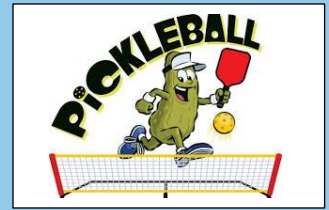
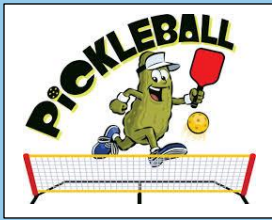


Mesa Regal Pickleball Club

WEEKLY NEWS

February 26, 2023



WEBSITE: www.mrpickleballclub.com

FACEBOOK: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/696462040860449>

(Mesa Regal Pickleball Friends and Players).

Suggestions/Comments: EMAIL suggestion@mrpickleballclub.com

Newsletter Editor: Nancy Stern newsletter@mrpickleballclub.com

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 **540** members signed up for this season!!!

SIGN UP at www.mrpickleballclub.com and click on 2022-23 REGISTRATION. If you have any trouble or questions, email Lawrence at mrpickleballclub@mrpickleballclub.com or email Nancy at newsletter@mrpickleballclub.com.

****NOTE - Saturday scheduled changes this week. March 4th OPEN PLAY ends at 10:00 and there is no SHOOTOUT due to the PICKLEBALL/TENNIS FUN DAY, 10-noon!!**

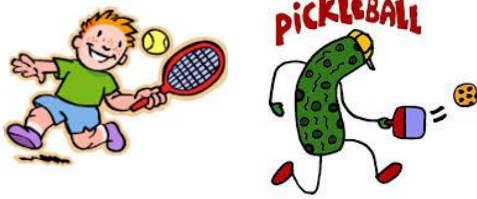
REMINDER
...if you are in a scheduled play that day...
DO NOT PLAY IN OPEN PLAY
...if courts are busy!

Open Play every day until 10:30AM								
Mesa Regal residents only								
Courts 1-2 - Beginner (New - 2.5)								
Courts 3-5 - Intermediate (3.0-3.5)								
Courts 6-7 - Advanced (3.75+)								
Rev. 2/14/22								
Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
8:00 AM								
8:30 AM								
9:00 AM								
9:30 AM								
10:00 AM								
10:30 AM	Beginner Lessons	Ladies 3.0	Ladies Social	Ladders Session 1 - 3.5	Ladies Social	Shootout	Play with a Coach	
11:00 AM				Session 2 - 3.0		All Courts	Courts 1-5	
11:30 AM	10:30-12:30 Courts 1&2	Courts 3-7	10:30-12:30 All Courts	10:30-2:00 All Courts	10:30-12:30 Courts 1&2	10:30-1:30	10:30-12:30	
12:00 PM	Porter	Jolly Dvorak	Brodner	Kehl	Brodner	Gonzalez	Grandy	
12:30 PM					Pecot	Benfeldt		
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 5-7	12:30-3:00 Courts 2-7	Coaches Play	12:30-2:30	
2:00 PM		Benedetti	Mixed 4.0	Hartman	Sylvester	Courts 3-7	Leblanc	
2:30 PM	Carver		2:00-4:00 Courts 3-5			Fauchoux		
3:00 PM	Mens 4.0	Ladies 3.5	Lindblom	Mens 3.5	Ladies 3.5		DUPR Ratings	
3:30 PM	2:30-4:30 Courts 5-7	2:30-4:30 Courts 3-7		2:30-4:30 Courts 3-7	2:30-4:30 Courts 3-7		2:30-4:30 Janus	
4:00 PM	Hartman	Nesbit	Mens 4.0 APPL	Nesbit	Houghton		Couples All Levels	
4:30 PM	Eauchoux	Trammell	4:00-6:00 Courts 3-5				4:30-6:30 All Courts	
5:00 PM	Open	Open	Lindblom			Open	Alei	
5:30 PM	4:30-6:30	4:30-6:30				3:30-9:00		
6:00 PM			Beginner's Social	Open			Open	
6:30 PM	6:30-8:30 All Courts	Mixed Round Robin 2.5-3.0	6:00-8:00 All Courts	4:30-9:00	Open		Mixed 3.0-3.5	
7:00 PM		6:30-8:30 All Courts			5:00-9:00		Round Robin	
7:30 PM							7:00-9:00 All courts	
8:00 PM		Smith						
8:30 PM			Open					
9:00 PM	Open	Open						
9:30 PM								

**** Sat, March 4...OPEN PLAY ends at 10:00 a.m. & NO SHOOTOUT!!**

PICKLEBALL/TENNIS MIXER FUN DAY - MARCH 4

This Saturday-March 4, you pickleball players who signed up.....bring your event ticket, your pickleball paddle and be wearing your pickleball club swag to the pickleball patio at 9:45. From here you will be assigned a court and partners for a fun and exciting morning of tennis and pickleball with a pizza social after.



Contact Sandy Spengler at sandyspengler@yahoo.com to add your name to a waitlist or if you have any questions about the event.

Don't forget your MRPC pickleball/tennis swag to show off on those courts!

4.0+ SUNDAY TRAINING SESSIONS STARTING

A huge **THANK YOU** to **Jake Grandy** and his team of **volunteer coaches** who just finished the 3.5 PLAY WITH a coach sessions last Sunday. Jake and his team are now going to focus on the 4.0+ skill level group for some training...

If you are a 4.0+ rated player (USAP, DUPR, PCO or Pro Certified) and would like to participate in Sunday March 5-12-19-26 training sessions from 10:30—12:15 , then email jake at jake.grandy@yahoo.com **In order to sign up include the following:**

1). Name 2) skill you would like to improve 3) skill that you would like to share (I.e.)

1). Ben Johns 2) skill to improve—ATP 3) skill to share— Shake and Bake

Please contact our club training coordinator (Lionel Fauchoux @ 57lionel57@gmail.com) if you would like to be an on court instructor.

Paddle Up.....Jake

MEET THE MRPC LOBSTER (ball machine)

Yes, that is right, your club has just purchased a 'Lobster' ball machine to complement Simon and the Tutor!! The club bought a new ball machine to help those members who want to improve their game and drill. As most of you know, drilling is the number one way to develop muscle memory and improve your shots and overall game.

Thanks to Jake Grandy for stepping up to coordinate this program and to Colleen for helping get it set up.

As a start, we need 2-4 volunteers to serve as Ball Machine Captains. These volunteers will first receive training and then be responsible for getting the machines out, providing oversight to drillers and securing them after play. if you are willing to serve in this capacity, please contact ColleenLouiseJanus@gmail.com .

If you'd be interested in drilling (1-hour sessions shared with 1-2 other players), also let Colleen know this.

Again, thanks to Jake, we have two court times/week for scheduled drilling **Sunday** 12:30 - 2:30 court 1 and **Tuesday** 4:30 - 6:30 court 2. There will also be an option for drillers to schedule their own court time provided a Captain is available to retrieve and secure the machine. For more information, contact Jake Grandy at jake.grandy@yahoo.com

Drill baby drill!

MRPC CLUB SKILL RATING & DUPR PLAY SESSIONS

As you know, we no longer do club member ratings and are looking at rating options such as certified professional ratings and the Dynamic Universal Pickleball Rating (DUPR). After running several players through both, we think both are good options to continue to provide good rating options. Players who have participated in one or the other (or both) generally had good experiences and feel their ratings reflect their play.

Thus far, more than 60 have participated in DUPR sessions in the last few weeks. Next Sunday at 2:30 our DUPR Rating play will be targeted to players with 2.0-2.49 rating looking for a 2.5. If not full we will open up to others. If you'd like to sign up, here's the link: [Click here](#) or go to the MRPC Facebook page.

More than 20 club members have participated in certified professional ratings so far. If you'd like to go this route, it costs \$10 and you get the added bonus of feedback. Melissa Tafoya, 480-619-2252, can schedule you for a rating at the Gene Autry Tennis & Pickleball Center. I personally listened to all the feedback sessions that were conducted here and believe the feedback was on target and should be helpful to our members.

As far as the big picture on ratings and what future rating changes our club should make, we continue to do research and gain feedback from other clubs in the area and across the country. We are looking to learn best rating practices and alternative strategies/approaches to ensure our membership is provided fun and competitive play at all levels.

We know we want simple vs complicated (KISS: keep it simple 'silly') and like the idea of providing multiple options for our members to gain ratings (PCO, UTPR, DUPR, and pro-cert ratings). Our new members have been very patient and awesome as they work to gain their ratings. Thank you all for that.

Please feel free to contact Colleen Janus, Ratings Coordinator, ColleenLouiseJanus@gmail.com if you have any questions regarding obtaining a rating.

Thanks again to **Craig Carlton** and **Colleen Janus** (ratings coordinator) for **VOLUNTEERING** their time to run these rating sessions. You guys ROCK!!!

DO YOU HAVE A USAP/PCO/DUPR/CERTIFIED-PROFESSIONAL RATING?

If you are new to Mesa Regal and have an existing rating (either from tournaments in your home country, a DUPR rating or a club rating) that you would like added to your membership registration, contact Colleen Janus - rating Chairperson at colleenlouisejanus@gmail.com. Note....if you have a 'club' rating from somewhere other than Mesa Regal, you will need to approach the scheduled play coordinator of your skill level to see if your home club level is comparable to our existing MRPClub level of play.

MRPC ANNUAL AGM & ELECTIONS - MARCH 15 @ 10:00 Courts Stage

It is that time of year for our club to hold an AGM and elections for Board Members. This year there are TWO Board positions (these positions are determined by the new Board at its first meeting after being elected) vacant. Marcie Herle and Calvin Jolly are finishing their two years elected to the MRPC Board. Thanks to both **Marcie and Calvin** for volunteering your time on our MRPC Board and dedicating time to making our club the BEST!!

Please send nominations to current club Secretary - Marcie Herle at mcherle@shaw.ca.
Closing date for nominations is **MARCH 13th, 2023**.

MEXICAN FIESTA - MARCH 10

Only 2 tix left for this annual Pickleball Party. **NOTE: IF YOU HAVE TIX FOR THE FIESTA AND HAVE SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS** (i.e. GLUTEN FREE), please text Cindy St. John @ 860-428-0265 with **full name and table number** so she can add you to her list.

THANKS, CINDY & COMMITTEE, FOR VOLUNTEERING YOUR TIME to organize this amazing event!!



ANOTHER RAINY DAY CLEAN UP



A huge thanks to Allison Manning (pictured here in the storage room) who led the clean up charge with our tennis neighbours this morning getting water off the courts. It was a lovely surprise to get into the storage room for the squeegees and rollers to find our Maintenance Coordinator, Larry Bowers....had organized everything for our club. What a difference in that storage room...THANKS, LARRY!!

APPL LEAGUE WEEKLY INFO

Mesa Regal has 5 teams in the **APPL League...**' Arizona Pickleball Players League'. These competitive times are great for our members to come down to the courts and **cheer on our teams this week.**

Men's 4.0 - Sunday @ 2:30pm

Last week's news!!!!

WOOHOO.....

Mesa Regal Trailer Park Boys - 3.5 team traveled up to Trilogy Verde River for APPL league play last week. A fine looking team - (left to right) Jay Slem, Murray Craig, Paul Schwob, Brad Vollrath, Doug Johnston, Jim Norland.

Mesa Regal Dill Pickles 3.5

Ladies team had a great week with a win over Vick-Tory and decided to celebrate in style...lol.

(Left)-Brenda Schwob, Sharon Slem, Laura Hodnett, Marilyn Kehl, Barb Benedetti,
(right) Carol Bowers, Connie Craig, Barb Harris, Gina Trammell
(missing Marilyn Jacobs)



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


WEDNESDAY LADDERS RESULTS

A HUGE THANKS to MARILYN, for volunteering her time to coordinate this activity!

**There was no 3.5 play this week due to YET AGAIN.....a RAIN OUT!!

SATURDAY SHOOTOUT RESULTS

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

Court 1 Rnd 1	Court 1 Rnd 2	Court 2 Rnd 1	Court 2 Rnd 2	Court 3 Rnd 1	Court 3 Rnd 2	Court 4 Rnd 1	Court 4 Rnd 2
Anne G-42 Chris B-39 Chris G-36 Louise-34 Terri B-31	Terri-36 Chris G-36 Louise-36 Brian-36 Rod-34	Stan-40 Laura H-39 Barb H-31 Rod S-25 Brian-23	Ann G-40 Paul B-39 Ken D-35 Barb H-34 Chris B-30	Colette-43 Mike B-40 Doug T-39 Paul B-37 Ken D-31	Rick J-38 Stan-36 Laura-35 Doug T-34 Bridget-37	Francis-37 Doug D-36 Andre-30 Rick J-30 Bridgette-20	Bruce-41 Andre-39 Don L-37 Mike B-36 Colette-29
Court 5 Rnd 1	Court 5 Rnd 2	Court 6 Rnd 1	Court 6 Rnd 2	Court 7 Rnd 1	Court 7 Rnd 2		
Dan G-43 Ken L-41 Garnet-36 Bruce N-34 Don L-34	Francis-44 Tammy-34 Bob G-33 Doug-30 Garnet-25	Brad V-42 Jeff A-38 Murray-28 Bob G-24 Tammy-22	Dan G-41 Dean-39 Ken L-37 Murray-31 Lawrence-24	Paul L-40 Steve G-37 Brian B-32 Dean D-31 Lawrence-24	Paul L-44 Steve-33 Brad V-31 Brian B-26 Jeff A-21		

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

www.pickleballtournaments.com or www.pickleballbrackets.com

REMEMBER...If the tournament you are signing up for is sanctioned, you MUST have a USA Pickleball membership to register. You also will need a pickleballtournaments.com account to see schedules of specific tournaments.

Southwest Diamond Regionals - Legacy at Bell Park. Feb. 28-March 5

If you want to see some good play you may want to head out to Legacy Pickleball Courts at Bell Park in Mesa. 789 players registered. Call Legacy to check out the schedule or if you have a pickleballtournaments.com account, you can see the schedule on the website.

***** 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!!!!**

