



Pickleball Canada

*The fastest growing sport in North America
Le sport qui affiche la croissance la plus
rapide en Amérique du Nord*



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PCO Welcomes all pickleball submissions.

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President's Message - Shirley Shepherd

Pickleball is exploding in popularity all over Canada. Many tennis clubs, golf clubs and fitness centres have included pickleball in their facilities. There are more new pickleball clubs and groups, indoor and outdoor pickleball courts and Places to Play. Some schools have included pickleball in their P.E. curriculum. Thanks to our Ambassadors and experienced players for teaching new players, organizing demos, clinics and tournaments and promoting the sport into other communities.

More younger players are playing pickleball including University students and families with teenage children. Younger players cannot find places to play because most community centres only have pickleball programs for seniors. Some PCO Ambassadors and players have requested their centres to add new evening and weekend pickleball programs for younger players.

Many pickleball clubs have

started their local pickleball tournaments. Some Pickleball tournaments have raised funds for charity organizations. Pickleball Kelowna raised \$1100 for the Food Bank, Vernon Pickleball Club raised \$1100 for the Cancer Society and the Hospice House. Metro Vancouver Club raised \$1600 for the Lions Clubs International.

A lot of new pickleball clubs have formed, such as: Kamloops Pickleball Club, Salmon Arm Pickleball Club, Vernon Pickleball Club, Fraser Valley Pickleball, Metro Vancouver Pickleball Club, Mountainside Pickleball Club, Penticton Pickleball Club, Powell River Pickleball Club, Comox Valley Pickleball Club, Cedar Height Pickleball Club, Salt Spring Island Pickleball Club, Brantford Pickleball Club, Hamilton Pickleball Club, St. Thomas Pickleball Club and Kitchener - Waterloo Pickleball Club.

This year there are more pickleball clubs, players, courts and tournaments.

Each year the tournaments are getting larger with more participants. Pickleball Palooza Tournament by Fraser Valley Pickleball had 132 players. Vernon Pickleball Tournament had 120 players. Byrne Creek Leos Charity Tournament by Metro Vancouver Club had 142 players. Pickleball is no doubt the fastest growing sport in North America!



Vancouver Island Pickleball Association

Referees Clinic

Referees are a critical part of any successful tournament and are always in demand. Here's a great opportunity to learn how to become a good pickleball referee and give something back to the game you love.

This 2-hour clinic, put on by experienced referees, are for players of all skill levels, as well as former players who would like to stay involved in the game.

Scheduled for Sunday, May 24th, 10:00 am, at the Fuller Lake, Chemainus (outdoor) pickleball courts - sign up below.

The only fee will be to cover printing costs for a (condensed) rule book and other relevant material given to each participant - probably no more than \$5.00 each - to be collected on the day.

Scheduled for Sunday, May 24th, 10:00 am, at the Fuller Lake, Chemainus (outdoor) pickleball courts - sign up here:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a4fa8ae2aabf58-referees>

DATE: 2015-05-24 (Sun 10:00AM - 12:00PM PDT)

LOCATION: Fuller Lake Pickleball Courts, Chemainus, BC



Top PCO Tournament Point Earners 2014

Follow this page to read the profiles of PCO tournament point earners



This month Pickleball Canada Organization would like to showcase Nancy Stern, who has earned 4000 tournament points in 2014.



Nancy Stern Brenda Jmaeff

Nancy Stern - Nanaimo B.C.

My first exposure to pickleball was the fall of 2009 when after a recreational badminton session, I saw Dee Pitcher setting up nets in the gym and hitting the pickleball. As a true pickleball ambassador, Dee put a paddle in my hand and had me playing. So, in January 2010 while vacationing in Arizona I learned the rules of the crazy game called pickleball. With the sun, the fun and the social aspects of pickleball evident, it didn't take me long to realize this was a great sport to get involved in. After two months of outdoor pickleball in Arizona, I found the indoor game through Nanaimo Parks and Recreation programs. My first tournament was in Surrey B.C. in 2010 and I have participated in tournaments throughout Arizona, Vancouver Island and the Lower Mainland over the last few years. It has been a lot of fun working my way through each of the pickleball skill levels, starting in the 3.5 division and early this year receiving a USAPA tournament rating of 4.5. I have met many new friends who not only have helped me improve my pickleball skills but have been great competitors as well.

Since retiring from teaching in 2012, I spend my winters in Mesa, Arizona. I love to keep active and enjoy mountain biking with my husband Harvey, pickleball, tennis and slo-pitch. I am now an executive member of the Mesa Regal Pickleball Club and an active member of the Nanaimo Pickleball Club. I love introducing the game to new players and have been volunteering time to help with lessons and clinics through Nanaimo Parks and Recreation and our club in Mesa. As well, this is my second year as Vancouver Island North Zone 2 Pickleball Coordinator for the B.C. 55+ Senior Games.

"Pickleball has provided the opportunity for me to keep fit, make many great friends and share a love of the game with others." It's a great sport and a superb way to have fun with friends. See you on the courts!

Upcoming Tournaments



KAMLOOPS OPEN PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT

Note: This tournament is Full - Registration Closed

May 30- 31, 8:30 am to 5:00pm

MacDonald Park Kamloops

Tournament Director: Ross Perkin, rossperkin328@yahoo.ca 250-318-1275

Tournament will use IFP rules and all participants will be expected to sign a PCO waiver

Format: Double knockout (2 of 3 main draw, games to 15 in back draw)

Events: Men's Doubles, Ladies Doubles, Mixed Doubles

(Men's and Ladies Saturday, Mixed Sunday)

Categories: 3.0, 3.5, 4.0 plus

PCO Sanctioned (Tier 4) IFP rules Apply

Lunch will be provided each day and all participants will get a gift.

Registration fee: 1 event \$35, 2 events \$50

The 2nd Annual Arena Bowl Pickleball Challenge

The Sunshine Coast Pickleball Association and the Sunshine Coast Regional District is pleased to host a doubles tournament.

When: June 6-7, 2015

Where: Gibsons & Areas Community Centre, 700 Park Road, Gibsons, BC

Mixed Doubles 2.5, 3.0, 3.5 4.0, 4.5

Men's Doubles 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5

Women's Doubles 2.5, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0

Round Robin format. IFP rules apply. Tournament Director John Bell

To register contact Karen Renfrew at karenorlinn@gmail.com or ph. 604-885-4107.

Deadline May 28th, 2015



5th Annual Sannich, BC Recreation Pickleball Tournament

June 12-14th, 2015.

Men's & Women's Singles, Doubles,

Mixed Doubles and 65+ Mixed Doubles.

IFP rules apply. To register: <http://www.victoriapickleball.org/>



Battle of the Paddle at Pinetree

By: City of Coquitlam and Fraser Valley Pickleball

Fri 06/26/15 thru Sun 06/28/15

Pinetree Community Centre, Coquitlam, BC V3B7Z4

Website: <http://www.fraservalleypickleball.org>

Event brackets will be:

Men's and Women's Singles 3.0, 3.5, 4.0 and Open on Friday, June 26 starting at 5:00 p.m.

Men's and Women's Doubles 3.0, 3.5, 4.0 and Open on Saturday, June 27 starting at 8:30 a.m.

Mixed Doubles 3.0, 3.5, 4.0 and Open on Sunday, June 28 starting at 9:00 a.m.

A note about registration:

For this tournament, you **MUST** use one of the three registration options described at pickleballtournaments.com. You **CANNOT** use pickleballtournaments.com to register for this tournament since Coquitlam's Parks and Recreation department is looking after all registrations.

We encourage you to register as early as possible in case the tournament fills up.

2015 Alberta Open Pickleball Championships June 26 - 28, 2015

Location: Oakridge Community Association, Calgary

Men's, Women's and Mixed doubles play

Skill Levels: Recreational, Intermediate, Advanced

Current IFP rules govern play, only conforming equipment will be allowed

Cost: \$50 / person for first division entered and \$25 each additional division. Includes: tournament shirt, BBQ social Saturday night, prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each division.

Entry deadline: June 15, 2015

Registration and more information:

2015ABOpenPB@gmail.com

2015 Pickleball Canada National Eastern Open Championship

Manulife Financial Sportsplex and Healthy Living Centre at RIM Park in Waterloo, Ontario on July 10th, 11th and 12th, 2015.

PCO Sanctioned (Tier 1) IFP rules Apply

To register go to: http://www.pickleballtournaments.com/pbt_main.pl

See page 25 for the poster

2015 Pickleball Canada National Western Open Tournament

Parkinson Recreation Centre

Kelowna, B.C. on July 10th, 11th and 12th, 2015.

PCO Sanctioned (Tier 1) IFP rules Apply

To register go to: http://www.pickleballtournaments.com/pbt_main.pl

See page 24 for the poster



***The Nationals
2015***





2015 Salmon Arm Open Pickleball Tournament

To be held at Club Shuswap Golf & RV destination—east side of Salmon Arm.
-on Saturday July 25 & Sunday July 26, 2015.

Saturday—Mixed Doubles (4 divisions) 3.5 3.75 4.0 4.5 +.

Sunday—Men's Doubles / Women's Doubles: Div.1 (3.5-3.75) + Div.2 (4.0 - 4.5+)

***register with your own partner. (a list will be kept of "single entries" if necessary)
Limited to 48 people. **Guaranteed 5 games each day.

To register please email Linda Brown, uffdamay@gmail.com with your intent or if you require further information. Then send a post dated cheque (July 10, 2015), payable to Club

Shuswap, for \$52.50/person. Mail to : Linda Brown
1610-13th Avenue, S.E., Salmon Arm, BC V1E 2G7

September 18 - 20, 2015

Madrid, Spain

Age-Based Tournament

Limited to 200 participants

Minimum of 4 matches guaranteed in each event entered

IFP sanctioning rules will apply

Early Registration Fee = \$40: April 22 - June 30, 2015

Registration Fee = \$50: July 1 - August 23, 2015

Event Fees = \$10 per event entered

Schedule:

Friday, Sept. 18 Practice Day, Clinics, Tournament Dinner

Saturday, Sept. 19

Men's Doubles , Women's Doubles

Sunday, Sept. 20

Mixed Doubles

Venue:

Outdoor courts located in Madrid's majestic "Retiro Park",
walking distance from hotels and to the historic city center.

Vernon Pickleball Club Fund Raising Doubles Tournament

Next indoor fund raising doubles tournament is **October 24, 2015** in Vernon. We
are taking names now.

Contact: vernonpickleballclub@gmail.com

*Any player or group who would like to have their tournament advertised , please send request to:
Denise at de.griffin@sasktel.net*



Pickleball News Coast to Coast



The Byrne Creek Leos Tournament a Huge Success

The Byrne Creek Secondary Leos Club is a student-organized club chartered in 2005 under Lions International with the support of the Burnaby Edmonds Lions Club. They are located in the newest school in Burnaby; with more than 170 members we are currently the largest Leo Club in the entire world! Led by our amazing sponsor teacher, Ms. Judy Fujiki, we organize and assist in various events and activities all around our community. Through volunteer work, we teach

students teamwork, planning and leadership skills that are vital in their futures. Aside from external community events we also have many in school events such as the Midnight Vigil, International Orientations, Valentine's Day Rose Sale, and Seniors Tea. Leo Club has worked with countless organizations within our school and internationally, allowing students the opportunity to work with people from many diverse backgrounds. We are also grateful for the many

years of guidance and support from our Lions International leader PZC and Past District 19A Leo Liaison Lion Glenn Cho.

The students volunteered for the tournament in many capacities. They could be seen assisting at the registration desk and the food service location at lunch and snack times. Students were selling daffodil pins to raise money for cancer research and selling raffle tickets to raise money for the tournament. Wherever help was needed the students were there!

A Message From the Tournament Director

On behalf of the Metro Vancouver Pickleball committee and myself, we would like to sincerely thank everyone for your understanding, support, donation, volunteering, participation, and guidance in assisting us in delivering a fun filled and memorable event. With your enthusiastic cooperation and the generous donation of the sponsors we found success!

The sponsors that we wish to acknowledge are : All String Sports, Cookies of the Course, General Paint Venables branch, Staples, Poplar Management Group, and Imperial Trophies, and a special thanks to Desmond Lai for his donation of \$500 and his inspirational plea to those who are in a position to donate a little from their children's inheritance fund for a worthy charity of their choice.



The results are posted in the pickleballtournaments.com site and gratitude to the continual work from PCO President Shirley Shepard and Denise Griffin, the pictures of the winners and the Tourney will be posted on the PCO site soon. (pickleballcanada.org)

Thank You to those who sent in your valuable feedback! It's always great to incorporate new ideas or continue existing practices to improve future tournament experiences, especially if we are to promote and grow the game of Pickleball in our community.

In the 2 days we successfully delivered 467 games in the two days, with over 310 games on Saturday in both singles and doubles categories. A bit challenging but we managed to complete them with just 40 minutes over our anticipated time.

Despite a few minor glitches, I believe the committee achieved some of their other goals for the benefit of the players, such as fun and fellowship, guaranteed more games per player in each bracket, minimal wait time between games, double elimination playoff format, increased rookie referee participation, billeting offerings, effective communication, and early Sunday completion for those out of town participants. Also, the food was yummy and more than we would have all expected.

Personally I like to express my deepest gratitude to my committee members Peter Darvill, Danae North, Al Yeo, Fion Chou, Ashley Chang, Terri Welsh, Yoram Zer, and Idan Zer. Also, a big Thank you to Marco Jankowiak for your invaluable guidance and the support from your club, the Fraser Valley Pickleball association.

Of course, many many Thanks to Judy Fujiki and your Byrne Creek Leos for arranging the facility, setting and cleaning up the gyms and preparing us those amazing lunches and treats throughout the entire tournament. They were tireless in graciously hosting everyone and insuring that there was always something at the food tables, each day of the tourney.

Without all of your cooperation, support, and assistance, I probably wouldn't have survived the journey unscathed and our tourney would not have achieved such success.

Again, Congratulations to all the winners and participants! Together, as ambassadors of the game, I am confident that we can quickly grow this silly sport we call Pickleball!!

2015 PCO Tournament Points (Bryne Creek Leo Charity Pickleball Tourney)

MEN

Baase Willie 100
 Brar Binu 100
 Cheung Garrett 100
 Dix Daryl 400
 Dana Mark 200
 Rick Dillon 100
 Doray Ryan 200
 Endo Ken 400
 Houghton Rick 800
 Jankowiak Marco 1000
 Jung Chuck 400
 Kim Patrick 600
 Leon Rheal 100
 Lockington Josh 600
 Luey Frank 200
 Manansala Lee 500
 McGee Matt 400

McKeown Barry 200
 McKimmon Andrew 500
 Neufeldt Charles 400
 Northcott Peter 100
 Pearse Darrell 200
 Rostek Ryan 300
 Sunshine Lou 400
 Tsao Peter 300
 Walker Gordon 100
 Watson Tom 400
 Windt Tom 100
 Wong Kin 400
 Young Gord 700
 Yu Hongyan 200
 Yeo L 100
 Zer idan 500
 Zer Yoram 400

WOMEN

Beechinor Lori 400
 Campbell Cathy 400
 Chang Ashley 100
 Cheyne Lynn 400
 Chou Fion 800
 Choy Magdalene 600
 Dallas Mary 400
 Davison Pat 400
 Dew Donna 100
 Dowell Eileen 200
 Dueck Dawn 200
 Gerhard Gitte 200
 Giang Esther 100
 Hale Ann 400
 Holley Debby 300
 Holley Kathy 200
 Hoyrup Grace 100

Kwan Lily 400
 Leah Sid 400
 Martel Brenda 400
 Morgan Debby 200
 Owen Pauline 100
 Owens Kathleen 100
 Paterson Susanne 300
 Pool Claire 100
 Sawatsky Karen 300
 Sharon Small 200
 Sofiak Wendy 400
 Taylor Kary 400
 Vaage Sharon 400
 Ward Rita 200
 Welch Terri 600

The Results:

Mens Doubles 3.0



Rick Houghton/Lou Sunshine
 MD 3.0 Gold



Ken Endo/Ryan Doray
 MD 3.0 Silver



Rheal Leon (missing)/Darrell Pearse
 MD 3.0 Bronze

Mens Doubles 3.5



Tom Watson/Patrick Kim
MD 3.5 Gold



Frank Luey/Chuck Jung
MD 3.5 Silver



Peter Northcott (missing)/Rick Dillion
MD 3.5 Bronze

Mens Doubles 4.0



Yoram Zer/Idan Zer
MD 4.0 Gold

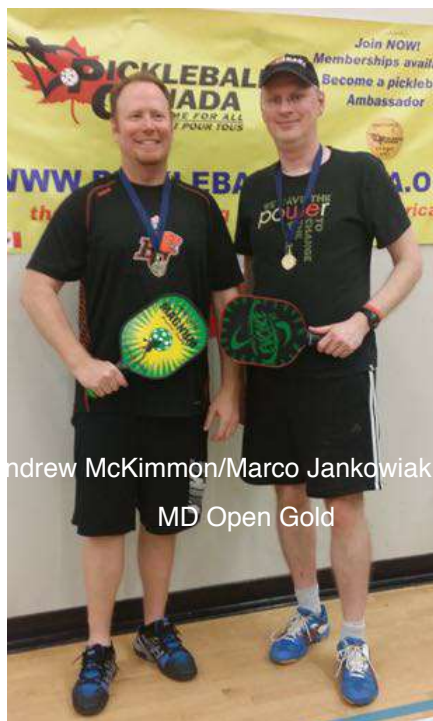


Daryl Dix/Josh Lockington
MD 4.0 Silver



Peter Tsao/Lee Manansala
MD 4.0 Bronze

Mens Doubles Open



Andrew McKimmon/Marco Jankowiak
MD Open Gold



Mark Dana/Gord Young
MD Open Silver



Ryan Rostek/Binu Brar
MD Open Bronze

Ladies Doubles 3.0



Sharon Vaage/Ann Hale
Gold



Eileen Dowell/Sharon Small
Silver



Susanne Paterson/Kathleen Owens
Bronze

Ladies Doubles 3.5



Kary Taylor/Cathy Campbell
Gold



Kathy Holley/Rita Ward
Silver



Donna Dew/Pauline Owen
Bronze

Ladies Doubles 4.0



Mary Dallas/Lori Beechinor
LD 4.0 Gold



Dawn Dueck/Debby Morgan
LD 4.0 Silver



Clair Pool/Debbie Holley
LD 4.0 Bronze

Ladies Doubles 4.5



Terri Welch/Magdalene Choy
LD 4.5 Gold



Fion Chou/Karen Sawatsky
LD 4.5 Silver

Mixed Doubles 3.0



Pat Davison/Matt McGee
Gold



Ken Endo/Susanne Paterson
Silver



Willie Baase/Darrell Pearse
Bronze

Mixed Doubles 3.5



Kin Wong/Lily Kwan
Gold



Hongyan Yu/Chuck Jung
Silver



Grace Hoyrup/Gordon Walker
Bronze

Mixed Doubles 4.0



Charles Neufeldt/Leah S
MD 4.0 Gold



Barry Mckeown/Debby Holley
MD 4.0 Silver



Ashley Chang/L Yeo
MD 4.0 Bronze

Mixed Doubles Open



Gord Young/Fion Chou
MD Open Gold



Terri Welch/Marco Jankowiak
MD Open Silver



Magdalene Choy/Andrew McKinnon
MD Open Bronze

Mens Singles 3.0



Rick Houghton
Gold



Patrick Kim
Silver



Garrett Cheung
Bronze

Mens Singles 3.5



Lee Manansala
Gold



Peter Tsao
Silver



Idan Zer
Bronze

Mens Singles 4.0



Josh Lockington
Gold

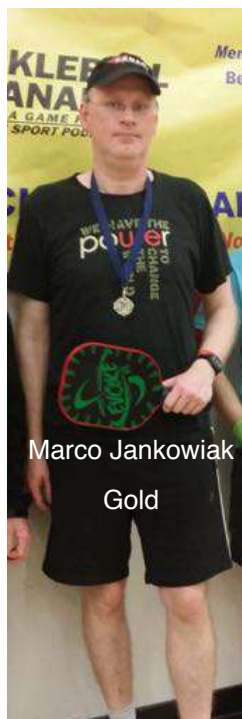


Daryl Dix
Silver



Tom Windt
Bronze

Mens Singles Open



Marco Jankowiak
Gold



Ryan Rostek
Silver



Gord Young
Bronze

Ladies Singles 3.0



Wendy Sofiak
Gold



Gitte Gerhard
Silver



Esther Giang
Bronze

Ladies Singles 3.5



Lynn Cheyne
Gold

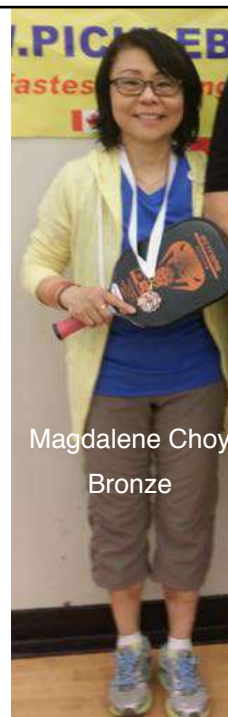
Ladies Singles 4.0

Gold
Brenda Martel

No Picture



Fion Chou
Silver



Magdalene Choy
Bronze

NANAIMO PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT, May 1 – 3, 2015

The Nanaimo Pickleball Club and the City of Nanaimo, BC hosted their annual regional pickleball tourney at the Oliver Woods Community Centre. The 3 day tournament was very well organized and well attended with a 25% increase in player registration. Well done Nanaimo Pickleball Club and

Men's Singles 3.0 & 3.5

GOLD – Bob Stoffberg

SILVER – George Marinakis

BRONZE – Scott Yang

Men's Singles 4.0 & 4.5

GOLD – Ryan Rostek

SILVER – Mike Bellis

BRONZE – Ryner Wilson

Men's Doubles 3.5

GOLD – Richard Andrews & Mark Lucier

SILVER – George Marinakis & Tom Wilson

BRONZE – David Mottishaw & Tom Sharpe

Men's Doubles 4.0

GOLD – David Hesje & Michael Place

SILVER – Ron St. Pierre & Lorne Strumecki

BRONZE – Dave Kalyn & Dave Metcalfe

Men's Doubles 4.5

GOLD – Barry Bissonnette & Jim Boris

SILVER – John Savoy & Ken Holman

BRONZE – Binu Brar & Ryan Rostek

Women's Doubles 3.0

GOLD – Colleen Mottishaw & Glenda Sharpe

SILVER – Nancy Barnes & Caron Usher

BRONZE – Jeannine Bird & Nadia Shworan

Women's Doubles 3.5

GOLD – Colleen Crowder & Deborah Houston

SILVER – Virginia Augis & Trudy Pitcher

BRONZE – Karin McTaggart & Jean McTaggart

Women's Doubles 4.0

GOLD – Gwen Chew & Marilyn Moen

SILVER – Partner & Elizabeth Peckham

BRONZE – Dawn Dueck & Debby Morgan

Mixed Doubles 3.0

GOLD – Kerry & Peter Savory

SILVER – Glenda & Tom Sharpe

BRONZE – Chantal & Pete Grassmann

Mixed Doubles 3.5

GOLD – Pauline Davidson & Mark Lucier

SILVER – George Marinakis & Karen Peniuk

BRONZE – David Caouette & Colleen Crowder

Mixed Doubles 4.0

GOLD – David Metcalfe & Elizabeth Peckham

SILVER – Diane Endrizzi & David Hesje

BRONZE – Elisabeth Martin & Michael Seal

Mixed Doubles 4.5

GOLD – Binu Brar & Magdalene Choy

SILVER – Mike Bellis & Dawn Dueck

BRONZE – John Savoy & Nancy Stern

2015 PCO Tournament Points for Nanaimo Pickleball Tournament

MEN

Boris Jim 400

Brar Binu 500

Place Michael 400

Rostek Ryan 500

Savoy John 300

WOMEN

Barnes Nancy 200

Chew Gwen 400

Choy Magdalene 400

McTaggart Jean 100

Morgan Debby 100

Pitcher Trudy 200

Stern Nancy 100



Pickleball Around the World



VIVA SPAIN PICKLEBALL TOURS

the 2015 dates.

I'm in Spain and making some good progress promoting pickleball. I wanted to let you know that we recently

finished the September Spain Pickleball Tours and had a great time so I've decided to keep them going in 2015. The following are

Join Us on a 9-day Pickleball Tour to Spain

Experience a behind-the-scenes look into Spain's rich history and culture combined with a chance to play pickleball with the locals almost every day of the tour.

4 Tours Scheduled for 2015

May 19-27
2015

June 4-12
2015

June 19-27
2015

September 19-27
2015

Check-out the Web site and view photos and video from 2014

www.vivapickleballtours.com

International Places to Play Pickleball

<http://www.usapa.org/places-to-play-pickleball>

ABW (Aruba), STA CRUZ # 56, STA. CRUZ,
ABW

GBR (Great Britain) -

Bunyan Leisure Center, Bedford, GBR,

Russell Park, Bedford, GBR

Kidlington & Gosford Leisure Centre, Kidlington,
GBR,

Kirkley Community Sports Centre, Lowestoft,
England

Waveney Sports Centre, Lowestoft, England

GRC (Greece) - Vritomartis nudist resort, Chania,
GRC

MEX (Mexico) -

Athletic Club San Carlos, San Carlos, MEX

El Dorado Ranch Pickleball Club, San Felipe,
Mexico

El Sargento, BCS, MEX

Cabo Blanco Hotel, Barra de Navidad, Ja, MEX

Canto del Sol Tennis Club, Puerto Vallarta, MEX

La Deportiva, San Miguel de Allend, MEX

Loma del Mar, San Carlos, MEX

Mazatlan Pickleball Club, Mazatlan, MEX

Marina Real Condominiums, San Carlos, MEX

San Carlos Gym, San Carlos, Sonora, MEX

San Carlos Pickleball Association, San Carlos,
MEX

Totonaka RV, San Carlos, Sonora, MEX

GTM (Guatemala) San Andreas, Sajcabaja, GTM

PICKLEBALL COSTA RICA, San Ramon,
Alajuela, San Ramon, CRI

Pickleball France Gazette

www.pickleballfrance.org

N°1 - Avril - April 2015

France now has Pickleball organization. The following link will take you to their web site. <http://www.pickleballfrance.org/accueil.html>

The web page and a news letter was created on 26 February 2015. Originally a small group was formed in early 2014 in Europe Amicale Fayence. Led by Pierre Obozinski who discovered the sport during a stay in Canada, the group has gradually developed to achieve a small fifty players. These formed the initial core of the association.

Their website shows that they play in Callian and the Ferrage.



Getting Creative in the Comox Valley

The Comox Valley recently formed an Association to form a new club with a future goal of new outdoor courts . We have already signed up 135 enthusiastic members . Our recent Social seen 100 members came out to play and share a Potluck supper.

A member designed these table center pieces which we sold as another money raiser.



**2015 55+ B.C. Senior
Games North
Vancouver, August
25th – 29th, 2015**

Mark Twain said: "It's good sportsmanship to not pick up lost golf balls while they are still rolling."

(Source: Brainyquotes)

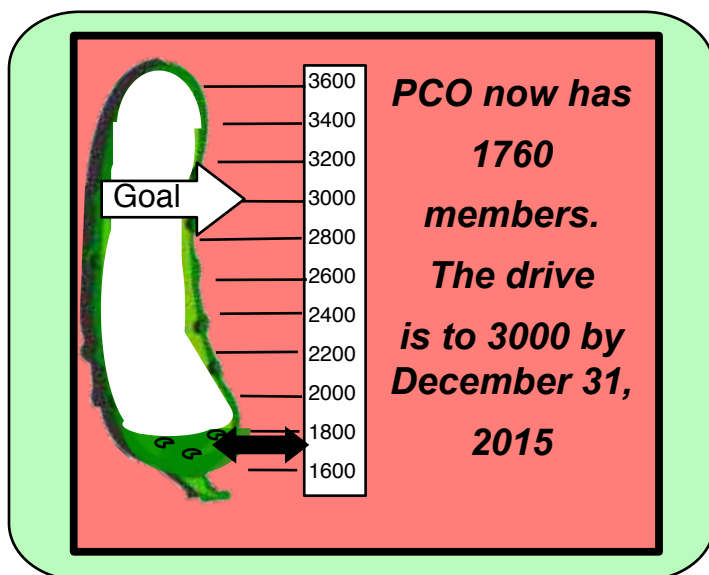
Submitted by Carol Doughty



Paul Henderson said, "My philosophy is I take today, live it the best way I can, and if I wake up, I'll take another shot at tomorrow."

(Source: Brainyquotes)

Submitted by Carol Doughty



Please re-new or join PICKLEBALL CANADA

Membership application form is available on the web site. Completed form and payment can be

PICKLEBALL CANADA ORGANIZATION
10823 – 82 AVENUE, EDMONTON, ALBERTA, T6E 2B2

MEMBERSHIP RATES FOR PICKLEBALL CANADA

New/re-new membership rates are:

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

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

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*Patsy Simon, PCO Director
and Chair Rules Committee*

Question:

At what point can you enter the kitchen after you hit the ball?

9.C. A fault will be declared if, in the act of volleying the ball, the player's momentum causes the player or anything the player is wearing or carrying to touch the non-volley zone or touch any non-volley line. It is a fault if the player's momentum causes the player to touch anything that is touching the non-volley zone, including the player's partner. It is a fault even if the ball is declared dead before the player touches the non-volley zone.

9.E. A player may step on the non-volley line or enter the non-volley zone at any time except when that player is volleying the ball. There is no violation if your partner returns the ball while you are standing in the non-volley zone. A player may enter the non-volley zone before or after returning any ball that bounces.

9.F. A player may stay inside the non-volley zone to return balls that bounce. That is, there is no violation if a player does not exit the non-volley zone after hitting a ball that bounces.

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Pickleball Canada

National Western Tournament

Kelowna, B.C.

July 10, 11 & 12, 2015

Pickleball Canada has decided to have 2 National Championship tournaments for 2015...one in the West and one in the East. The Pickleball Canada National Western Tournament held in Kelowna will be skill based (not age-group based) and be played **outdoors**. This is a Pickleball Canada/USAPA sanctioned tournament that will use IFP rules.

Location: Parkinson Recreation Center, 1800 Parkinson Way, Kelowna, B.C., V1Y 4P9

Tournament Information:

- Early registration runs from January 1st, 2015 to April 30th, 2015.
- \$25 registration fee plus \$10 for each event entered.
- Late registration is from May 1st, 2015 to June 1st, 2015—**there is a \$10 fee for late registration.**
- Players may enter a maximum of 3 events and may only enter one doubles, one mixed doubles and one singles event.
- Registration should be completed online at www.pickleballtournaments.com
- Pickleball Canada members will receive a \$5 discount off the registration fee. When registering online please make sure you enter your membership number in your personal profile to receive the discount. Leave it blank if you are not a member.
- Please note that if you are currently not a member of Pickleball Canada Organization (PCO) your registration fee will include a PCO 1 year membership.
- Pickleball Canada Tournament points will be awarded to the top three teams in each event.
- Players must be 16 years of age or older any time in 2015 in order to compete.
- Entry fee includes food voucher & welcome bag.
- Players who do not indicate a rating within their registration will be placed in the 3.0 category, although the tournament committee reserves the right to place individual players in an appropriate category.
- All events will be double elimination with each match being best 2 out of 3 games to 11 on the "A" side of the draw. On the "B" side of the draw each match will consist of one game to 15.

Events:

- Men's Doubles 3.0, 3.5—Friday
- Women's Doubles 3.0, 3.5—Friday
- Men's Doubles 4.0, 4.5, Open —Saturday
- Women's Doubles 4.0, 4.5, Open —Saturday
- Mixed Doubles 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5, Open—Sunday
- Men's & Women's Singles Open—Sunday
- Rain Day—Monday, if necessary



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2015 Pickleball Canada Eastern National Championships



Waterloo, Ontario - July 10—12, 2015

Manulife Financial Sportsplex and Healthy Living Centre, RIM Park

DIVISIONS / AGES OF PLAY:

- **12 - 70+ (Juniors to Older Adult)**
 - **Men's, Women's, Open & Mixed Doubles**
 - **Open Men's and Women's Singles**
 - **Junior Boys & Girls Doubles**
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FEES:

- **\$35.00 Registration Fee / PCO Members SAVE \$5.00**
 - **\$10 per additional category**
 - **KWPA is Hosting Instructional Clinics July 9th**
 - **Clinics are facilitated by USAPA 5.0 Level Players**
 - **Fee of \$30 per Clinic—Intermediate & Advanced**
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TOURNAMENT DETAILS:

pickleballtournaments.weebly.com

TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION:

pickleballtournaments.com

CLINIC REGISTRATION E-MAIL:

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