

Mesa Regal Pickleball Club

Weekly Announcements - February 21, 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 as needed)

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) Sign up 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 3.5+ Ladders (Courts 3-7) *contact Jake Grandy

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

12:30-3:30 Interpark 4.5+ Play (Courts 5-7)

MRPBCLUB ELECTIONS - AGM March 7

CONGRATULATIONS and a HUGE welcome to Russ Bracewell and Donita Houghton on the MRPBCLub Executiv. Donita and Russ have filled the two board positions by acclamation. Thanks again to Lorie Ranson for working tirelessly the last 8 years on the Club Executive.

LADIES LUNCHEON - March 4

Last chance!!! Hard to believe that I am arranging the last ladies pickleball lunch for this season. For those of you who are new, on the first Friday of the month I organize a lunch for the ladies at a local restaurant, different place each month. All ladies, and partners of our gentlemen players, are welcome. This month we are going to:

Jb's Family Restaurant on Friday, March 4 at 11:30 am. The address is 6810 E Main St. Mesa, please arrange your own transportation.

Please sign up on the clipboard hung up on the bulletin board at the pickleball clubhouse so I have numbers for the restaurant. Any questions or suggestions, please contact Leslie Walts, site 866, 480-468-6626.

REFEREE CLINIC - Tuesday, March 1 @ 9:00 a.m. at Pickleball Stage

HELP - If you enjoy having **NO MEMBERSHIP FEES** at Mesa Regal Pickleball Club and like having all the pickleballs supplied for your playing pleasure on the courts, **YOU NEED TO TAKE THIS REFEREE CLINIC.** We need as many MRPBClub members training to be referees so that we can cover our tournament in December. The tournament in December is the major and only fundraiser of the year for our club and we need all our players to step up and help out.

THANKS FOR DOING THIS AND HELPING OUT OUR CLUB!!

FIRST AID & DEFIBRILLATOR

There is a FIRST AID box with bandaids, gauze, etc. just outside of court 3. If you use something from the first aid box and it needs to be restocked, **put the magnet in the box on the outside so our First Aid volunteers know something is out** and needs to be restocked. As well, there is a defibrillator there and Sandy will be reviewing its use during our AGM on March 7th. Thanks to Sandy, Donita and Cheryl for keeping us all safe on the courts!

TOURNAMENT NEWS

Congratulations to all our Mesa Regal Pickleball Club members who participated in the Leisure World tournament last week. Medal winners are as follows:

LADIES DOUBLES - **Noella Johnson & Cindy Phillips** - BRONZE 3.5

MENS DOUBLES - **Dave Morgan & Jim Pelletier** - BRONZE 4.5

MIXED DOUBLES - **Jim Pelletier & Nancy Stern** - GOLD 4.5

Again, a HUGE thanks to all our Mesa Regal fans who came out and cheered on all the Mesa Regal players and as well to all those Mesa Regal members who volunteered to REFEREE. **U R the BEST!**

GUIDELINES FOR GUESTS ON MESA REGAL PICKLEBALL COURTS

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, Mesa Regal Open Play times and club scheduled events are for Mesa Regal residents. If you have a guest staying with you that you would like to bring to these times, they must have a guest badge which can be obtained free of charge when you register your guest at the office.

Other Cal Am park residents are not eligible for Open Play & must follow our

club guidelines.

The club's guidelines are as follows:

1) Club sponsored activities (ie: daily open play from 7:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m.) is for Mesa Regal residents only.

2) If someone from out of park wishes to play pickleball here, outside of club sponsored activities, then they must be invited to play here by a club member. We have a court reservation system in place to accommodate invited guests.

For example: We have scheduled, levelled Inter-park play that other Cal Am residents can and do participate in.

3) We are trying to follow the Cal Am guidelines by requesting that all our club members wear their Mesa Regal name tags and we do regular checks for non -residents on our courts.

Thanks to all of our members for helping us continue to follow these guidelines.

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.** NOTE: If players are on the courts when you make the shift to a one game rotation, let them finish the second game if they have started it. There may be growing pains with changing over but I'm sure we can work them out in a respectful way. 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.

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 Thursday during Open Play 8:30-10:30. Sign up sheet for Thursday ratings will be at the pickleball patio this week.

FIFTIES DANCE - TOWERPOINT PICKLEBALL CLUB

Our friends at Towerpoint are having their annual 50's dance on March 11th. Tickets are \$8.00/person and available from TP Guest Services or from any of their pickleball players. There is a poster with more information on the table at our pickleball patio. Thanks to Eric Phillips for passing on this info.

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