Pickleball Program Details

We are excited about being able to again offer Pickleball in the RCC gym despite the Covid 19 challenges. We need everyone to agree to follow a few safety protocols so that we can operate safely. Pickleball will be offered almost every Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:30-11:00am and 11:15am- 12:45pm through the spring.

We will start on Thursday, February 11.

Participants
All participants will need to wear masks at all times while in the building even when playing Pickleball. In the Fall, we had proposed (based on guidelines) allowing no masks while actually playing but that changed with the Governor’s update sports guidance of November 9th and again in January. This includes all times including set up and breakdown of equipment, sitting waiting for your turn to play, while using the restroom and now when actually playing.

We will provide hand sanitizer for all participants to use both upstairs as they enter the RCC and down stairs at or near the gym entrance as well as wipes. We recommend you wash your hands or use sanitizer upon arrival, and wipe the ball between games as well as the paddle if you need to use one of our paddles.

Participants need to sign up in advance for their 6 week session.
The basic structure of our Pickleball the program will now be the same as most Park and Recreation class offerings rather than as a drop in open gym. The sessions will be of 90 minutes in length. We hope to be able to resume the previous open gym structure at some point in the future as we understand it is much more flexible and economical.

You will need to sign up for all 6 sessions of either the Tuesday classes or the Thursday classes. No credit will be given for missed sessions although if you start midway in a session (it will be prorated). The fee for these sessions are priced as $4 per day for residents and $8 per day for non-residents; These Pickleball sessions are payable in advance only. There is no daily fee option. Residents $24 Non- residents $48

The dates will be extended due to snow days. ALWAYS call our cancellation line before coming out to see if the weather has caused up to postpone the session. (203) 938-5036 X 3

Each participant must sign our Covid-19 program waiver; which is online or emailed to you when you sign up online. The waiver will acknowledge inherent health risks while participating. This only needs to be completed just one time.

Group size
Total participants each day will be limited to 11 participants which can be reevaluated if necessary. While waiting to play all participants will need to be seated at least 6 feet apart and wear masks at all times even when they are on the court actively participating.

General protocols for all Park and Recreation programs
- No one is permitted to come to a class if they're showing signs of illness.
- Anyone demonstrating signs of illness will be sent home.
- The Redding Park and Rec reserves the right to refuse entry to anyone not wearing a mask or are showing signs of COVID-19
- Park and Rec reserves the right to have limited group sizes to meet distancing requirements
All notifications from a program participant with a positive Covid test OR have been in close contact with a person who is Covid positive will be reported immediately to the Park and Recreation Department who will then report to the Town of Redding Health Department. No one testing positive will be permitted to return unless they have completed the required 10 day isolation period and been symptom free for 24 hours. Anyone who has been informed that they are a contact with a positive case must quarantine 14 days from the last time they were exposed to the positive case. Those who are considered contacts must inform the program supervisor. Redding P&R will follow the most recent protocols and guidelines provided to us from the Health Department when informing participants and staff.

Regarding lost time due to spring Covid-19 closures for previous and existing pass holders.
The last spring Pickleball session before the virus shut down the program was March 10,2020. We have a print out of your pass expiration date. We have credited your household account ( in our computer software) all credit that is due to you for any open gym pass that was previously purchased.

Weather more info on cancellation
Park and Recreation has a phone cancellation line on which we post weather related cancellations. The number is (203)939-5036 X3

We try to post our cancellations at least one hour before the start of any program whenever possible; usually more when it is possible. If snow is forecast to start starts mid-morning, we could decide to cancel before a snowflake hits the ground. If the snow stops at 9:00am, we COULD decide to delay the start of Pickleball to allow the Parking lot to be taken care of by custodial staff. We recommend that you check the cancellation line whenever weather MIGHT be an issue.