## April 2024 Newsletter #2



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# 1. May 10 (Elijah Smith), May 11-12 (Takhini) Brooke Siver- Player Rating Assessments

All 40 spots have been filled. We have sent out a rating assessment guide to give you an idea of what and how you will be assessed. As well. We are offering practice assessments and drills for all 10 groups from 2-4 pm on the four Sundays prior to Brooke's arrival. Note: if a player cannot attend the clinic please contact Jayme Curtis, jayme.curtis@hotmail.com who has a list of potential subs.

# 2. Friday May 31, Saturday June 1, and Sunday June 2- Mark Renneson -Clinics

DATE: Friday May 31 for Team Yukon pickleball for Canada 55+ Games (27 players)

WHERE: Canada Games Centre

WHEN: 3.5 players will train from 5-7 pm, 3.0 players from 7-9 pm

DATE: Saturday June 1 Level 1 NCCP Instructor training (Full)

WHERE: Takhini School WHEN: 8 am- 4 pm

**DATE: Sunday June 2** 4 skill clinics (each 1 hour 45 minutes) -details coming)

WHERE: Takhini school

WHEN: between 8 am - 4 pm

COST: approx. \$56 per clinic/per participant

SIGN UP: registration will be on-line via Third Shot Sports

Clinic 1 (8:00-9:45 am) for advanced players

Clinic 2 (10:00-11:45 am) for strong intermediate players

Clinic 3 (12:15-2:00 pm) for intermediate and strong intermediate players

Clinic 4 (2:15-4:00 pm) assessed game play, for advanced and strong intermediate players.

Players can sign up for a maximum of 2 clinics. Note: clinic 3 is the only option for intermediate players.

Clinic details will be sent to ALL YPA members along with a link to reserve your spot!!

## 3. Friday June 21 Summer Solstice Social – Mt Mc Courts

Several have expressed interest in volunteering to help with this event. However, there is always room for more. Please contact Brenda if you wish to help. <a href="mailto:brendadion1@gmail.com">brendadion1@gmail.com</a>

## 4. INDOOR PLAY at ELIJAH SMITH & TAKHINI SCHOOLS

Indoor play will continue into to the first weekend of June. Throughout May we will also be able to outside at Mt. Mc. Check the website for the calendar schedule. On the weekend of May 31-June 2 the indoor courts are reserved for Mark Renneson's clinics.

#### 5. SUMMER PROGRAMMING

#### i. OUTDOOR PLAY at MT MC TENNIS COURTS

We have been allocated more outdoor time than ever at Mt. Mc. this summer: from 9 am to 1 pm seven days a week, and from 5 pm to 9 pm on Friday and Sunday evenings.

Here is the schedule for the first month (May). In June we intend to start Pickleball Brackets ladder leagues, with one event on the weekend, and another event during the work week. Details on Pickleball Bracket will be provided next month. Reminder: to buy the Mt. Mc. summer pass at the discounted price be sure to register (on-line at our webpage) before May 1. Also, a work party to erect the wind screens will be held on Saturday, April 28, from 10 am until noon. If you can help, please bring snips (to cut plastic zip ties) and gloves. Tall step ladders are much appreciated.

Yukon Pickleball Association Early Summer programming schedule

MT MCINTYRE TENNIS COURTS							
TIME	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
9 AM- 11 AM	Round Robin Advanced (10) 2 courts	Group booking 2 courts	Round Robin Strong (10) 2 courts	Round Robin Intermediate (10) 2 courts	Round Robin Novice (10) 2 courts	Round Robin Advanced (10) 2 courts	Round Robin Strong (10) 2 courts
	Group booking  2 courts	Round Robin Novice (10) 2 courts	Group booking 2 courts	FACILITATED RR (10) Advanced/Strong 2 courts	Group booking 2 courts	FACILITATED RR (10) Novice/Intermed 2 courts	Round Robin Intermediate (10) 2 courts
11 AM -1 PM	Round Robin Open (15) 3 courts	Round Robin Open (15) 3 courts	Round Robin Open (15) 3 courts	Round Robin Open (15) 3 courts	Round Robin Open (15) 3 courts	Round Robin Open (15) 3 courts	Round Robin Open (15) 3 courts
	Group booking 1 court	Group booking 1 court	Group booking 1 court	Group booking 1 court	Group booking 1 court	Group booking 1 court	Group booking 1 court
EVENING	МТ МАС		ECOLE EMILY TREMBLAY		ECOLE EMILY TREMBLAY	MT MAC	
5 PM-7 PM	Canada Games 3.5 Training 2 courts Round Robin Open (10) 2 courts		Drills- + Ball machine (12)		Canada Games 3.5 training 3 courts	Group booking 4 courts	
7 PM- 9 PM	Canada Games 3.0 training 2 courts Round Robin Open (10) 2 courts		Round Robin Open (15) 3 courts		Canada Games 3.0 training 3 courts	Round Robin Open (20) 4 courts	

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(X)- indicates # of spots available for sign up

#### ii. INDOOR PLAY at ECOLE EMILE TREMBLAY

We have received permission to use at the Ecole Emile Tremblay gym two evenings a week, Tuesday, and Thursday, (5-9 pm) starting June 25 and finishing August 8. Note: Thursday evening is reserved for Canada Games training.

#### 6. PRESENTATION TO CITY COUNCIL

For several years, the YPA Board has been researching the possibility of building dedicated pickleball courts. We will make a presentation to City Council on Monday, May 13. (5:30 pm) requesting their support. YPA members can show your support by attending the presentation.

#### 7. MULTI RACQUET SPORT ACTIVITIES

#### i. KID'S CAMP

YPA again this summer will participate in a cooperative venture with Tennis Yukon, Badminton Yukon, Table Tennis Yukon, and Squash Yukon to offer kids a chance to experience a variety of racquet sports. This year three 1-week long camps will be offered. We hope that some of our soon-to-be-minted instructors will have an opportunity to participate.

#### ii. POLARETTES GYM

YPA will participate in a meeting in May to discuss the future use and design possibilities of the gym currently used by the Polarettes, by St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School. Given the short supply of gym space, we will press to ensure this space is retained as a gym, and hopefully with a design that considers pickleball needs.

## iii. MULTI RACQUET SPORT FACILITY

Several months ago, YPA informed the Racquet Sports Committee (RSC) that it would withdraw from participation from the committee. We felt that an indoor space where tennis and pickleball could be played concurrently would be undesirable, given the noise created by pickleballs (and pickleball players). It appears that the RSC's thinking has evolved. They are now proposing that pickleball lines could be included on the tennis courts. This suggests that the two sports could be scheduled at different times. We will attend the next meeting to hear how their proposal has evolved since we withdrew from the process.