

PICKLE @ the 'PLEX LADDER LEAGUE

General Information - Updated 7/8/2019

LADDER SCHEDULE

- Ladder competition will be weekly on Tuesday nights at the Orange County Sportsplex Field House.
- Ladder competition will start on **Tue, July 16th, 2019.**
- **There will be 10 nights of competition.**
- **There will be no Ladder competition on Tue, Sept 3rd (Labor Day), the facility will be open for Open Play.**
- **The ladder's last night will be Tue, Sep 30th.**
- Ladder matches will be played at 6:00, 7:00, and 8:00PM.
- You will be emailed a link to updated Ladder Schedules and Standings weekly.

WEEKLY NOTIFICATION - each week you will receive two emails:

1. Posting of Weekly Schedule and Court Assignments.
2. Posting of Standings and Scores from the week's matches and request for dates/times players that are UNAVAILABLE for the following week.

INITIAL RANKING/SCHEDULE:

- Players will be ranked by the Ladder Manager.
- Players will be ranked based on known skill level compared to other players
- Standings are currently TBD
- 1st Week's Schedule / Court Assignments will be posted July 13th

LADDER INFORMATION:

- Players will be assigned a court/time to play a match consisting of 3 doubles games to 15 points (win by 1).
- You will have a 5-minute warm-up period before the 1st game.
- You will play each game with a different partner from players assigned to your court.
- Players will change sides of the net after a team scores 8 points.
- Players will record your points and verify scores by initialing the printed Schedule/Score Sheet that is on-site.
- Scores need to be entered the same day into the Ladder League website to track Standings.
- Standings are based on your cumulative percentage of the total score achieved for matches played. Court assignments will be based on your standing each week. The time you play may change each week.
- Courts 1-3 will be used for Ladder matches, Courts 4-6 will be available for Open Play/Warm-Up.
- Matches will start promptly at 6pm, 7pm and 8pm.
- Players must complete at least 4 matches to be included in the Final Standings.
- An (R) next to a player's name in the standings means that the player is restricted or limited to moving +/- 4 players on the ladder.

AVAILABILITY TO PLAY

1. Participation in the Ladder requires a commitment to play when scheduled.
2. ALL players are assumed to be AVAILABLE TO PLAY.
3. YOU do NOT have to play every week, but you must notify the Ladder Captain as follows:
 - a. **Before the Ladder starts** -- it is the Player's Responsibility to let your Ladder Captain know by July 9th about future dates/times when you are UNAVAILABLE.
 - b. **Once the Ladder starts**, if you cannot play -- you must inform the Ladder Captain that you are UNAVAILABLE BEFORE the weekly schedule is posted. In schedule will be posted on Fridays, by 5:00PM.
4. When you are UNAVAILABLE, you will NOT be scheduled to play, and you will be listed as OUT.
5. If you are UNAVAILABLE after the Schedule is posted, you must find a Substitute from players on the BYE/SUB list. The substitute should be ranked as closely as possible to you. You become UNAVAILABLE after the Schedule is posted.
6. Available Players that are not scheduled for a match will be assigned a BYE
 - a. If you are assigned a BYE (i.e. available to SUB) for a match, you MUST inform the LADDER Manager if you become UNAVAILABLE.
7. AFTER the Schedule is posted, other players depend on you to show up.
 - a. YOU will receive a BYE for 1 week if you become UNAVAILABLE before the day of the match and NO SUBs are available
 - b. YOU will receive a BYE for 2 weeks if you DO NOT SHOW when you are scheduled to play

ADDITIONAL NOTES

1. Players will be assigned to play in a 1-hour time slot (4 players /court).
2. Players may be assigned to a different time slot each week (6pm, 7pm or 8pm).
3. Players may ONLY compete in one match each week.
4. Players MUST be ready for their scheduled match (5-min warm-up time allowed).
5. Players LATE for their scheduled match may be replaced by an available SUB.
6. Players on the BYE/SUB list are encouraged to play for recreation and be available to Substitute for a missing/late player.
7. Players may be shifted to another court at their match time.
8. Substitutes must be selected from players on the BYE/SUB list (shown in rank order)
9. Substitutes earn the score for their match (compete for yourself, not for someone else)
10. Substitutes must be from the Ladder Substitute List for scores to count.
11. NO SCORE will be recorded if fewer than 4 players/SUBs are available in a group (play for recreation instead).

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