

Saskatoon SSFA Pickleball Newsletter



News You Can Use



Outdoor Pickleball

The City of Saskatoon has informed us that the start time for outdoor play at

Father Basil Markle Courts will be sometime early May (weather permitting). The following time slots for SSFA play at Father Basil Markle Courts are: Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays

> 1:00p.m. – 4:00p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

When the outdoor courts are open, we will be looking for volunteers for court cleanup and the installation of the wind screens again.

Outdoor Fees & Annual Membership Fees

There will be a one-time payment of \$20 for outdoor summer play. Please be reminded that you will now need a new membership card to continue playing for the remaining indoor season and the outdoor season. Memberships can be purchased at our indoor venues for 20.00 cash or cheques please.



Indoor Pickleball

We will continue to play indoor pickleball at Cornerstone, Elim & Ebenezer until the outdoor courts are available.

Advanced Play at

Cornerstone

If you want to join the 'advanced' play time at Cornerstone on Thursday afternoons please contact Bob (<u>rfroesewaldheim@sasktel.net</u>) or Dennis (<u>fetterds@gmail.com</u>)

SSFA 55+ Senior Provincial

Games

SSFA 55+ Senior Provincial Games will be held in North Battleford (June 11,12&13) is May 7th. Please visit <u>SSFA.ca</u> for more information. Registrations will be accepted at all our pickleball indoor venues.

Housekeeping Reminders



T-Shirts Now Available SSFA tee shirts are still available for sale. If interested contact Dawn at <u>dbessel@shaw.ca</u> The cost is \$20.

Thank You

Thank you to all our regular volunteers at our three indoor venues. They have helped with signing people in, accepting registrations, monitoring the courts, setting up and taking down the nets etc. Please know that your help over the season has been greatly appreciated!

Calendar Changes

A cancellation on the April calendar; Ebenezer will close on Friday April 12 **NOT** Friday April 19th. Also Elim will be closed April 22nd-26th.

Need a New Paddle?

Pickleball Paddles Canada is offering a 10% discount either on their online website or at the **Bridge City Pickleball Hub** (formerly the Granite). This location offers a wide variety of paddles, shoes, clothing, balls etc. When purchasing items please use the promotional code SSFA to receive your discount. Thank you to Charles Neufeldt at Pickleball Paddles Canada for offering this great discount. pickleballpaddlescanada.ca

Pickleball Etiquette

1. Be encouraging, be mindful of language and exercise caution when returning errant balls to the proper court. 2. Rules- stay behind the service line when serving; you cannot enter the court until after the ball is contacted. On a serve, the ball must be in contact with the paddle below the waist.

3. Safety- stop playing when someone near you yells 'BALL!'. Wear proper shoes and use

protective eyewear. Know your limits in terms of skill, mobility, and agility: NO BALL IS WORTH THE FALL!

4. When it is your turn to serve you must say the score to your opponents each time.

Questions? Contact us at saskatoonpickleball.org.