

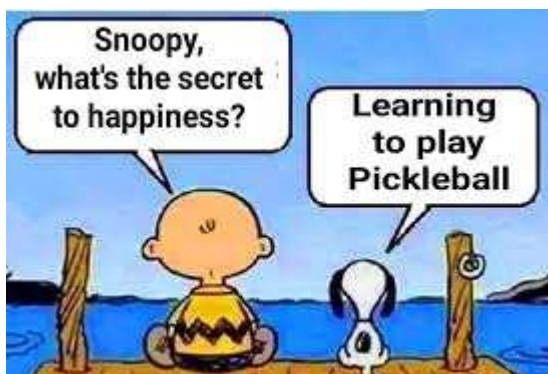


# Chilliwack Pickleball Club Summer 2025 Newsletter



## Welcome to our July/August Newsletter

Wow, it's already the middle of August!! Summer always seems to fly by, particularly if you are among those members that are not yet on the endless vacation time of retirement....take heart your time will come!! Regardless of how much time you have had, we hope that you have been able to take some of it to relax, and recharge, and enjoy the amazing weather we have been having. Of course, lots of us are trying to fit in as much play as possible and searching for those outdoor play opportunities whenever we can! Hopefully by this time next year we will have some dedicated outdoor courts as well as a new indoor facility (let's keep our fingers crossed!)



## CPC 2025 Annual General Meeting

Thank you to all of our members who attended this year's Annual General Meeting at the Chilliwack Curling Club on July 9<sup>th</sup>. (If you were unable to attend the meeting, a copy of the AGM minutes is accessible on the CPC website.)

We had a wonderful turnout, and it was a great opportunity to be able to sit and chat with each other over some snacks and a beverage, instead of just across the net! Our current board members were all willing to stand for re-election for the upcoming year, so at this time, there are no changes in our leadership positions for the club.



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The following are your current Board of Directors:

Lyle Simpson: President (1 year left in 2-year term)

Ray Hart: Vice President (2-year term)

Carol Hart: Treasurer/Event Organizer (1 year left in 2-year term)

Kathy Isaac: Secretary (1 year left in 2-year term)

Fred Meyerink: Registrar (1 year left in 2-year term)

Directors at Large: (1 year term)

- Sheila Armstrong

- Dave Barham

- Shawn Iversen

-Cathie Sessions

-Ray Dear

-Ed Nicholl



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. (A big thank you to Don Beer for helping run our elections!)

We were also very pleased to have had Darrell Lindout, from the City of Chilliwack, attend our AGM and provide us with updates and information about our much-anticipated new facility. The city is definitely proceeding with the new Landing Annex, and he was able to give us some timeline information and details, as well as answer many questions from members in attendance. The board is feeling positive about the direction of the project and will continue to work closely with Darrell, and



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city staff, over the next couple of months to iron out the specifics of the facility, and how it will be operated. Fingers crossed we will see something starting to happen behind the Landing later this fall!



## Chilliwack Fall Tournament October 17th-19th, 2025

Calling all players and volunteers!!!! The end of August is just around the corner and before you know it we will be hosting our **Fall Tournament**. It is now open for registration at [www.pickleball.com](http://www.pickleball.com) and the following are some important dates:

### **REGISTRATION:**

**Before Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025 (6pm) - Early Bird (Members only) \$45 + \$20 /event  
(Non-members) \$55 + \$20 /event**

**After Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025 (6pm) -Late registration**

**(Members only) \$55 +20 /event**

**(Non-members) \$65 +\$20 /event**

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





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(NOTE: Pickleballtournaments.com also charges \$5 US per event (max 2) for their processing fees)

## **EVENTS:**

On Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> we will be running **Men's and Women's Doubles, 50 and over** (2.5 & under, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, and 4.5 & over)

On Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup> we will be running the **Mixed Doubles, Any age and 50 and over** ( 2.5 & under, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5 & over)

On Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup> we will be running **Men's and Women's Doubles, Any age** (2.5 & under, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, and 4.5 & over)

We will be sending out a call for all volunteers at the beginning of September so please keep some (or all!) of the tournament weekend clear on your calendars and lend us a helping hand if at all possible! There will be a sign-up sheet posted on the whiteboards in the Landing lobby where you will be able to jot down your name and join our wonderful crew of tournament volunteers!

## **Fall Play Sessions**

Our reduced summer schedule at the Landing is continuing through August, but in a few weeks, we will once again be returning to a more robust schedule for September. A copy of the new September calendar (also found on our website) will be at the end of this newsletter, so take a minute to refresh yourself with what sessions will be available and, more importantly, please pay close attention to the updated start times!! Here are just a few important things to note:

**Club Play sessions:** Since we are still able to access evening hours in the month of September (this will end when other regular evening Landing programs resume in October), we have tried to allow as much access to Club Play as possible for our working members. Each week in September there will be an evening session for 3.0 and over, and another for 2.9 and under. These will typically be on Tuesday or Thursday evenings from 7-9:30, but please check you calendars carefully.

**Skills and Drills:** Skills and Drills sessions will resume again on Tuesdays (12:30-3:00) starting on Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Sign in/sign out requirements remain the same but please note that sessions cost will now be 2 play credits instead of 1.

**Partner Drills (with Coach Alistair):** These sessions will resume on Mondays in September, starting on Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>. **Levels 2.26-2.75 1:00-2:30**  
**Levels 2.76-3.25 2:30-4:00**



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**Women's Rec Play:** Thursday, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>, 12:30-3:00

**Men's Rec Play:** Thursday, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, 12:30-3:00

**Mixed Set Doubles:** Tuesday, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 12:30-3:00

**President's Mini Round-Robin Tourney, 3.0 and Under:** Tuesday, Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 – 1:00, followed by Coffee and Goodies in the loft at 2:30

**CPC Team Challenge:** Friday, Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 – 9:00 pm

Maximum 6 Teams consisting of 2 Men & 2 Women.

Winning Team from each bracket receives \$100.

**Teams must have a combined DUPR Rating of between 16.00-18.00.**

**There cannot be more than a 1-point rating differential between the highest and lowest rated player on the team. (Based on DUPR ratings)**

Only the Captain needs to register their team. In the event a sub is needed it will be the captain's responsibility to find a sub who fits the guidelines stated below.

**Cost \$100 per team.**

**Registration Deadline:- September 5th, 2025**

**CPC Members only**

Registration on Pickleball Canada. Only team captain needs to register and submit payment.

Ctrl & Click Link to register:- [CPC September Team Challenge](#)

**These team challenges are lots of fun to play in, and also entertaining to watch, so sign up a team or just come on down and cheer on your fellow club members!!!**

**Junior Drill and Play (with Coach Alistair): Starting Monday, Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>, 4:00-6:00**

Looking for some pickleball fun and skills to boost your game or you want to learn the game of Pickleball? Join Coach Alistair Hart for exciting drilling sessions every Monday!

For the experienced player get ready for 2 hours of fast-paced drills designed to take your pickleball skills to the next level followed by some exciting games. For the Beginner or less experienced player join Alistair for 1hr, 4.00pm-5.00pm.

Where: The Landing

When: Mondays – September 8, 15, 22, & 29, 2025

Time: 4.00-6.00pm

Cost: Just 2 play credits per session or \$10.00 for Non-Members

How to sign up: Members Opt-in on SUH to reserve your spot. (NB: The Chilliwack Pickleball Club and Coach Alistair offer our Junior's these sessions at a discounted rate, so we respectfully ask that if you opt in to play that you show up. No Shows will be docked 3 play credits.)

Non-Members, please contact Carol Hart ([treasurer@chillpb.com](mailto:treasurer@chillpb.com)) to register.



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## Congratulations!!!!

As always is the case during the summer months, it's been a busy tournament season, and once again many of our CPC members have been taking their talents out onto the courts! There's been lots of great competition, and congratulations to all those members that went out and gave it their all!!! Some were lucky enough to find themselves up on the podium at the end of the day and the following is a list, and some photos, of our CPC medal winners. (If for some reason your results or photos didn't end up finding their way to me in time for this current newsletter, please make sure to send them on to me a.s.a.p. and I will include them next month!!)

**BURNABY SHAKE'N'BAKE:** *Tim Alsop & Wayne Jones, Men's Dbls 3.5, 60+, GOLD*  
*Sandra Verschuur & Tim Alsop, Mixed Dbls 3.5, 60+, SILVER*

**DOUGLAS PARK:** *Lili Blackwell & Sam Johnson, Women's Dbls 4.0, 15-59, SILVER*  
*Tim Alsop & Wayne Jones, Men's Dbls 3.5, 60+, BRONZE*  
*Wayne Desjardins & Doug Ware, Men's Dbls 3.0 and under, BRONZE*  
*Brenda Delint & Wayne Desjardins, Mixed Dbls 3.0, 60+, BRONZE*







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**SURREY MID-SUMMER SLAM:** Carol Hart & Kathy Isaac, Women's Dbls 4.0, 50+, **GOLD**  
Cheryl May & Sandra Verschuur, Women's Dbls, 4.0, 50+, **BRONZE**  
Tom Windt, Singles 3.5, 50+, **BRONZE**  
Kathy Isaac, Singles 3.5, 50+, **BRONZE**



**KELOWNA OPEN:** Lili Blackwell & Dan Norman, Mixed Dbls 4.0, 45+, **GOLD**

**VERNON PROVINCIALS:** Sandra Verschuur & Sheila Armstrong, Women's Dbls 3.5, (60-64), **GOLD**  
Carol Hart & Kathy Isaac, Women's Dbls 4.0, (60-64), **GOLD**  
Sheila Armstrong & partner, Mixed Dbls 3.5 (60-64), **BRONZE**  
Carol Hart & Ray Hart, Mixed Dbls, 4.0 (65+), **SILVER**  
Dave Barham & Kathy Isaac, Mixed Dbls 4.0 (60-64), **GOLD**







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**KITSFEST TOURNAMENT:** *Dave Pinton & Suzi Inkman, Mixed Dbls 3.5 50+, GOLD*  
*Heather Johnson & Angela Mackenzie, Women's Dbls 2.5, GOLD*  
*April Graham & Suzi Inkman, Women's Dbls 3.5 50+, SILVER*  
*Kirsten Stuart & Sandra Verschuur, Women's Dbls 4.0 50+, SILVER*  
*Pam Christensen & partner, Women's Dbls 3.0 50+, GOLD*



### Hosting:

Some of you may have noticed a few new faces at the hosting desks during recent sessions. Please be patient while these folks get familiar with their new tasks and remember to thank them on their way out for volunteering their time for our club! Here's a few things to remember that help make the hosting job (for both new and old hosts) a little bit easier:

- please show up on time (which means at least 5-10 minutes before start times!)
- please refrain from entering the play area until the host is ready to invite you in
- if you would like to help with nets, just check in with the host to offer your services
- please refrain from asking the host questions before sessions start (ones that can wait until later on, or can be answered by reading the notice board, because they often have courts to organize, or reorganize, and it can be a busy time)

**THANK YOU!**





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### Our CPC Family:

For those who may not already know, the CPC has many players now well into their 80's!!!!, but you certainly wouldn't know it by the way they move around on the court! Over the last couple of months, we have had a few more members join this illustrious group of crafty, seasoned players. Below you will find their interviews and hopefully learn a few of their secrets to staying young and active! (Thank you, Ray Dear.)

### **Club Octogenarian Member:**

#### **Frank Dyck**



There are many fine gentlemen in the club and there is no one that epitomizes that more than Frank Dyck. Frank joins the rank of our growing number of 80 years old plus players. As with many of our octogenarian club members, Frank has an amazing life story that he shares in more detail in his write up that you can read in this [link](#) (This is just a synopsis of his story)

From escaping the Ukraine, birthed in Poland, and sponsored to live in Canada, Frank and his family have carved out a storied life. Frank is now retired and, lucky for us, an active member of the Chilliwack Pickleball Club.

Frank grew up playing multiple sports, and as an Educator he coached many teams and sports too. Frank retired as a High School Principal, the last of his 23 years in Agassii. He was introduced to the game of Pickleball first in Evergreen Hall and was promptly hooked.

Frank is an amazing player, with a bag full of tricks and the skill that keeps the youngsters he plays against humble and on their toes. At age 80, he is one of the top 30 players in the club and is often seen playing with the best club players and winning his fair share of games. If you want to know how he does it read his secrets in his article linked above

Frank has modelled leadership, kindness, sportsmanship, perseverance, dedication, and is a consummate citizen both on and off the Pickleball court. We are lucky to have him as one of our members.

Congratulations on your 80th birthday this year and Congratulations this November as you celebrate your 60th wedding anniversary with Marg, your High School Sweetheart and the love of your life. May God continue to Bless your lives now and in the future.



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### Club Octogenarian Member:

### Betty Hooge



#### 1. Tell us a little bit about yourself

- I was born and raised in Abbotsford.
- We have two daughters and six grandchildren.
- I was a receptionist in the Abbotsford School District approximately 15 years.
- As a teenager I had some health issues, so I was not able to participate in any sports. I grew up in a family that loved sports, and it was a big part of our lives,

#### 2. What sports were you involved in your life prior to Pickleball?

We had a membership at Ledgeview Golf Course and played there for many years.

#### 3. How did you get involved in the sport?

We spent a month every year in Arizona at a resort that had 30 Pickleball courts and we became involved with Pickleball there.

#### 4. How did you get involved in the club?

We were looking for a place to play and the club was recommended to us.

#### 5. What are the things you enjoy about playing pickleball?

I love the social aspect of the club. I have made so many wonderful friends at the club. It feels so good to be welcomed every time I come to play. Also, it is a sport that my husband, Peter and I can do together. At this age, I play to keep in shape and have fun.

#### 6. There are many physical challenges to keep active, especially playing pickleball. What is your advice to all us youngsters to be able to play pickleball when we are in our 80's?

Keep active as much as your body allows you to. Winning isn't everything at this age but just being thankful that I am able to play.

#### 8. Are there any other things in your life you would like to do besides playing more pickleball?

I love to quilt and spend many hours at my sewing machine. Also, volunteering has been a big part of my life.





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## Sponsors:

Once again, we would like to thank the following sponsors for their continued support this year. **If you are looking for services or products, be sure to shop local and check them out!** We also have a few spots that have opened for additional sponsors, so if you know a local business that would love to support our club and have their banner on a net, ( along with advertising on our website, newsletters and during our tournaments), then please have them contact Ray Hart at [Rayhart58@gmail.com](mailto:Rayhart58@gmail.com), or via text at 604-807-2533.



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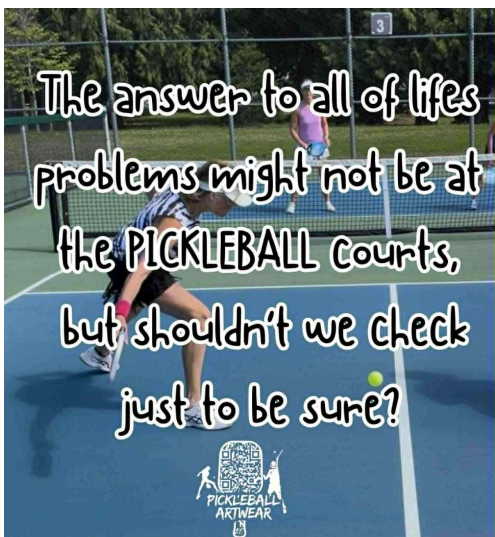
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Happy pickling everyone!  
Kathy Isaac, CPC Secretary