

Frequently Asked Questions

HCPA (Hudson Community Pickleball Association) / Camp St. Croix Pickleball Courts

www.hudsonpickleball.com

1. Who will be able to play at the new Camp St. Croix pickleball courts?

- ✓ HCPA members – annual dues requirement (NOTE: You do not need a YMCA membership.)
- ✓ YMCA members during designated hours

2. When can I play on the courts?

- ✓ HCPA members can play Monday – Sunday 7:30 am – 8:00 pm with the exception of Tuesday and Thursday (4:00 pm -5:15 pm camper time).
- ✓ YMCA members who are not HCPA members can use the courts Monday through Friday 11:30 am – 4:00, Saturday and Sunday 7:30 am – 8:00 pm, and Tuesday 5:15 pm – 8:00 pm Open League.

3. What will I have to do to register to play on the Camp St. Croix Courts?

- ✓ Each year annual membership in HCPA is required, which means completion of an online HCPA registration form and payment of a membership fee. Past year members have a priority registration time that is projected to open early February. Registration for new members will be open 3 weeks after this time.
- ✓ New members also must register on the YMCA camp site, which will allow the YMCA to do an abbreviated background check to screen for any history of domestic violence, violent behavior, and inappropriate behavior with children. This is required for safety and security reasons due to all the children using Camp St. Croix. The registration form and YMCA link are available on the HCPA website www.hudsonpickleball.com

4. Can I bring a guest to play?

- ✓ You can bring guests. Each guest will have to fill out a Guest form available at the courts each time they play and complete YMCA Camp registration for YMCA liability purposes. A \$10.00 daily fee is required per guest.
- ✓ Guests must be accompanied by a member.

5. How will I be identified as an HCPA member?

- ✓ HCPA members will be given an HCPA bag tag to verify their membership.

6. Will we have access to bathrooms?

- ✓ There is a port-a-potty near the tree line next to the courts.

- ✓ There are bathrooms in the Camp St. Croix River Center administration building and players are welcome to use those bathrooms.

7. Will children at Camp St. Croix be near the courts?

- ✓ All children attending Camp St. Croix programs are closely supervised by adult camp counselors, at the ratio of one counselor for three kids.
- ✓ Children at Camp St. Croix will not be near the pickleball courts during HCPA hours.

8. Where will pickleballs and other equipment be stored?

- ✓ The pickleball nets will be permanently on the courts and will not be taken down until HCPA says our playing season is over (when it becomes too cold or snowy).
- ✓ There is a storage box adjacent to the courts for use by HCPA members which will house:
 - Pickleballs
 - Packets of HCPA materials for prospective members and guests
 - Lost and found
 - Bag tags that have not been picked up
 - AED (Automated External Defibrillator)
- ✓ Court cleaning tools are attached to the shed for all members to use: brooms, squeegee, sponge roller.
- ✓ The blower is locked in the shed with access limited to Board members and Operation Managers.

9. When does the season start in the Spring?

- ✓ The season officially starts when the snow clears and courts are dry so that the nets can be put up for play.
- ✓ YOU CANNOT USE SHOVELS OR SNOW BLOWERS TO CLEAR THE
- ✓ COURTS OF SNOW!!! (This will cut into the paint and surface on the courts and shorten their duration of use!)
- ✓ An email will be sent when courts are open.

10. Can I help clear courts of leaves and debris using the brooms on the side of the storage shed?

- ✓ YES!! The operation managers love when others help to clean up the courts.

11. Will I be able to take lessons where I can work on specific skills at the new courts?

- ✓ Lessons, skills and drills and ball machine will be offered. A schedule will be posted on the website in the spring with sign up on the website.

12. Will I be able to play in a tournament and leagues?

- ✓ Tournaments and leagues will be offered. Information on this will be on the website in the spring and posted at the courts.