

Mesa Regal Pickleball Club

Weekly Announcements - February 7, 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.**

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 Cindy at cjphill56@gmail.com 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) Ladders * contact Jake Grandy jake.grandy@yahoo.com if you are interested in signing up.

2:00-5:00 Interpark 4.5+ Play (Courts 5-7)

REFEREE CLINIC

HELP, we need as many of our club members as possible to participate in the referee training clinic this week. Our December tournament is our major fundraiser for the pickleball season and **we need our club members to help with the refereeing**. Pat Porter will be doing the clinic this week and everyone will have a chance to practice reffing during Open Play.

Tuesday, February 9th @ 9:30 a.m. at the Pickleball Clubhouse

- Everyone welcome - any player at any skill level can be a referee
- one hour training/one hour on court reffing
- read Official Tournament Rulebook & Referees Handbook if possible. Not necessary but you can find these online at www.usapa.org under rules & refs
- Bring paper and pencil

Thanks everyone, for supporting your club.

FRIDAY CHALLENGE COURTS 1-3 pm

Thanks to Brenda Bruntlett and Jack Rafuse, this scheduled court time has become very popular and with that some difficulties cycling people in and out. Brenda and Jack would like to try just accommodating the first 28 players to the courts. **This means you must arrive at the courts 15 minutes prior to scheduled time and be prepared to play for the full 2 hours of scheduled time....no early finishers as this presents problems for the organizers as well.**

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.

TOURNAMENT NEWS

Congratulations to all our Mesa Regal Pickleball Club members who participated in the Venture Out tournament last week. Our club did awesome, congrats to the following medal winners.

LADIES 3.5 DOUBLES - **Cindy Phillips and Debbie Vande Pol** - SILVER

LADIES 4.5 DOUBLES - **Nancy Stern** - GOLD

MENS 3.5 DOUBLES - **Dale Hartman and Bill Loran** - SILVER

MENS 4.5 DOUBLES - **Dave Morgan and Jim Pelletier** - GOLD

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

Congrats to Nancy & Jim who won two GOLD medals in two divisions!!!! Well done! **Thanks also to all our Mesa Regal fans who came out and cheered on all the players!!!**

MRPBCLUB ELECTIONS

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**

MARDIS GRAS REPORT

WHAT CAN WE SAY.....YOU HAD TO BE THERE!!!! It was the party of the year that Katie and Alison and their committees organized. Costumes galore that were absolutely amazing, entertainment by Madam Katies 'red hot girls', superb food by Char and the gals and great dancing music by Harry Matthews made for an unforgettable night. It is the talk of the resort...if you weren't there, you missed out big time!!!! A **HUGE THANKS** to the MRPBClub Social Committee for such a successful *Mardis Gras* night. Check out the photos, they will be on our website www.mrpickleballclub.com soon!!!!

SKILL RATING OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Are you wondering what skill level you might be? Do you want to participate in 2.5 or 3.0 or 3.5 skill level play and training? Skill level play allows you to have some great games with people at similar skill levels. Mesa Regal website has skill level definitions, go to www.mrpickleballclub.com and look under training to find the definitions.

Nancy & Maurice will be at the courts this Tuesday during Open Play 8:30-10:30 and at Ladies Social 10:30-12:30. Sign up sheet for Tuesday ratings will be at the pickleball patio this week.

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS - www.pickleballtournaments.com

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

Another opportunity for you to play in a tournament close to home. Register at www.pickleballtournaments.com

GOOD LIFE RV RESORT - March 3 & 4, 2016

It is a 50+ tourney in age groups (50+, 60-64, 65-69, 70+). Sign up early - this **IS NOT** a USAPA sanctioned tourney so you **DO NOT** have to be a member of USAPA. Info and registration forms are on the bulletin board at the pickleball courts.

3rd ANNUAL AHWATUKEE FUN TOURNAMENT - March 7-10, 2016

Registration information is at the bulletin board at the pickleball club. Let's support the clubs in the East Valley as they continue to grow to meet the needs of the community.

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