

LACOMBE ESTB 2023 PICKLEBALL CLUB

NewsLetter

**January 2026
Members!**

Happy New Year LPC Members and New

The start of another very busy PB Season! Be sure to **RE-NEW** your annual membership. The weekly drop-in schedule is listed below. We are pleased to offer more beginner and advanced clinics in the coming months.

Be sure to Sign Up for our LPC Social, February 21st @ the New Pickleplex in Red Deer.

2026 Winter Pickleball Drop-In Play Schedule

JS McCormick School Gym

Monday: 6:30 to 8:30 pm Adult Play
Tuesday: 6:30 to 8:30 pm Adult Play
Wednesday: 6:30 to 8:30 pm Beginners, Family and Youth Play
Thursday: 6:30 – 8:30 pm (Note this time has been revised to one time slot.)

Burman University Gym (Changed to Wednesday Nights) Adult Advanced Play

Commencing Wednesday, January 14, 6:00 – 8:00 pm

Signup for drop-in play at JS McCormick & Burman University will be available online at the 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@lacombepickleball.org**

Membership - How to join the Lacombe Pickleball Club.

Registration will open October 1, 2025, because registration after this date with Pickleball Alberta, and Pickleball Canada will be valid through to Dec 31, 2026.

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 2025-26: Adult: \$25.00 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, 2026.

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

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

Registration is Now Open @ 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 per session plus Admin Fees

Mondays, February 23 & Monday, March 2

Advanced Pickleball Clinics with the Pro

Registration is Now Open @ www.lacombe pickleball.org

Joel Pelletier will be back this winter to offer advanced lessons; each clinic will focus on improving specific skills. Please note: these sessions are recommended for players who compete at an intermediate/advanced level.

Time: 6:45 - 8:45 PM

Place: JS McCormick School, Lacombe

Min: 8 Max: 12 participants

Instructor: Joel Pellitier, 5.0 Nationally Ranked, IPTPA Level I Instructor

Fee: \$40.00 Per Session plus Admin Fees

Session 1 – Tuesday, March 10 “Finding the Natural Swing”

- The path to a better swing starts with unlocking something you already possess
- Allowing the swing to become your footwork

Session 2 – Tuesday, March 17 “The Mental Game” (Full Details on Website)

- Creating a game script
- Building routine into your game
- Using the power of “if/then” statements to start feeling more prepared on the court

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Experience the New Indoor Pickleball Facilities

LPC has reserved courts @ the Red Deer Pickleplex !

Saturday, February 21, 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Individuals will be able to sign up directly with Pickleplex!

Watch for a Link to Register on our LPC Website.

A fun social event for LPC Club Members.

Hope to See You There!

LACOMBE PICKLEBALL YOUTH PROGRAM

The mission of the Lacombe Pickleball Club (LPC) is to promote and develop the sport of Pickleball for ALL ages. A timeslot is reserved at JS McCormick School on Wednesday evenings, 6:30 – 8:30 pm for “Youth and Family Play” along with Adult Beginner Players.

Youth aged 8 to 17 years of age will be able to play during that timeslot provided they are accompanied with a 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 – Advanced Skilled Players (See Below for new Directions from Lacombe Pickleball Board of Directors).

Youth players must be members of Lacombe Pickleball Club (Cost \$5.00), Pickleball Alberta (PA) and Pickleball Canada (PC). 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. 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.

Youth Playing During Adult Sessions

December 9, 2025, LPC - The Board passed the following directives with respect to youth player development and safe play:

- Youth players (14+) accompanied by an adult, are encouraged to participate in Family Play on the designated evening where a mentor will be present; and
- Skilled youth players may request permission to accompany an adult during an Advanced Adult session by emailing info@lacombspickleball.org. Individuals will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis to determine appropriate skill level for continued attendance in the Advanced Adult sessions.



Save The Date

Phyllis Obst Lacombe Pickleball

Third Annual Members Only Tournament

Sunday, May 3 @ Burman University, 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

A fun tournament to celebrate our 2025/26 Indoor Season!
All Members Welcome – Be Active! Have Fun! Meet Friends!