Letter from the President

We regret that the 2015 PCO Annual General Meeting on July 20 has been postponed. We have rescheduled the AGM. We apologize for the inconvenience it may have caused.

PCO is very pleased to announce that Kelowna Pickleball Club will host the 2016 and 2017 Pickleball Canada National Western Tournament to be held in Kelowna, B.C.

New Affiliated Clubs:
- Fredericton Pickleball Club, Fredericton, New Brunswick
- Grand Manan Pickleball Club, Grand Manan, New Brunswick
- Strathcona County Pickleball Association, Sherwood Park, Alberta

Pickleball is widely recognized as one of North America’s fastest growing sports with an estimated 250,000 players, 10,000 courts and 3,500 places to play in North America.

Total estimated number of players in Canada:
- 2011 6,072
- 2012 8,173
- 2013 10,128
- 2014 14,135
- 2015 20,003

Letter from the Editor

It is my pleasure to have accepted the role of Editor and Publisher for Pickleball Canada. I have been a player and fan of the sport for several years in Toronto, and am glad to be promoting and sharing exciting news with Canada’s pickleball community. Like many players, I am a fan of sports, recreation and health. I love racquet sports in particular, and pickleball finds the nice balance between many of them in a uniquely enjoyable way. I would like to thank you all for your interest in the sport and your roles in helping promote the game with friends and communities.
**Pickleball News**

**Costa Rica Pickleball Tours**

At present, Pickleball Costa Rica has 3 courts and 12 serious players. The total group is more than 20 players. Most pickleball play is in a local, well ventilated gym. Temperatures in San Ramon range from 18 at night to 27 during the day year round with low humidity. We play frequently at an elevation of 3900ft in the coffee region. Because we feel that Costa Rica is such an amazing place for visitors, wildlife and culture, the trip has been designed with recreational pickleball 9 to 10 days during the tour. Costa Rica is truly a zoo without cages!

We have designed the tour to be small and intimate (8 people max). The reason for this is so that you can be taken to some really cool and secluded areas where some of the accommodations are limited and somewhat off the beaten path. Large all-inclusive resorts are nowhere near many of these destinations. You will experience the real Costa Rica!

Tours for the next two years start November 11-24th 2015 and continue into 2017. It is most fun when the whole group is from one or two clubs. A complete detailed itinerary along with registration forms can be found at [www.pickleballcostarica.com](http://www.pickleballcostarica.com).

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**Medicine Hat Senior Services Pickelball Club**

On August 7,8 & 9,2015, 42 competitors took part in our inaugural 50+ open tournament of the MHSS Pickleball Club.

List of winners

- **60+ Men's Doubles**
  1. Ron Dumbarton (Calgary) & Phil Menard (Calgary)
  2. William Loran (Coalhurst) & Ross Ramsay (Red Deer)

- **70+ Men's Doubles**
  1. Gord McLure (Calgary) & Tom Rooke (Medicine Hat)
  2. Peter Cross (Medicine Hat) & John Weatherhead (Medicine Hat)

- **50+ Women's Doubles**
  1. Janice Menard (Calgary) & Lucy Coffey (Calgary)
  2. Jean Weir (Westlock) & Christine Ambrosi (Medicine Hat)

- **60+ Women's Doubles**
  1. Ylonda Jordheim (Medicine Hat) & Ruthmary Hollis (Medicine Hat)
  2. Phyllis Braithwaite & Barb Slawson (Calgary)

- **50+ Mixed Doubles**
  1. Kelly & Jeannine McKinna (Kenosee Lake,SK)
  2. Gord McLure & Lucy Coffey (Calgary)

- **60+ Mixed Doubles**
  1. Ron Dumbarton (Calgary) & Elaine Foulton (Calgary)
  2. Phil & Janice Menard (Calgary)
# Pickleball Demonstration at Queen Elizabeth Park

On Sunday Sept. 13th, from noon to 7 pm, the Vancouver Parks Board is presenting the "Queen Elizabeth Party in the Park" at QE Park in Vancouver to celebrate Queen Elizabeth's 75th year. They are featuring live bands, a beer garden, $5 zip line rides, free admission to the Bloedel Conservatory, free pitch and putt, food trucks...... and PICKLEBALL! PCO Ambassador Peter Darvill and his group will be taping off four pickleball courts to play at the QE tennis complex and offering demonstrations and introduction to the game of Pickleball for attendees at the event. Please join us and have a game or two on the 13th, and help us showcase pickleball to many potential addicts of the future!

Peter Darvill for Pickleball Canada

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## Upcoming Tournaments

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<td>Cochrane Pickleball Tournament</td>
<td>Sept 25-27, 2015</td>
<td>800 Griffin Road East, Cochrane, Alberta</td>
<td>Mens, Womens and Mixed Doubles 2.0-4.0+ skill levels</td>
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<td>September Smash</td>
<td>September 12th and 13th, 2015</td>
<td>Henry Singer Courts South Avenue, Spruce Grove, Alberta</td>
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<td>Madrid, Spain</td>
<td>September 18 - 20, 2015</td>
<td>Age-Based Tournament Limited to 200 participants Minimum of 4 matches guaranteed in each event entered IFP sanctioning rules will apply</td>
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<td>Penticton’s “Indoor for Outdoor” Tourney</td>
<td>Oct 3 - 4, 2015</td>
<td>Location: Penticton Community Center, 325 Power St., Penticton, B.C.</td>
<td>IFP rules, PCO Tier 4 Sanctioned</td>
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<td>Vernon/Kelowna Indoor Fundraiser Tournament</td>
<td>October 24, 2015</td>
<td>Priest Valley Gym (Vernon Rec Centre)</td>
<td>Contact: Cheri Burgess <a href="mailto:brianburgesslaw@hotmail.com">brianburgesslaw@hotmail.com</a></td>
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Please re-new or join PICKLEBALL CANADA. Membership application form is available on the website at <<pickleballcanada.org>>

One year $12.00
Three years $32.00
Five years $50.00

Club Group Rates available (20 members minimum)
contact:
president@pickleballcanada.org

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Rules Corner

Question:
If a server calls the wrong score (Example: 3-2-1 rather than 2-3-1) and then serves, is this a fault or loss of serve? Is there any penalty for calling wrong score?

Answer:
If the referee (or the server in recreational play) calls the wrong score, this is covered in rule 4.1.4. Any player can stop play at any time before the return of the serve to ask for a correction. A player that interrupts play after the return of serve commits a fault and loss of the rally.

The rules do not address the issue of calling the wrong score for recreational play so there is no fault on the server for calling the wrong score. If the receiver stops play because of the wrong score being called, then the serve is simply played again. The server must, however, call a score before serving or it is a fault, as per rule 4.1.

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