

Burnaby AGE GROUP (55+) Men's Challenge Pickleball Play Day **Wednesday September 18 2019**

This is a non-sanctioned informal event organized by the Sunday morning Burnaby Men's group. Play will be at Confederation Park in Burnaby on 12 Courts. The official ball will be the Dura 40.

The goal is to provide age group competition and to show that tournaments would be successful adding older age group play.

Events will be:

Men's doubles age group and skill:

Age 120+ 4.0 and over (60+)

Age 120+ under 4.0 (60+)

130+ 4.0 and over (65+)

130+ under 4.0 (65+)

140+ 4.0 and over (70+)

140+ under 4.0 (70+)

All categories will start at 8:30am

Explanation of age groups:

Age of a player will be as of December 31, 2019.

The age group of the team is the combined age of the players – to play 120+ you must be at least 55 years old and the team's combined age must be at least 120.

To play 130+ you must be at least 60 years old with a combined team age of 130 and up.

To play 140+ you must be at least 65 years old and the team combined age must be 140 or higher.

Format:

Round robin group play followed by cross-over playoffs with placing from 1 -8 (or higher if more than 8 entries are allowed in an event). The organizers are shooting for 8 teams in each event, with a total of 48 teams. Teams will all play about the same number of games. In case the number of teams is not ideal, a couple of teams could play one less game.

If an event does not have enough teams, those teams will be asked to join another event.

Each team can expect 7 -9 games.

Playing Format:

Round Robin group play games will be to 15, win by 1. Playoffs will be best of 3 games to 11, win by 2, capped at 15. Round robin standings will be determined based on total number of points scored -- if tied then number of wins, if still tied number of fewest points given up.

Cost: \$20 per team Paid in cash, on Sunday mornings playdays at Confederation Park or via email. For teams not registering at the Sunday playdays, please send the following to Tom Watson (ftwatson@shaw.ca) :

1. Names and birthdates of both team members,
2. Email addresses and contact phone numbers of both team members,
3. Either category <4.0 or 4.0+, and
4. Registration fee of \$20 per team via InterAc –e-mail transfer (Question-What is our favorite sport? Answer: Pickleball). In the message on InterAc please include the names of both team members.

Registration:

In person, starting Sunday morning June 30 playday and then open to all others starting Sunday afternoon June 30.

Players/ teams – pick which event they want to enter – this is a self-rated event, but the organizers reserve the right to move teams based on the seeding committee's recommendations. Teams can play younger than their team combined age but they can NOT play older.

You must register as a team; we have no formal method for registration of players needing partners.

Registration will not be complete until payment is received.

There will be a social immediately following the event, location TBA. We expect the event to finish by 2:00pm.

In the event Wednesday September 18 is rained out we will reschedule for Thursday September 19 and then Friday September 20 and maybe even Monday September 23.

If the competition cannot be played and must be cancelled the entry fees will be donated to a yet to be determined charity.