



President's message February 2023

We are well into 2023 and things are already shaping up to be a tremendous year for the Red Deer Pickleball Club. Currently we have over 260 members-who renewed or are new registrations! We are well ahead of last year's record breaking membership totals. [Renew your membership today!](#)

I would like to start by thanking Dennis Bowness for finding and organizing a place for Winter play. We opened the courts in Bower Mall in early January and are receiving great comments. We are continuing to improve the lighting and working with the Bower Mall and Red Deer Electric. It's a great deal at \$40.00/month or \$5.00/session! Check out the [Bower Place Pickleball guide](#) for more information.

The planning for the Alberta Provincials to be held August 10-13 / 2023 at our courts in Red Deer is well underway. As always, we will be coming to our members to help make this a successful tournament. We will be sending out requests for volunteers in the future, and we are also prepared to start accepting volunteers now.

Speaking of volunteers, we will be having our 2023 Annual General Meeting towards the end of April 2023. At this time, I'm announcing that I will not be remaining on as President. I've enjoyed my time as President and I would like to see the club move on to the next level. We have some amazing people on the board with plans to keep improving the club.

We expect to have another increase in membership numbers this year and our Club continues to grow because we have such great facilities, but we also need great people to lead the club. Please consider stepping up and helping the Red Deer Pickleball Club.

Bob Philip

President

Great news! Mark your calendars-we have booked June 3rd and 4th for an opening club tournament. More information to come!