



PICKLEBALL NEWS

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Members

November 2024

Pickleball Alberta 10,000

Pickleball is our business! Corporate Pickleball has found its appeal because of the ease with which it can be played, along with the social aspect it fosters. Recognising the potential benefits of pickleball, we are seeing companies who have installed a pickleball court on their premises.

In a world where people hardly find time to meet and greet each other, this move is being seen as one that can boost an employee's morale which in turn can make the workplace a fun place to be in. While traditional team-building activities often fail to provide the desired level of engagement and camaraderie, Pickleball has emerged as a viable solution.

Another study recently found that singles pickleball has emerged as one of the most popular workouts among all racquet sports. According to the study, it even surpassed singles tennis, racquetball, and squash.



To all our new members!

Soon to be new clubs are:
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Also a reminder



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| Calgary Pickleball Club | <u>1342</u> (13.7%) |
| St. Albert Pickleball Club | <u>950</u> (9.7%) |
| Red Deer Pickleball Club | <u>835</u> (8.5%) |
| Edmonton Pickleball Club | <u>676</u> (6.9%) |
| V-Club AB | <u>666</u> (6.8%) |
| Strathcona County Pickleball Association | <u>549</u> (5.6%) |
| Medicine Hat Pickleball Club | <u>454</u> (4.6%) |
| Parkland Pickleheads | <u>409</u> (4.2%) |
| Airdrie Pickleball Club | <u>333</u> (3.4%) |
| Grande Prairie Pickleball Club | <u>331</u> (3.4%) |
| Lethbridge Pickleball Club | <u>261</u> (2.7%) |
| Cochrane Pickleball Club | <u>244</u> (2.5%) |
| Camrose Pickleball Club | <u>238</u> (2.4%) |
| Coaldale Pickleball Club | <u>211</u> (2.1%) |
| Seba Pickleball And Tennis Association (SPATA) | <u>209</u> (2.1%) |
| Yellowhead West Pickleball Club | <u>196</u> (2%) |
| Okotoks Pickleball Club | <u>184</u> (1.9%) |
| Northern Lights Pickleball Club | <u>173</u> (1.8%) |
| Fort Saskatchewan Pickleball Association | <u>154</u> (1.6%) |
| High River Pickleball Club | <u>147</u> (1.5%) |
| Cold Lake Pickleball Club | <u>83</u> (0.8%) |
| East Rocky View Pickleball Club | <u>73</u> (0.7%) |
| Mighty Peace Pickleball Club | <u>70</u> (0.7%) |
| Barrhead Pickleball Club | <u>56</u> (0.6%) |
| Edson Pickleball Club | <u>55</u> (0.6%) |
| Westlock Pickleball Society | <u>51</u> (0.5%) |
| Rocky Mountain House Pickleball Club | <u>51</u> (0.5%) |
| Ponoka Picklers | <u>50</u> (0.5%) |
| Olds Pickleball Club | <u>37</u> (0.4%) |
| Drayton Valley Senior Pickleball Club | <u>32</u> (0.3%) |
| Carstairs Pickleball Club | <u>25</u> (0.3%) |
| Tees Pickleball Club | <u>20</u> (0.2%) |
| Sicamous Pickleball Club | <u>19</u> (0.2%) |
| Elk Point Pickleball Club | <u>14</u> (0.1%) |



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Read the heritage of pickleball in our province. Meet the affiliated clubs, competitors, leaders, and builders who made a difference in contributing to the growth of pickleball in Alberta.

The Pickleball Alberta Hall of Fame serves as a beacon of recognition, preserving the legacy and honoring the contributions of individuals who have made significant impacts within our game.

It celebrates excellence, inspiring current and future members to strive for greatness in their endeavors. Moreover, it fosters a sense of community and pride, as members collectively commemorate the achievements that have shaped the identity and direction of the association.

By immortalizing the achievements of its members, our Hall of Fame not only honors individual successes and accomplishments, but also reinforces the values and standards upheld by Pickleball Alberta, guiding its members toward continued growth and success.



The Junior HOTSHOTS program for emerging players is approaching quickly. In 2025, clubs will have the flexibility to schedule their eight hours of junior pickleball coaching at their convenience. Pickleball Alberta will cover the costs associated with bringing coaches to your facility, in addition to providing a club grant and a coaches' trunk, contingent upon meeting the minimum registration requirement. Further details will be provided soon, and an email will be sent with the application form to club Executives. We are excited to welcome back all previous HOTSHOT clubs, along with the addition of ten new clubs this year!



President
Jill Groves

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CLUB DEVELOPMENT A SUCCESS!

Oct. 26, 2024 we had a Club Development Seminar



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CALL FOR AWARD NOMINATIONS

Pickleball Alberta invites nominations for its annual "Of the Year Awards" for the year 2024. This initiative aims to recognize and celebrate the contributions and dedication of affiliated clubs and members to the sport. The awards serve to express appreciation for the achievements of clubs, individual members, and volunteers across Alberta.

SELECTION PROCESS

The recipients, excluding the President's Award, will be chosen by the Selection Committee. In situations where the contributions of several nominees are considered equally significant, the Selection Committee may acknowledge multiple awardees in any category.



Awarded annually to a sponsor or partner or sponsor of pickleball that has shown tremendous support to the sport.



Junior Player award named after talented youth pickleball player Logan Cassidy, honors individuals who embody his passion, courage, skill, and sportsmanship. Nominees must be 18 years or younger during the award year.



The Male Player of the Year award recognizes the top male pickleball athlete in Alberta, focusing on excellence, achievement, and sportsmanship. Key criteria include skill level, performance in sanctioned tournaments, and overall sportsmanship. Results from major tournaments like Nationals, Regionals, and Provincials are prioritized.



The Female Player of the Year award recognizes the top female pickleball athlete in Alberta, focusing on excellence, achievement, and sportsmanship. Key criteria include skill level, performance in sanctioned tournaments, and overall sportsmanship. Results from major tournaments like Nationals, Regionals, and Provincials are prioritized.



Awarded annually to anyone as selected by the President of Pickleball Alberta for outstanding service to the sport of pickleball. Current Board members are not eligible. Nominations for this award will be considered but the recipient is usually self-selected by the President holding office in the year for which the award is being presented



This award acknowledges a young member who demonstrates outstanding leadership within their club. The recipient actively leads and supports club programs, exhibiting unwavering enthusiasm and energy. As an ambassador for pickleball, they exemplify sportsmanship both on and off the court. Their contributions to the club and community are widely recognized. Candidate must be under the age of 21.



The Club of the Year is recognized for growing membership and achieving significant accomplishments that align with Pickleball Alberta's values, such as fun, inclusiveness, and promoting an active lifestyle. It offers strong programs, including recreational and competitive play, player and junior development, and safety initiatives. Only affiliated clubs can self-nominate for this award.



The Official of the Year is an exemplary referee for Pickleball Alberta tournaments. Key factors include their acceptance of assignments and assistance in training other referees. They demonstrate positivity, focus, knowledge, respect, and clear communication with competitors during games.



The Coach of the Year embodies positivity, enthusiasm, and support, demonstrating extensive knowledge and respectful communication with participants. They foster a love for pickleball in a caring, inclusive environment while enhancing programs, and safely introducing beginners to the sport. Their commendable personal conduct reflects their dedication to teaching and mentoring.



The Volunteer of the Year is an individual who exemplifies a fearless commitment to supporting their community, club, and the sport of pickleball. This nominee demonstrates creative thinking, effectively utilizes available resources, takes initiative, remains humble in their contributions, and is driven by a genuine passion for the sport.



Nominate by clicking below and filling out the form



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Alison, an integral part of the PA Board has not only given our website a modern update, but has provided Pickleball Alberta the opportunity to communicate more effectively with her background in technology. Taking on duties of the membership role as well, we keep this retired gal busy. We can't thank you enough Alison for all you do and your pleasant, professional manner.

Listen to the AGM & Town Hall

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Jill Groves President.

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Sport law Webinar
Nov. 19
7pm

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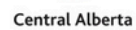
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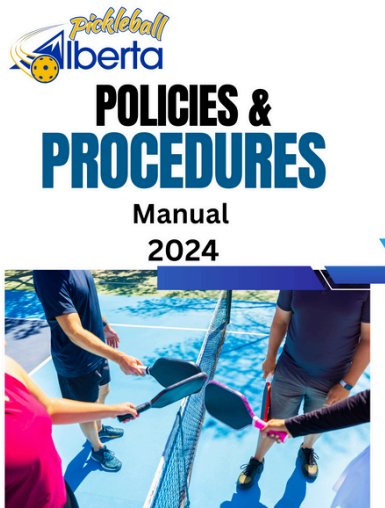
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