

Prince Albert Pickleball Club Spring Newsletter 2024

As spring slowly creeps into Prince Albert, your executive would like to thank you for your support and provide you with a few updates.

Springing into Summer:

<u>Outdoor</u> Play resumes as soon as weather allows.

Two courts are available at Midtown community club. These public courts are shared with tennis players and all pickleball players regardless of affiliation with PAPC.

Three courts are available at Carlton Community Club. These courts are also shared with all players regardless of affiliation with PAPC.

Players bring your own outdoor balls.

We will resume the use of Whatsapp to schedule times as weather permits. Please contact Devin or Roy to have your name added to Whatsapp for either/both Midtown and Carlton Community Club.

Ladders and some other organized play events are planned for the summer outdoors and the fall indoors. We invite everyone to join and check out our PA network on GPN (Global Pickleball Network). You can find more info and a sign-up link for GPN on the same website.

<u>Indoor</u> play will continue through the summer at AJFH on Mondays/Wednesdays/Fridays from 1pm to 3pm.

AJFH will be booked for Lessons and Ladder Saturday mornings April 6, 20, 27. After that, break for summer with the intention of resuming in the autumn.

Remember that you can call the AJFH and ask if there is "open gym" time available if you want to get some further practice or play.

Upcoming Events:

Spring Thaw Tournament to be held at AJFH on April 12th and 13th.

Spring Social – date TBD – late May.

Provincial Tournament to be held in Regina – June 7, 8, 9

SSFA Games to be held in Battlefords June 11, 12, 13. Note that SSFA will have a table at our April tournament, where people can take out SSFA memberships, renew them, and also sign up for the Battleford SSFA games.

Membership

Please join the Prince Albert Pickleball Club if you are not already a Member. Membership gives us the ability to apply for grant money and organize ourselves for all kinds of events like lessons, ladder play, clinics and tournaments. Prince Albert Pickleball Club's 2024 membership fee is \$10.00 per individual. If Prince Albert Pickleball Club is your "home" club, you will also be joining Pickleball Saskatchewan (\$7.00) and Pickleball Canada (\$10.00) at the same time for a total of \$27.00 plus service fees.

Reminders:

Everyone is welcome to the M/W/F games at AJFH. We love to have people join our club but it is not mandatory. The only requirement is paying a fee to access AJFH.

The paddlebox format has worked well. Everyone has done a fantastic job of moving to the south and keeping congestion to a minimum. Please follow the guidelines. Split partners after one game together and mix it up. These time slots are not for tournament partner practice. A one-paddlebox format is being tried out.

If you have any questions or concerns on M/W/F play, you will usually find at least one of either Audrey, Sandra or Theresa on the courts.

Please also regularly check out www.pa-pb.ca to see more info on tournaments and ladders, and some links to instructional videos.

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