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Port Townsend Pickleball Club

Dear Picklers:

Happy New Year from the Port Townsend Pickleball Club (PTPC)! May 2023 bring you all good health, fair pickleball weather, and freedom from injury. This new year we are especially grateful to the Club's Facilities Committee (Eric Seder, Director, Jim Dow, and Craig Walls) for their diligence and hard work on the Mountain View (MV) Pickleball Courts project. By the middle of January all fencing should be installed, and the project will be complete!

In return for the Club's management and funding of the MV court renovation, Port Townsend City has given the club "dedicated hours" at these courts. Dedicated hours are times when the Club has the opportunity and responsibility to administer how play is organized at the MV courts. This will allow the Club to organize events like tournaments, socials, clinics, and lessons at the MV courts within the dedicated hours. We would like to emphasize, however, that this does not mean that PTPC members have exclusive use of the MV courts during the Club's dedicated hours, nor does it change the fact that the courts are always open to the public.

The MV court schedule and playing protocol can be found in an attachment to this email or on the PTPC website. PTPC's dedicated hours are Monday through Saturday, 11:00am - 3:00pm. How these hours are being administered will be posted on the Club website, and until further notice they will be administered using "Organized Play." Organized Play allows members and non-members alike to arrange their own groups using Playtime Scheduler, and the Club has developed guidelines for using Playtime Scheduler. If you intend to play at Mountain View during PTPC's Organized Play hours, please carefully read the Guidelines (see below or PTPC website) and abide by them. Consistently following a common set of guidelines is our best hope for everyone to have a positive playing experience.

Finally, we all know that the three MV courts still do not meet the community's

need for courts. The solution is simple but not cheap - more courts need to be built. To help do that, every one of us needs to be an ambassador for the sport. Be kind to one another, share the courts, invite novices to play, exercise good sportsmanship, and show the City that their investment in more pickleball courts will be a boon to the community! As a reminder, there is a [City Planning open house](#) for the PT Golf Course and Mountain View Commons Project on January 11, 2023 from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm to discuss the future of these public properties.

Happy Pickling,
Lynn Pierle
President, PTPC



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