

December 2023 Newsletter

Upcoming Events

For Takhini Pass holders:

Our fall schedule is winding down. The last Friday evening pickleball at Elijah Smith before the Christmas break is December 15. So we have three evenings at Elijah Smith (Dec. 1, 8, and 15). We have two more Saturday's at Takhini (Dec. 9 and 16) and three more Sunday's (Dec. 3, 10, and 17).

We have secured additional gym time over the Christmas break at Elijah Smith school on Saturday afternoons from 2-6 pm. On December 23 and 30 we will offer two open round robin events, each 2 hours long. We suggest that stronger players consider signing up for the 2-4 pm. But we will leave this up to players to decide in which event they would prefer to participate. We will have a maximum registration of 15 per event. Please sign up for only one of the two round robins.

For all YPA members with a 2024 membership:

YPA is organizing a tournament-well actually three tournaments-on January 6, 2024. We will have:

- an open tournament (intended for the higher skilled players) from 9 am-12:30 pm at the CGC. The maximum registration is 20.
- Then from 12:30-4 pm we will have a tournament for intermediate players at the CGC, again with a maximum registration of 20.
- The third tournament will be at Elijah Smith School from 2-6 pm, with a maximum registration of 12 for novice players.

All the tournaments are "round-robin" doubles events. Games are to 11, win by 2. (However, if a win has not been achieved in 20 minutes, the game will be stopped). Final scores that go beyond 11 (for example, 13-11, will be standardized as 11-9 for calculation of total points. You sign up as an individual, and will be paired with a different partner for each game. Assuming full registration all players in the two CGC tournaments are guaranteed 4 games, and most players (16) will have 10 games. In the novice event all players will play 9 games, again assuming a full roster of 12 players.

Entry fee for each tournament is \$15. On the website, select "January 6 tourney" and then select which event: Open, Intermediate, or Novice. You will pay via the webpage. Be sure to have paid your 2024 YPA membership fee!

For Takhini winter pass holders:

Access in 2024 to Fridays at Elijah Smith school commences January 12. Programming at Takhini School commences January 13. The board will be looking at more opportunity for open round robin play in the new year, given the popularity of the open round robin at Elijah Smith. Stay tuned.