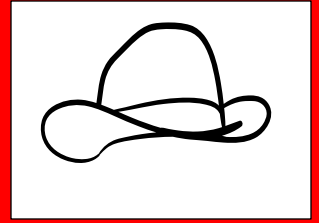


# Mesa Regal Pickleball Club

## February 25, 2024

### WEEKLY NEWS



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QR Registration Code



**PLEASE REGISTER at [www.mrpickleballclub.com](http://www.mrpickleballclub.com) to ensure you can participate in pickleball programs!! (582 registered already!!)**

**Thanks for wearing your name badge on the courts and making sure your GUESTS have their name badge on too!!**

#### OPEN PLAY REMINDER!!

We are now in our busy pickleball season....A REMINDER....if you are in a scheduled play PLEASE...DO NOT GO TO OPEN PLAY. Open play is designed for those Mesa Regal residents who are **NOT IN SCHEDULED PLAY that day**. Thanks for your understanding!

#### MRPClub ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) & BOARD NOMINATIONS

As set out in MRPC bylaws, our club has one AGM a season to elect a new MRPC Board of Directors. As you know, we have one of the best clubs in the East Valley and provide a multitude of opportunities on our court schedule for all levels of play.

A club is only as strong as its members and you are encouraged to put your name up for nomination to one of the FOUR positions available. You are elected to the MRPC Board, not a position and it is up to the new Board to determine who would be best suited for a specific role on the Board. **AGM meeting - 10:30 am on Tuesday, March 12, 2024 - pickleball patio.**

#### **ELECTION PROCESS - GET YOUR NOMINATIONS IN!!**

Four Board positions will be up for elections. Three positions, held by Clarence Lindblom, Craig Carlton and interim position shared by Reggie Dovarack and Larry Bowers have come to term. Additionally, Mike Pecot will not be completing the last one year of his term.

**Nominations** for the three two-year terms and the remaining one-year term will open **Tuesday, February 20th and close at 4 pm Tuesday, March 5, 2024**. Voting if needed will be held on March 8th and 9th.

#### **NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED BY ANY OF OUR BOARD MEMBERS**

All members are encouraged to participate in the AGM, nomination and voting process to ensure strong leadership for the club moving forward.

**THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO PUT YOUR NAME FORWARD & CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE AMAZING CLUB WE HAVE!!!**



## THANKS FOR DRINKING - and - RECYCLING

Mike Baril and his team continue to work hard collecting your cans and taking them to the recycling depot. So far this season we have collected \$754.00!! Last recycling brought in \$205...thanks to **Ken Carlson** for driving and **Annette & Lionel Textor** for crushing cans and all the **other helpers** who crush cans and carry those cans to our storage area under the skybox!

## NEED TO BE RATED? NEXT PRO CERT RATING DATE AT MRegal

**NEED TO GET RATED?** If you need to be rated for club activities, the next pro-cert rating at our club (and last for the season) will be **March 24, Sunday, 12:30, court 8**. Bring \$10 for rater. Contact our ratings chairperson, Colleen Janus, at [colleenlouisejanus@gmail.com](mailto:colleenlouisejanus@gmail.com) to get signed up.

If you want a pro-cert rating before or after the March 24 date, feel free to find three other similar level players wanting ratings and call Melissa Toyfoya, Gene Autry Tennis and Pickleball center, for an appointment there. It's \$12.50 each at Gene Autry.

**A HUGE THANKYOU TO COLLEEN JANUS FOR TAKING ON THIS MASSIVE TASK GETTING OUR MEMBERS RATED & SET UP FOR SCHEDULED PLAY YOU ROCK!!**

## MESA REGAL CAL AM TOURNAMENT TEAMS ARE READY

Our teams for the March Cal Am Tournament are:

**Women's Doubles** - Jennifer Pilon/Anne Kinch-Finney, Barb Harris/Nora Waldron

**Men's Doubles** - Paul Schwob/Kevin Carver, Mike Pecot/Brian Shelly,  
Steve Gibson/ Brian Boettger

**Alternates** - Dan Finney/Ed Gawiak

**Mixed Doubles** - Tammy Van Lydegraf/Kevin Carver, Allison Manning/Ken Little  
SharonSlemp/Jay Slemp

**Alternates** - Barb Harris/Ralph Lambertus

**The Cal Am tournament** - Val Vista Villages on March 6-8th (Women's-Wednesday March 6<sup>th</sup>, Men's-Thursday March 7<sup>th</sup>, Mixed-Friday March 8<sup>th</sup>). **GO TEAMS GO!!!!**

## MRPC Signup Invitations by Email

Where is my email invitation for my favorite MRPC Program? Have the invitations gone out? Is it in my Junk/Spam folder?

### **Where is my MRPC Signup?**

Now you and every member can view all of their invitations without getting an email.....

- Log into <https://mrpickleballclub.com/Member>
- On a phone, the patty stack menu at the top left has 'My MRPC Invitations'
- Or go to the bottom of the screen on the right corner 'My MRPC Invitations'

This will list all the invitations that were sent to you, and if you click 'View' you can accept or decline. So, if members know that their program is sent out on Friday morning, they can check if the invitation went out and see if it is there. Members can check as often as they wish to see which programs they have accepted, declined or have not responded to yet.

As always please feel free to contact me (Lawrence) at [mrpickleballclub@mrpickleballclub.com](mailto:mrpickleballclub@mrpickleballclub.com)

**THANKS, LAWRENCE, for always making things easier for us!!**

## WASN'T THAT A PARTY????

Our **ANNUAL** pickleball party never disappoints.....and the pictures tell the story. A huge **THANKS** to **Cindy St. John and her team** of volunteers for yet again, another fabulous evening. Also, thanks to the Cal Am food crew and bar staff - food and drinks were excellent!

The **HOEDOWN** saw some pretty amazing **COWGIRLS** n **COWBOYS** with food, dancing and fun games. A great time was had by all !!! The pictures tell the story (more at end of newsletter)!!

**I THINK SOME OF THESE HOMBRES ARE STILL IN JAIL...haha**



Cindy & the team....those cowboys and their cowgirls worked behind the scenes too!



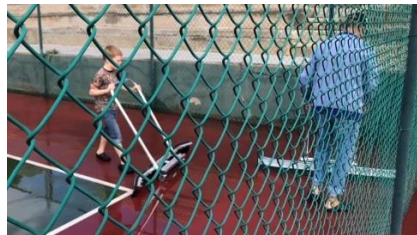
A huge  
THANKS  
to Stan the  
Man....our  
pball DJ!!

The gang  
was dancing  
all night!










## PICKLEBALL FAMILIES

Pickleball is for all ages as us Grandparents know. The **BRUNTLETT** family has worked tirelessly for our club for many years and even get their Grandkids involved! Huxley at a young age attended our Annual pickleball party and helped his Grandpa-Chris Bruntlett (Maintenance Coordinator at the time), clean the courts many years ago (2020). And now, Huxley and younger brother Kippen are tearing up our courts!!





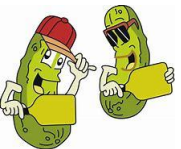
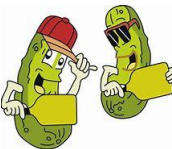

Huxley in his Mesa Regal pickleball career.....with Grandma Brenda and Grandpa Chis. And did you know that both Huxley and his brother Kippen were with their parents and Grandma volunteering for the Veterans lunch last Wednesday! Wow, you boys **ROCK!!**

## WEDNESDAY LADDERS RESULTS

<b>Court 1</b> <b>2.5-3.0</b> 	<b>Court 1</b> <b>3.5+</b> 	<b>Court 2</b> <b>2.5-3.0</b> 	<b>Court 2</b> <b>3.5+</b> 	<b>Court 3</b> <b>2.5-3.0</b> 	<b>Court 3</b> <b>3.5+</b> Gina T-60 Nora W-47 Maggie N-43 Heidi T-36	<b>Court 4</b> <b>2.5-3.0</b> 	<b>Court 4</b> <b>3.5+</b> Jeff A-60 Paul T-48 Lawrence G-45 Don W-27
<b>Court 5</b> <b>2.5-3.0</b> Brian G-42 Cheryl G-38 Nancy S-32 Karen B-31 Wanda B-27	<b>Court 5</b> <b>3.5+</b> Dean K-59 Cindy K-53 Cindy L-48 Collette G-28	<b>Court 6</b> <b>2.5-3.0</b> Linda A-38 Trish-35 Bridgette-34 Virginia-29 Julia-25	<b>Court 6</b> <b>3.5+</b> Steve G-61 Mary L-44 Craig P-44 Rhonda B-27	<b>Court 7</b> <b>2.5-3.0</b> Chris B-56 David B-53 Lance V-52 Cindy S-21	<b>Court 7</b> <b>3.5+</b> Robin C-59 Bruce N-58 Wayne T-48 Jenniger P-35	<b>Court 8</b> <b>2.5-3.0</b> Gary S-44 Marci B-37 Terri B-25 Gail N-24	<b>Court 8</b> <b>3.5+</b> Dan G-64 Ken L-58 Don L-48 Larry B-40
<b>Court 9</b> <b>2.5-3.0</b> Rick L-60 Rick J-56 Mike B-47 Donna L-45	<b>Court 9</b> <b>3.5+</b> Jim N-56 Ric G-52 Stan T-48 Tammy H-28	<b>Court 10</b> <b>2.5-3.0</b> Brian M-63 Ken V-50 Greg W-44 Clovis M-37	<b>Court 10</b> <b>3.5+</b> Mike P-58 Ed M-48 Brad V-45 Ed G-45			<b>THANKS to Carol for coordinating this activity and Marilyn for processing DUPR results!</b>	

## SATURDAY SHOOTOUT RESULTS

**THANKS to Ric for coordinating this activity!**

<b>Court 1</b> <b>Rnd 1</b> 	<b>Court 1</b> <b>Rnd 2</b> 	<b>Court 2</b> <b>Rnd 1</b> 	<b>Court 2</b> <b>Rnd 2</b> 	<b>Court 3</b> <b>Rnd 1</b> Chris B-43 Louise J-38 Marci B-38 Ken S-35 Emma J-24	<b>Court 3</b> <b>Rnd 2</b> Ken-35 Louise-34 Virginia S-31 Don W-26 Emma-10	<b>Court 4</b> <b>Rnd 1</b> Brian G-40 Rick J-37 Ray Ray-33 Virginia-30 Don W-28	<b>Court 4</b> <b>Rnd 2</b> Nora-43 Ray Ray-37 Chris B-36 Dana-26 Marci B-26
<b>Court 5</b> <b>Rnd 1</b> Dave M-43 Paul B-38 Lance V-29 Dana M-28 Nora W-26	<b>Court 5</b> <b>Rnd 2</b> Rick-43 Terry-36 Anne-35 Lance-31 Brian-25	<b>Court 6</b> <b>Rnd 1</b> Lawrence G-44 Wayne T-38 Colette G-31 Terry M-30 Anne KF-29	<b>Court 6</b> <b>Rnd 2</b> Dave M-44 Bruce-38 Colette-32 Lois-28 Paul B-26	<b>Court 7</b> <b>Rnd 1</b> Mary L-40 Sharon S-40 Andre G-36 Lois L-36 Bruce N-23	<b>Court 7</b> <b>Rnd 2</b> Ken V-41 Garnet-39 Lawrence-38 Wayne-30 Andre-26	<b>Court 8</b> <b>Rnd 1</b> Doug J-40 Doug D-39 Ken L-33 Garnet H-27 Ken V-23	<b>Court 8</b> <b>Rnd 2</b> Brad V-44 Robert S-37 Sharon S-36 Mary L-33 Ken L-30
<b>Court 9</b> <b>Rnd 1</b> Ralph L-41 Jay S-39 Ed G-32 Robert S-31 Brad V-19	<b>Court 9</b> <b>Rnd 2</b> Ed-44 Tammy-36 Doug J-35 Don-32 Doug D-27	<b>Court 10</b> <b>Rnd 1</b> David S-44 Andrew E-39 Ric G-36 Don L-33 Tammy V-28	<b>Court 10</b> <b>Rnd 2</b> Ralph L-44 Ric G-34 Jay S-33 David S-33 Andrew E-24				

## PICKLEBALL TIP

Check out this short video clip on tips on how important your return of serve is.....

Click [HERE](#) to get your pickleball tips!!!

## NEED A NEW PADDLE TO REPLACE THAT OLD ONE??

We are lucky to have Dean & Cindy Kroetsch in our club right now who have the **POACH** pickleball paddles for demoing and ordering. So, if you are thinking of a new paddle to up your pickleball game, you've worked hard for your money so don't fall into the trap of overpaying for your gear. **AND.....** you can try before buying!

Cindy and Dean Kroetsch are in Mesa Regal Unit #1280 and represent **POACH Pickleball**, a Canadian paddle company, who pride themselves on top value for money. They have demo paddles available. Just text 403 857-8087 and Dean or Cindy will get paddles for you to try. Available until March 29. Visit [www.poach.net](http://www.poach.net) for product information.



## WANT TO IMPROVE YOUR PICKLEBALL GAME ????

**Private lessons** are available for MRPC members each Wednesday between 12:30 and 2:30 on court 2. Information on the instructors can be found at [MRPC INSTRUCTORS](#) - you can contact each directly, or contact [craig.carlton@gmail.com](mailto:craig.carlton@gmail.com) who can match you with someone to suit your specific needs.

## DO YOU NEED YOUR PADDLE REGRIPPED?

Is your paddle slipping in your hand? Your grip wearing out? Your grip too small? Well we have the infamous Margie Crofoot from MRTennis Club who is here to help you. For years Margie has been restringing tennis racquets and replacing worn tennis grips and is now offering her services to our pickleball members.

If you need new grips or someone experienced to regrip your paddle for you, it will cost \$15.00 and Margie will do it while you wait (10 min.) on her patio at #1765.

To set up an appointment, text Margie at 480-266-4480. THANKS, MARGIE!!

## UP YOUR GAME BY USING THE PICKLEBALL MACHINE

Did you know that our **AMAZING** pickleball club has ball machines that you can use for **FREE** to 'UP YOUR GAME'? Tammy, the pickleball machine coordinator, needs some help from **at least 3 volunteers** who will work with members that check out the pickleball machine. Volunteers would be responsible for set up, instruction on use, and return of the ball machine. Training will be provided. Contact Tammy by text at (775)354-8381.

**Big thank you as always.**



## TOURNAMENTS

**REMEMBER**...If the tournament you are signing up for is sanctioned, you **MUST** have a USAPickleball membership to register. [www.usapickleball.org](http://www.usapickleball.org) and look under memberships.

**UPCOMING LOCAL TOURNAMENTS** - all tournaments can be found at  
[www.pickleballbrackets.com](http://www.pickleballbrackets.com)

**CAL AM - VAL VISTA VILLAGES (Main Street)**, Cal Am residents **ONLY** (Skill 3.999 & under) - March 6-8<sup>th</sup> - **SIGN UP NOW ON OUR PICKLEBALL STAGE!!**

**USAP 2024 PICKLEBALL NATIONALS - MESA NOVEMBER 10-17**

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

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

### THE HOEDOWN WINNERS CIRCLE



The Shootout!!



The CASH Draws!!



The Pony Express - The Stallions



Eagle Eye Quick Draw Shooters

Merlin Van Zee, Scott Chamberlain and Sylvia Dunlop!!

