



# Chilliwack Pickleball Club

## April 2024



Well, it's been a little wet out there.....but remember the saying 'April showers bring May flowers'!!!! It's hard to believe that it is almost the start of May, but I know we are all looking forward to having things warm up and seeing the sunshine on a more regular basis. In the meantime, wonderful play sessions continue at the Landing and people are being creative in finding other outdoor locations to play now that the Portage courts have been permanently dismantled. The bidding process is also underway for our new dedicated facility behind the Landing, and we are anxiously awaiting more finalized timelines for its completion next year. We feel extremely lucky that our city will be providing us with one of the best indoor facilities in the lower mainland. It will definitely be worth the wait!

### [New Club Operating System: Pickleball Signup Hub!!](#)

The board is excited to announce that we will be switching over to a new software program designed by our very own member Shawn Iversen, on Monday May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Pickleball Signup Hub is a data-based program that will enable us to sign up to play, record our club in-house rankings, and much more. **This program will replace Pickleball Brackets for our club's everyday play, but we will continue to use Pickleball Brackets for tournaments.**

Although Pickleball Brackets is an amazing program, it uses algorithms that discourage members from participating in rating sessions due to the fear of going down. **We are so excited to announce that in the new system, your rating will not go down!!!** If you win more games than you lose in any one session, your rating will go up, otherwise it will stay the same! **This means that you have absolutely nothing to lose and everything to gain by going into club play sessions.**

Players often assess themselves very differently than what their actual game play suggests. The board feels that a player's ranking, within the club, should be based on actual performance of recorded games, rather than a subjective observation of one's own playing abilities. This also avoids the good opinion of others.

This new club ratings system ensures that club game results, and tournament game results, are also partitioned off from one another for more reliability in both club and tournament ratings.

We hope by giving our members an opportunity to participate in rating sessions, **without worrying about their rating going down**, it will encourage more players to participate. Of course, as we move forward with our new system, recreational play sessions will still be offered to those not wishing to participate in Club Play, and are happy to continue playing at their current rating position.



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You will notice that we will no longer offer 'Competitive' sessions, rather with the new system, people wishing to advance their ratings will need to participate in our Club Play sessions, that will begin the week of May 13<sup>th</sup>.

**We do encourage all our members to participate in Club Play at least once a month to keep their ranking within the club current.**

- With Pickleball Sign Up Hub, players will gain a .03 increment for every net win. For example, if a player wins 3 games and loses 1 game, their net wins will = 2 games. Their rating then would increase by .06. (2 times the .03 increment)
- If a player has a zero net win (won 2 games, lost 2 games), or a negative net loss (more losses than wins that day), their rating will not change.
- For the time being we will remove the required .5 differential limitation that was previously set for participating groups. We still believe that the best and fairest outcomes are when players are close in skill levels, so at this time we will be monitoring this closely to see if adjustments need to be made.
- Club Play will be offered twice a week (when time permits).

### What do I need to do????

- Login to [www.pickleballsignuphub.com](http://www.pickleballsignuphub.com). **All existing members will be transferred over automatically so do not have to Register, just simply Login.**
- If you renewed your membership after Thurs. Apr. 25, 2024, you will need to go ahead and click the Register button as your information was not carried over.
- **Username and password are the first part of your email address.** (Make sure you use the same email as you do for Pickleball Brackets. For example, [marysue@gmail.com](mailto:marysue@gmail.com), your username would be marysue. Your password is also marysue. Use all lower case.)
- *You are strongly encouraged to change your password after your first login. To change your password, click on the hamburger (3 lines) in the top right corner of the app, and choose Change Password. Then enter your new password twice.*
- Spend some time getting familiar with the site. Perhaps try signing in and out of some events and testing it out before it goes live on May 6<sup>th</sup>.
- **All signup for play on and after Monday May 13<sup>th</sup> will be on Pickleball Signup Hub only.** (You will no longer OPT IN on Pickleball Brackets for sessions after May 12<sup>th</sup>). You will be able to sign up for events one week in advance on the new system.
- If you have any problems, please email Carol Hart [treasurer@chillpb.com](mailto:treasurer@chillpb.com).

Please remember that your hosts at the club will also be available to help you navigate this new system.



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### Upcoming sessions:

#### **Beginner's Play:**

We are thrilled to announce that Beginner's Play will continue throughout the months of May & June, [Tuesday's](#), 3.00pm-5.00pm. **Please note the new time.** Ed will be hosting the sessions and will be available to answer any questions you may have, as well as offer advice.

#### **King Of the Half-Court Singles:**

Join us for King of the half-court singles on [Thurs. May 30th, 3.00pm-5.00pm](#). Only 12 spots available so be ready to OPT IN one week in advance. Format will be timed games. The goal is to make your way to the top net and win the final game to be crowned King of the Court. This is a Coed event, so who knows we may be crowning a Queen of the Court!

#### **Coed Ladder League:**

The Coed Ladder League will continue to run on [Tuesday's, 12.30pm-2.45pm](#). Players can join the ladder at any point throughout the 8-week session but will lose a spot for every week missed.

#### **Partner Drills:**

Partner Drills return for the month of May. Come join Raymond and Carol and work on your skills. You may follow along with their suggested drills, or work on your own drills. This session is for players at a 3.0 and over club rating. Only one partner needs to OPT IN. Cost \$5.00 each player. When: [Thurs. May 2nd, 9th & 16th, 3.00pm-5.00pm](#).

### **2.0 & Beginner's Ladder League: Session 2**

#### **When will the Ladder League start & finish?**

The ladder league will start on Mon May 6th and run for 8 weeks until Jun 24th. Time: 1.15pm-3.15pm.

**What is the cost?** Normal fob in every week.

**Who can play?** The league is open to all members who have a rating of 2.0 and under. The aim is for all players to enjoy playing pickleball with other players of a similar skill level.

**Do I need to attend all 8 weeks?** No, players do not have to commit to playing all 8 weeks but there will be a 1 place ranking penalty for missed weeks. Players can also start mid-session but will incur the 1 spot penalty for each week they missed.

#### **How does the ladder work?**

- Players will be placed in groups of 4-5 with other players closest to them in ranking.
- Format is a round robin. Groups of 4 will play games to 15 win by 2. Groups of 5 will play games to 11 win by 2. One 1min timeout per team per game.
- After play is finished, player's scores are entered. The rankings are recalibrated for the next week and the top player of the group will move up and the bottom player will move down.
- Scores will all also be entered against your club play ratings.
- If a player misses a week then they will incur a 1 spot penalty.
- After the 8 weeks are complete there will be two prizes awarded. One for the player who finishes at the top of the ladder and one for the player who has the most wins. If it happens that the Ladder Leader has the most wins then it will go to the player who has the second most wins. If there is a tie then a point differential tie breaker will be used to determine the winner.



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**How do I register?** You must OPT IN on Pickleball Brackets for week 1 (May 6<sup>th</sup>) and then on Pickleball Signup Hub thereafter, one week in advance up to 2hrs before play commences.

If you cannot play, then you must OPT OUT 2hrs before play commences. It is very important to arrive on time so not to delay play.

**What happens when the round robin is finished?** Players may continue playing socially and mixing with other player's one court up or down. Players are expected to play for the entire 2hour session. Please be considerate of all players and do not leave your court short of players by leaving early.

**Lastly, have fun and see you on the courts.**

### That's a Wrap!

Session 1 of our Beginner's Ladder league wrapped up this week. Lots of great play and fun was had by all 40 of our participants and after 9 weeks of play, the player on the top rung was Dan Miles. The player with the most wins was Henriette Heetebrij! Congratulations to both our winners, and all the other participants, hopefully we will see you again in Session 2, that starts next week!



### Safety Reminders

Just a quick reminder about on-court safety. Please keep in mind that some of our members may not be as mobile as others, so please be selective when choosing to lob the ball during play. Our cement floors are unforgiving, so please refrain from running backwards as well! Turn first to go chase down the ball....or just let it go!!

As well as hard floors, we also play with a hard ball, so we recommend that members wear safety glasses when playing to help protect your eyes.



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### Membership Corner

We continue to be amazed at our members that our still going strong and playing great pickleball well into their senior years!! This month we chat with another of our 80+ members, Jerry Reimer.

**Name:** Jerry Reimer

**Age:** 80

**Beginning the journey:** Jerry has been a long-time club member and has been playing pickleball now for about 12 years. He first started his playing journey at the Evergreen Hall prior to the Club moving over to the Landing. It was Ken Witt, a past club president, that first introduced Jerry to the game. Ken thought it might be something Jerry would enjoy...and he was right!

**Previous sports or activities:** Jerry always enjoyed lots of sports over his lifetime and refers to himself as a 'Sports Nut"! As a kid he played soccer and baseball and was on the Greendale Babe Ruth championship team with Peter Hooge for 2 or 3 years. In High school, Jerry also played varsity volleyball and basketball. Along with tennis and table tennis, Jerry also played 'Beer League' hockey for over 25 years!

**Current activities:** Besides pickleball, of course, Jerry likes to get out on the golf course in the warmer months....the jury is still out as to which of the two he likes best! He also enjoys biking on all the wonderful trails we have here around Chilliwack.

**Favourite and least favourite thing about pickleball:** Jerry has always enjoyed racquet sports and feels grateful to have been introduced to pickleball. One of his favourite things about the sport is that it can be played at so many different levels and enjoyed by so many different people. His least favourite thing is that he feels slower and less quick than he did years ago.....but doesn't fault the game for that....just the years!!!!

**What's your secret?** Jerry feels that you need to KEEP playing...don't take a 'sabbatical' from pickleball. Rather just remember to 'act your age' and not go for shots that are risky for your health. Instead, make it up on the next point!

**Any parting words?** Pickleball is a significant part of Jerry's life, now that his years are ticking on, and it's what he feels has been helping him to keep reasonably fit. He feels he gets to play a game that he really enjoys, and at the same time, has the opportunity to meet and compete with many wonderful younger people.....so, get out there and play!!!

**Thank you so much for your time and wonderful words of advice, Jerry!  
See you out on the courts!**

**Here's wishing you many, many more healthy, happy Pickleball years!!**





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### Congratulations:

**Men's/Women's Ladder Leagues:** This month we saw the wrap-up of our Men's and Women's Ladder League play. As much of our play at the club is CoEd in nature, it was a wonderful opportunity to play gender-based competitive matches. Participation was excellent and many players mentioned how much they enjoyed themselves over the 8 weeks. Congratulations goes out to Brian Bruinink, who finished on top of the men's ladder, and to Ray Steigvilas for being the player with the most wins. For the ladies' league, congratulations goes to Carrie Klassen who ended up on the top rung, and to Kathy Isaac who finished with the most wins.



### **Mixed Ladder League:**

Our Mixed Ladder League wrapped up this month as well, and was also a great success. Congratulations go out to Lisa and Greg DeVries who ended up in the top spot of the 18 teams that participated, and to Carol and Ray Hart who ended up with the most wins!





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**Tournaments:** Tournament season has started, and as usual, some CPC members have been out competing hard and doing an excellent job representing our club! Congratulations goes out to the following medal winners, and also to all of those didn't quite make the podium....this time!!!

*Dan and Jodie Vanthournout: Silver, 3.5 Mixed, Clackamus, Oregon*

*Jodie Vanthournout and partner: Gold, 3.5 Women's, Clackamus, Oregon*

*Alistair Hart and partner: Silver, 4.5 Men's, Wenatchee, Washington*



*Linda and Doug Margison: Gold, 3.0 (70+), Tulip Tussle, Mount Vernon, Wash.*

*Wayne Desjardins and partner: Gold, 3.0 (60-69), Tulip Tussle, Mount Vernon, Wash.*

*Karen Ng and Lili Blackwell: Bronze, 3.5 (40-49), Tulip Tussle, Mount Vernon, Wash.*

*Carol Hart and Kathy Isaac: Gold, 4.0 (60+), Tulip Tussle, Mount Vernon, Wash.*

*Stephane Hamel and partner: Bronze 4.5 (40-49), Tulip Tussle, Mount Vernon, Wash.*

*Jeremy Spurgeon and Michelle Davey: Gold 4.5 (40-53), Tulip Tussle, Mount Vernon*

*Caelan Sampson and partner: Silver 4.5 (19-30), Tulip Tussle, Mount Vernon*





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### Merchandise/Paddle table

Just a reminder that on Mondays we have the Member's merchandise table available. So far it has been a great success for members who have had success selling their personal items. The table will continue to be open for any of our members to display any pickleball related items that they may have for sale.

There are a few rules regarding putting items out for sale:

1. Items must be pickleball related
2. You must put out your product when you arrive, and take it back with you when you leave that day
3. Items must be clearly marked with the price, your name, and phone number so that you can be contacted. (People will be able to connect with you at the end of play when you are coming back to the table to collect your items)

### Supporting our Community

This month Lyle and his band of volunteers hosted another "Teach the Teacher" event during SD33's Professional development day. Over 20 teachers attended the session and had fun learning the basics of pickleball so they can pass it along to their students. Along with teaching the teachers, our club also hosted another Grade 6 group from Rosedale elementary/middle school. The students had a great time! It will be so great to have our new facility next year, where we will be able to offer them a place to come and play as well!

A big thank you goes out to the following volunteers for helping with our community programs: Darci Reeves, Kirstin Stuart, Carrie Klassen, Brian Bruinink, Maria Fatkin, Jacquie Dick, Tim Alsop, Mick Lutz, and Andrew Hall!

Lyle, along with help from Ray Hart, also continued to run numerous Orientation Sessions this past month. Pickleball continues to be a rapidly growing sport and new members are constantly looking to join our club each week. A huge THANK YOU goes out to Lyle and Ray, for helping foster the growth of our club, and this great sport we all know and love!

Some participants from the last Orientation Session on Apr. 20<sup>th</sup>.







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That's it for this month's updates! See you at the club!  
Please find [May's Play Calendar](#) attached to the following page.

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### MAY 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				<b>01</b>	<b>02</b>	<b>03</b>
			10.30-1.00pm Rec Social	12.30-2.45pm Skills & Drills & Rec Social  3.00-5.00pm 3.0 + Partner Drills	12.30-3.00pm Mixer  3.00-5.30pm BYOC	Cancelled
	<b>05</b>	<b>06</b>	<b>07</b>	<b>08</b>	<b>09</b>	<b>10</b>
Cancelled	10.30-1.00pm Rec Social  1.15-3.15pm 2.0 & Beginner Ladder	12.30-2.45pm Coed Ladder  3.00-5.00pm Beginner Play	10.30-1.00pm Mixer	12.30-2.45pm Skills & Drills & Rec Social  3.00-5.00pm 3.0 + Partner Drills	9.30-3.00pm Tracy Bennet Clinic  12.30-3.00pm Rec Social  3.00-5.30pm BYOC	10.00am- 12.00pm Mixer at the Curling Club
	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
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