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Learn, Play, And Grow Together

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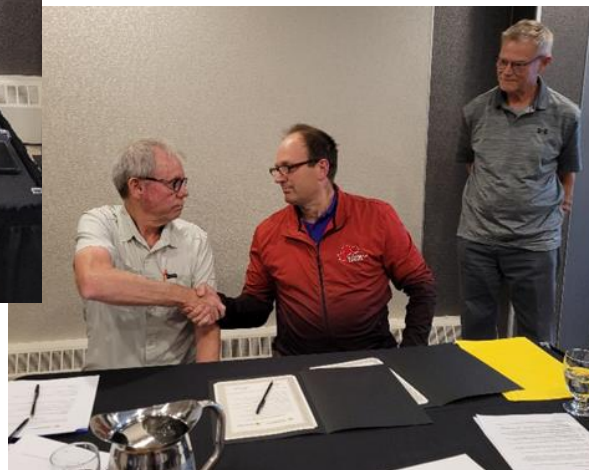
1. Annual General Meeting

The 2022 AGM was held on October 23, 2022 and attended by 43 Pickleball Regina members. Congratulations to the new Executive Committee:

Randy Dove, President
Steven Sagal, Vice President
Joyce Rieder, Treasurer
Colin McAllister, Secretary

Welcome to new directors: Ray Greenwood, Rik Katerberg, Colin McAllister

In addition to the usual reporting on the operations of the Club, Reg Lakness and Phil Greenwood officially signed the Statement of Shared Principles, a document outlining understandings focused on the promotion of pickleball in Regina.



2. Membership Fee Changes

At the Annual General Meeting, members approved the 2022-23 operational budget including an increase of the member fees from \$5.00 to \$10.00 effective November 1, 2022. This change will help cover 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.

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 fees.

3. Pickleball Regina Membership at the Queen City Pickleball Hub

Recent discussions with the Queen City Pickleball Hub have resulted in an agreement that to play in the programs sponsored by both PRI and QCPH, participants will be required to have a current PCO/PSI/PRI membership. Implementation details are being worked out aimed at starting January 2023.

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.

4. Member Engagement Survey

At the AGM, members suggested that PRI consider a member survey to learn more about the interests and expectations of the membership. A comprehensive survey has not been done for several years. Please watch for an online survey in the coming days and take a few minutes to complete and return it. The findings will be shared back with members. By completing the survey, you can help the Board respond with programming, training, etc. to enhance your playing experience in the future.

5. Getting Going – 2023 Pickleball Canada National Championship

With the the 2023 National Championship coming to Regina on August 23-27, 2023 planning has started as we have less than 300 days until the tournament starts. Murray Bennett has agreed to be our Tournament Director, ably assisted by Karen Rust and Steven Sagal. Randy Dove, Al Carpentier, Reg Lakness and Ray Greenwood round out the leadership team for the project.

With the potential of 700 athletes and 300 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. Registration starts May 15, 2023. Watch pickleballbrackets.com for details.

Pickleball Regina will look to you, other pickleball clubs and the larger community for volunteers to help plan the event. Watch for volunteer opportunities next spring.

6. Winter 2023 Pickleball Schedule

Through the collective efforts of Queen City Pickleball Hub and Pickleball Regina Inc., a combined schedule will be developed for the winter season. Schedules, sign up and pricing will be finalized in response to the member survey feedback and will be available soon.

Hosts are needed for all programs so please consider helping make members feel welcomed and understand how to participate in the various programs. Email admin@pickleballregina.ca to indicate your interest.

7. 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.

8. Future Tournaments

August 23-27, 2023, Pickleball Canada National Championship at the Viterra International Trade Centre and Queen City Pickleball Hub. Check out pickleballbrackets.com for details.

Meet your 2022 – 2023 Board of Directors

President – Randy Dove

Vice-President – Steven Sagal

Treasurer – Joyce Rieder

Secretary – Colin McAllister

Past President – Reg Lakness

Directors at Large – Donna Loran, Georgia Hearn, Murray Bennett, Marilyn Picard, Ray Greenwood, Rik Katerberg

Questions or comments:

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