

PICKLEBALL FAQs – 2022 Season

How much does it cost to play Pickleball?

You can purchase a drop in pass for \$7 each time you play or a seasonal membership to allow you access to use the courts at Lakeshore Recreation. To join the Saugeen Shores Pickleball Club - SSPC (they organize morning games all summer) it costs \$20. Pricing details can be found here: <https://www.lakeshorerecreation.com/pickleball>

When can I play?

There is organized Pickleball with The Saugeen Shores Pickleball Club-SSPC that runs Monday - Saturday from 9:00 am - noon. A membership to SSPC is \$20 for the calendar year. The Club also plays indoors in the winter. *copy of their schedule and benefits of joining the SSPC can be found here <https://www.lakeshorerecreation.com/pickleball>

If I'm only a beginner can I still play in the SSPC organized days?

Yes, this is how you continue to learn and improve. Note the specific types of play on the schedule. All levels are welcome and accommodated. When you arrive for league play, your name goes on a board with 3 other players. You play a game. Once that game is finished you come off of the court and organize another game with other players. You can stay and play one game or numerous games throughout the morning.

Do I need my own racquet?

Lakeshore and SSPC have some racquets to borrow but if you plan on playing on a regular basis we recommend purchasing your own racquet. Lakeshore has some options, you could find online, etc. If you would like some advice please ask someone from SSPC.

Can I play outside of SSPC scheduled times (Monday-Saturday 9 am - noon)?

Yes, you can reserve a court anytime by calling 519 832-9027. If you are a Lakeshore Recreation Pickleball member there is no rental fee for the court. You would need to organize with others to meet you. We currently have 'Social Play' on our schedule for Wednesday nights. This is not an organized evening, rather for anyone to show up and play with others. This evening will be promoted for July and August but there is no guarantee how many people will show up. It's recommended that you speak to some players to see if they will be attending.

Who will play with me outside of SSPC scheduled times?

Ask some friends to come out and play who have never played. They may learn to love it also. Ask people you meet during SSPC scheduled times. Or simply show up on the 'social' night to meet some new people and play a game or two.

Will there be more beginner clinics planned?

There will be no formal lessons planned for July & August. We were able to get a number of volunteers to assist with the June beginner clinics but they are not available in the summer months. However, SSPC will provide 'novice members' Skills & Drills practice on Tuesdays from 9:00 am - 9:45 am until July 12th. A new playing schedule will come out for July and there may be some other options provided during SSPC league times depending on availability of instructors. The best way to improve is to come out and play.

Can I buy drinks or snacks at Lakeshore?

Our 'SHACK' (aka Snack Bar) will be open Monday-Friday and sell various items including coffee (including Baileys!), protein bars, muffins, etc.