



Mesa Regal Pickleball Club

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WEEKLY NEWS



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QR Registration Code



PLEASE REGISTER at www.mrpickleballclub.com to ensure you can participate in pickleball programs!! (556 registered already!!)
Thanks for wearing your name badge on the courts!!

PRO CERT RATING (Feb 4) RESCHEDULED

NEED TO GET RATED? If you need to be rated for club activities, the next Pro Cert rating at our courts is: **Sunday, Feb 11, 12:30, courts 8-10**. Contact our ratings chairperson, Colleen Janus, at colleenlouisejanus@gmail.com to get signed up!

MRPclub SKILL RATING NEWS

DUPR RATINGS PLAY SESSION SCHEDULED

DUPR Ratings Play - Sunday, Feb. 18th! We will reschedule for the 24th in case of rain.

For the second season, we are offering DUPR play sessions for members wanting to obtain a DUPR Rating. DUPR stands for Dynamic Universal Pickleball Rating and is a nationally recognized pickleball rating system. Obtaining a DUPR rating is one way to get a rating to play in skill-level programs here at MRPC that require a rating.

If you are interested, **please sign up on the DUPR Sessions clipboard located on the stage near the pickleball courts**. Only 12 slots for this session. The format for these play sessions is a round robin. You will play games against other members and your match results will be recorded and uploaded to the DUPR system by the Coordinator. This program is targeted towards members that currently have no DUPR skill level rating but would like to play to earn one.

ACTIONS NEEDED after signing up: 1 - You must create a DUPR account and join our DUPR Mesa Regal "club". Create an account by downloading the DUPR app and following the prompts, or at their website - mydupr.com/signup 2 - Once signed up and logged in scroll down to "Clubs", search for Mesa Regal Pickleball Club and Join Club. If you have played in tournaments before it's possible that you already have a DUPR profile. Make sure to search for yourself during sign up and if you see an account then "Claim your account" to prevent duplicates. **If you have any questions, please contact Mike Pecot, program coordinator or ColleenLouiseJanus@gmail.com, Ratings Chair.** Thanks to Mike Pecot for organizing this!!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MESA REGAL CAL AM TOURNAMENT TEAMS

Great play by all our teams who entered the Cal Am tournament last week at Val Vista Villages. Three days of good weather and good play by everyone. Although we just missed the medal round in Mixed (Kevin & Tammy 4th), everyone played their hearts out and no matter what the outcome, the experience of tournament play always helps improve your game! **THANKS** to **Nancy Smith** for organizing our teams and a shout out to Nancy Stern who volunteered to ref and Randal Patten, Cindy & Gary St. John and Darlene Roth who volunteered to line judge! Also, a **HUGE** thanks to **Val Vista Villages tournament committee & volunteers** for doing a great job on their first tournament on their new 15 pickleball courts! Daily lunches and wine and cheese in the afternoon by Cal Am was spectacular....Thank you all so much!

DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP FOR THE NEXT CAL AM TOURNAMENT (skill level 3.999 and lower) - March 6-8th again at VAL VISTA. Sign up sheets are on the pickleball patio **RIGHT NOW**. (Womens-Wednesday March 6th, Mens-Thursday March 7th, Mixed-Friday March 8th).

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR TEAM MEMBERS WHO PLAYED LAST WEEK AT VVV!!!

Carrie Beechler/Allison Manning, Cheryl Kottom and Barb Harris, Paul Schwob/Kevin Carver, Steve Gibson/Brian Boettger, Bill Steele/Brian Shelley, Barb Harris/Ralph Lambertus, Tammy VanLydegraf/Kevin Carver, Sharon & Jay Slemp



PICKLEBALL PARTY (Regal Hall) - FEBRUARY 24th TICKETS ON SALE THIS WEEK



WESTERN THEME - Barbecue chicken, scallop potatoes, corn, biscuit, cake
300 tix to be sold

Must be registered club member to purchase (+one non-member ticket)

RESERVED SEATING - \$25/ticket **CASH ONLY!!**

TICKET SALES AT PICKLEBALL STAGE










Monday, February 5th 9-11:00

Tuesday, February 6th 9-11:00

8 seats per table - 3 tables in a row (24 total)

...and YES, you can buy for your table but all people you buy for must be registered members of MRPC and you will need their names.

WEDNESDAY LADDERS RESULTS

Court 1 2.5-3.0 	Court 1 3.5+ 	Court 2 2.5-3.0 	Court 2 3.5+ 	Court 3 2.5-3.0 	Court 3 3.5+ 	Court 4 2.5-3.0 	Court 4 3.5+ 
Court 5 2.5-3.0 Brian G-61 Julia B-59 Trish D-49 Karen B-48	Court 5 3.5+ Collette G-58 Jennifer P-50 Wayne T-50 Heidi T-32	Court 6 2.5-3.0 Bridgette M-63 Donna L-58 Theresa H-54 Carol S-47	Court 6 3.5+ Craig P-58 Dan G-52 Paul B-48 Dug T-26	Court 7 2.5-3.0 Bea R-58 Cindy S-55 Julie R-55 Gail N-54	Court 7 3.5+ Larry B-58 Tammy H-54 Stan T-54 Daryl H-34	Court 8 2.5-3.0 Greg W-64 Clovis M-54 Lance V-47 Crhis B-47	Court 8 3.5+ Calvin J-57 Ed G-57 Mary L-44 Don L-38
Court 9 2.5-3.0 Trick L-66 Greta J-48 Kathy F-44 Don F-40	Court 9 3.5+ Mike P-61 Jim N-54 Brian B-53 Bruce N-50	Court 10 2.5-3.0 Walter P-58 Ken V-57 Ian H-50 Gary S-47	Court 10 3.5+ Ric G-56 Ed M-56 Ken L-51 Brad V-31	THANKS to Carol for coordinating this activity! 			

SUSANNAH BARR CLINIC REPORT

Thursday saw some great training at our club with Susannah Barr! **Thanks to Colleen Janus** for organizing these amazing sessions for our club members and your report below!

Twenty participants attended Susannah Barr's Clinics Thursday here at Mesa Regal. Susannah Barr is a pro who won 26 gold medals last year on the pro circuit. She has an adult education background so her training is participative, fun and she works you. Those who attended reported enjoying her clinic and being pooped after the 2-hours. Susannah brought another instructor with her, Dominic Cantalano, who does commentary for PPA, APP, and MLP. I didn't know his face but recognized his voice immediately. For those of you into DUPR, both of their ratings are 5.775. Wowza.

Here are some of her teaching points:

1. Footwork is everything. You need to move and track the ball and hit it out in front of you. Move with your partner.
2. At the NVL, dink to both corners and the middle. Wait for a high ball and attack.
3. At the base line hit a 3rd shot drop cross court. If you choose to drive, hit middle or at person. If you drive, follow with a drop in kitchen to get you up to line.
4. You are playing either 1) defense, 2) Neutral or 3) Offense. Know which and when.
5. Transition zone is just that. Learn to be comfortable there and reset any balls into kitchen to get you up to the line.

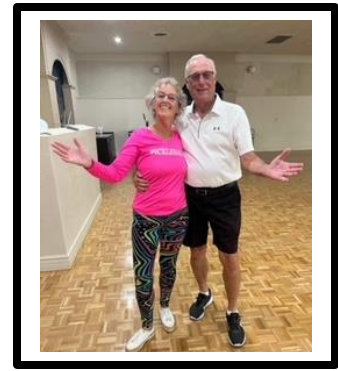
If you'd like to see Susannah in action, you can you tube one of her pro matches with 2023 doubles partner Megan Fudge or mixed partner Andrei Daescu. She has a ton of instructional videos on the internet too.

Congrats to Colleen for organizing.... a great time had by all!



DANCING WITH THE STARS - FEBRUARY 9th
OUR TALENTED PICKLEBALL CLUB MEMBERS

Did you know that we have two amazing club members who are partnering up with the professionals in **DANCING WITH THE STARS** here at Mesa Regal. Our own **VOICE OF PICKLEBALL** (Tournament MC) Fred Tintori and the **BEAUTIFUL** Heidi Trapp will be on stage competing against each other in the dance competition. Tickets are \$15.00 and can be purchased through MR ticket sales.



GRAB YOUR TICKETS AND COME SUPPORT OUR CLUB MEMBERS!

TOWERPOINT PICKLEBALL PARTY - February 9th

Our Towerpoint pickleball buddies are having a pickleball bash and it is open to other clubs. The theme is **SOC HOP** and there are prizes for dressing up in the 50's style, hula hoop contests and more!! Tickets are available through the activity office or card bar but bringing in snacks is okay. The location is the ballroom at the center of the resort.

SATURDAY SHOOTOUT RESULTS

THANKS to Ric for coordinating this activity!

<p>Court 1 Rnd 1</p>	<p>Court 1 Rnd 2</p>	<p>Court 2 Rnd 1</p> <p>Anne KF-41 Greta J-38 Julie R-30 Emma J-30 Louise J-29</p>	<p>Court 2 Rnd 2</p> <p>Louise J-37 Heidi T-37 Gail-33 Julie-29 Emma-25</p>	<p>Court 3 Rnd 1</p> <p>Mike B-42 Brian G-36 Rick J-34 Heidi T-27 Gail N-27</p>	<p>Court 3 Rnd 2</p> <p>Rick J-41 Annie-41 Greta J-38 Lance V-37 Cheryl/Tom-33</p>	<p>Court 4 Rnd 1</p> <p>Ken V-44 Paul B-39 Lance V-28 Reg/Patty-28 Cheryl/Tom-27</p>	<p>Court 4 Rnd 2</p> <p>Edith-44 Brian-39 Reg/Patty-39 Mike-38 Ian-36</p>	
<p>Court 5 Rnd 1</p> <p>Wayne T-44 Mike R-32 Brian M-31 Edith G-30 Ian H-29</p>	<p>Court 5 Rnd 2</p> <p>Ken V-44 Bob-31 Paul B-29 Brian M-27 Collette-27</p>	<p>Court 6 Rnd 1</p> <p>Lois L-42 Barb H-42 Collette-38 Stan W-38 Bob P-32</p>	<p>Court 6 Rnd 2</p> <p>Stan-43 Mary L-36 Mike R-35 Leah-32 Wayne-30</p>	<p>Court 7 Rnd 1</p> <p>Andre-40 Garnet H-39 Don L-36 Mary L-29 Leah H-24</p>	<p>Court 7 Rnd 2</p> <p>Lou-40 Don-40 Bruce-32 Lois-30 Barb-24</p>	<p>Court 8 Rnd 1</p> <p>Dan F-44 Calvin J-39 Bruce N-35 Doug J-35 Lou L-29</p>	<p>Court 8 Rnd 2</p> <p>Ed-44 Tammy-33 Andre-28 Doug J-26 Garnett-24</p>	
<p>Court 9 Rnd 1</p> <p>Jay S-44 Ric G-41 Ken L-34 Tammy V-30 Ed G-27</p>	<p>Court 9 Rnd 2</p> <p>Ken L-41 Jim N-36 Dan F-36 Calvin-36 Brad V-31</p>	<p>Court 10 Rnd 1</p> <p>Paul S-44 Bill S-30 Ralph L-29 Jim N-28 Brad V-21</p>	<p>Court 10 Rnd 2</p> <p>Bill S-44 Paul S-41 Ric G-38 Ralph L-32 Jay S-29</p>					

COURT SCHEDULE

Again, a huge **THANK YOU** to all our coordinators for providing so many wonderful playing opportunities here at our club! Don't forget if you want to see the **CURRENT SCHEDULE** or get your name on the invite to a scheduled play, go to the club website www.mrpickleballclub.com and click on the court schedule then click on the coordinator's name and it will take you to their email.

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!!

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 who can match you with someone to suit your specific needs.

TOURNAMENTS

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

UPCOMING LOCAL TOURNAMENTS - all tournaments can be found at

www.pickleballbrackets.com

THIS WEEK is VENTURE OUT tourney - across the street...cheer on our club players!
WOMENS-Tuesday, MIXED-Wednesday, MENS-Thursday

VENTURE OUT ALL CITY, Mesa Az - February 6-8 - **Registration closed**. This is a **SANCTIONED TOURNAMENT** and you must have a USAPickleball Membership to register. This tournament is across the street and offers age/skill divisions (50+/60+/70+)

LEISURE WORLD, Mesa Az - February 15-17 - **Registration opens December 4**. This is a **SANCTIONED TOURNAMENT** and you must have a USAPickleball Membership to register.

CAL AM - VAL VISTA VILLAGES (Main Street), Cal Am residents **ONLY** (Skill 3.999 & under) - March 6-8

USAP 2024 PICKLEBALL NATIONALS - MESA NOVEMBER 10-17

Just announced...the Pickleball Nationals are coming back to Arizona next fall. There should be some exciting matches to watch, opportunities to volunteer and possibly some of our club members will play in Nationals seeing it is so close. The tournament will be hosted at the Arizona Athletic Grounds (formerly Legacy Bell Park) and will not be a PPA event. More information will be coming out from USAP as our season progresses.

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

