

# Mesa Regal Pickleball Club

## WEEKLY NEWS

### January 1, 2023



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**REGISTRATION QRCODE!!**

**Thanks for wearing your name badge on the courts!!**

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU SIGN UP ON THE ONLINE MEMBERSHIP FORM.

**EVERYONE** needs to sign up for the 2022-23 season and you **MUST** be a registered member to participate in our scheduled play (Ladders, Shootout, Ladies/Beginners Social, etc.). We now have **394** members signed up for this season!!!

**SIGN UP** at [www.mrpickleballclub.com](http://www.mrpickleballclub.com) and click on 2022-23 REGISTRATION. If you have any trouble or questions, email Lawrence at [mrpickleballclub@mrpickleballclub.com](mailto:mrpickleballclub@mrpickleballclub.com) or email Nancy at [newsletter@mrpickleballclub.com](mailto:newsletter@mrpickleballclub.com).

**REMINDER**  
 ...if you are in a  
 scheduled play  
 that day...  
**DO NOT**  
**PLAY IN**  
**OPEN PLAY**  
 ...if courts are  
 busy!



Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
8:00 AM	<b>Open Play every day until 10:30AM</b>						
8:30 AM	Mesa Regal residents only						
9:00 AM	Courts 1-2 - Beginner (New - 2.5)						
9:30 AM	Courts 3-5 - Intermediate (3.0-3.5)						
10:00 AM	Courts 6-7 - Advanced (3.75+)						
							Rev. 12/19/22
10:30 AM	Beginner Lessons	Ladies 3.0	Ladies Social	Ladders Session 1 - 3.5	Ladies Social	2.5 Lessons	Shootout All Courts
11:00 AM				Session 2 - 3.0		Mens 3.0	Play with a Coach Courts 1-5
11:30 AM	10:30-12:30 Courts 1&2	10:30-12:30 All Courts		10:30-2:00 All Courts	10:30-12:30 All Courts	10:30-12:30 Courts 3-7	10:30-12:30
12:00 PM	Porter	Brodner		Brodner	1&2		Grandy
12:30 PM	Jolly Lindblom		Kehl		Pecot	Gonzalez	
1:00 PM	Mixed 3.5 Round Robin	Ladies 3.5		Mens 4.0	Mens APPL 3.5		Ladies 4.0
1:30 PM	12:30-2:30 Courts 3-7	12:30-2:30 Courts 3-7		12:30-2:30 Courts 3-7	12:30-3:00 Courts 2-7	Mixed 4.5 Interpark	12:30-2:30
2:00 PM	Carver	Benedetti	Mixed 4.0	Hartman	Sylvester	1:30-3:30 Courts 3-7	Courts 1-5
2:30 PM			2:00-4:00 Courts 3-7				Leblanc
3:00 PM	Mens 4.0	Mens 3.5	Lindblom	Mens 3.5	Ladies 3.5	Fauchoux	Open
3:30 PM	2:30-4:30 Courts 3-7	2:30-4:30 Courts 3-7		2:30-4:30 Courts 3-7	3:00-5:00 Courts 3-7	Lessons TBD	2:30-4:30
4:00 PM	Hartman	Nesbit	Mens 4.0 APPL	Nesbit	Houghton	3:30-4:30 Courts 1&2	Couples All Levels
4:30 PM	Fauchoux		4:00-6:00 Courts 3-7				4:30-6:30 All Courts
5:00 PM	Ladies 3.5 Round Robin	Open	Lindblom		Lessons TBD		Alei
5:30 PM	4:30-6:30 Courts 3-7	4:30-6:30			5:00-6:30 Courts 1&2		
6:00 PM	Trammell		Beginner's Social	Open		Open	Open
6:30 PM		Mixed Round Robin	6:00-8:00 All Courts	4:30-9:00		4:30-9:00	Mixed 3.0-3.5 Round Robin
7:00 PM	Beginner's Social	6:30-8:30 All Courts			Open		7:00-9:00 All courts
7:30 PM	6:30-8:30 All Courts		Open		6:30-9:00		Aylward
8:00 PM		Smith					
8:30 PM			Open				
9:00 PM	Open	Open					
9:30 PM							

## MRPClub INFORMATION

Thanks to 127 club members who took a few minutes to complete the MRPClub Survey. If you have not done the survey please do so: (<https://forms.gle/895tUAhYWGE46kACA>). The MRPC Board will be meeting soon to review the survey information and report on the findings.



### 3.5 TRAINING - PLAY WITH A COACH - SUNDAYS

For those interested in the Sunday morning 3.5 training 10:30-12:30, there will be a sign-up sheet on the back bulletin board on December 30th. Fill in the following information:

**Name - email - site number** Invites will be sent out to the 3.5 players by sign up genius, for Sunday January 8th. Look for your invite .

You need to be a resident of the park, a **registered** member of the club in good standing and have a club or other recognized rating of 3.5.

The focus of the training will center around the following basics: Athletic ready stance , court movement, Serve-return-3rd shot drop/drive-forehand/backhand ground stroke-lob (offense/defence) - resetting in the opportunity zone and of course dinking, forehand backhand). Strategies will include the X (whose shot is it?), red/yellow/green light, how you and your partner can move to the NVZ together plus a few other strategies.

We have 4 very qualified coaches signed up ready to go. If you are a 4.0 or higher and would like to be a part of the Sunday morning training , please speak with Lionel Fauchoux, our club training coordinator.

Happy Pickling 😊

Jake

### COMMONLY MISUNDERSTOOD RULES IN PICKLEBALL

Last week we posted a few new 2023 rules for you to look at. This week....here is an interesting blog on some unusual rules that sometimes crop up on court.

<https://thepickler.com/blogs/pickleball-blog/pickleball-rules-advanced> You may learn something by reading this.....it is always good to know the rules, especially those unusual ones!!!

### 2023 PICKLEBALL RESOLUTIONS?

The new year is a perfect time to look at some pickleball resolutions. Check out what this blog has to say.....some funny resolutions.....lol

<https://thepickler.com/blogs/pickleball-blog/pickleball-resolutions-2023>

There are some great pickleball tips/blogs/email lists, etc. you can look at or get on to learn how to improve your game....google them.....a few at

- THIRDSHOTSPORTS.COM
- THE DINKPICKLEBALL.COM
- SARAHANSBOURY.COM
- BRIONESPICKLEBALL.COM



## HINTS FOR PLAYING ON COURT WITH.... STRONGER OR WEAKER PLAYERS

Do you ever find yourself on the court during OPEN PLAY with stronger or weaker players? Here are a couple of articles to shed some light on how you may approach the game with them. Remember, OPEN PLAY is social/recreational time....no prizes, no going to the OLD PEOPLE OLYMPICS, just fun. So be nice! Check out what Prem Carnot & Sarah Ansboury have to say - click the links below.

By Sarah Ansboury - **Playing Up or Playing Down?**

[https://mrpickleballclub.com/Newsletters/2022-2023/Playin\\_up\\_or\\_playing\\_down\\_Sara\\_Ansboury.02.pdf](https://mrpickleballclub.com/Newsletters/2022-2023/Playin_up_or_playing_down_Sara_Ansboury.02.pdf)

By Prem Carnot - **How to I Graciously get to Play with Better Players?**

[https://mrpickleballclub.com/Newsletters/2022-2023/How\\_to\\_Graciously\\_Get\\_to\\_Play\\_with\\_Better\\_Players.01.pdf](https://mrpickleballclub.com/Newsletters/2022-2023/How_to_Graciously_Get_to_Play_with_Better_Players.01.pdf)



## KEEP DRINKING & RECYCLE THOSE CANS OVER THE HOLIDAYS!!!!

Remember that our MRPClub loves to help our environment and recycle Soda and Beer cans. This is another fundraiser for our club and we do appreciate you drinking...lol. Huge thanks to Mike Baril and his team who move the cans you bring down to the pickleball courts (behind the golf area) to the storage area under the tennis skybox.



## WEDNESDAY LADDERS RESULTS - RAINOUT

## SATURDAY SHOOTOUT RESULTS

**THANKS GINA,** for volunteering your time to coordinate this activity for Ric!

<b>Court 1 Rnd 1</b>	<b>Court 1 Rnd 2</b>	<b>Court 2 Rnd 1</b>	<b>Court 2 Rnd 2</b>	<b>Court 3 Rnd 1</b>	<b>Court 3 Rnd 2</b>	<b>Court 4 Rnd 1</b>	<b>Court 4 Rnd 2</b>
Louise J-33 Susan T-21 Cindy-21 Joan T-19	Susan-28 Rod-27 Marketha-26 Joan-15	Bob-43 Laura-37 Greta-33 Marketha-31 Rod-24	Barb-41 Ray-37 Louise-33 Greta-30 Cindy-23	Doug T-37 Ann T-36 Ray C-34 Barb H-34 Barry-11	Joan-33 Bob-23 Rick-22 Lance-20	Doug C-37 Andre-35 Gina-28 Rick J-25 Joan S-13	Doug T-40 Charna-35 Gina-32 Collette-31 Ann T-20
<b>Court 5 Rnd 1</b>	<b>Court 5 Rnd 2</b>	<b>Court 6 Rnd 1</b>	<b>Court 6 Rnd 2</b>	<b>Court 7 Rnd 1</b>	<b>Court 7 Rnd 2</b>		
Jeff A-44 Don L-40 Jim O-35 Charna-31 Collette-28	Doug-38 Tom-38 Jim-37 Bob-34 Andre-33	Brian B-38 Bruce N-34 Doug J-33 Bob G-32 Tom S-15	Doug J-39 Jim L-38 Steve G-38 Jeff-32 Don-24	Kevin C-42 Greg S-40 Tammy V-37 Steve G-36 Jim L-33	Kevin-44 Greg-38 Tammy-31 Brian-29 Bruce-28		

## RAIN YET AGAIN - WHAT IS GOING ON???

Okay, we are about done with this rain! After a rainstorm, our courts always need to be cleaned. Cal Am maintenance workers start on tennis courts 5 & 6 then do pickleball courts 3-5. Once they are done, it helps if our club members grab a squeegee/broom, etc. and take the puddles off the courts. This helps them dry up quicker. Squeegees are in the pball building.

## YIKES...EDITOR RETRACTION

### (WANT TO WATCH THE (PROS PLAY FOR FREE?)

My apologies as I have **MISLED** you into believing that the PROS are playing at this tournament. Unfortunately this is NOT a pro tourney but a REGIONAL tournament therefore some great pickleball action. Currently there are **595** players registered for this tournament with a month of open registrations still to go.

Our MRPC members still have a great opportunity to see the Bell Park facility and volunteer for the **PICKLEBALL SOUTHWEST DIAMOND REGIONAL TOURNAMENT** held at Legacy Bell Park courts on February 28-March 5, 2023. Rhonda Stanford is organizing volunteers for this tournament and would love to see lots of MRPC members at the tournament. Sign up for a shift in a variety of areas of the tournament and you get free parking and if your shift is 4 hours you get a lunch ticket. You can sign up by clicking on this link:

<https://www.pickleballtournaments.com/tournamentinfo.pl?tid=7043>

or by finding the tournament on pickleballtournaments.com (search for tournaments in Arizona- it is a lot faster) and click on the button PICKLEBALL DESK-REFEREE/VOLUNTEER SIGN UP to find a shift or two to volunteer for.

Volunteer Opportunities For:

2023 Southwest Diamond Regional

02/28/2023 -03/05/2023

Location: Bell Bank Park, 1 Legacy Drive, Mesa AZ 85212

## MRPCLUB NEWSLETTER - A BIT OF HISTORY

Did you know that the very first newsletter for our club was written February 1, 2014? That is 9 seasons your MRPC Executive has been working towards informing our members of what is happening weekly at our club. From court schedules to recycling news to special events to pickleball tips, etc. information has been shared. This club has come a long way since then as you can see from the very first newsletter linked here.....

<http://mrpickleballclub.com/Newsletters/2014/mrpc-newsletter-feb1-2014.pdf> Many of the MRPC Board volunteers in this newsletter are no longer at our Resort but we do appreciate their efforts in organizing our pickleball group into a club!! And, those few outlined activities were the ONLY organized events on the schedule! The newsletter did emerge from the advice of the 2013-14 Secretary. When asked 'what is one thing the new Board can improve upon', it was suggested communication. So, the 2014-15 Board decided to start a newsletter and a membership list. Check out all the newsletters back to the start on the club website.

### Club Membership Numbers -

December 31, 2022 - 394 (we were at 290 this time last season...!)

March 31, 2022 - 543 (remnants of covid....some of those Canadians sold...we want you back!)

March 31, 2021 - 303 (covid year...where were those Canadians...lol)

March 31, 2020 - 686

March 31, 2019 - 554

March 31, 2015 - 451

October 2014 - 205 (first membership list on EXCEL)

Between 2015-2019, we just added new people to the membership list without removing those who did not return. So, exact membership numbers per season are not known.



**DID YOU KNOW????**  
**APPL LEAGUE - WHAT IS IT??**

Mesa Regal has 5 teams in the APPL League...! Arizona Pickleball Players League has been bringing team-based pickleball to regions across the state since the nonprofit's founding in 2019. Instead of costly tournaments that are hard to get into and require weekend-long commitments, APPL's unique team concept provides a more enjoyable way to experience the social, mental and physical benefits of pickleball. We wanted to fill the voids that we saw in other pickleball play structures. That's why we decided to change the game with our competitive team concept that gives you more gametime with more people.'

These competitive times are great for our members to come down to the courts and **cheer on our teams**. Team captains and game times on our court schedule are as follows:

<p><b>3.5 Women's Team - Carol Bowers (Captain)</b>  <b>MESA REGAL SWEET PICKLES</b>  <b>Fridays @ 3:00</b>          January 20          January 27          February 17          March 10</p>	<p><b>3.5 Men's Team (2 teams!)</b>  <b>Robert Sylvester(Captain) Brad Vollrath(Captain)</b>  <b>SCORPIONS TRAILER PARK BOYS</b>  <b>Fridays @ 12:30</b>          January 13                      January 6          January 20                      January 13          February 10                      January 20          March 3                              February 3          March 10                             March 3</p>
<p><b>4.0 Men's Team - Clarence Lindblom (Captain)</b>  <b>SHOCK TOP N AWE</b>  <b>Wednesdays @ 4:00</b>          January 11          January 25          February 8          February 22          March 8</p>	<p><b>4.0 Mixed Team - Colleen Janus (Captain)</b>  <b>CAL AM PICKLERS</b>  <b>Wednesdays @ 2:00</b>          January 4          February 5          February 15          March 5 (Sunday @ 2:30)          March 15</p>

**THANKS to the TEAM CAPTAINS for organizing this activity for our club!!**



## UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

[www.pickleballtournaments.com](http://www.pickleballtournaments.com) or [www.pickleballbrackets.com](http://www.pickleballbrackets.com)

**REMEMBER**...If the tournament you are signing up for is sanctioned, you **MUST** have a USA Pickleball membership to register.

**\*\*\* THESE ARE TWO TOURNAMENTS HERE THAT ARE CLOSE TO MESA REGAL and GREAT TO ENTER FOR THAT TOURNAMENT EXPERIENCE (also help establish your skill level rating).**

Remember....you need a USA Pickleball membership which can be purchased at [www.usapickleball.org](http://www.usapickleball.org) and look under memberships. If you played in our Mesa Regal tournament, these two tourneys would be great for you to enter too!

**22<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL ALL CITY PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT (Venture Out) 50+ & 65+ events**  
Mesa, Az - January 31st-February 3<sup>rd</sup> **Registration open!**

**7<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL LEISURE WORLD TOURNAMENT 50+**  
Mesa, Az - February 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> **Registration open!**

\*\*\*\*\* Be sure to let Nancy (ndsterno54@gmail.com) know when you medal in a tournament and we will share your success with all our MRPClub members!!!

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

