

Mesa Regal Pickleball Club

Weekly Announcements - February 14, 2016

Remember to fill in a **membership form** this season (2015-16) if you haven't already done so. **We need all people playing on our courts to fill this out.**

Mesa Regal Website - *****NOTE NEW WEBSITE ADDRESS** www.mrpickleballclub.com

Mesa Regal Suggestion Box - email suggestion@mrpickleballclub.com

Mesa Regal Online Reservation - www.holdmycourt.com/reserve2/mrpbcb

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)

10:30-11:30 Intermediate Training (Courts 6 & 7) email Jim Pelletier at brewnut44@yahoo.com to get on sign up list.

11:00-12:00 3.0 Skill Level Training (Courts 3 & 4) Sign up with 'Sign Up Genius' email Colin at cnckerr@hotmail.ca to get your name on the invite list.

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

4:00-6:00 p.m. Ladies 3.5 & 3.75 Competitive Play (Courts 2-6) email Barb Benedetti at barb555@yahoo.com for information.

6:00-8:00 p.m. Beginners Mixed Social (Guys & Gals, drop in - courts as needed) **** You must have come to a beginners' lesson or played pickleball before to participate in this scheduled time.**

Tuesday - 10:30-12:30 Ladies 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)

*court assignments are posted on the bulletin board every Sunday...please check and email Noella at nmjohanson@shaw.ca if you are unable to play or get a sub.

6:00-8:00 p.m. Beginners Mixed Social (Guys & Gals drop in - courts as needed) **** You must have come to a beginners' lesson or played pickleball before to participate in this scheduled time.**

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

1:00-2:30 2.5 Skill Level Training (Courts 1 & 2) Signup sheets on pball patio.

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 12)

1:00-3:00 p.m. Challenge Courts/2.5 & 3.0 see NOTE below

Recycle Cans Friday...bring crushed cans to patio - take them out of plastic bags please.

Saturday - 10:30-12:30 (Courts 3-7) 3.5+ Ladders * contact Jake Grandy

jake.grandy@yahoo.com if you are interested in signing up.

2:00-5:00 Interpark 4.5+ Play **Cancelled due to Leisure World Tourney**

TOURNAMENT NEWS

Congratulations to all our Mesa Regal Pickleball Club members who participated in the Cal Am tournament last week at Canyon Vista. Our club did awesome, all 7 teams placed 4th or better!! Congrats to the following club members.

LADIES DOUBLES - **Cindy Phillips and Debbie Van de Pol** - GOLD

Eileen Foster & Julie Huggins - 4th (this was their first pball tournament....well done girls!!)

MENS DOUBLES - **Thor Fauchoux & Maurice Michaud** - Bronze

David Liem & Dave Walts - 4th

MIXED DOUBLES - **Nancy Stern & Pete Ischi**- GOLD

Alison Pelletier & Richard Van de Pol - Bronze

Noella Johnson & Randy Cook - 4th

Thanks to Neil Ranson who organized all our teams for this tournament. Also thanks to all our Mesa Regal fans who came out and cheered on all the players and those of you who reffed games (Cindy Kerr, John Butts, Jack Derlein, Neil Ranson, Colin Kerr).

MRPBCLUB ELECTIONS

LAST TWO DAYS TO MAKE NOMINATIONS FOR OUR TWO BOARD POSITIONS.

The success of our club depends on the members who support it. We need your willingness to work on the Board of Directors to keep our club running. Please consider putting your name forward for one of two positions open this year on the Executive. No matter what skill level you are, you can make a difference for your club. Email nominations to Wendy Weir at mesaregalpickleball1@gmail.com by February 16th, 2016.

VOTING DAYS - March 2 & 3 have been set aside for voting and members must have filled in 2015-16 Membership Form and be residing in Mesa Regal Park. **AGM - March 7, 2016**

COMMUNICATIONS

Two items this week that came in to our club.

1 - A thank you note from Jack Derlein's sister thanking the club for receiving flowers for the passing of Jack's sister, Nancy. The note is posted on the bulletin board.

2 - A thank you letter below from Terry Sadler....who enjoyed a month at Mesa Regal. **Thanks, Terry, we will be missing you and Diane and hope to see you next season or in Durango!!**

I just wanted to write a huge THANK YOU to all of the members and players at MRPB Club for allowing me to join in and play pickle ball with your group. The players and friends made our stay at Mesa Regal so incredibly comfortable and enjoyable. Diane and I had intended to only stay for a week or two but because of the warm welcome that we received from your club and the players, we elected to stay for a month and we enjoyed every minute. I was fortunate enough to play in the local MR tournament and have a blast and also to be able to play in my first USAPA tournament at Venture Out. A special thanks to Big Terry and to Randy Cook for allowing me to play with them.

I would welcome the opportunity to reciprocate the welcome for anybody that wants to stop by Durango, Colorado as they wander back north out of the heat this summer so please make a note and give me a call if you decide to visit the most beautiful part of Colorado this spring, summer or fall.

Thanks again and if anybody thinks that they could teach me the 3rd shot drop, please give

me a call. Until then, I hope that I put a few smiles on your faces and I promise that I will always be smiling when I get a chance to play "our game".

Terry & Diane Sadler 970 749-0433 cell terry@sadler.net

SAFETY ON THE COURTS

WHY WEAR YOUR NAME BADGE ON THE COURTS? Safety is the number one issue for wearing your name badge. If something unforeseen happens to you on the court, we need to know WHO YOU ARE to check our membership contact list to know who to call. As well, Mesa Regal Pickleball courts are for **MESA REGAL RESIDENTS** for all club scheduled play (open play, beginners social, etc.). We thank all of you for wearing your name badges at the courts and helping us let people from other parks who drop into our club sessions understand that **it is not the right time for them to be here**. Jake has sent a letter to our activity director regarding our club guidelines and has asked it be sent on to other Cal Am activity directors.

OPEN PLAY BUSY TIMES

Open play every morning does tend to get busy. **IF there are lots of people waiting to get on to the courts, we would like to - on a trial basis - switch to a one game rotation on courts 1-5** (courts 6 & 7 already do one game rotations when players are waiting) **when there are 12 paddles in the rack waiting**. We will be putting a sign on the rack to indicate this and we are hoping that all of you who are playing open play will try and coordinate this when necessary. Please let one of the Board members know how it is working out and if you have any suggestions that may help reduce the waiting for open play, please use our suggestion email.

Extra 3.0 training sessions

3.0s "Game Play" Training - Get a group of 4 and email Colin & Cindy Kerr at cnckerrca@hotmail.com to set up a time for training. **Thanks, Colin & Cindy!**

SKILL RATING OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Are you wondering what skill level you might be? Do you want to participate in 2.5, 3.0 or 3.5 skill level play and training? Nancy & Maurice will be at the courts this Tuesday during Open Play 8:30-10:30 Sign up sheet for Tuesday ratings will be at the pickleball patio this week. **HELP**...are you a 3.5+ player that would like to help us out with rating players? Please contact Maurice Michaud at mauricemichaud1@gmail.com and we will bring you on board with us. **We need help to share the load!!!**

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS - www.pickleballtournaments.com

1st ANNUAL LEISURE WORLD TOURNAMENT - February 18-20, 2016

****** COME OUT AND CHEER ON OUR MESA REGAL MEMBERS WHO ARE IN THE TOURNAMENT. ***LW need refs...if you can ref at this tournament, please email Jack Derlein at jderlein@gmail.com and he will forward you name.** Thursday is Ladies, Friday is Mens and Saturday is mixed.

GOOD LIFE RV RESORT - March 3 & 4, 2016

It is a 50+ tourney in age groups (50+, 60-64, 65-69, 70+).

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