



Dear Red Deer Pickleball Club Members,

Subject: Exciting Updates, Upcoming Events, and Board Positions

I hope this letter finds you all well and eagerly anticipating the warmer days ahead. As we gear up for an eventful summer, I am excited to share some important updates and opportunities within our club.

First and foremost, mark your calendars for our Annual General Meeting (AGM) scheduled for **April 16th, 2024, at the Bower Kin Community Hall @ 6:30**. The agenda is attached or click [here](#). If anyone has a topic for discussion, please send in to be added to agenda. Please Note: for each issue to be addressed, a description of the issue, a proposed motion, and the rationale for each motion. To qualify for inclusion on the agenda, this information must also be in electronic form, emailed at least 14 days prior to the AGM to the President.

This is a crucial gathering where we will come together to discuss the future direction of our club, elect new leaders, and share our vision for the upcoming year.

At the AGM, we will be electing a few key positions within the board, and we are actively seeking enthusiastic members to step up and join us in shaping the future of the Red Deer Pickleball Club. Specifically, we are looking for individuals to fill the following roles:

1. **Secretary:** We have one candidate for the position of Secretary. However, it's important to note that this individual will be unable to manage the full year due to travel commitments in the winter to visit family. Therefore, we are also seeking a part-time Secretary who can fill in during the periods when the current candidate is absent. If you are organized, detail-oriented, and passionate about serving your fellow members, we encourage you to consider stepping up for this important role.
2. **Directors at Large:** We have one candidate come forward for Director at Large, and we are still looking for three more candidates to join our dynamic board. This is an excellent opportunity to contribute your skills, ideas, and leadership to the strategic direction and growth of our club. Some key areas are Communications, events, and public relations.

If you are interested in joining the Board or would like more information, please feel free to contact myself, at President@reddeerpickleball.com or Jonathon Strome at vp@reddeerpickleball.com

In addition to these exciting opportunities to get involved in club leadership, I am thrilled to announce two major tournaments lined up for this summer:

1. **Pickleball Alberta Pickleball Provincials 2024:** Save the date for the Provincials tournament, taking place from **July 11th to the 14th**. This event promises to be an exhilarating showcase of talent and sportsmanship, bringing together players from across the province.
2. **Red Deer Open:** Join us for the Red Deer Open tournament from **August 8th to 11th**. This tournament will offer thrilling matches and exciting opportunities for players of all skill levels to compete and connect with fellow pickleball enthusiasts.

Furthermore, we have recently launched our new website and are making significant strides in our sponsorship campaign. These initiatives are aimed at enhancing our club's visibility, resources, and opportunities for growth. Your participation, enthusiasm, and dedication are vital to the continued success of the Red Deer Pickleball Club. I encourage you to consider stepping up and joining our board, or to support your fellow members by attending the AGM and sharing your valuable input and ideas.

Outdoor Courts. We hope to open the courts up May 4th, 2024 however if the weather cooperates, we will strive to open the courts sooner. After a winter of snow, melt and wind the courts will be dirty, dirt and tiny pebbles accumulate over the winter if not removed properly will damage the surface therefore we will want to get those nicely cleaned before we open the doors.

Thank you for your ongoing support, and I look forward to seeing you at the AGM and in the exciting events and developments ahead.

Warm regards,
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