



THE INSIDER

Learn, Play, And Grow Together

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2024 Pickleball Saskatchewan Provincial Tournament



Pickleball Regina was awarded the opportunity to host the 2024 Provincials on June 7-9, 2024. Registrations started on March 22nd on [Pickleball Brackets](#). We will need volunteers so please watch for announcements about the roles and shifts required for your help at the tournament.

Outdoor Summer Programming 2024

Pickleball Regina has received the permits from the City of Regina for outdoor play at Douglas Park and Mahon Courts. Courts will be available for members daily from 8:00 am to 12:00pm and 6:00-8:00pm. PRI Programming begins May 1, weather permitting. The new, 12 court Douglas Park facility is scheduled to be available in early June. The PRI programs at Douglas Park will run on the old courts and switch to the new courts once they open. Indoor programming continues during the summer as well – see next section. If you have ideas for types of programs, would like to host or join the outdoor planning group, let us know at admin@pickleballregina.ca.

Indoor Programming Continues

Indoor programming continues at the Queen City Pickleball Hub. Various offerings for members are available in response to your interests and requests.

Go to [CourtReserve online schedule](#) for the current lineup of programs.

If you have ideas on new/different or more program times, please let us know at admin@pickleballregina.ca

Membership Renewals

Thanks to those who have already renewed for 2024. Still need to renew? Log in to your account on www.pickleballcanada.org to renew OR email membership@pickleballregina.ca for assistance or for your personal renewal link. With the summer coming, a PRI membership will be needed to register in either indoor or outdoor PRI-organized programs and for any PCO sanctioned tournaments.

Referee Training Opportunity

Spring will soon be here, followed by tournament season! We are organizing referee training and practice sessions in Regina. If you are interested in becoming more involved in our great sport of pickleball, with a front row seat to the action at tournaments, contact [Karen Rust](#), Head Referee for Saskatchewan.

Complete information on becoming a Pickleball Canada accredited referee can be found on the [Officiating Program webpage](#).



2024 Rulebooks

Pickleball Saskatchewan members may obtain a coil bound hard copy Official 2024 Rulebook from [Karen Rust](#), Head Referee. A limited number are available. The cost is \$8.00 if picked up (in Regina); \$12.00 if mailed.

A rulebook is great to have on hand for both tournament and recreational players.



Volunteer Hosting Opportunities

The strength of PRI is our volunteer base that continues to be the key to success for pickleball as the sport grows. With your support and involvement, new programs can be introduced and supported, training programs can be run with on-court coaches, and everyone wins. For more information on how to get involved, contact admin@pickleballregina.ca

New Members - Learn to Play

A reminder that Pickleball Regina Inc., offers a one-time two-hour introductory Learn to Play Pickleball session for new members. Loaner paddles, balls, and protective eyewear (if needed) will be provided. The cost is \$17.00 (plus processing fees) which includes court rental at the Queen City Pickleball Hub. For more information, contact training@pickleballregina.ca.

“Meet and Play” Success

Many newer members have mentioned that they are unsure where they fit in the PRI-QCPH programs. In response to this, PRI has started the “Meet and Play” program, to create a bridge between Learn to Play and regular programs. Feedback from members has been very positive.

After taking the Learn to Play, anyone is welcome to join the Meet and Play sessions. The goal is to connect new members with each other, gain confidence on the court, and help them find their way to other programs. Members are also provided with help as needed to understand how to use Court Reserve to access indoor programs for continued play. Contact training@pickleballregina.ca for more information.

Future Tournaments:

April 13-14, 2024, April Fools Tournament, hosted by Queen City Pickleball Hub. Contact rickbeattie@sasktel.net for details and to register.

June 7-9, 2024, Pickleball Saskatchewan Provincial Tournament, hosted by Pickleball Regina at the Queen City Pickleball Hub. To register, go to [Pickleball Brackets](#).

June 11-13, 2024, Sask. Seniors Fitness Association (SSFA) will host the 55+Games in North Battleford. For details go to <https://www.ssfa55gameshost.ca/> and to register for the Regina area, see [SSFA Regina 2024 Pickleball Registration Poster](#)

July 25-28, 2024, 2024 Pickleball Canada Western Regional Championship, hosted by the Vernon Pickleball Club, Vernon, BC. Contact vpatouraments@gmail.com for information.

August 20-24, 2024, Myoflex 2024 Pickleball Canada National Championship, hosted by Pickleball Nova Scotia, being held at the Sobeys Atlantic Tennis Centre at Bedford, Nova Scotia. Contact djohnston@pickleballnovascotia.com for information.

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