



# Chilliwack Pickleball Club July/August 2024



## Welcome to our Mid-summer Newsletter!

The weather has been wonderful, and I hope you have found time to get out and enjoy this beautiful place we all are lucky enough to call home! Whether it's on the pickleball courts, camping, boating, travelling, or just finding time to relax and spend with family and friends, we hope that you are feeling energized and refreshed! We are well into our summer play schedule and are happy to see so many people continuing to enjoy many of our sessions. For the remainder of August play sessions will continue as follows:

MIXER: Mondays and Fridays 9:00-11:30

BEGINNER PLAY: Mondays 3:00-5:00, Wednesdays 9:00-11:30

REC PLAY: Wednesdays 9:00-11:30

CLUB PLAY: Thursdays 6:30 – 9:00pm, Saturdays 9:00-11:30

Since our September calendar is not available at the time of this newsletter's posting, it will not be attached to this document as usual, so please make sure to check online on our CPC website ([chillpb.com](http://chillpb.com)) at the end of this month for September's new playtimes. (Sessions will also show up and be listed on your SignUpHub page as soon as they are confirmed).

## A.G.M. and the new CPC Board of Directors

Thank you to all of our members that attended the July AGM meeting. We were able to unanimously pass the important resolution regarding our new facility and are anxiously awaiting further information from the city on when construction might begin. We were also able to fill all of our Board of Director positions and look forward to another productive year ahead for our club. If you were unable to attend, a copy of the AGM meeting minutes are accessible on the CPC website.

The following are your current Board of Directors:

Lyle Simpson , President (2 year term)

Ray Hart, Vice President (1 year term)

Carol Hart, Treasurer (2 year term)

Kathy Isaac, Secretary (2 year term)

Fred Meyerink, Registrar (2 year term)

Cathie Session, Director at Large

Sheila Armstrong, Director at Large

Dave Barham, Director at Large

Shawn Iversen, Director at Large

Ed Nicholl, Director at Large

Ray Dear, Director at Large

A big thank you goes out to the above people who volunteer so much of their time to make sure our club continues to grow and flourish and be one of the best places to play this wonderful sport we all love. Thank you also goes out to those of you who are not board members, but continue to offer your time, and support our club in many other ways. Which conveniently leads me to my next newsletter topic (LOL) .....



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### Chilliwack Fall Tournament October 18-20, 2024

Calling all players and volunteers!!!! Time flies (especially summer!!) and before you know it we will be hosting our **Fall Tournament**. It is in the process of being set up on Pickleball Brackets and the following are some important dates:

**Registration Opens Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024** -Early Bird (Members only) \$40 + \$15/event  
(Non-members) \$50 + \$15/event  
-Late registration (**after Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>**)  
(Members only) \$50 +15 /event  
(Non-members) \$60 +\$15/event

**Registration Deadline: Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 pm**

On **Friday the 18<sup>th</sup>** we will be running Women's Doubles (2.0 +under any age, 2.5/3.0/3.5 any age and 50+,4.0-4.5 any age) and the Men's Scramble (2.5/3.0/3.5/4.0-4.5 any age)

On **Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup>** we will be running 's Men's Doubles (2.5 and under/3.0/3.5 any age and 50+, 4.0/4.5+ any age) and the Women's Scramble (2.0/2.5/3.0/3.5/4.0-4.5 any age)

On **Sunday the 20<sup>th</sup>** we will be running the Mixed Doubles events (2.0 any age, 2.5/3.0/3.5 any age and 50+, 4.0/4.5+ any age)

We will be sending out a call for all volunteers at the beginning of September so please keep your calendar clear and lend us a helping hand if you can!

### Congratulations!

As is the case with summer months, most weekends are filled with tournament opportunities and our members have been busy heating up the courts....and the podiums! Congratulations to all members who have participated so far this summer, those that were lucky enough to walk away with medals, and just as importantly, those who played hard, had fun and were wonderful representatives of our pickleball club! (Remember...it's not about the destination...it's about the journey!)

Here's a list (and photos) of some of our podium finishers, hopefully we've managed to get everyone but if I've missed you, make sure to send me your photo so I can include it in next month's newsletter.

*April Gardner and partner, GOLD Women's 3.5, 59 + under, Whistler Classic*  
*Wade Rathgeber and partner, BRONZE Men's 3.5, 59 + under, Whistler Classic*

*Johan Tolmie and Tom Windt, BRONZE Men's 3.5, 50+, Douglas Park Charity, Langley*  
*Elaine Vermette and Wayne Jones, BRONZE, Mixed 3.5, 50+, Douglas Park Charity, Langley*  
*Tom Windt, BRONZE, Men's Singles 3.5, 15-49, Douglas Park Charity, Langley*

*Ben Ten Cate Brouwer and Wayne Desjardin, GOLD, Men's 3.0 + under, Surrey Mid-summer*  
*Wade Rathgeber and Ray Pehlke, GOLD, Men's 3.5, 60+, Surrey Mid-summer Slam*  
*Johan Tolmie and Wayne Jones, SILVER, Men's 3.5, 60+, Surrey Mid-summer Slam*



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Sandra Verschuur and Cheryl May, **GOLD**, Women's 3.5, 60+, Surrey Mid-summer Slam  
 Bev Burnett and partner, **BRONZE**, Women's 3.0 + under, 60+, Surrey Mid-summer Slam  
 David Booth, **BRONZE**, Men's Singles 3.5 60+, Surrey Mid-summer Slam  
 Cheryl May, **SILVER**, Women's Singles 3.0 + under, 60+, Surrey Mid-summer Slam  
 Lili Blackwell and Dan Norman, **GOLD**, Mixed 3.0 + under, any age, Surrey Mid-summer Slam  
 Sandra Verschuur and Wade Rathgeber, **SILVER**, Mixed 3.5, 60+, Surrey Mid-summer Slam

Carrie Klassen and April Gardner, **GOLD**, Women's 3.0 +under, any age, Burnaby Shake&Bake  
 Samantha Johnson and partner, **GOLD**, Women's 3.5, any age, Burnaby Shake&Bake  
 Samantha Johnson, **BRONZE**, Women's singles 3.0 +under, any age, Burnaby Shake and Bake

Jeremy Spurgeon and Kathy Isaac, **BRONZE**, Mixed 4.0, any age, Kelowna Open  
 Carol Hart and Lyle Simpson, **GOLD**, Mixed 3.5, 65-69, Western Regionals, Vernon  
 Doug and Linda Margison, **GOLD**, Mixed 3.0, 70+, Western Regionals, Vernon  
 Rebecca Bramley and Michelle Davey, **SILVER** Women's 4.5, any age, Western Regionals  
 Lili Blackwell and Kate Klassen, **BRONZE**, Women's 3.0, Any age, Fraser Valley Open, Surrey  
 Jeannie and Brian Bruinink, **BRONZE**, Mixed 4.0, Washington State Senior Games





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## Out in the Community

We have many club members working and volunteering out in our community year round, helping those in need and less fortunate than most of us. Last month some of our members decided to organize a small, fun tournament in order to help raise money for the Inasmuch Community Society run by our very own, Kelly Rader. This organization helps refugee claimants get set up and settled into our Canadian culture. Lots of great play, fun, snacks, and prizes were had, and the winners, in the end (besides the charity!), were Darci Reeves and Dwayne Hanson. Congratulations!





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This year our club was contacted by the organizers of the Chilliwack Fair to see if we would set up a Pickleball demonstrations. On Friday, Saturday, and Sunday various groups of CPC members were organized to come and play for a couple of hours and show the public what this great sport of pickleball is all about. Lyle and Cathie Sessions were present all 3 days and were available to field any questions people had and explain how they could become members. Thank you to the following members that played and helped set up and take down the courts: Andrew Hall, Lara Caza, Wade Rathgeber, Shawn Iversen, Julie Fredette, Darci Reeves, Andrew Reeves, Brett Lovely, Jeremy Spurgeon, Sheila Armstrong and Alistair Hart.



Last month one of our sponsors, OK Tire, also put on a small invitational tournament for a group of CPC members. The first annual OK Tire Cup took place at the end of last month where players participated in a fast-paced, fun, rally scoring mini tournament. Fred Meyerink and Carrie Klassen were the winners and a big thank you goes out to Darci and Andrew Reeves for hosting the event and for their OK Tire sponsorship!!





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### Member updates and reminders:

Last but not least, a few reminders to help keep things running smoothly at the club:

We know we've mentioned it before but **PLEASE don't sign up for play, particularly Club play, unless you have good intentions of playing on the date you've signed up.** If you do need to pull out, PLEASE don't wait until the last minute, or morning of, to do so. Others that would have loved to fill your spot might not be able to rearrange their schedules, or to-do lists, at the last minute in order to make it in for that day's play. (Yes, there are waiting list people in the wings, but sometimes they all make it onto the play schedule and other spots are still left open.)

We would also like to remind you that, in order to be respectful to your fellow players, please plan to **stay and play for the ENTIRE play session.** There are two reasons for this. The first is that when you leave early, you often leave 2 or 3 people stranded on a net, unable to play. The second is that you have potentially taken a spot away from someone else who would have happily come and play the entire session. We realize there are exceptional circumstances that arise, but please be respectful of your fellow players as much as possible.

Remember....**it's not the Olympics!!!!** If you are frustrated with your play, or the play on the court you have a few options that are acceptable and some that are not. Lashing out verbally or taking it out on the ball or your paddle are unacceptable reactions in our Club. No game or score is ever more important than respecting your fellow players. If you are feeling that frustrated, maybe it's time to take some time off or look at drilling or taking lessons outside of regular play.

**PLEASE WEAR PROTECTIVE EYEWEAR!** We've had numerous times lately where someone has been hit by the ball (usually when it takes a funny bounce off the net cord, your paddle, or your partner's paddle). Luckily, the players that were hit were wearing eyewear! We all think it won't happen to us, but the more you play, the increased chance that it will be you next time. Please protect your eyesight.

Last but not least, please remember that our floor is hard cement and courts have limited room at the back, so be selective when choosing to lob the ball. A player's mobility, and the room available to them, may be limited and lead to potential injuries. Also, please call "BALL" quickly and loudly when you see a ball coming into your court or notice that the ball from your court may cause a safety issue for nearby players. (When waiting for a ball to be returned please make sure to put your hands up high, so that the person retrieving your ball can quickly, and clearly see, where to return the ball to.)



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