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PICKLEBALL CLUB

NewsLetter

September 15, 2024

Welcome Back LPC Members and New Members!

We hope everyone has had a wonderful summer – it has been a great one weather wise! Over the summer we offered the “Youth Hot Shots” pickleball learn to play for 14 local youth. The Lacombe Pickleball Club was one of 15 communities chosen by Pickleball Alberta to present this program. The participants received a paddle, eye wear, a Hot Shots cap and 8 hours of instruction over 4 weeks. Special thanks to **Mary Ann Kolkman** for taking the lead on this initiative! See below for details on our youth/family PB evening coming this fall.

The Fall Pickleball season is fast approaching, and the Lacombe Pickleball Club (LPC) has lots to offer....

2024 Fall Pickleball Drop-In Play Schedule

Burman University Gym

Monday: 6:00 – 8:00PM. Commencing October 7, 2024.

JS McCormick School Gym

Monday: 6:30 to 9:00 pm. Pickleball Lessons.

Tuesday: 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Adult Play, Commencing October 1, 2024

Wednesday: 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Adult Play, Commencing October 2, 2024

Thursday: 5:30 to 7:00 Youth & Family Play, Commencing October 3, 2024

7:00 to 9:00 pm. Adult Play

Commencing October 2024

Signup for drop-in to JS McCormick times will be available online at Lacombe Pickleball club web site.

Participants must also be a member of Lacombe Pickleball Club, Pickleball Alberta &

Pickleball Canada. (This provides individual and club insurance for Lacombe Pickleball Club members.)

Information, Club Registration, and Drop-In sign up – Online Only @ www.lacombepickleball.org

To Contact LPC Email: info@lacombepickleballclub.org

Membership - How to join the Lacombe Pickleball Club.

Registration will open October 1, 2024, because registration after this date with Pickleball Alberta, and Pickleball Canada will be valid through to Dec 31, 2025.

To be a member of Lacombe Pickleball Club, players must also join Pickleball Alberta and Pickleball Canada. This can all be done with one registration through the club web site.

Current fees:

Lacombe Pickleball Club 2024-25: Adult: \$20.00 Youth: (age 8-17) \$5.00

Pickleball Alberta 2024: \$15.00

Pickleball Canada 2024: \$10.00

(There will also be a small administration fee added as you register)

Current membership renewals are due January 1, 2025.

Drop-In Fee is \$2.00 per person per night.

Learn to Play & Skills & Drills (2 Classes per Session)

Reserve Your Spot Today @ www.lacombe pickleball.org

Looking to be active and play the fun sport of Pickleball. Over the two evenings you will learn the basic rules and mechanics of the sport. Learn about transition zones and adding more shot variety. Recommended for Beginners, New Players, Unrated Players.

Time: 6:45 - 8:45 PM

Place: JS McCormick School, Lacombe

Min: 8 Max: 12 participants

Instructor: Patrick Galesloot (NCCP Level I and Level II)

Fee: \$32.00 plus Admin Fees

Session 1 - Date: Mondays, October 7 & 21

Session 2 - Date: Mondays, November 4 & 18

Power Up 1 and 2 (2 Classes in this session)

Reserve Your Spot Today @ www.lacombe pickleball.org

These two classes are intended to develop a player's skills at the intermediate level. Emphasis on strategies, and improved technique with volleys, block volleys, and doubles play. NOT suited for beginners or new players. Recommended for players who regularly compete at an intermediate level.

Time: 6:45 - 8:45 PM

Place: JS McCormick School, Lacombe

Min: 8 Max: 12 participants

Instructor: Patrick Galesloot (NCCP Level I and Level II)

Fee: \$35.00 plus Admin Fees

Date: Mondays, November 25 & December 2

Participants must also be a member of Lacombe Pickleball Club, Pickleball Alberta & Pickleball Canada. This provides individual and club insurance for Lacombe Pickleball Club members.

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LACOMBE PICKLEBALL YOUTH PROGRAM

The mission of the Lacombe Pickleball Club (LPC) is to promote and develop the sport of Pickleball for ALL ages. Beginning October 3rd, we will have a timeslot at JS McCormick School on Thursday evenings from 5:30pm until 7:00pm which is designated for "Youth and Family Play."

Youth aged 8 to 17 years of age will be able to play during that timeslot provided they have a pre-authorized Responsible Adult (RA), who is a member of Lacombe Pickleball Club, in the gym with them and the youth is versed in court etiquette and Pickleball rules.

Youth players must be members of Lacombe Pickleball Club (Cost \$5.00), Pickleball Alberta (PA) and Pickleball Canada (PC). For those youth who have participated in the Junior Hotshots Clinics, their membership is in effect until December 31, 2024. The drop-in fee of \$2/person applies to all youth and their accompanying RA.

The role of the responsible adult is to:

- Coach and direct the youth in court etiquette and discipline if warranted.
- Authorize medical treatment if needed.
- Monitor and ensure the youth member's safety from physical harm, sexual abuse, and mental harm.

Why This Approach? We are taking this approach to protect our youth, volunteers, and our organization. As our club is small, relatively new and run entirely by volunteers we do not have the resources available to have all volunteers take special training, provide criminal record and vulnerable sector checks. and ensure that we always have enough volunteers in the space with youth present.