



South Cowichan Pickleball Club



Spring has arrived signalling the start of another fun season of pickleball. We look forward to welcoming everyone back and extend a special welcome to our many new members. We've had a great response to registration this year with a total of 185 members so far, the total will be capped at 200.

League play begins on Thursday, May 1 and includes weekly scheduled events such as: round robins, men's and women's play, king's court, lightning, ladder, mixed doubles, partner play, skills & drills for beginners and a new event "organized open play". Please see schedule and registration info below and note that registration for the weekly events has now changed to 8:00 am on Sundays.

We've had very positive conversations with Kerry Park over the winter and look forward to a great working relationship this season. In January the board presented a PowerPoint presentation to the delegation requesting additional court time and maintenance improvements to the courts. On March 31st we received notification from Kerry Park of additional court time on Mondays from 5-7pm for the month of May and June. We are thankful for any additional time and will continue to advocate for more court time moving forward.

As of April 8th, the courts have been cleaned and the cracks filled. The painting of lines will be completed shortly. Completion of the shed is scheduled for the end of spring at a cost of approximately \$4,500.00 which is within the budget determined by the previous board. At the end of last year, we received a \$500

grant from Pickleball Canada to purchase pickleballs at a significantly reduced rate from Franklin. The funds normally allocated to the purchase of balls for this season can now go towards equipment for the shed. If you have suggestions as to the type of equipment or suppliers, the board would like to hear from you. Please email any member of the board with your suggestions, our emails are at the bottom of this newsletter. As per the request of Kerry Park they have asked to deal with only one person representing SCPC. Becky Warrington took the role on in January on behalf of the board.

Mark your calendars! National Pickleball Day is Saturday August 9th. Kerry Park has approved our request to have the registration go through our website this year to make the process more streamlined. Watch for updates as we get closer to registration.

Members are encouraged to help newcomers and the majority of us with memory problems by wearing your SCPC name tag to club events. If you don't already have one, you can order one for \$5 from the [SCPC Website](#).



**LEAGUE PLAY BEGINS THURSDAY, MAY 1 - REGISTRATION BEGINS
SUNDAY, APRIL 27 at 8:00 am**

Below are the current time slots and events we have planned for the months of May and June. Sign-up for these events beginning every Sunday at 8:00 am. For example, registration will open at 8:00 am on Sunday, April 27 for all events during the week of April 28 to May 4. To register go to the [SCPC Website](#), click on the "Event" tab, and click on "Weekly Events".

Monday:

- Organized Open Play 5:00 - 7:00 pm

Tuesday:

- Round Robin (up to 3.25) 9:00 - 11:00 am
- Round Robin (3.5 and up) 11:00 - 1:00 pm

Wednesday:

- Men's Round Robin (2 courts) 5:00 - 7:00 pm
- Women's Round Robin (2 courts) 5:00 - 7:00 pm

Thursday:

- Lightning Strikes Tournament 9:00 - 11:00 am (first Thursday of each month)
- Ladder (3 week commitment) 9:00 - 12:00 am
- Skills and Drills for Beginners 12:00 - 1:00 pm

Friday:

- King's Court 5:00 - 7:00 pm

Saturday:

- Mixed Doubles Round Robin 9:00 - 11:00 am
- Partner Play Round Robin 11:00 - 1:00 pm

On behalf of your board, we look forward to seeing you on the courts and making this pickleball season a fun one.

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