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Learn, Play, And Grow Together

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Winter 2023 Pickleball Schedule Continues!

Pickleball Regina Inc. (PRI) and the Queen City Pickleball Hub (QCPH) are pleased to announce that the 2023 Winter Program Schedule **will continue for March-April 2023**.

Some highlights in the Winter programs:

- Changes to skill categories for expanded program eligibility
- New programs for developing players
- PRI Host Volunteers play for FREE as recognition of the importance of the role!

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

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

Pickleball Regina Membership at the Queen City Pickleball Hub

You are reminded 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 a continuation of our journey for both organizations to work together for the benefit of pickleball in the Regina region. New or expired members can join/renew [here](#).

Respectful Relationships

Your Board of Directors and Committees are PRI members who have chosen to step forward and accept leadership roles on behalf of all members. We are asking everyone to remember that these people are enjoying playing, have families and some are actively working. The non-sportsmanship policy applies to on and off court behaviours. We are asking members to be more respectful of this group, provide feedback, ask questions and make constructive suggestions to improve the sport we all love. Questions will be responded to based on the policies and views of the Board. However, continuing to pursue, blame, nag and chase the leadership team is not considered acceptable behaviour. If you have questions, comments etc., please direct them to admin@pickleballregina.ca, not to individual directors or committee members.

Our appeal is to remember that if you feel strongly about your view, there are opportunities to join committees, be a nominee for the Board and join the leadership group. We are asking for your cooperation to continue to build the sport for the benefit of everyone!

Coaching Certification Clinics

Pickleball Saskatchewan Inc. has approved Level 1 and Level 2 NCCP clinics to be held at the Queen City Pickleball Hub in Regina this spring.

Dates:

Level 2 - (May 11 and 12; a two-day course with a minimum of 8 participants).

Level 1 - (May 13; a one-day course with a minimum of 8 participants).

Participants of these clinics will receive a \$150 subsidy from Pickleball Saskatchewan once they produce their certificate of completion.

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 220 days until the tournament starts.



With up to 700 athletes this event will showcase pickleball for Canada. Open registration starts May 14, 2023. Go to pickleballbrackets.com for more information.

Volunteers sign up is expected to start early April with descriptions of the many roles needed to support the tournament.

The Local Organizing Committee (LOC) has been working quietly to get things in place for the event including:

- Tournament details on pickleballbrackets.com
- Confirming key volunteers to lead committees
- Live streaming medal matches
- Host hotels (Atlas and Residence Inn)
- Officials' recruitment
- Medal design and approval
- Sponsorship
- Hosting grants
- Agreements with PCO, REAL and QCPH
- Equipment needs

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 Viterra International Trade Centre and Queen City Pickleball Hub. Check out pickleballbrackets.com for details.

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Questions or comments:

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