International Trade Centre and the Queen City Pickleball Hub at REAL District.

With the potential of 1000 athletes and 250 volunteers, this event will showcase pickleball, the fastest growing sport in North America. Events will include all ages, skill levels and provide competitive opportunities for athletes from across Canada.

Pickleball Regina will look to you, other pickleball clubs and the larger community for volunteers to help plan the event. With a history of volunteerism in Saskatchewan, we anticipate that people will step up again to help make this event successful.

2. Annual General Meeting

The 2022 AGM is being planned for October 23, 2022 at 5:00 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. Click [HERE](#) to register.

An update was sent to all members recently indicating the nominees for members' consideration at the AGM.

3. Statement of Shared Principles

Pickleball Regina and Queen City Pickleball Club officials have approved a "statement of shared principles" that provide a foundation for the organizations commitment to work together. Please watch for release of the document in the coming days.

4. Membership Fee Changes

At the Annual General Meeting, the 2022-23 Pickleball Regina budget will include an increase of the member fees from \$5.00 to \$10.00 effective November 1, 2022. This change is being proposed as there are operational expenses being incurred by PRI including: providing supplies of pickleballs, repairs and maintenance to the ball machine, supplies and equipment for the outdoor courts at Mahon and Douglas Park. The elimination of the overhead fee per program will continue.

With the fee increase, the annual membership fee will include: \$10.00 for Pickleball Canada, \$5.00 for Pickleball Saskatchewan and \$10.00 for Pickleball Regina, for a total of \$25.00 plus processing fee (\$1.81). This is still one of the lowest fees for the services available to play.

5. Membership Renewal Timing

It's time to renew your Pickleball Regina membership for the 2023 year. You will receive a reminder notice from Pickleball Canada on December 1, 2022 if you have not yet renewed for 2023. If you renew now, your membership will be paid until December 31, 2023. If you joined after Oct 1, 2022 your membership is good for the 2023 year. Log in to your account on www.pickleballcanada.org or click on the join/renew bar (upper left) on [PRI's website home page](#).

6. Pickleball Regina Membership at the Queen City Pickleball Hub

Recent discussions with the Queen City Pickleball Hub have resulted in an agreement in principle that to play in the programs sponsored by both PRI and QCPH, participants will be required to have a current PRI/PSI/PCO membership. Details will be finalized in the near future.

This is another step towards the continuation of our journey for both organizations to work together for the benefit of pickleball in the Regina region.

7. See the November-December 2022 Pickleball Schedule!

Through the collective efforts of Queen City Pickleball Hub and Pickleball Regina Inc., a combined schedule has been developed for pickleball, for the period when the Queen City Pickleball Hub closes for Agribition. Play will shift to Tuxedo Courts and Ecole Laval from November 7- December 16th. Schedules, sign up and pricing is available, click [HERE](#) for details.

8. New Member Ambassador

We are pleased to announce that Don McLean has agreed to take on the role as the New Member Ambassador for Pickleball Regina. This important role will help respond to new member inquiries, coordinate "Learn to Play" sessions and promotes/supports new members through the various sign-up processes.

9. Future Tournaments:

November 4-6, 2022, QCPH Fall Windup Tournament, a non-sanctioned event that wraps up the fall schedule. See pickleballbrackets.com for details.

August 23-27, 2023, Pickleball Canada National Championship at the Viterra International Trade Centre and Queen City Pickleball Hub. Details and registration timing TBD.

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Questions or comments:

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