

Week 2 Update/Changes

We have been fortunate to play pickleball this past week and continuing into next week even though some folks feel the restrictions we are playing under seem a bit harsh. Take a moment to consider what is happening in other areas in the Okanagan. Summerland's courts will be opening this weekend, but only to singles and household doubles. Kelowna's club is not operating, the city courts at the Parkinson Recreation Centre are operating on a city-run reservation system of singles/household doubles only, every second court is shut down, and the maximum you can book is one hour at a time.

It remains critical that all our members follow and adhere to the guidelines and directions that have been approved by the City Parks Department. We are only able to play because of the guidelines/directions we have implemented. It is not time to let our guard down and revert to old habits. We do not want to take a step backwards and be limited to singles/household doubles as is happening during public time in Penticton and in other communities.

There are a few minor changes for week 2:

All previous protocols/guidelines must be followed, in addition:

1. You do not have to maintain the same group as week 1.
2. Group maximum 6 players, with maximum of 5 attending any one session.
3. Players may not play in more than one group during the week. However, your group **must still be consistent for all of week 2**. Only the players listed in your group can play in the club court times that you reserve.
4. **Key reminders:**
 - a. Don't arrive at the courts more than **5 minutes** before your scheduled time!
 - b. Groups assigned to **Courts 2 & 3, use the west entrance gate**.
 - c. Take all your gear into the court and place it at the side near midcourt. The extra player is to wait at the midcourt sideline.
 - d. Maintain physical distancing at all times prior/post games, while changing sides, as well during breaks between games.

The previous protocols/guidelines are posted on the PPC website. To access:

1. Log in.
2. Under "Program Updates" on the right hand side of the page, click on "access details".
3. Follow the links to two documents "**Player Expectations and Court Host Summary**" and "**How to Reserve a Court.**"

Week 2 Booking Window

1. Opens Thursday, May 21 @ 8:00 a.m., closes Saturday, May 23 @ 8:00 a.m. The schedule will be mailed out to the group leaders Saturday afternoon. Requests received after the deadline will only be considered if there are still vacant courts.
2. If you have a group of 4, 5 or 6 players, the group leader is to send an email to: daveburg@telus.net with:
 - a. The names of all players (must all be on the PPC Member Roster)
 - b. Restricted to 2 morning requests (Monday - Friday), for a maximum of 3 requests in total.
 - c. List your date/time requests. (Example: Monday AM, Wednesday PM, Friday AM)
 - d. Indicate if you would be a court host during your playing sessions. (Priority scheduling)
3. If you do not have group formed, there are 2 options available:
 - a. Log into the PPC website, then under "Members" click "PPC Roster" and look for previous players you have enjoyed playing with and contact them to form a group. Then go back to Step 2, above.

- b. Email me (daveburg@telus.net) your name, level, and phone number, and I will compile a list that will be sent out Thursday night, and again on Friday night. It is up to those on the list to contact one another to form a group. Once you have done so, go back to Step 2.