



Mesa Regal Pickleball Club Newsletter

March 17, 2019



IRISH BLESSING
 May the road rise to meet you,
 May the wind be always at your back,
 May the sun shine warm upon your face,
 The rains fall soft upon your fields and,
 Until we meet again,
 May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

SCHEDULED PLAY THIS WEEK

Mesa Regal Pickleball Court Schedule 2018-2019 Season

| Time | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
|-------|---|---|--|--|--|---|--|
| 7:30 | Open Play All Courts 7:00 – 10:30 (Wed 7:00 - 9:30) | | | | Open Play Courts 1-5 7:00-10:30 4.0+ Play Courts 6 & 7 8:00 - 10:30 | Open Play All Courts 7:00 - 10:30 | |
| 8:00 | | | | | | | |
| 8:30 | | | | | | | |
| 9:00 | | | | | | | |
| 9:30 | | | Ladders Group 1 All Courts 9:30am - 11:00am | | | | |
| 10:00 | | | | | | | |
| 10:30 | Beginner I Lessons Courts 1-2 10:30-12:30 | Ladies Intermediate Social All courts 10:30 - 12:30 | Group 2 Courts As Needed 11:00 – 12:30 | Ladies Intermediate Social All courts 10:30 - 12:30 | 3.5 Skills & Drills Courts 5 - 7 10:30 - 12:30 | Shoot Out All Courts 10:00-12:30 | Reservations Available * |
| 11:00 | | | | | | | |
| 11:30 | | | | | | | |
| 12:00 | | | | | | | |
| 12:30 | 3.5/4.0 Mentor Play Courts 3-7 12:00-2:00 *** | 3.0 Training Courts 3 - 5 12:30 - 3:30 Ladies 3.5 - 4.0 Competitive Play Courts 1, 2, 6 12:30 - 2:30 | Ladies 3.5 - 4.0 Competitive Play Courts 1 - 3 12:30 - 2:30 3.5 Interpark Play Courts 4 - 7 1:00 - 3:00 | Beginner II Lessons Courts 1 & 2 12:30-2:30 | Reservations Available * | 4.5 Interpark Play Courts 4-7 12:30 - 3:30 | Machine Drills Courts 1, 2 1:00 - 2:00 |
| 1:00 | | | | | | | |
| 1:30 | | | | | | | |
| 2:00 | Men's 3.5-3.75 Competitive Play Courts 3 - 7 2:00 – 4:00 | 4.0 Interpark Play Courts 3-7 3:30 - 5:30 | Reservations Available * | 4.0 Mens Competitive Courts 3-7 12:30 -3:00 | 3.5 Interpark Play Courts 3 - 7 2:30 - 4:30 | Reservations Available * | Reservations Available * |
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| 3:00 | | | | | | | |
| 3:30 | | | | | | | |
| 4:00 | Ladies 3.5 Competitive Play Courts 3-7 4:00 - 6:00 | 2.5 – 3.0 Round Robin Courts 1 - 7 6:00 - 8:00 | Beginners Social All Courts 6:00 – 8:00 | 2.5 Training Courts 3 - 5 6:00 - 8:00 | Reservations Available * | Reservations Available * | 3.0 – 3.5 Challenge Play Courts 1-7 6:30-8:30 |
| 4:30 | | | | | | | |
| 4:30 | | | | | | | |
| 5:00 | | | | | | | |
| 5:30 | | | | | | | |
| 6:00 | Beginners Social All Courts 6:00 – 8:00 | Reservations Available * | Reservations Available * | Reservations Available * | Reservations Available * | Reservations Available * | Reservations Available * |
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| 7:00 | | | | | | | |
| 7:30 | | | | | | | |
| 8:00 | Reservations Available * | Reservations Available * | Reservations Available * | Reservations Available * | Reservations Available * | Reservations Available * | Reservations Available * |
| 8:30 | | | | | | | |
| 8:30 | | | | | | | |
| 9:00 | | | | | | | |

* Reservations Available : Courts 1 & 2 available for ball machines. Go to Hold My Court -<https://holdmycourt.com/reserve2/mrpbc>

*** 5.0 Mixed Competitive Play Court 2, 1 - 4 pm.

NOTE: Reservations may be available at other times. Check Hold My Court

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Extra Information to note:

- Wednesday, March 27th - Special Event - Women's 5.0 Cactus Cup Event - 12:30-4:30 (Thanks Judy Keating and Larry Cloud for giving up your scheduled times!)
- Check with coordinators to see when your last scheduled event will be held.

Suggestions/comments?? Email: suggestion@mrpickleballclub.com

MESA REGAL PICKLEBALL CLUB EXECUTIVE

No matter how many members you have in a club, its strength is from the people who volunteer their time to oversee all activities. As our club continues to grow, we need many of our members to volunteer their time to help make our club what it is. **WE HAVE AMAZING VOLUNTEERS!** Thanks to all of you who are coordinating scheduled events, chairing our many committees and those of you who don't have your name displayed but are always there to help when someone needs you. BUT, it is the **MRPBClub Board Members** that hold this all together.

A HUGE THANKS to outgoing Board members, Secretary - **Jacquee Ware** and Member at Large - **Chuck Borchert**. I personally know how much work these two people put into the club during their two-year term. Jacquee kept track of all those meetings and liaised with me on the newsletter and Chuck spent many hours on the court schedule and Hold My Court reservation system. **Your time and efforts are appreciated and valued by all.**

Congratulations to our new Executive - designated roles for the 2019/20 Season are:

President : Pat Porter **Vice President** : Judy Lawless **Treasurer** : Donita Houghton
Member at Large : Tim Alyward **Secretary** : Shelly Athmann

MEMBERSHIP SIGN UPS

Thanks to all our club members who signed up as MRPBClub Members this year. You are IN TOTAL **546!!**...Wow, it is so wonderful to be able to host so many members with NO MEMBERSHIP FEE! Please let MR Management know-**WE NEED MORE PICKLEBALL COURTS!**

Again, thanks to **Lawrence Green** for continuing to ensure that our new automated membership is running smoothly!

MRPC RATINGS

We would like all our members to realize that our ratings committee members are all VOLUNTEERS and their job is to rate club members for our club skill level events, not for tournaments. We do not rate a 4.0 level as the committee felt this is a level for competitive players who are interested in playing tournaments, therefore, this rating should be 'earned' through tournament play.

A HUGE thanks to **Maurice Michaud** who started the rating process here at Mesa Regal and put together a committee that rated and basically 'coached' the players in how to improve their game. As well, a **HUGE thanks** to **Pat Porter and his committee** who have now taken over the role of rating our club members.

WEDNESDAY LADDER INFORMATION - **NEW COORDINATOR NEEDED**

A HUGE thanks to **Doug Dodge** who has run our Wednesday ladders for the last few years. As with any volunteer job, it is now time for **someone else** who enjoys the Wednesday ladders **to step up and take over the role of LADDER COORDINATOR**. Doug will mentor you into the role next season but **IF NOONE steps up, LADDERS could be removed from the schedule**. So, if you are interested in running Wednesday Ladders next season, please contact Tim at memberatlarge@mrpickleballclub.com.



MESA REGAL 3.0 & UNDER TOURNAMENT

Thanks to Greta Janzen and her team for coordinating this tournament today. It is great to have our club members thinking up fun things to do and then leading the charge. It was an awesome morning with lots of great pickleball and lots of learning. Congratulations to all those who participated and all those who volunteered to make this a spectacular event!!

Results of the tournament:

2.5 Event

GOLD - Chuck Dvorak/Gary Fudem

SILVER - Lori & Vern Lafortune

BRONZE - Rod Smith/Terry Grabe

3.0 Event

GOLD - Janet Rager/Shirley Seeley

SILVER - Jan Magee/Liz Johnson

BRONZE - Marketha Letemplier/Tim Alyward

...and a note from Greta....

I would just like to send out a huge thank you to everyone who participated, in our 2.5, 3.0 Tournament. It was a great success. I would also like to extend a special thanks to all the referees, line judges and the ladies that worked the office keeping us all organized. It could not have happened without all of you. Congratulations to all the winners as well. You endured that blazing sun and came out victorious. Here's to an even more fun tournament next year.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR & NEWSLETTER EDITOR

As you know, our December tournament is the fundraiser that allows all of you to have **NO membership fee** at our club. 2019 will be my fourth year as Tournament Director and time to start to mentor others into the position of TD. If you are interested in co-chairing the tournament with me next December, please contact me at ndstern@shaw.ca. It would be great to have a couple of people to mentor through this season as it is always better to have a few people understand the process. We have a **terrific committee** and so being the TD is actually the easy part!!!

The newsletter is primed and ready to have a new editor. Much of the information is derived from the Board and passed on to the newsletter editor. It is really our club's avenue of communication and started in our 2014-15 season. **So, it is time to pass the torch.** If you would like to be mentored by me in this role, please email me at ndstern@shaw.ca.

I look forward to working with some of you this next season to mentor you into the role of TD or Newsletter Editor.....we could have some MAJOR FUN!

SOCIAL COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON NEEDED 2019-20

Katie Hicks wants you all to know how much she has enjoyed being Social Chair for the past several years, and working with a great team, but because she and her husband have decided to do more world travel, she is unable to make that commitment for the foreseeable future. She will, however, be happy to assist in any way she can, should they find themselves in

Mesa Regal for shorter stays. We have had some amazing social events this year chaired by a variety of club members so we have lots of 'social party experience' out there to draw from. **Please let Donita know at treasurer@mrpickleball.com if you can take on this role for our club next season.**

CACTUS CUP - EVIL Vs WVIL - Wednesday March 27, 12:30-4:30pm

Nancy has reserved all 7 courts for a special event on Wednesday, March 27th. MR courts are hosting the first inaugural East Valley vs West Valley Ladies 5.0 Cactus Cup Challenge. This event will be like our skill level Interpark League where we draw numbers for partners and play games in 15-minute intervals. Be sure to come out and **WATCH SOME GREAT HIGH-LEVEL FUN PICKLEBALL**. West Valley will host the next Cactus Cup in the fall.

Thanks to the MRPBCLub Board for approving this reservation for Nancy and the Ladies 3.5 competitive & 3.5 skill level Interpark play for giving up their scheduled time slots. **IT IS MUCH APPRECIATED!**

Tournament Results

If you are interested in tournaments, both in Arizona and beyond, check out this site:

www.pickleballtournaments.com

Sun City Spring Slam - Skill Level 5.0/60+ - **SILVER** - **Jim Pelletier**

NEARING THE END OF THE SEASON

Our season here at MRPC is just about over - officially on March 31st. Please check with the coordinators of your scheduled events to confirm the end dates.

Some players hang around all summer but most "fly away" from the Arizona heat. Indoor pickleball can be found at the Red Mountain Center, the Apache Junction Center or, if you want to travel a bit further, the Victorium located in Scottsdale. All three sites have ongoing play during the "dog days of summer." There are also indoor courts located in Tempe and Chandler - all these sites can be found at the USAPA site under "Places to Play, Arizona." Happy summer pickling!!!

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

