

TITLE: Education and Training Programs Update:

Read below for recent updates on PPPA Education and Training Programs

A PPPA BLAST will be sent with details when various programs will begin and provide instructions on “how to sign up”.

To participate in PPPA Education & Training programs you must be a member of the Pikes Peak Pickleball Association (PPPA). All programs are FREE to PPPA members.

Round Robin (RR)

RR will begin the week of March 22 for several skill levels using SignUpGenius (SUG).

- A SUG invite to PPPA RR members will be sent out weekly.
- To participate in RR, please contact the leader named below for your skill level.
- If you do not know your skill level you can contact sdfairchild@mac.com for assistance.
- If RR is cancelled due to inclement weather, an email will be sent from the leader to participants on the RR list.

2.0 - Monday (leaders are: Paula Buczak and Suzanne Barr); contact paula599577@yahoo.com to be added to the 2.0 RR list.

3.5 - Tuesday (leaders are: Martha Marreel, Paula Hough, Jancy Rose, and MK Kelly); contact mdmarreel@gmail.com to be added to the 3.5 RR list

3.0 - Wednesday (leader is Dan Lovelace; contact dano1@q.com to be added to the 3.0 RR list.

2.5 - Thursday (leaders: Karen and Bob Mogge; contact klmogge@comcast.com to be added to the 2.5 RR list

- RR capacity will be limited to 24 participants for each group with Covid protocols to be followed (temp checks and masks to sign in).
- A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed by PPPA and Parks & Rec will be provided to the leaders allowing the use of Courts 7-15 at MVP for RR play.

Beginning Lessons:

- *Beginning Lessons will start May 8, from 9-11 a.m. at Wasson Academic Campus; courts are located at 2115 Afton Way*

- **Sign up for Beginning Lessons will begin May 1** and a BLAST will be sent out on how to sign up and information posted on the PPPA website.
- (PPPA membership is NOT required to take a Free Beginning Lesson)
- Leader: contact Nancy Steffy @ flosteffy@aol.com
- Capacity will be limited to 24 students weekly with Covid protocols to be followed (temp checks and masks to sign in).
- Paddles and Balls will be provided to participants for beginning lessons.
- Participants will be allowed to **sign up for one Free Beginning Lesson**.

Beginning Instructor Training:

- Instructor training for Beginning Lessons is tentatively planned for Saturday, May 1, 2021 at Wasson Academic Campus.
- If you are an experienced Pickleball Player and PPPA member, please contact Nancy Steffy @ flosteffy@aol.com to sign up for instructor training.

Guided Play (GP):

- GP will begin Sunday, May 15 and go through September 2021 using SUG.
- Guided Play is the next step after you have a Beginning Lesson and helps players to further develop their game and pickleball skills.
- Leader: Sherry Fairchild @ sdfairchild@mac.com

Skills/Drills:

- Skills/Drills is planned to begin in late spring/early summer timeframe.
- Clinics will be provided and announced in a BLAST to PPPA members.
- Leader: contact Steve Ridings @ sridings123@gmail.com

Ladder Play:

- Ladder play will begin late spring/early summer.
- A start date will be announced in a BLAST to PPPA members on the sign-up process.
- Leader: Helen McChesney @ bostonakahelenpickleball@gmail.com

Contact PPPA Director for E&T: Sherry Fairchild @ sdfairchild@mac.com if you have any questions.