

OPENING EVENTS

A quick update for all on some important upcoming dates.



<u>MAY 3, 2025</u> BBQ & FUN DAY

Registration is now open for the BBQ

If you want food and refreshments make sure to register!



Registration for the "Play Event" opens at 9:00 pm Saturday, April 19

This is going to be a fun event run by Doug Flowers.

It will be a large round robin for all levels. Games will be 15 minutes each

Players will draw a numbered chit from a bucket for each time they play and then select their time and court based on the number they have drawn and the round robin books. After you have completed your game, you will go to the control desk to draw your next number and scheduled play time.

Note to participate in both activities there are two events to register in Court Reserve

Remember to bring \$\$\$s – there will be draws and prizes and other goodies on hand



LEAGUE PLAY (LADDERS)

Leagues have been created for both Ladies and Men starting on May 10, 2025 as detailed in the Schedule. For more information on league play go to:

https://secure.pickleballcanada.org/club/strathcona-countypickleball-association/1007/league-information/3965

If you do not have a profile on Pickleball.com (formerly Pickleball Brackets), you will have to create one. If you already have one and you wish to play in the league please email <u>Barbara.Mullen@scpa.ca</u> and I will add you to the

League.

Note, this year it appears that with the changes to Pickleball Brackets we can adjust past ratings therefore, before we add you to the league, we will adjust your ratings up to your assessed



rating (i.e., if your previous Pickleball Brackets rating is lower than your assessed rating). If your Pickleball Brackets rating is higher than your assessed rating, no adjustment will be made.



YOUTH PROGRAM

The Club is committed to growing its Youth Program and is once again accepting registrations for the Youth Program.

The Program is open for all youths 10 – 17.

It will run on Monday and Thursday evenings from 4:00 until 5:30 pm commencing Monday, May 12 through to the end of June. Monday will be skills and drills run by a Certified IPTPA Instructor and Thursdays will be round robin game play supervised by mentors.

All existing youth players will be eligible to register for all 8 weeks. This program will be advertised through social media to recruit new youth players to the club. If you do not subscribe to social media and you require further and additional information, please contact <u>Laurie.Sorensen@scpa.ca</u> and she will assist you.

All registered youth can also play in any open play event or an event offered at their assessed level.

MEMBERSHIP STATUS

As of April 19, 16% of the active membership are residents from outside of Strathcona County. The Board will be closely monitoring new members to ensure we do not surpass the number outside the County thereby exceeding Strathcona County expectations of no more than 20%.

From March 19 to April 19, the membership status has changed as follows:

New Members = 62

Renewed Members = 46

We have a total of 540 active members. After completion of the April 12 / 13 Assessments the number of members by skill level is:

2.5 – 218	3.5 - 164
3.0 - 127	4.0 - 31



Let's Play Pickleball! Barbara Mullen, President