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Happy Holidays!

On behalf of the Board of Directors and Committees of Pickleball Regina, we wish you and your family the very best over the festive season. Pickleball Regina has had an active year with membership growth, cooperation with the Queen City Pickleball Hub on programs and ratings and the success of the Western Regional Championship. With some new directors and changes in the Board Executive Committee, we are dedicated to meeting your needs and extending pickleball opportunities to many people in the Regina region. We are looking forward to the results of the recent survey where 493 members responded. The information will help develop future plans to better serve you.

Seasons' Greetings!



Renew your Membership TODAY – due by December 31, 2022

Keep your membership active to maintain sports injury insurance, continue to receive newsletters, eblasts, and stay connected without interruption. Membership renewal required before signing up for any of the PRI/QCPH winter programs starting Jan 1, 2023. Other benefits include tournament play, volunteer opportunities, and discounts on QCPH merchandise.

Go to www.pickleballregina.ca click on “Join/Renew”, then lookup your member number – choose Pickleball Saskatchewan on the drop-down, then review and update any changes to your personal information, then proceed to sign the waiver and process payment. Or log in to your account on www.pickleballcanada.org and go to “my registrations”, then click on Renew Membership.

The \$10 PRI portion of the Membership fees 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.

Celebrating 1000 Members!

Pickleball Regina is proud to announce that we have reached a milestone with our 1000th member. Having been incorporated in 2017, this is remarkable growth over a five year period. Congratulations to Dawn Martin on being the lucky person to be honoured by PRI!



Randy Dove, PRI President and Dawn Martin, PRI's 1000th member

Winter 2023 Pickleball Schedule

Pickleball Regina Inc. (PRI) and the Queen City Pickleball Hub (QCPH) are pleased to announce the 2023 Winter Program Schedule!

Some highlights in the upcoming Winter programs:

- Changes to skill categories for expanded program eligibility
- New programs for developing players
- PRI Host Volunteers play for FREE!

Visit the [2023 Winter Programs](#) page on the PRI website for complete details and the most up to date program information.

IMPORTANT: The QCPH has recently updated court fees for the 2023 season and introduced Prime Time hours Monday-Thursday, 5PM-9PM. There are many payment options available including passes, prepaid, punch cards and pay as you go. Learn more on their website:

<https://www.queencitypickleballhub.com/fees>

The responses from the recent PRI member survey were a valuable input when designing these programs. We thank everyone who took the time to respond, your feedback is important to us!

PRI members will receive a copy of the survey summary in the weeks to come. The Membership Committee is preparing this document for you.

If you have any questions, please contact us at membership@pickleballregina.ca.

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. 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.

Club Ratings

Pickleball Regina maintains club ratings for all active members. Having this information is useful when creating programs for members. It indicates the types of sessions we should offer and communicates to members what level of play they should expect in any program. Grouping similarly skilled players leads to some of the most exciting and fun games where the outcome could go either way!

Various sources are used to determine a club rating. When more than one exists, **the highest available rating is the one that's used for the club rating.**

These sources include:

- Skill rating assessments from PRI or the Queen City Pickleball Hub
- Rated PRI ladder leagues ([Pickleball Brackets](#) or [Global Pickleball Network](#))
- Sanctioned tournament ratings ([CTPR](#) or [UTPR](#))
- Existing club ratings

****IMPORTANT:** The highest rating from any of the above sources is what's used to determine your club rating, ***including previous club ratings***. That means that your club rating will never go down through tournaments or ladder play. However, if you do achieve a ***higher*** rating through ladder play, that will become your new club rating.

This information is also available on our [website](#).

2023 Pickleball Canada National Championship

Planning is continuing for the 2023 National Championship coming to Regina on August 23-27, 2023 as we have less than 250 days until the tournament starts.

Recently the official logo was approved and released. You will see this logo often over the coming months as we work towards the Nationals tournament.



With up to 700 athletes and 300 volunteers, this event will showcase pickleball for Canada. Registration starts May 15, 2023. Go to pickleballbrackets.com for more information.

Future Tournaments:

June 9-11, 2023, Pickleball Saskatchewan Provincial Championship, hosted by the Saskatoon Pickleball Club with play at the Warman Home Centre Communiplex.

July 7-9, 2023, Pickleball Canada Western Regional Championship, hosted by the Medicine Hat Pickleball Club, Medicine Hat, AB.

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

Meet your 2022 – 2023 Board of Directors

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Questions or comments:

Let us know at admin@pickleballregina.ca

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