

Mesa Regal Pickleball Club

Weekly Announcements - January 17, 2016

Mesa Regal Website - www.mesaregalpickleballclub.wordpress.com (see tourney photos!)

Mesa Regal Suggestion Box - email suggestion@mrpickleballclub.com

Mesa Regal Online Reservation link www.holdmycourt.com/reserve2/mrpbc.

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.**

Membership update: 335 Membership forms filled in this season

143 New Members this year

563 Members on our membership list (228 who have not filled in MF)

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.

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

4:00-6:00 p.m. Ladies 3.5 Competitive Play (Courts 2-5) 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 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) ***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)

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 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.**

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

NEW SCHEDULED PLAY

We are on the second week of our new scheduled training for 3.5+ players on Monday. Thanks again to Jim and Dave for running this. **REMINDER** please sign up for **only 1 session per month** so more people can take advantage of this great opportunity. If you would like to be on the sign up list, email Jim at brewnut44@yahoo.com to get your email on sign up genius.

1. **3.5 Ladies Competitive play** - Monday 4-6 p.m. Thanks to Barb Benedetti for organizing this for our club. For more information, email Barb at barb555@yahoo.com.

Thanks to all our club volunteers who are organizing scheduled play to meet the ever increasing demands of the Mesa Regal Pickleball Club. MRPBClub's success is a reflection of your dedication!!

CAL AM PARKS TOURNAMENT - February 11 & 12 @ Canyon Vista

The annual Cal Am pickleball tournament is coming up soon and Mesa Regal is required to put in two teams & have one alternate in the Mens, Ladies and Mixed divisions. If you are interested in participating in this event, please sign your team up at the pickleball patio as we will run a round robin in each division to determine the teams going to Canyon Vista on January 30th here at MRegal. All the information is on the pickleball patio. Ladies and Mens play is on Feb 11 & Mixed will be Feb 12th at Canyon Vista.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Tuesday, January 26 - General Pickleball meeting at the pickleball patio at 10:30

Saturday, February 6 - Mardis Gras Night @ Royal Hall - Tickets available from Katie at site 377 or Alison at site 1124, \$10.00 each. **Katie and Alison will need help with set up, serving and clean up on Mardis Gras day.** Email Katie at rjhicks@shaw.ca if you can help out.

Monday, March 6 - Pickleball AGM - more information will be sent out closer to date

INTERPARK PLAY

Interpark play is an opportunity for our club members to play other people at clubs in the East Valley. It is a great opportunity to work on your pickleball skills and meet new people. It has been very successful and is growing rapidly. If you are interested in playing in Interpark you need to know your skill level and contact the following coordinators of the different levels.

2.5 Interpark Play @ Leisure World on Thursday 2-3:30 p.m. - email Pat Porter at sportport1@msn.com for more information.

2.5/3.0 Interpark Play @ Mesa Regal on Tuesday 6-8 p.m. - email Eric Phillips at skippy3@hotmail.com for more information.

3.5 Interpark Play changes location & times each week - email Dale Hartman at hartman@sonic.net for more information.

4.0 Interpark Play @ Mesa Regal on Tuesday 3:30-5:30 - email David Liem at deliem2000@gmail.com for more information.

4.5+ Interpark Play @ Mesa Regal on Saturday 2-4 p.m. - email Jim Pelletier at brewnut44@yahoo.com for more information.

THANKS TO ALL OF YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING YOUR TIME TO ORGANIZE FOR OUR CLUB MEMBERS!!

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? 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 mesaregalpickleballclub.wordpress.com and look under training to find the definitions.

Nancy & Maurice will be at the courts at the following times to organize rating play on Court 1 - Please use the sign up sheets on the table at the patio for rating at either Open Play times or Ladies Social.

Tuesday & Thursday 8:30-10:30 @ Open Play & 10:30-12:30 @ Ladies Social.

Thanks Nancy & Maurice for volunteering your time to rate our MRegal players.

REFEREE TRAINING

Playing pickleball is only one aspect of the sport. Knowing the rules and getting involved in refereeing can help improve your pickleball skills and your understanding of the game. There are two upcoming sessions that you can sign up for if you are interested in giving back to the game. Remember, you **DON'T** have to be a top player to be a **GREAT** referee!!!

Mesa Regal Rules Clinic with Pat Porter - Thurs., January 21st @ 10:30-12:30 in the Lounge (last room at the main pool by where the band plays).

USAPA Referee/Line Judge Workshop - Tues., January 26 @ 1:30-4:30 at Encanterra Country Club - Mallorca Room. If you are interested email Lynn & Linda Laymon at pbreferee@gmail.com or call 801-243-6415 to register or with questions. I have attached the poster with all the information. We do have some club members attending so if you are interested and sign up, let me know as Mesa Regal people may like to carpool.

COURT RESERVATION SYSTEM

Please give Alison (booapell@gmail.com) your feedback on how the online reservation system is working. Remember to reserve the **courts both online AND on the white board**. Practice online reserving now as the white board will be **GONE** in the near future.999

To reserve online, go to www.holdmycourt.com/reserve2/mrpbc and create a sign in by entering your email address. The system will send you a password which you will use to get on the first time then you can change your password by clicking on 'change profile'. If you need help or notice a problem, please call Alison at 435-659-5627 or email her at booapell@gmail.com

TOWERPOINT BEGINNERS TOURNAMENT - Jan 28-30

Towerpoint is looking for 6 Ladies with skill level 2.75-3.25 and a few more Men's teams at the 1.0 - 2.5 brackets for this tournament. If you would like to have an opportunity to play in this **beginners** fun tournament, email Marian Pasela at towerpoint abramspasela@yahoo.com for information to enter.

This is a great tournament next door to our park that helps new pickleball players ease in to a competitive game in a friendly way. The focus is on fun and experience, **NOT KILLER COMPETITIVE STYLE!!**

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.

TOWERPOINT BEGINNERS TOURNAMENT - Jan 28-30

This is a great tournament close to home to get some competitive experience in a friendly, fun environment.

2016 ALL CITY @ VENTURE OUT - February 2-4, 2016

Registration full. Come out and cheer on many of our club members play this tourney.

CAL AM FUN PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT - February 11 & 12

See bulletin board at the pickleball patio for team sign up.

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

This is a fundraising tournament focusing on beginning pball players with a new 4.0 skill level being added. The club is trying to raise funds to add lighting to their courts. 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!!!!**