Congratulations to the Canadians who participated in the USAPA National Tournament in Arizona in November. We had a number of Canadian medal winners. Leading the way was Mona Burnett with an incredible 5 gold medals. Luba Zhekhovskaya took home 2 golds and 2 silvers. Cookie Drake won a silver and Eric Sandstrom won a bronze. Way to go Canada!

Pickleball continues to get better in Alberta. Spruce Grove received official word that their outdoor courts are getting the upgrade they asked for. They submitted a proposal 3 years ago and will now get 8 beautifully finished courts this spring. Obviously all their hard work and perseverance has paid off!

Please send us your pickleball stories so we can tell everyone what is happening in your part of the country!

Remember that the 2016 Pickleball Canada National Western Tournament will be held in July in Kelowna. The tournament registration will open December 31. We hope to see everyone there!
Pickleball Trips

Aloha State Games Senior Olympics, Kauai, Hawaii, March 11-13, 2016

Pickleball was introduced on Kauai on April, 1, 2015 (no fooling). Kauai’s first public pickleball clinic took place at the Kalaheo Neighborhood Center Gym, drawing a crowd of 95 people. Since then, with the wonderful support of the Kauai Recreation Department and the Kauai people, pickleball has grown considerably, averaging 20 players per session.

Participate in the first ever Senior Olympics Pickleball Tournament on Kauai. Proceeds go to the Kauai Ho’ohui Recreation Foundation, an organization that works in partnership with the Department of Parks and Recreation to help promote the involvement of Kauai’s people in recreational activities and events.

https://kauaipickleball.shutterfly.com/

Vietnam Pickleball and Tour

Join us for a pickleball trip of a lifetime. Experience the food, the culture and the history of Vietnam with friends who share your love of adventure, experience, travel and pickleball! Check it out at pickleballgo.ca

Enjoy the company and instruction of Prem Carnot, the Pickleball Guru. Prem is the premier pickleball instructor in the world and author of the number one best seller “Smart Pickleball – The Pickleball Guru’s Guide”.
March 15 - 27, 2016

Other Tours:
China and Pickleball - September 2016
India and Pickleball - November 2016
Pickleball Tournament Results

Canadian Women Win Gold at USAPA Nationals

Canada won big time at the recent USAPA National Tournament

Mona Burnett
GOLD MXD 55+ with partner Tyler Sheffield
GOLD OPEN MXD (Senior) with partner Scott Moore
GOLD OPEN WD (Senior) with partner Luba Zhekhovskaya
GOLD WD 55+ with partner Luba Zhekhovskaya
GOLD WS 55+

Luba Zhekhovskaya
GOLD OPEN WD (Senior) with partner Mona Burnett
GOLD WD 55+ with partner Mona Burnett
SILVER MXD 50+ with partner Dan Gabanek
SILVER OPEN MXD (Senior) with partner Mike Gates

Upcoming Tournaments

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<th>Kamloops Pickleball Club Doubles Tournament at McDonald Park, Kamloops, BC</th>
<th>Byrne Creek Leos Charity Pickleball Tournament</th>
<th>Vernon, BC PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT January 23 &amp; 24</th>
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<td>3.5, 4.0 and possibly 4.5+</td>
<td>Hosted by Metro Vancouver Pickleball Club</td>
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<td>May 28-29, 2016 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.</td>
<td>Sat 01/16/16 - Sun 01/17/16</td>
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<td>Double knockout-format</td>
<td>Location: Byrne Creek School, Burnaby, BC</td>
<td>3.5 Mixed / Doubles 12:00 pm</td>
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<td>Cost per person is $35 for 1 event; $50 for 2 events</td>
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<td>Entrants must be members of Pickleball Canada.</td>
<td>Men’s/Women’s Doubles (Sat) - 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, Open</td>
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<td>Contact Ross Perkin at <a href="mailto:rossperkin328@yahoo.ca">rossperkin328@yahoo.ca</a></td>
<td>Mixed Doubles/Women’s Singles (Sun) - 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, Open</td>
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Please re-new or join PICKLEBALL CANADA. Membership application form is available on the website at http://pickleballcanada.org

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Club Group Rates available (20 members minimum)

Contact: president@pickleballcanada.org

Membership and Renewal

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Question:
What happens when there's a cracked ball during a rally?

Answer:
Section 12.D. of the IFP Rules states that "play continues until the end of the rally. If, in the judgment of the referee, a broken or cracked ball affected the outcome of the rally, the referee shall call for a replay." This means that a ball is considered in play during the rally and that a player must attempt to return the ball. If a player stops play, the point is lost. Players must make an attempt to return the ball and finish the rally. After the point is played and an appeal made, the referee will decide if the cracked ball did affect the outcome of the rally. If it did, the point is to be replayed.

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