

## **TITLE: EDUCATION & TRAINING PROGRAM UPDATE**

To participate in PPPA E&T programs you must be a PPPA member, and all programs are free. Beginning Lessons are free and available to Non-members.

**Round Robins:** This program runs most of the year with time off for Thanksgiving & Christmas holidays.

The Sign Up Genius (SUG) program is used on a first come first served basis. An invitation from SUG and your coordinator goes out the day after the Round Robin plays. More on signing up in SUG below.

- 2.0 Monday - contact Paula Buczak [paula599577@yahoo.com](mailto:paula599577@yahoo.com) and Suzanne Barr. To be added to the 2.0 invite list.
- 2.5 Thursday - contact Terry Sloan [tsloan1@gmail.com](mailto:tsloan1@gmail.com) to be added to the 2.5 list.
- 3.0 Wednesday - contact Karen Mogge [klmogge@comcast.net](mailto:klmogge@comcast.net) to be added to the 3.0 list.
- 3.5 Tuesday - contact Martha Marreel [mdmarreel@gmail.com](mailto:mdmarreel@gmail.com) to be added to the 3.5 list.
- ( The above RR's are played at Monument Valley Park )
- 4.0 Tuesday ( @ Bear Creek Courts ) contact Dong Nguyen [dpncos@gmail.com](mailto:dpncos@gmail.com) to be added to the 4.0 list.

Thanks to all the coordinators and many more assistant coordinators that help out in the RR programs.

### **SUG sign up information:**

- Create an account in the [SignupGenius.com](https://SignupGenius.com) website.
- Contact your level coordinator and provide your email, they will send an invitation to sign up on their date and time.
- Click on the signup icon and enter your name and any additional information required, then click on submit for the player or alternate lists.
- A confirmation email will be sent to your email.
- Capacity for each RR is limited, so be patient and keep trying, weekly. The RR program is one of our busiest programs.

### **Beginning Lessons** ( PPPA membership **not** required and Free )

- Lessons run Sat. May 7 thru Oct. 1, 2022. Sign up with Mary Koch [pmk35918@gmail.com](mailto:pmk35918@gmail.com) .
- These lessons are at Wasson Academic Campus courts located at 2115 Afton Way from 9:00 to 11:00 AM on Saturdays.
- Thanks to all the returning instructors and to the new instructors taking their training April 30th.
- Participation is limited in this program to 24 players per week.
- Paddles and balls are provided for use at the lessons.
- Due to the demand for these great and informative lessons, participants are limited to 1 free lesson.

### **Guided Play**

- Guided Play is due to begin on Sunday May 15, 2022 at Monument Valley Park courts. Guided play is intended to be the

next step after the beginning students sign up at PPPA. This gives them 2 -3 opportunities to play regular games with instructors on the court to provide help and feedback.

- The next step for most players is to find some new players of similar levels and continue to play together at their own schedule.
- Most of the players will join the 2.0 level of Round Robins and continue to hone their skills.
- Again, we have great long-time instructors that lend their talent and skills to this program. Thanks to all of you.

**Skills and Drills.** Leader Steve Ridings.

- No scheduled dates for this program as of this Blast.

**Ladder Play.** Leader Pamela Doane [pamdoane1@me.com](mailto:pamdoane1@me.com)

- Ladder Play is ongoing, weather and holidays permitting.
- This program has been at PPPA for many years and remains a mainstay of our training.
- This is for players 3.0 and above that like more intense competition.
- Stay tuned for more information on a Ladder Play Introduction program. We may institute a refined ladder for players that are not familiar with the concept who are looking to improve their skills and play more competitively at a 2.5 - 3.0 level.

**A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ALL THE LEADERS,  
COORDINATORS AND VOLUNTEERS THAT MAKE ALL OF OUR  
PROJECTS POSSIBLE.**

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