

Mesa Regal Pickleball Club

Weekly Announcements - November 29, 2015

www.mesaregalpickleballclub.wordpress.com

We continue to ask for your suggestions and feedback to what is going on in our club to help make the club even better. We have the suggestion box on the bulletin board or speaking to a Board member as avenues to share your ideas. Thanks to Russ Bracewell, we now have an email address that you can send those suggestions to if it is easier for you. If you have ideas you would like to share with the Board, email suggestion@mrpickleballclub.com and the Board will discuss your suggestion and let you know what the decision was. Our VP, Pat Porter will receive this email, he can also be contacted by phone 509-308-1937 or by personal email sportport1@msn.com.

Remember to fill in a **membership form** this year if you haven't already done so. Stats for our membership as of today are:

- 257 Membership forms filled in
- 106 of these are new members - **WELCOME to the MRPBClub!!**

Please check out the lists on the pickleball table (as of Nov 22) for any corrections...if you are **NOT** on the list, **you haven't filled in a 2015-16 membership form** (unless you filled one out in this last week)!

Scheduled Play for this Week

Thank you for wearing your Name Badge!!

Mon, Tues, Thurs-Sunday 7:30-10:30 & Wed. 7:30-9:30 Open play

Monday - 10:30-12:30 Beginner Lessons (sign up on bulletin board, limit 8)

2:00-3:30 Men's 3.5 & 3.75 Play - (courts 4-7) email Lorne Johnson nmjohanson@shaw.ca for more information or sign up

6:00-8:00 p.m. Beginners Mixed Social (Guys & Gals, drop in - courts as needed)

Tuesday - 10:30-12:30 Ladies Intermediate Social play - (drop in - all courts)

3:30-5:30 Interpark 4.0+ play (courts 3-7)

6:00-8:00 Interpark 2.5 & 3.0 play (courts 4-7)

Wednesday - Ladders - 9:30-11:00 & 11:00-12:30. (arrive 15 min early - all courts)

6:00-8:00 p.m. Beginners Mixed Social (Guys & Gals drop in - courts as needed)

Thursday - 10:30-12:30 Ladies Intermediate Social play - (drop in - all courts)

2:30-5:00 Interpark 3.5 play (courts 4-7)

Friday - 10:30-12:30 - Beginner 2 lessons (must have taken beginner lesson, sign up on bulletin board, limit 8)

1:00-3:00 p.m. Challenge Courts for 2.5 & 3.0- (guys & gals drop in, courts as needed).

Recycle Cans Friday...bring those crushed cans down in the morning for the club. **please take cans out of the plastic bags and add to the big bin.****

INTERPARK PLAY

Thanks to all the volunteers who are running Interpark Play. We have three different times in our park scheduled for Interpark Play. It is a great opportunity for Mesa Regal club members to play people with similar pickleball skills from other parks. Come on down and watch some really good pickleball. If you are interested in joining a group you can contact one of our great volunteers.

4.0+ David Liem - deliem2000@gmail.com

3.5 Dale Hartman - Hartman@sonic.net

2.5/3.0 Eric Phillips - skippy3@hotmail.com

Thanks to all of you for volunteering your time to organize Interpark Play!!

LADDERS

Just a reminder that everyone should **check in 15 minutes prior to your start time**. All players are responsible for finding their own subs who should be of similar skill level. If you cannot find a sub please contact Cindy at cjphill@gmail.com or Noella at nmjohanson@shaw.ca

Mark your calendars.....the following dates Ladders will be cancelled:

Dec 9 - Mesa Regal Tourney

Dec 23 & 30 - Christmas holidays

Ladders will resume on Jan 6th, 2016 with the current 11:00 group starting at 9:30 and the current 9:30 group starting at 11:00 for the month of January. **THANKS Cindy and Noella for organizing this for our club members!!**

CHALLENGE COURTS

Friday challenge courts from 1-3 pm are **for 2.5 and 3.0 levelled players**. If you are a 3.5 level player, please look for other scheduled activities to participate in. If you are unsure of your skill rating, please contact Maurice Michaud or Nancy Stern at mauricemichaud1@gmail.com or ndstern@shaw.ca for clarification.

Thanks to Dave Morgan for testing out 3.5 & 4.0+ challenge court during open play on Fridays in November. While there was great interest, we are **hoping that a volunteer comes forward** to run a scheduled Challenge court for 3.5+ players to provide an opportunity for those who are above the 3.0 level to play challenge. Feel free to speak to any board member regarding adding a time on the schedule to organize 3.5+ challenge court play.

STEVE JUDY MESA REGAL PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT - Dec. 7-9

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are in need of volunteers to set up for the tournament on Saturday December 5 commencing at 2:30 PM. We will require as many people as can be available for the following duties:

Moving tables, chairs and umbrellas from the deck to the grassy area down below, hauling and distributing tables, chairs, coolers, barbeque, etc. from the loan

center, cleaning and washing courts and whatever else needs to be completed for Monday morning (tournament start).

Please arrive at the courts on Saturday, December 5th at 2:30 if you can help out.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Referees will be needed throughout the three days of our tournament but we **need 11 people to commit** to refereeing first thing in the morning each day. If you can commit to being at the courts to referee on either/all Mon., Tue., Wed. mornings at 7:45, please email Gail & Jack at gailmiller@bendcable.com & jderlein@gmail.com so they can assign courts for the first matches.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Jack needs a few people to help him tape the tennis courts on Sunday. If you can help him with this, please email Jack at jderlein@gmail.com for specific time and details.

Volunteers who have signed up to help out in the kitchen, with 50/50 & popcorn sales will be contacted by Lorie by Wednesday this week to set up a schedule.

THANKS TO ALL OUR CLUB MEMBERS WHO ARE VOLUNTEERING FOR THIS FABULOUS TOURNAMENT. YOUR INVOLVEMENT HELPS PUT MESA REGAL PICKLBALL ON THE EAST VALLEY MAP!!

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS - www.pickleballtournaments.com

Just a reminder that as of January 1, 2016, any USAPA Sanctioned tournament requires all participants to be members of USAPA. To find out more info or to sign up for a USAPA membership, visit www.usapa.org.

Steve Judy Mesa Regal - December 7-9, 2015

This is our annual Club tournament which is a favourite of many players. Mark your calendar and keep posted as lots of our members play in this and many of them volunteer as well.

2016 All City @ Venture Out- February 2-4, 2016

This tournament still has openings for 3.0 and 3.5 players in Mens and Womens doubles.

1st Annual Leisure World - February 18-20, 2016

Another opportunity for you to play in a tournament close to home. Registration opens this Tuesday, December 1st. Sign up at www.pickleballtournaments.com

That's all for this week folks....keep positive, keep smiling, and happy playing!!!!