### **Berkshire Mountain Pickleball Mission Statement**

BMP provides an inclusive, welcoming environment for Berkshire residents and visitors to actively participate in the sport of Pickleball that is easy to learn, fun to play, socially oriented, and promotes wellness and vitality among people of all ages and backgrounds.

# We would love your feedback!

What are we doing right? What can we do to improve? Do you want to see more organized play? Please email us at bmp01201@amail.com

We value your input!

# GROWING! GROWING! GROWING!

Yes, it's true. Our INTRO Classes are full, and our membership is increasing! As in any organization we are not without some growing pains! We have tried hard to accommodate as many players as we can by adding sessions and moving different levels to different dates and times. Right now, it seems to be working! Here's a simple view of what's changed.

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Beginner/Novice	8AM to 12 Noon	22	22	22	22	22	8	22
Intro	9 to 11						8	
Beginners/Novice	3 to 6	22	12	22	12	22	22	22
Advanced			12		12			
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Herberg								
Intermediate/Advanced	8AM to 12 Noon	30	30	30	22	30	30	
Late Session	10AM to 12Noon	10	10	10	4	10	10	
Skills and Drills (1) Novice/Beginner	8 to 9:30				8			
Skills and Drills (2) Intermediate/Advanced	9:30 to 11				8			
All Skills	8AM to 12 Noon							30
Late Session	10AM to 12Noon							10
All Skills	3 to 6		30	_	30		30	30
Advanced/Intermediate		30	) (	30		30	)	

Just Kidding! It's not so simple. But look at what we added. And as always navigate playing times in Sign Up Genius.

All members have been great about signing up and not just showing up. I will say that now that we are starting at 8AM the crowd starts to thin out a little earlier. The Late Session Sign up is very popular as a result!

# Welcome to new Steering Committee Members!

**Kelly Maginnis and Donny Campagna** have agreed to join the team! With some of us leaving during the winter months it helps to have a few more hands for coordination.

We are also considering forming a **Volunteer Group**, just to help with things when we need extra hands or when there are no Steering Committee members available on any given day. If you are interested, please let Kelly know. We could use folks at all levels to cover both locations this summer. Your help would be greatly appreciated!





## **Tournaments**

We are PROUDLY presenting the 1st Annual Joe Levin Memorial Tournament Series this summer. For those of you who had the pleasure of knowing Joe, you know how much this means to us. And for those of you who didn't know Joe, just ask us and we will be happy to engage in a conversation about our very dear friend.

There will be 3 Tournaments this summer. Our first tournament filled up on 48 hours! We have 24 players!

July 29th: Intermediate and Advanced: Random Partner (FULL)

- Start time is 9AM. Please come at least ½ hour early to warm up. You will draw to randomly be assigned to a group.
- You will play with players in your group and against players in your group and record your score after each game.
- The leading scorer in each group will play in the finals for 1st & 2nd place.
- The 2nd place scorer in each group will play in a game for 3rd & 4th place.

August (TBD): Beginner/Novice: Random Partner

Same process as above

September (TBD): Intermediate/Advanced: Choose your Partner.

Process to be determined.

# Lines on the Herberg Courts

We obtained permission from the city to repaint the lines at Herberg (thank you Bill Travis). We are also getting that 4<sup>th</sup> court painted! It will increase the number of players to 40 per session!

# Other Stuff

### SIGN UP GENIUS\_ Multiple Players Sign Up

When bringing a guest or guests, please fill in the QTY field with the correct number of total players you are signing up. If you just make a note in the edit field, it doesn't automatically reserve a spot.

#### Skills and Drills

Skills and Drills classes are back! Every Thursday! Two levels! Be realistic regarding where you are with your level when signing up. We encourage ALL players to attend these sessions. You may think you are playing correctly but you can learn so much more about dinking and lobbing and positioning.

And please don't sign up two weeks in a row. These classes are so important and popular. Let's try to give everyone a chance!

### **Hydrate**

Drink water! It's so critical as the days warm up. Please bring lots and drink lots!

### **New Courts**

A small delay with the project but we know that it will now begin this month. They are scheduled to be ready in the fall of this year.

#### Website

Any amateur photographers out there that would like to help us out by taking some new pics for our site? We really could use the help! Or do you know any students that might like a summer project?

### **Be Well Picklers!**

### **Your Steering Committee Members**

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