

## *MARCH, 2024 LPC NEWS*

Good morning, everyone!

As you may know, the LPC operates as a non-profit. Our goal each year is fund court activities for our members and in 2024, we are budgeted to spend over \$28,500 on those court reservations. That means that the Club uses 100% of the dues from the first 713 members just to pay for court reservations.

While the cost per hour from the city did not increase for 2024, almost all of our other expenses have, including a significant increase in the cost of our liability insurance and Wild Apricot. The Club operated at a deficit in 2023 and we are projecting a narrow deficit in 2024. The Board has reviewed options and has made some difficult decisions.

- Dues will remain at \$40 for the year.
- We will implement a participation fee for our league play this year of \$10 per month. When you register for the Monday evening Ladder League for May, you just pay the \$10 at the same time.
- We are expanding league play (Ladder or other) to include Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Each of these sessions will also \$10 per person per session.
- We will have one session of league (30 players) at Osborn on Monday evenings from 6-8pm.
- We will have one session of league play (20 players) at Centennial on Tuesday mornings from 8-10am.
- We will have one session of league play (20 players) at Centennial on Thursday mornings from 8-10am.
- If we don't have enough player interest in these three sessions each month, we will cancel some reservations with the Parks Department. Those canceled times will not become Club Open Play sessions. We simply can't afford it.

We will continue to look for ways to trim expenses and increase revenues for 2024 so we don't have a deficit again this year.

### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

Save The Dates for these planned Special Events!

April 27. **Pickleball Expo** at Osborn. This is a joint event with the Parks Department. Parks is providing the courts for the day and the LPC is providing the coaches. Brief coaching sessions for new players and open play on the other courts. Play is free for the day!

May 10 – 12. **Spring Mixer**. Get reacquainted after the long winter.

June 2. **Hybrid Pickleball** 12 players in wheelchairs partnered with 12 players on their feet. Help us introduce pickleball to the wheelchair community!

August 10 – 11. **Benefit Pickleball Tournament** at Mehaffey. Benefitting the Parks and Recreation Foundation. Help low-income youth participate in Parks programs throughout the year.

September 13- 15. **Annual LPC Club Tournament**. At Mehaffey.

**SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT** – Please thank our sponsors and give them your support. If you know of any business or professional service that might be a good fit as a sponsor, please contact Sandy Thayer at [SandyThayerSells@gmail.com](mailto:SandyThayerSells@gmail.com)

**Select Physical Therapy (previously Foothills Orthopedic & Sport Therapy):**

We are excited to be able to continue sponsoring the Loveland Pickleball Club for another great year of physical activity, camaraderie and competition. We look forward to seeing you at your Club sponsored events this year and we remain available year around for Club members seeking physical therapy care. We offer free physical therapy injury screenings to Club members at our Foothills office – simply contact our office at **970-667-7755** and ask to be scheduled for a **“free LPC injury screening”**.

Locally *WE* are dedicated to helping *YOU* stay healthy and are ready to help you recover from injury and the aches and pains of life in order to get you back to living and playing. Nationally Select Medical supports pickleball as a Corporate Partner of the Pro Pickleball Association (PPA) and provides care at all PPA Tour Tournaments. Look for the Select Team at your local pickleball tournament and when you are watching your favorites pros.

We wish you a happy and healthy pickleball season!!!

**BOARD INFORMATION**

Feel free to contact any member of the 2024 Board at their email address below.

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All LPC members are welcome to attend our monthly Board meetings. Meetings will typically be on the second Monday of the month at 2:00pm. Our March meeting will be held at 2:00pm on Monday, March 11. Please let us know **by March 8** if you’re planning to attend. Please send a note to [lovelandpickleball80538@gmail.com](mailto:lovelandpickleball80538@gmail.com) We’ll decide where to have the meeting based on planned attendance.

See you on the courts.

Bob