



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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President's Message - Dave Shepherd



Good news!

We are pleased to announce that Pickleball Canada will be launching a new website in the middle of November!!! Our new website will have new features and improvements. So, please come and visit our new website!

As we move towards the end of 2013, Pickleball Canada is very pleased with the great progress we have made so far this year. Our membership numbers have reached over 700. There is a substantial increase in the number of players, clubs and groups, Ambassadors, indoor and outdoor courts, start-ups and Places to Play across the country. Many schools are implementing pickleball in the P.E. curriculum. We would like to thank our Ambassadors for volunteering to do demos and instructions in schools, clubs, recreation and community centres. The growth of pickleball in Canada and the United States is unprecedented. Every month we receive many emails from groups that are starting up in every corner of the country. PCO promotes good sportsmanship, supports tournaments and recreational play, and helps with the formation of new groups across Canada.

Pickleball Canada has successfully sanctioned four tournaments this year. All PCO sanctioned tournaments use IFP Rules. Winners of sanctioned tournaments will receive PCO Tournament Points. Pickleball Canada will announce the 2013 top PCO Tournament Points players at the end of each year.

PCO offers many member benefits, such as: website, newsletters, places to play, ambassadors, tournaments, tournament points, player ratings, rules and policies, advertising, pickleball updates, information, advice and support for players, clubs, tournaments, start ups, liability insurance for sanctioned tournaments, news, and much more.....

If you are not a member or need to re-join PCO please take the time to visit www.pickleballcanada.org, complete a Membership Application Form and mail it along with your cheque to the address indicated on the form or use the PayPal on-line payment services. Thank you for supporting Pickleball Canada!

The Pickleball Explosion Continues Across Canada

New Places to Play 2013

Recognizing there were many more "New Places to Play" across the country we would like to hear from any of you who can add to our list for the December newsletter.

Newfoundland

Nova Scotia

Prince Edward Island

- 2 new pickleball courts , at the tennis court area, Souris, PEI

Quebec

Ontario

- Beacon Presbyterian Church, Beaverton, ON
- Senior Activity Centre, Cobourg, ON
- Comber Community Centre, Comber, ON
- Community Centre, Fenelon Falls, ON
- Victoria Park Armory, Lindsay, ON
- Alexander Park, Oshawa, ON
- The Rama Centre, Orillia, ON
- Community Centre, Port Hope, ON
- YMCA, Sault Ste Marie, ON
- Vandorf, Stouffville, ON
- Timken Community Centre, St Thomas, ON
- Kingsville Tennis Organization painted pickleball lines on 4 tennis courts, Kingsville, ON

Manitoba

- Headingley Community Centre, Headingley, MB
- Bronx Community Centre, Winnipeg, MB
- Norberry-Glenlee Community Centre, Winnipeg, MB
- Rady Jewish Community Centre, Winnipeg, MB
- Reh-Fit Center, Winnipeg, MB

- Sturgeon Height Community Centre, Winnipeg, MB

Saskatchewan

- Church of Christ, Kenosee Lake, SK
- North West Leisure Centre, Regina, SK

Alberta

- Millenium Place, Sherwood Park, AB
- Saville Community Sports Centre, Edmonton, AB
- Outdoor skating rink (3 courts added Canmore, AB

British Columbia

Vancouver and Lower Mainland:

- Kerrisdale Community Centre, Vancouver, BC
- Trout Lake Community Centre, Vancouver, BC
- Champlain Heights Community Centre, Vancouver, BC
- Hillcrest Community Centre, Vancouver, BC
- Kerrisdale Community Centre, Vancouver, BC
- Edmonds Community Centre, Burnaby, BC
- Westridge Park in Burnaby, BC
- Place Maillardville Community Centre, Coquitlam, BC
- Hyde Creek Recreation Centre, Port Coquitlam, BC

Vancouver Island:

- Comox Community Center, Comox, BC
- Courtenay Native Sons Hall, Courtenay, BC
- Island Savings Centre, Duncan, BC

- Sportsplex, Campbell River, BC
- Frank Jameson Community Center, Ladysmith, BC
- Ballenas High School, Parksville, BC
- New pickleball lines on two tennis courts and six pickleball courts in the lacrosse box, Parksville, BC
- Greenglade Community Centre, Sidney, BC
- Cedar Hill Recreation Centre, Victoria, BC
- Henderson Recreation Centre, Victoria, BC

Fraser Valley

- Rosedale Traditional Community School, Chilliwack, BC
 - Silver Creek Elementary School, Hope, BC
- ### BC Interior
- Dufferin Elementary School, Kamloops, BC
 - Sonora Community Centre, Osoyoos, BC
 - Vernon Christian School, Vernon, BC
 - Butler Park 4 pickleball courts., Trail, BC
 - 6 outdoor pickleball courts at the Parkinson Recreation Centre, Kelowna, BC
 - Club Shuswap Golf and RV, Salmon Arm, BC

News for Snowbirds Travelling to the USA

Pickleball Canada Organization works very closely with the United States Pickleball Association (USAPA) and the International Federation of Pickleball (IFP). For players in the US and Canada an official IFP rating may be assigned and published on the USAP website www.usapa.org/ratings. If any of our members would like to get an IFP rating and have it posted because they play in the USA in the winter, please contact www.pickleballcanada.org

Your initial self-rating must be approved by a PCO Ambassador, Tournament Director or Rating Committee. Your "S" self-rating may be changed to a "T" tournament rating based on tournament results.

The reason Pickleball Canada and USAPA use the same International Federation of Pickleball ratings is because we want to have the same ratings in each country so players can play in the same skill rated tournaments in Canada and the USA.

Breach of Security?? by Denise Griffin

Recently, my husband Gord and I had to make a quick trip to Alberta via West Jet. We packed our usual single case each and I filled a back pack with "essentials" that I brought on board with me. The airport check in on the way was uneventful but the airport check in on the way home was anything but.... *(continued on next page)*
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Going through security cameras my backpack and self were singled out and a stern male security guard ordered me to empty out my backpack immediately. Apparently, the female security guard manning the camera had detected a strange, bottle-shaped article in my backpack contents.

I explained that there must be a mistake because I was positive I had no bottles in my backpack. Of course as always a smirking bystander standing

in line chirps out, "Oh yeah, sure lady". So with plenty of bystanders looking on, the gloved male security guard began pulling out items with me. Out came runners, socks, work out wear, underwear and last of all my precious pickleball paddle. "My pickleball paddle! Could this be what you are looking for?", I asked.

The security guard held it up with a puzzled look on his face and said, "What is it?" The camera lady said, "Pickle what?", The smirking bystander blurted out, "That is quite the spanking paddle lady!"

We all cut up laughing. Of course, while I was repacking I had to tell them what a great game it was. Before I was hustled through security my parting words were "be sure and check it out on the internet".

Who would have thought a pickleball paddle could cause such a commotion!

Pickleball Around the World

The Netherlands Connects with PCO

The sport of pickleball is truly growing world-wide. Recently, the Netherlands contacted Dave & Shirley Shepherd, PCO President and Secretary, to talk about their upcoming first ever Dutch International Pickleball Tournament. The Amsterdam Pickleball Players have also been working with Shirley about how to start a non-profit organization in the Netherlands. The Amsterdam International Tournament, May 16-18, 2014 is a promotional skill level tournament with the goal of promoting pickleball in the Netherlands. What an opportunity for any Canadians who want to do a European visit and play some pickleball, as the Amsterdam Pickleball Players have offered to try to arrange housing for participants from abroad! Stay tuned for more information and registration forms, which will be available soon.

Pickleball in Costa Rica

The General Manager of the Westin Golf Resort and Spa, in Playa Conchal, Costa Rica has contacted PCO to advise us that their property has opened up the first dedicated pickleball court in the country. *pic courtesy of USAPA Newsletter*



HOW ABOUT PLAYING PICKLEBALL IN THE CENTER OF AMSTERDAM?

Join us for the first Dutch International Pickleball Tournament

MAY 16 – MAY 18 2014

It will be a skill level tournament and we play indoor. Housing will be available for guests from abroad.

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

- give us your email address, or
- send an email to pickleballplayers@gmail.com
- take a look at our website: www.picklebal.nl (international tournament)

Amsterdam Pickleball Players
Bernadette Snijders Blok & Carine Thesingh

Logo- & graphic design: www.graphic.nl

Pickleball in Bora Bora

During a recent trip to Bora Bora, French Polynesia, a group of USAPA members taught French guests the game of pickleball on a grass court. These same members are now sending paddles, balls and nets to them in Paris, France. *pic courtesy of USAPA Newsletter*



Pickleball News Coast to Coast

"CAN I KEEP YOUR MEDAL?"

At a pickleball tournament, a 10-year-old granddaughter had watched the medal rounds and had waited patiently for the medal presentation to begin to see her grandparent receive a medal.

After receiving the medal, the recipient went back to where the little girl was standing.

The grandparent, wearing the medal, bent down and asked his granddaughter, "Would you like to wear my medal?"

She replied, "Yes, but can I keep your medal?" "Why?" asked the grandparent.

The little girl responded, "I want to keep it and put it into a fancy box for when you die. I will have something to remember you by."

While placing the medal around the granddaughter's neck, the pickleballer said, "Yes, of course, Sweetie!"

This story caused me to think about what kind of legacy we are leaving for our fellow pickleballers and those who come behind us. Do other players, as well as our children or grandchildren who come to the tournaments or gyms to see us play, see us accepting the calls of the opposition, encouraging our partners, telling opponents that they've made good shots, shaking hands after games, and dealing with conflicts positively? Something to think about...

Submitted by Carol Doughty PCO Ambassador

Pickleballers Giving Back

Pickleballers can also dance.

On Saturday, October 19, approximately 24 pickleballers from the Port Perry Club in Durham Region, Ontario, attended the Megalore's Fundraising 50's Dance at the local Legion.

The Megalore organization is headed by 2

Port Perry pickleballers, Jim and Lynn Doucette.

Along with a few others, they organize social events to raise funds which will



assist Scugog Township residents who are



faced with life-altering challenges and in need of financial assistance not obtainable through insurance plans or government programs.

For example, the group paid the medical bills and airline ticket for a resident who had a stroke

in Halifax and had no medical or travel coverage. See <http://www.megaloregorup.org/> for more information about this worthy charity.

For the dance, many of the pickleballers dressed up in the 50's style to add to the fun of twisting, jiving, and slow dancing to the tunes from the "Happy Days". We all had fun with the others from the Port Perry Community, "Rockin' 'Round the Clock"- well, until around 1 a.m. anyway- all for a great cause.

Photos by Bruce Deakin

Written by Carol Doughty PCO Ambassador



HONOUR YOUR PARTNER MIXED TOURNAMENT

On Friday, October 11 at Kingsway College in Oshawa, Ontario, there was a mixed round robin tournament which included the following age categories: 50-59, 60-64, 65- 69, 70+. The tournament was set up so that each Age Category played on 2 courts. Each Age Category had its own Convenor and Score Keeper. We truly appreciated all their work. The 25 teams came mainly from the Durham Region, but we had some others from Hawkstone, Barrie, Vaughn, and Scarborough. The Chief Convenor, Roy Wilson, kept everything moving smoothly and on time. A big thank you goes out to Whitby Toyota for donating the gifts to the volunteers.

This tournament was also a food drive for the Simcoe Hall Settlement House in Oshawa and the All Saints Anglican Food Bank in Whitby. Both

centres were appreciative of the pickleballers' donations.

The medal winners were as follows:

50-59: Gold - Joan Archer and Rob Smith

Silver- Sandi and Mike March

Bronze- Marlene and Randi Elliott

60-64: Gold- Anne Berry and Hans Tim

Silver -Jane Douglas-Megill and Steve Megill

Bronze- Sharon Clarke and Bruce Doughty

65- 69Gold- JoAnne Boehlke and Andrew Ling

Silver - Carol Doughty and Bill Gohn

Bronze- Richard and Simonne McCowan

70+: Gold-Merrie Lee and James Alberga

Silver - Sylvia Laycoe and Gary Tuck

Bronze- Beryl Taylor and Doug Cain

Submitted by Carol Doughty, Organizer of the Honour Your Partner tournaments.



Hello from Pickleball Saskatchewan.

We are now an official organization. In Regina you can play every day of the week except Saturday. We have facilities in each corner of the city where you can play and we get an average of

15 people out at every facility. The word is out. Not too many people are now asking "what is pickleball"? To send our snowbirds south we are having a potluck get-together at Sandpiper social room on November 1 and we are looking forward to our first social outing as a new organization.

Submitted by Carol Martens-Clappison Saskatchewan Ambassador.

Canadian +55 Summer Games 2014



**CANADA 55+ GAMES
STRATHCONA
COUNTY 2014
ALBERTA**

2014 Canada 55+ Games are coming to Western Canada! Strathcona County will host the nation August 27-30, 2014 and we want you to be a part of it!

Our community is thrilled to host the 55+ Canada Games as a way to celebrate and promote life-long recreational pursuits to our community and across Canada. We invite you to explore all that Strathcona County has to offer to make the 2014 Canada 55+ Games an exciting and memorable experience!

Interested in competing at the Games? Here's how...

1. Pick your sport or activity.
2. Registration deadline is June 30, 2014.
3. You need to be 55 years of age by December 31, 2014.

Canada 55+ Games sports and activities

• 5-Pin Bowling	• Cribbage	• Scrabble
• 8-Ball Pool	• Cycling 20 & 50 km	• Slo-Pitch
• Badminton	• Darts	• Swimming
• Bocce	• Duplicate Bridge	• Tennis
• Carpet Bowling	• Floor Curling	• Track and Field
• Contract Bridge	• Floor Shuffleboard	• Whist
	• Ice Hockey - men	
	• Ice Hockey - women	
	• Micro Marathon	
	• Pickleball	

www.canada55plusgames2014.com
recreation@strathcona.ca
780-467-2211

**STRATHCONA
COUNTY**

There are less than 290 days left before Strathcona County in Alberta hosts the Canadian 55+ Summer Games. Strathcona County, a short drive from Edmonton, is home to many quality recreation facilities and is nearby many amazing tourist attractions. The pickleball events will be held on beautiful outdoor courts in the glorious Alberta sunshine and entries will be based on age

categories.

Interested in Competing in the 2014 Canada 55+ Games?

Members can contact your local 55+ Associations for details on how to qualify to participate in the 2014 Canada 55+ games. Non-members contact Lois Dudgeon at ph 204-822-6207 or email Lois at ldudgeon@mymts.net

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Alberta – contact Pat Covington 780-488-3676

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Non-Members

British Columbia

Nunavet

Newfoundland & Labrador

from www.canada55plusgames2014.com

2013 USAPA National Tournament 11/11/13 - 11/17/13 Sun City Festival, Buckeye, AZ

Six hundred forty-four USAPA members from 39 states and as far away as Canada and the Netherlands will converge on Sun City Festival in Buckeye, Arizona November 11-17 for the USAPA

National Tournament. Registration for this year's event reached an all-time high; Nationals V will be the largest tournament in the history of the sport.

Canadian players include: John Savoy, Stewart McWilliam, Harold Osbourne, Laura & Mike Schwarz, Mike Epp, Dave Touchet, Theresa Orcutt, Dan and Brenda Jmaeff, SJ Lehman, Carol Haworth, Luba Zhekhovskaya, Nancy Stern.

Bulletin: As of 12/11/13

3 Canadian women won Bronze medals at this USAPA National Tournament:

Luba Zhekhovskaya (Surrey, BC) won Bronze in Women's Doubles 35+

Brenda Jmaeff (Kelowna, BC) won Bronze in Women's Doubles 60+

Carol Haworth (Chilliwack, BC) won Bronze in Women's Doubles 70+

Submitted by Shirley Shepherd

Upcoming Tournaments



USAPA Nationals V Nov 11 - 17, 2013

Mailing address: USA Pickleball Association, P.O., Box 7354, Surprise, AZ 85374. For full information visit www.nationals.usapa.org

Registration deadline: Oct. 12, 2013 (11:59pm EDT)

Event Fees: Open Division, Young Adult Division and Senior Division
\$10. per event entered.

Junior Division \$5.00 per event entered



Pickleball Canada National Open Championship July 5 - 6, 2014 at Abbotsford Recreation Centre, Abbotsford, B.C.

21 events including Men's, Women's and Mixed Doubles and Junior Doubles.

Current IFP rules apply.

Registration form available on December 1.



PCO Sanctioned Tournament for Thompson Okanagan Pickleball Enthusiasts OPEN, DOUBLES, ROUND ROBIN PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT Men's Doubles, Ladies' Doubles, Mixed Doubles

At Sonora Recreation Centre, Osoyoos, B.C.

On Saturday November 30 and December 1, 2013

All players must be members of Pickleball Canada.

For further information contact: Mike 250-485-0245 mike.carter108@gmail.com



India National Tournament December 2013

Pickleball is alive and well in India...the game is gaining a much wider acceptance and in December 2013 a first ever National Tournament will be held. It is expected that players from 12 States of India will attend. It would add glory and sanctity to our event if we had guests from Canada and also give a great boost to the international movement of pickleball. For further information please contact: Sunil Valavalkar, Founder General Secretary, All India Pickleball Association.



The Amsterdam International Tournament, May 16-18, 2014

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

Ode To The Summer of 2013

Written by Anne Howarth, Secretary & Social Director, Oceanside Pickleball Club, Parksville, BC

The summer of 2013 could be called a Pickleball Blast, We began with 20-some players, but that wouldn't last!

As summer flew by, membership did steadily inflate, By early September our 'pickleballers' numbered 98!

We were thrilled with the lines on the tennis court, Morning walkers would stop, stare, and watch us cavort.

Ernie made weights to lower the middle of the net, Politely we played at first, never arguing a "let"!

The entire organizing was left to Gereth and Gord, Membership, PR work, money.....never a detail ignored!

A white board hung on the fence, we all signed up to play, Names rotating in groups of 4, we were all on display.

We waited, and chatted, got to know each other better, Noted who was a 'hot player', and who a 'trend setter'.

Then, somehow or another, the names kept on changing, The vultures were checking the playlist re-arranging.

Then the player line-up reverted to winners and losers, You played the board lineup, no 'pickers and choosers'.

Again a board change, names somehow rubbed off the slate, And where do you place players



who arrived to play late???

Whiteboard watch dogs were appointed, named Dave and Jim, 'Tag-team guarding' the player board, looking quite grim.

Eyes on the line-up board, some stood waiting on their feet, Men on benches...like the 2 old muppets from Sesame Street!

As we waited our turns and chatted with pickleball folk, The teasing did increase, followed by many a joke.

And 'newbies' like me were

terrified beyond compare, As serves rocketed by me, whistled past my hair.

First game, the 'Pickleball Nazi' screamed from his side, "Call the score, no foot fouls, or I'll have your hide!"

On two courts, 'newbies' and 'big guns' certainly did mix, The mentorship began.... so many bad habits to fix.

We all adhered to the whiteboard list during club play, But afterwards some of us did stay and stay, and stay!

And friendships were fused, and knick-names handed out, We couldn't play quietly but did laugh, holler and shout!

More 'newbies' arrived, wanted to learn how to play, Jim, Marilyn and Mike coached them day after day.

And when intermediate players found themselves in a slump, Special coaching came from our Jim and Forest Grump!

Numbers continued increasing, we needed bigger space, So Dave, Peewee and Gereth checked out another place.

So those cunning, conniving folk, sly like a fox,
Got permission for 6 courts inside the lacrosse box.

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PGOSA donated three nets, and immediately three more, We're given keys to the bunker's store-room door.

And meanwhile all players' skills are developing fast, New friendships are forging, which will surely last!

And we're all laughing, playing hard, and having such fun, Whether in the cool of the shade, or the heat of the sun.

That ball's so hard to find in the filtered morning light, Now we switch courts at score 6 when the sun is bright!

Yellow balls are seen smashing, spinning and lobbing, Pounding the hot asphalt our feet are all throbbing!

The whiteboard is gone, paddles lined up.... groups of four, The membership is growing, we keep signing up more!

On wet asphalt, Marge's injured with a broken ankle bone, Safety Man Mike suggests rules....

we're too accident-prone!

Gereth and Gord get help with the club's growing pace, An executive is formed, 'meetings of the minds' take place.

The executive and 'minds' work to solve plenty of 'fixes' Problems with a fast growing club and mixing the mixes.

Time slots are handed out, for totally mixing up play, At 10 newbies, intermediates and advanced pull away.

We all like to 'play up'....and challenge a 'big gun' game, Then slink back to our post, with players the same!

Friday nights Annie's typing another alphabetical list, Emailing memos to members, so no information is missed.

Appie party, picnic lunches, drinks after playing together, And marvellous Dave's our 'Eagle-Eye' on the weather.

Laughter, teasing and kibitzing continue day after day, And often we hear "YOURS!" yelled, in the middle of play.

"Who served last? And what the heck is the score?" "This game's not for old folks!", we all rant and roar!!

Thanks to Della and Tom, a club tournament is planned, With Pot Luck Lunch, and fun that was ever-so-grand!

We're all loving the games, playing club time and MORE, Pickleball junkies....feet, knees, and joints... getting SO SORE!

New Pickleball Web Site

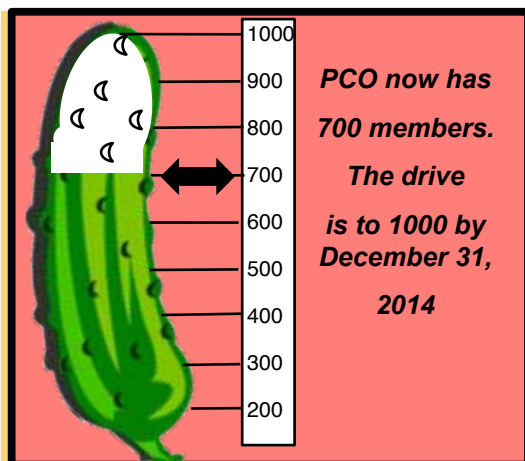
Vancouver Island Pickleball Association (VIPA) <http://vipickleball.weebly.com/> was developed by Ken Holman, and features an idea to pursue pickleball league play on Vancouver Island, B.C. On this web site:

Find information about where to play on the Island, playing schedules, details of up-coming tournaments & events and links to related sites.

Is there any interest in having an Island-wide Pickleball league?

Read the suggested format and rules.

Tell us what you think: league@vipa.ca



Membership in a National Organization - What's In It For Me?.....

How many times do you hear this comment when membership in Pickleball Canada Organization is promoted? How do you respond? Initially, I personally had to think about it. What do I gain by being a member? I realized I had become pretty complacent about the availability of the sport, rules of the game, the facilities, and the opportunities to compete. I just expected it all to happen and be there for me whenever and wherever I wanted. I had forgotten how dedicated Area Ambassadors, Directors, Board Members and all the unrecognized players in many small communities across Canada volunteer behind the scenes to make pickleball possible for me. I had forgotten how easy it was for me to access pickleball on line during my travels and how

many new pickleball venues have sprung up in the past year. I had forgotten that all major and minor sports in Canada have governing bodies that support their players and keep their sport legitimate and true.

I would love to hear what you think or how you respond to, "What's In It for Me?"
Submitted by Editor

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PICKLEBALL CANADA ORGANIZATION
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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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Drop-in Pickleball available at Hyde Creek Recreation Centre, Port Coquitlam, B.C

Monday 12:15pm - 2:15pm
Recreational

Wednesday 10am -12pm Recreational

For more information please call

604-927-7946

or

visit

www.portcoquitlam.ca/leisureguide



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from your PCO RULES GURU



Who calls "kitchen" line footfaults in non-tournament play?

A few players have recently asked this question. This is covered under IFP

Rules 6.D.1

"Players will call the lines on their side of the court (excluding the non-volley line, if being called by a referee)."

You call NVZ line footfaults and service faults on your own side just the same as the other lines on your side of the net.

The only time you don't is when you have a referee. Player integrity is part of pickleball and all players are expected to be as accurate as possible on line calls.

Most experienced players do call their own foot faults in the NVZ, just as they give the benefit of the doubt to their opponents on other line calls. For someone that doesn't call their own NVZ foot faults, a gentle reminder is usually all that is required. "For someone that doesn't call their own NVZ foot faults, a gentle reminder is usually all that is required."

Hopefully this will stop the practice of someone yelling at their opponent and trying to claim a point.