

# **NEWSLETTER information January 2025**

Perth Pickleball Club welcomes in 2025 and wishes all of our members an enjoyable and healthy new year with plenty of pickleball thrown in!

We thank our previous committee members for their invaluable contribution to the establishment of PPC and ask that the current membership supports the new committee with their endeavours.

Your new committee consists of the following members :-

President	Gordon Butt
Hon. Secretary	Gilly Rattray
Hon. Treasurer	Dave Joiner
plus	Jane Morrison (league organiser/coach up to level 3.5 mainly)
	Howard Finch (DUPR mainly)
	Ian Hunter (venue link & publicity on social media mainly)
	Rebecca Bond ( publicity/community youth link mainly )

Our website is at <u>https://.www.perthpickleballclub.com</u> and we have an Instagram account and a Twitter (X) account and of course a Facebook page Currently they do need to be updated but please visit these platforms in future to keep in touch about life within our club.

Our current membership total sits at a total of 120! Membership is basically closed at the moment as a result but we are keen to attract young advanced players!

### League programme

We field 4 teams in what is a developing local league structure and feedback suggests that everyone has enjoyed the matches so far!

Perth Pickleball Club is participating in 2 leagues this season - a competitive league for players of 3.0 and above, in which we have 2 teams, and a social league in which we also have 2 teams.

These will finish at the end of March and we will organise some friendlies after that including some all female matches.

Thank you for being available to play when you can as it is a large task to organise. Your cooperation is much appreciated.

Well done to Jane and Louise Hatch for acting as the team captains. Most of these matches are in or around Perth but we sometimes travel to play "St Andrews " as well.



Our 1st team v St Andrews 1



Some of our PPC Social team players

## Club Social event

We did not get around to holding any Festive Season event at the end of 2024 but if any member(s) are willing to organise a late spring/summer occasion then please let any of the committee know.

The Black Watch Café event in December 2023 was appreciated by those who attended, so it would be good to have something similar later this year.

### Forthcoming coaching/assessment sessions

We are trialing an assessment for a pre- selected group of improvers to see if they are now of intermediate standard and, if selected, this time around, we hope you can attend.

This will involve drills and games to show specific pickleball skills. We will be using the IPTPA assessments as a guide.

The session will be led by Jane together with support from Howard and Ian - both are advanced players with ratings of over 4.

The session will take place on Saturday 25th January at the Letham Hub Centre 2-4pm.

If you are able to, and would like to attend, please book in in the normal way.

If you would like to take part in an assessment but cannot attend this session please let us know.

We, the committee, realise that a lot of players are keen to improve and play at a higher level. We are endeavouring to provide opportunities to do so and this is our first assessment session which we hope will prove to be worthwhile to all those who participate as a way of establishing their current level and how they might improve.

Feedback will be given by email shortly after the session.

Coaching for advanced players is also in our future planning and information will follow at that time.

We are currently in possession of a 'demo' box of paddles for members to try out and potentially purchase for now or in the future. This will be brought to sessions for you to trial.



Some PPC members at an improver player coaching session with Jane

## Sessions from January 2025

We have had to alter some of the session timings recently and you will have received an email to inform you about these changes. To remind you, our sessions are to be as follows ( at least until the next reviews take place with the specific venue provider ) :-

Recreation Play	Monday Wednesday Saturday	Perth College	9am to 11am 11am to 1pm 9.30am to 11.30 am	2 courts 3 courts 3 courts
Improver/Intermediate	Wednesday	Glenearn	7pm to 9pm	2 courts
	Thursday	Perth College	6pm to 8pm	3 courts

Intermediate	Wednesday	Glenearn	7 to 9pm	1 court
	Thursday	Perth College	2.30pm to 4pm	3 courts
Intermediate/Advanced	Monday	Perth College	9.30am to 11.30am	3 courts
	Friday	Perth College	7pm to 9pm	2 courts
Advanced/Invitation	Wednesday Thursday	0	6pm to 7.30pm 1pm to 2.30pm	3 courts 3 courts

Please contact any member of the Committee if you have any comments or ideas/suggestions to make any further improvements to our club – email us at <u>perthpickleballclub@gmail.com</u>

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