# **Newsletter #2**

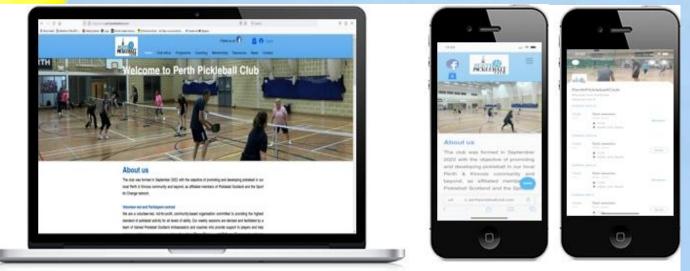


## Welcome to our Summer '23 Newsletter

It's everyone's club and we want to hear from YOU. Feedback and comments will help us develop more successful club activities. Please email us to tell us about what you like, what else you think we could be doing and ideas or suggestions that might help us grow our club: <u>perthpickleballclub@gmail.com</u>.

### We've launched our website!

Explore the new membership plan and session programme information at: <u>www.perthpickleballclub.com</u>. The club website is where you will find details on how to register as a member, book sessions, see news, plus a range of other useful pages about PPC's club ethos, coaching, aims etc.



Available for desktop, mobile and as an App

#### The Perth Pickleball Club Membership scheme

We are a volunteer-led, not-for-profit, community-based organisation committed to providing you with the highest standard of pickleball activity. In order keep operating the club with high standards, and to cover various costs (including court hire, insurance, buying essential equipment, Pickleball Scotland membership) and, importantly, to try to keep developing our club whilst also aiming to keep session fees as low as possible and promote the sport to the wider Perth & Kinross community, we are introducing a small annual membership fee of £20.

Benefits to becoming a member of our club include:

- We provide a high standard of pickleball activities in accordance with the Pickleball Scotland values
- Members can participate in our comprehensive programme of sessions for different ability levels
- We offer members exclusive opportunities to attend Coaching Clinics and coach-facilitated training
- Special pickleball events and social activities will be organised on a regular basis
- Members enjoy the overall wellbeing benefits of being part of our club and being physically active
- Members are eligible to play on one of our teams in local, regional and national inter-club matches
- All equipment is provided at our sessions (paddles, balls, and nets)
- Sessions are safely facilitated by trained and certified Pickleball Scotland Ambassadors & coaches
- Members are covered by club insurance during official Perth Pickleball Club activities
- Access to the member's booking pages on our website
- Access to the Perth Pickleball Club App to make and manage bookings



**PPC's new club Ambassador, Volunteer and Committee Member:** We were pleased to host the Pickleball Scotland Ambassador training event in June and proud to see Linda Browne, our own club member and enthusiastic player, awarded her certificate. Well done to Linda, and we are delighted that she will be volunteering with the club and has joined the committee as our Social Convenor.

Having played tennis most of my life, when a friend from my local tennis club asked me along to play pickleball at Perth Pickleball Club, I was both intrigued and unsure if it would be for me. But from day one, everyone at the club was so helpful in getting new players started. After that first session I was interested and by week two I was smitten! It's one of the friendliest sports clubs I have ever joined and it was fun meeting Ambassadors from pickleball club all over Scotland. I'm happy to be trained and ready to support beginners and help promote this terrific game. (Linda)

**Earlier in the summer**, our club was invited to Darnhall Tennis Club in Perth and two of our Ambassador coaches, John & Sandra, gave an enthusiastic group of tennis players a 'Taster' session to introduce them to pickleball in an outdoor setting. Brilliant fun was had by all! Darnhall is a community venue, open to local players, and courts can be booked by anyone, including non-members. For more information see their Facebook page.





Important notice Our AGM is on 13<sup>th</sup> September at UHI Perth Everyone is welcome to attend



#### Follow us on Facebook

(You don't need to have Facebook to view our public profile and posts!)

If you do have Facebook, and haven't already done so, please follow us. We aim to use social media to keep everyone up-to-date about club activities and our general news, including any regional pickleball events, coaching clinics, social activities, inter-club matches, and regional festivals and competitions. It's also an easy way to get in touch with us via Facebook Messenger.

Committee information: Wendy Coventry (Chairperson) Fiona Clark (Secretary) Ali McGowan (Treasurer) Sandra Macrae (New Start & Well-being Officer) Linda Browne (Social Convenor) Contact: perthpickleballclub@gmail.com