

AROUND THE POST - Your ABPA Newsletter



Welcome to your new Avalon Beach Pickleball Club newsletter!

**NEW WEEKLY SESSION ADDED - Thursday Mornings, 9AM - 11AM
(Intermediate and Above)**

We are adding another new session!

Thursday morning's from 9AM - 11AM, for Intermediate and Above players.

This provides another option for our members in the weekday mornings, adding to the existing Monday and Wednesday morning sessions (both All Grades) and our Friday morning session (Intermediate and Above).

The new session will commence Thursday 25th April 2024 (ANZAC Day).

Book here for the first session on OpenSports ->

<https://opensports.net/posts/2090aba326146025d9ee65>

SESSION BOOKINGS

If for any reason you can't attend a session you've booked in for, even at very short or last minute notice, please cancel on OpenSports ASAP. There is often a waitlist for some sessions, so this will give an opportunity for a fellow member to join in, and we can maximise the court usage.

Where we run multiple graded sessions on a day (typically Saturday's), if your session is full, remember you can often get a spot in a lower graded session. For instance, if you're an Advanced, you can still play in the "Intermediate and Above" and the "Upper Intermediate and Above" sessions.

Please remember to turn up for your session at least 10 minutes prior to the start, to assist with putting up the nets; this way we can all get the most play and fun out of our sessions!

Booking Etiquette: It is preferable to **refrain from booking** into a session **if you are unable to stay for the full 2 hours** (injuries and exhaustion aside). This often leaves some members unable to play for the full session due to odd numbers remaining, as well as having less hands to help pack up at the end of the session.

ABPA NEW MEMBERS

We warmly welcome the following new members who have joined so far in April:

- Nicola Donlan
- Patrik Bergh
- Simone Bergh
- Scott Gresham
- Jo-Ann Masters
- Trish Gresham
- Dominic Masters

Always great to see new people joining the friendliest Pickleball Club around!

MONTHLY PRIZES

Congratulations to **Suzi Crawford** on winning the new member monthly prize for March, a \$50 OpenSports credit.

HOSTS WANTED

As we expand our number of sessions for our club, so does the need for hosts for each of these sessions expand as well. If this is something you would like to do to give back to the club, please either let a committee member or a current host know, or send an email to mail@avalonbeachpickleball.org.au. It's really easy, and rewarding! If we get more hosts, we can share the fun as well when we take the occasional well earned break.

PICKLEBALL ETIQUETTE TIP OF THE WEEK

Play with manners.

Introduce yourself - Once on the court for a game, acknowledge the other players and introduce yourself if you don't know them.

RULE OF THE WEEK

4.A.2. Placement.

The server must serve to the correct service court (the court diagonally opposite the server).

The serve may clear or touch the net and must clear the NVZ and the NVZ lines.

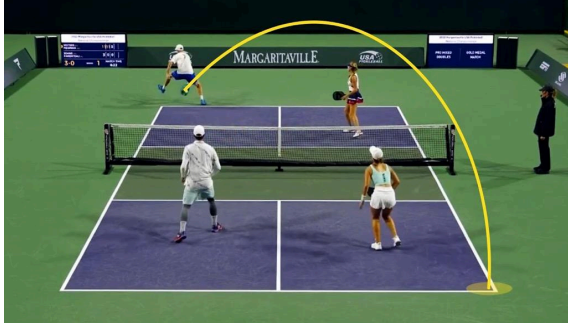
The serve may land on any other service court line.

*So if the served ball lands ON the kitchen line, **it is a fault!***

And there are no "lets" in Pickleball - if the served ball touches the net, but still lands in the correct place, then **play on!**

VIDEO OF THE WEEK

1 In A Trillion Pickleball Moments



LOST + FOUND

If you have lost or found any equipment, accessories, clothing etc., please let us know at mail@avalonbeachpickleball.org.au and we will include it in the next newsletter.

It is also very helpful to post a message on OpenSports for the session that you lost or found something; every attendee will get a message, and belongings can be reunited with their owners.

EQUIPMENT FOR SALE

Have you upgraded your paddle and are now left with unwanted used paddles?

Looking for a new paddle and don't want to pay full price?

We maintain a Used Paddle Marketplace on our website!

<https://avalonbeachpickleball.org.au/used-paddles/>

To **BUY** a paddle:

- Please contact the seller directly (see website for details).

To **SELL** a paddle:

Send an email to mail@avalonbeachpickleball.org.au which includes the following:

1. A photo of your paddle
 2. A brief, honest description of its age and condition
 3. Your contact details
 4. The price
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We hope this finds you well, and see you on the courts!

Kind regards
Your Committee

