



Brisbane Bayside Pickleball Club Monthly Newsletter

June 2026

Welcome

Welcome all to the June/July 2026 edition of the Brisbane Bayside Pickleball Club newsletter!

Big couple of months on court.

Our Interclub Tournament against Redbank Pickleball was a standout day at Victoria Point State High School — over 90 players across three skill divisions (under 3.0, 3.0–3.5, 3.5+) competing in gender and mixed doubles. BBPC came out on top, 56 games to 46. A return match is already in the works, so stay tuned.

The Queensland Championships are done and dusted, and once again our members did the club proud. Full details inside.

Winter's well and truly here, so warm up properly and stretch before you step on court. We want to see you at every session, not on the sidelines nursing an injury.

Looking ahead: RedFest (formerly the Redlands Strawberry Festival) is on in mid-September, and we're after volunteers to help run our demo pickleball court and man our gazebo to talk with attendees. The event is a 2 day and if could spare a couple of hours of your time, it would go a long way and be very much appreciated — details inside.

Plenty more to come, so as always, see you out on the courts...

Brian Krisanski (Club Secretary)

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President's Report

Hi and welcome to June's newsletter.

Despite the challenging weather events during the month, the bureau provided an encouraging forecast for our Interclub tournament with Redbank Pickleball Club which played out on Saturday 27th with the words "Mostly sunny and even Mostly clear". Initially delayed by wet courts the day was indeed dry with sunshine. It was fantastic to see ten outdoor courts being utilised, an impressive sight to behold. A special mention is in order for Andy, Wendy, and Paul "MC" (and the rest of our club committee) for organising the smooth scheduling of play and who catered for the masses with cold drinks, healthy fruit dishes, and the delivery of the pizza feast. All enjoyed themselves with the day being a great success with Bayside retaining the shield in a very close contest. We look forward to Redbank hosting the event in the not-too-distant future. Results and photos of the day are included in the Newsletter, enjoy.

Paul Harper has been in negotiations with Redland Council for a windbreak to be installed around the Wellington Point Tennis Courts, which the council has approved. Paul is now in the process of applying for a Community Grant to make this happen.

On another front the club has been given permission to have two tennis courts at Iona permanently marked up which is scheduled for the first week of August. For Heather and Thomas, this can't come soon enough. Their sighs of relief are palatable, as chalking up courts has been very labour intensive. With Monday and Wednesday night sessions fully booked and capped at 52, many find themselves on a waiting list. This has prompted the introduction of a Thursday night session which has been enthusiastically received and now nearing capacity. Total attendance at Iona on a weekly basis is now around 140.

Cleveland Primary has been an underutilised indoor venue. It only has four courts available necessitating a cap of 24. Thoughts are in the mix to introduce another session on a Sunday afternoon for Intermediate plus. The idea being to cap the numbers at 16 to accommodate "Bayside Battle" a similar format to King of the Court or Fireball but with a Bayside twist. Implementation will be subject to finding additional hosts.

Enjoy this Newsletter edition which Brian Krisanski Editor in Chief puts together. He does a remarkable job in keeping you up to date on what is happening within the club along with valuable insights into all things pickleball.

Our Club Championship are almost upon us. Don't miss out and register your spot now.

As always warm up and stay safe on court.

Chris Warner (Club President)



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Interclub Tournament vs Redbank Pickleball

Saturday 27th dawned with a forecast that could only be described as cautiously optimistic — "mostly sunny, even mostly clear." After we cancelled the last date of this tournament due to weather concerns we all had our fingers crossed at the start of the day. The courts spent the early morning drying out from overnight rain, but the sun made good on its promise and delivered a cracking day for pickleball for all whom attended.

Ten outdoor courts running at once is a sight worth stopping for, and that's exactly what Victoria Point served up for the Redbank Plains Interclub. Players from both clubs filled every court, every division, for hours on end.

None of it happens by accident. Andy, Paul "MC", and Cynthia ran a scheduling operation tight enough that nobody was left standing around wondering where to be. Behind the scenes, our club committee did an exceptional job and kept everyone fed and watered with cold drinks, fruit platters, and a pizza delivery that hit at exactly the right moment.

As for the pickleball itself, it came down to the wire. Bayside held on to retain the shield, 56 games to 46 — close enough to keep both clubs honest, comfortable enough to keep the trophy on home turf.

Redbank Pickleball, the shield stays with us for now. We're already looking forward to heading your way for the rematch.





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Qld Championships

Queensland Championships: Bayside Proud

The Queensland Pickleball Championships ran from 1 to 5 July at Focus Pickleball in Redcliffe, and Bayside turned out in force.

Across five days of tough competition against the state's best, our players fought hard in every division they entered. Whether it was a podium finish or a hard-fought loss in a tight match, every one of them represented the club with grit and good sportsmanship.

Well done to everyone who competed. You did the club proud, and we're already looking forward to seeing what next year's Championships bring.

60+ Men's Skinny Singles DUPR: 3.49 and under

Player entry for this event will be based on a player's double based on your Doubles DUPR rating.

Round-Robin

 Scott Thompson

 Darren Browne

 Neil Hawkins

50+ Women's Doubles DUPR: 4.0 - 4.49

Round-Robin

 Deanne Gregory
Antonia Solomon

 Linda Troughton
Sue McHarg

 Wendy Tompkins
Janice Smith

River City Classic

A huge well done to Neil Hawkins and Debbie Leong for their Silver in the 60+ Mixed Doubles division in the 2026 River City Classic.

Congratulations on a fantastic result!





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Redfest – volunteers needed

RedFest is Coming — And We Need You

Mark your calendar:

RedFest is back at Cleveland Showgrounds on **Saturday 26 and Sunday 27 September**, and BBPC will have a stall and demo court on the ground for two full days.

This is our chance to put pickleball in front of thousands of people who've never picked up a paddle. A demo court means passers-by can walk straight off the festival path and have a go, with our members showing them the ropes.





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Coaches Corner

Coach Brian Krisanski

Eight Ways to Sharpen Your Dinking

Whether you like it or not, dinking is where intermediate to advanced pickleball is won or lost. If you can't hold your own in the kitchen against better players, you won't beat them.

Here are eight things to work on.

1. Take it out of the air when you can

Your default shot when making a dink should be to take it out of the air. Lean in over the kitchen line and volley.

2. Use spin with purpose

Topspin and slice serve different jobs. Topspin suits aggressive dinks — brushing up the back of the ball to drive it in. Slice suits defensive or neutral dinks, helping you reset when you're under pressure.

3. Only attack when you've earned the right ball

Aggression only pays off on slower balls that land in front of you, giving you time to set up. If you're on the back foot with the ball dropping behind you, going aggressive is how you pop it up for an easy putaway.

4. Know the kitchen zones

Split the kitchen into three bands: the shallow zone, the neutral zone, and the pressurised zone (the back third, closest to your opponent). A short ball in the shallow or neutral zone is your cue to attack.

A ball landing deep in the pressurised zone is not the time to go for it.

5. Defend low, not dead

When you're under pressure, keep your dink short, low, and unattackable. That's different from a "dead" dink — one that's slow and shallow but sits up, gifting your opponent a free hit. A good defensive dink stays low enough that there's nothing to attack.

6. Mix up your placement

Don't dink the same way every time. Alternate crosscourt and down the line, and vary whether you're hitting to your opponent's forehand, backhand, or straight down the middle. Middle balls can cause hesitation between doubles partners over who takes the shot — a handy way to create confusion.

7. Find and target the weaker side

Most opponents have a weaker dink, often the backhand, but not always. Test both sides early in the game and steer the ball toward whichever one breaks down.

8. Stay balanced and patient

Footwork matters as much as shot selection. Stay low, keep a wide base, and take controlled steps rather than a flurry of small crossover steps.

Master these and your kitchen game will lift fast.

Get out there, put it into practice at your next session, and give it a go against your regular partners.



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Six Fixes for a Stronger Counter

If your counters keep landing in the net or sailing long, chances are it's one of these six habits. Here's what separates a confident counter from a shaky one.

1. Keep your paddle face open, not down

On balls above the net, a lot of players contact the ball with the paddle face angled downward, often from a tight continental or backhand grip with the wrist rolled in. That sends the ball straight into the net. Keep the paddle face slightly open through contact so the ball can actually clear the net.

2. Don't contact the ball too far in front

Reaching out with a fully extended elbow might feel proactive, but it leaves you off balance and with nowhere left to push through. Let the ball travel a little closer, contacting it roughly a paddle to a paddle-and-a-half length in front of you. That gives you a stable base and room to drive through the shot.

3. Push through, don't swing down

A downward swing path is one of the fastest ways to net a counter. Instead of prepping high and finishing low, use your shoulder to push the paddle out toward your target in a straight, linear path. This matters most on waist-height balls — on higher balls you can get away with a touch more downward angle, but the habit of pushing out should be your default.

4. Keep your ready position closer to your body

Holding the paddle out far in front feels alert, but against a fast ball it leaves no room to generate power or time the shot properly — you end up relying on a last-second wrist flick or yanking the paddle back first. A relaxed, closer ready position gives you the room to push out into the ball when it's driven at you.

5. Drive the shot from your shoulder, not your elbow

Hinging the counter from the elbow strains the joint and gives you far less power, since the elbow is a much smaller, weaker mover than the shoulder. Push through the shot from the shoulder instead, with only a small amount of natural elbow bend along for the ride.

6. Lean in, don't fall back

The most common mistake of all: backing up or rising onto your toes when a fast ball comes in. That shifts your weight backward, which pops the ball up and strips your counter of pace. Instead, stay on the balls of your feet with your chest over your knees just before contact. Leaning your weight forward means you don't need a big swing — the weight transfer alone gives you a strong counter.

Work on these six points and your counters will get noticeably more solid and repeatable. Worth trying out against a hard-hitting partner at your next session.

Until next time. See you out on the courts!



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Supporting our Members

Club Members Business Page

As we have mentioned many times before, our fantastic club is a Club for its members.

We want to help support you as a thankyou for being apart of our great club and supporting the sessions and events we host.

We are pulling together a business page to highlight the many varied businesses our members are involved with.

If you would like to have your business listed with us, please send as email to Andy Tompkins (andy@fifteenpeaks.com.au) with your Business Name, Contact Details and a short description of what you do.

We will have this information up on our club webpage and available to view at our pickleball sessions.

Help support our members and contact one of them today!!

Owner	Business Name	Email	Mobile	Category	Overview
Andy Tompkins	Fifteen Peaks	andy@fifteenpeaks.com.au	0425 030 633	Finance consulting	Bookkeeping, Fractional CFO and CFO advisory services for small to medium businesses
Wes Ferreria	WebForce Media	wesley@webforcemedia.com	0432 008 793	Advertising & Marketing	WebForce Media is an AI-powered advertising agency helping businesses generate more leads and increase sales. Our AI Ads Manager automates your ad campaigns across Google and Facebook. Empowering you to take control of your advertising and drive real business growth.
Sam Graham	Sam's Smart Repairs	ssrmobile@outlook.com.au	0421 324 852	Vehicle Repairs	Everything automotive paint & panel.
Brian Krisanski	ExcelSuperSite	brian@excelsupersite.com	0431 701 066	Spreadsheets	All things spreadsheets for small to medium sized businesses. Creation, development, automation...
Brian Krisanski	Pickleball Coaching with Brian	coachbrianpickleball@gmail.com	0431 701 066	Pickleball Coaching	Master your pickleball game and take it to the next level with 1-on-1, or small group coaching sessions
Brian Krisanski	KSix Woodworking	brian.krisanski@gmail.com	0431 701 066	Woodworking/Garden Furniture	Locally built outdoor garden furniture and structures - everything from Dragon Fruit trellises, ornamental Rose trellises, planter boxes etc
** If you would like to add your details onto this Business Directory please email andy@fifteenpeaks.com.au **					



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Pickleball Funnies!!





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Take your Game to the NEXT Level!!

(Brian Krisanski - BBPC Coach/Instructor)

Want to improve your pickleball skills and take your game to the next level?

Get in contact with Brian Krisanski, our club coach/instructor and discuss how he can help you improve.

Brian is officially recognised and accredited with Pickleball Australia and Pickleball Coaching International and regularly runs 1 to 2 hour coaching sessions for one-on-one or small groups.

Contact Brian at: coachbrianpickleball@gmail.com

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Pickleball game
and take it to
the next level!!!**

Beginner,
Intermediate
&
Advanced players
all welcome!

COACHING OPTIONS
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2 players (\$40 per hour per person)
Group of 3 or 4 (\$30 per hour per person)
Bulk purchase discounts available

Brisbane Bayside Pickleball Club Merchandise

Love our club and want to show it off??

Why not get some Club merchandise?

Check out our online store at

<https://bbpc.redbubble.com>





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Weekly Pickleball Sessions

Each week we run the following pickleball sessions. Reserve your spot via OpenSports –

<https://opensports.net/bbpc/tab/events>

For more information and instructions how to reserve your playing spot, see our webpage:

<https://www.baysidepickleballclub.com/book-session>

Wellington Point Tennis Courts (Outdoor Courts)

- **Monday 7:00pm-9:00pm**
Social/Come 'n' Try
- **Wednesday 6:30pm-8:30pm**
Intermediate+
- **Thursday 5:30pm-6:30pm**
Skills & Drills (self run session and not occurring every week)
- **Thursday 6:30pm-8:30pm**
Social & Intermediate/Advanced sessions
- **Sunday 3:00pm-5:00pm**
Self run session – no host (BYO gear)

Iona Tennis Centre (Outdoor Courts)

- **Monday 6:30pm-8:30pm**
Social
- **Wednesday 6:30pm-8:30pm**
Social/Come 'n' Try
- **Thursday 6:30pm-8:30pm**

Cleveland State School (Indoor Courts)

- **Sunday 8:30am-10:30am**
Social/Come 'n' Try
- **Advanced session**
Stay tuned

Victoria Point State High School (Indoor Courts)

- **Tuesday 6:30pm-8:30pm**
Social
- **Thursday 6:30pm-8:30pm**
Social/Come 'n' Try
- **Saturday 8:30am-10:30am**
Social/Come 'n' Try



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Weekly Pickleball Sessions

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Wellington Point Tennis Courts	7-9 PM Social Come 'n' try		6:30-8:30PM Intermediate+	6:30-8:30PM Social 6:30-8:30PM Intermediate -Advanced			3-5PM BBPC Members ONLY
Iona Tennis Centre	6:30-8:30PM Social Come 'n' try		6:30-8:30PM Social Come 'n' try	6:30-8:30PM Social			
Victoria Point State High School		6:30-8:30PM Social Come 'n' try		6:30-8:30PM Social		6:30-8:30AM Social Come 'n' try	
Cleveland State School							8:30-10:30AM Social Come 'n' try 10:30-12:00PM Social Come 'n' try

OpenSports - <https://opensports.net/bbpc>

<https://www.baysidepickleballclub.com>

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Brisbane Bayside Pickleball Club Committee

President – Chris Warner

email: president@baysidepickleballclub.com

Secretary – Brian Krisanski

email: secretary@baysidepickleballclub.com

Treasurer – Jean Warren

email: treasurer@baysidepickleballclub.com

General Committee

email: play@baysidepickleballclub.com

- Cynthia Krisanski
- Andy Tompkins
- Wendy Tompkins
- Paul Harper
- Corinne Harper
- Greg Ryan
- Kerrie Ryan
- Heather Tyrrell

Our Club Financial Member Stats

Youngest	6.4	Male	162	49.4%		
Oldest	81.1	Female	166	50.6%		
Average Age	52.0	Other	0	0.0%		
		Total	328	100.0%		
	#	%	Male	%	Female	%
Under 20	13	4.0%	7	5.1%	4	2.9%
20-30	19	5.8%	6	4.3%	8	5.8%
30-40	22	6.7%	11	8.0%	7	5.1%
40-50	65	19.8%	28	20.3%	26	19.0%
50-60	120	36.6%	44	31.9%	54	39.4%
60-70	60	18.3%	27	19.6%	26	19.0%
70+	29	8.8%	15	10.9%	12	8.8%
Total	328	100.0%	138	100.0%	137	100.0%

(** some age data not available)

Total Financial Club Members **389**

Total OpenSports Members **1,707**

Sponsors

A huge thank you to our club's sponsors.

Important Links

Website: <https://www.baysidepickleballclub.com/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100095199866558>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/brisbanebaysidepickleballclub/>

Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgxBnHjA3MWNmRCwf1eXylQ>





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Buy / Sell / Swap / Trade

Have any pickleball gear, paddles etc that you are wanting to sell, swap, or trade, then let us know and we can add it here in our newsletter to let our members know what you have to offer or what you are chasing.

Need to purchase a pickleball paddle and not sure where to buy them from or if the one you are thinking about even suits your game?

Brian Krisanski now has a range of demo paddles that you can “Try before you Buy!!”

He will have them available at each session (he attends). Come speak to him to determine which paddle best suits your game.

See Brian/Cynthia Krisanski or Paul/Corinne Harper for more details



<https://niupipo.com.au/>



Need a portable pickleball net, pickleball balls, non-residue court tape, or even a Ksix Chalk Line Marker – make sure you visit the Third Shot Warehouse website.

<https://thirdshotwarehouse.com/>



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Elongated
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PowerCore Explorer Pro -
Widebody
\$140



PowerCore – Jack Foster
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PowerCore Round Top
Green - Elongated Handle
\$210



PowerCore Square Top
Blue - Elongated Handle
\$210



PowerCore China –
Elongated Handle
\$210



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<https://www.obeliskpickleball.com/paddles>

Use **BRIAN10** for a 10% discount on your order



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\$249



Invictus III Gen3
\$249



Triple Crown Gen3
\$249



Red Horizon
\$189



<https://crbnpickleball.com/>

Use **BRIANCRBN** for a 10% discount on your



CRBN⁴ TruFoam
Genesis (Hybrid,
Aerocurve)
\$436.00



CRBN³ TruFoam
Genesis (Elongated)
\$436.00



CRBN² TruFoam
Genesis (Square)
\$436.00



CRBN¹ TruFoam
Genesis (Elongated,
Long Handle)
\$436.00



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Upcoming Pickleball Tournaments

Check out the following URL for the latest
Tournament listing:

<https://www.baysidepickleballclub.com/tournaments>

2026 Australian Pickleball Tournament Calendar

January

Tournament Name	Tier	Location	Dates
The SPIRIT	T1	Sutherland, NSW	9-11 Jan
Dink Fest	T1	Port Macquarie, NSW	17-18 Jan
Paddles on the Murray	T1	Albury, NSW	23-26 Jan
Central Highlands Ballarat Tournament	T1	Ballarat, VIC	24-26 Jan
Hobart Grand Slam	T2	Hobart, TAS	31 Jan - 1 Feb

February

Tournament Name	Tier	Location	Dates
Tasmania Pickleball Championships	T3	Hobart, TAS	6-8 Feb
QPT Gold Coast	T1	Gold Coast, QLD	13-15 Feb
PPA Tour Australia	T5	TBC, NSW	19-22 Feb
QPT Gladstone	T1	Gladstone, QLD	20-22 Feb
Western Australia State Championships	T3	Perth, WA	27 Feb - 2 Mar
Sydney Grand Slam	T1	Sydney, NSW	28 Feb - 1 Mar



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March

Tournament Name	Tier	Location	Dates
Victorian Pickleball Championships	T3	Melbourne, VIC	6-9 Mar
PPA Tour Australia	T5	TBC, NSW	14-16 Mar
Girls just wanna have fun!	T1	Brisbane, QLD	14 Mar
PCYC Bateau Bay Tournament	T1	Bateau Bay, NSW	20-22 Mar
The Big Chill	T2	Canberra, ACT	21-23 Mar
Australia Masters - Brisbane	T1	Brisbane, QLD	21-22 Mar
Adelaide Mini Tournament	T2	Adelaide, SA	21-22 Mar
Australian Rainbow Pickleball Championships	-	Tempe, NSW	27-29 Mar
WA Junior Classic	-	Nollamara, WA	28 Mar

April

Tournament Name	Tier	Location	Dates
Brisbane Grand Slam	T1	Brisbane, QLD	3-6 Apr
The Big Dill	T1	Melbourne, VIC	3-6 Apr
PPA Tour Australia	T5	TBA, VIC	10-12 Apr
NSW Pickleball Championships	T3	Blacktown, NSW	16-19 Apr
Noosa Doubles Classic	T1	Noosa Heads, QLD	18-19 Apr
QPT Redcliffe	T1	Redcliffe, QLD	24-26 Apr
Battle of the Border (NSW vs VIC)	-	Albury, NSW	25-26 Apr



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May

Tournament Name	Tier	Location	Dates
PPA Tour Australia	T5	TBC, NSW	1-3 May
Australian Masters Sydney	T1	Sydney, NSW	9-10 May
QPT Townsville	T1	Townsville, QLD	15-17 May
Melbourne Grand Slam	T1	Melbourne, VIC	15-17 May
Barrington Seniors	T1	Taree, NSW	16-18 May
South Australia Pickleball Championships	T3	Adelaide, SA	22-24 May
Northern Territory Pickleball Championships	T3	Alice Springs, NT	30-31 May
Buderim Open	T1	Buderim, QLD	30-31 May
QPT Mackay	T1	Mackay, QLD	30-31 May

June

Tournament Name	Tier	Location	Dates
Warrnambool Pickleball Open	T2	Warrnambool, VIC	5-8 Jun
Gold Coast Grand Slam	T1	Gold Coast, QLD	5-7 Jun
PCYC Wagga Wagga Tournament	T1	Wagga Wagga, NSW	6-8 Jun
PPA Tour Australia	T5	TBC, NSW	12-14 Jun
QPT Sunshine Coast	T1	Sunshine Coast, QLD	19-21 Jun
River City Classic	T2	Brisbane, QLD	26-28 Jun
Pride and Paddles	T2	Melbourne, VIC	26-28 Jun



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July

Tournament Name	Tier	Location	Dates
Queensland Pickleball Championships	T3	TBC, QLD	2-5 Jul
Australian Masters - Gold Coast	T1	Sydney, NSW	11-12 Jul
QPT Yeppoon	T1	Yeppoon, QLD	17-20 Jul
Hawkesbury Winter Tournament	T2	Hawkesbury, NSW	17-20 Jul
Yeppoon Pickleball Festival	T1	Yeppoon, QLD	20-21 Jul
PPA Tour Australia	T5	TBC, VIC	24-26 Jul
Yeppoon Classic	T1	Yeppoon, QLD	24-26 Jul
Pickleball Australia Seniors - Ocean Grove Classic	T1	Ocean Grove, VIC	TBC

August

Tournament Name	Tier	Location	Dates
Sydney Grand Slam	T1	Sydney, NSW	1-2 Aug
Northern Rivers Regional Rally	T1	Ballina, NSW	7-9 Aug
Gippsland Championships	T2	Traralgon, VIC	7-9 Aug
QPT Cairns	T1	Cairns, QLD	8-9 Aug
PPA Tour Australia	T5	TBC, QLD	15-17 Aug
Australian Masters Melbourne	T1	Melbourne, VIC	22-23 Aug
QPT Hervey Bay	T1	Hervey Bay, QLD	28-30 Aug

September - December

No tournaments currently scheduled



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How do I register to play in a Tournament

Once you've found a tournament you would like to attend, head to Pickleball Tournaments (<https://pickleballtournaments.com/>) and set up a profile or register.

How do I find out my Member ID number?

To find out your member number and your membership expiry date head to the Member Finder section of the Pickleball Australia website (<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/pickleballaus/member-finder/>).

When I try to register it says that my membership expires before the tournament commences and wants me to renew early!

That is true. When you register for the tournament, the system needs to ensure that you are a valid member during the tournament. But, just because it asks you to renew early, that doesn't mean that you lose months of membership. Your expiry date does not change. So even though you have to renew in January for a tournament, your expiry date of May does not shift and you won't be asked to renew again until May 2027.

What do I do if I don't have a partner to enter a tournament with?

You can still register for a tournament and choose 'partner required' when you register. You can also see who needs a partner within that tournament and you can reach out to them using the Pickleball Tournaments website.