

NEW MEMBER PACKET



Membership Benefits:

- Designated club play hours
- Opportunities to play with people from all skill levels
- Opportunity to participate in Club sponsored activities
- Knowing that you are supporting a community-based activity

Join our facebook group for current news and updates at:
Mount Carmel (Illinois)
Pickleball



Also, keep informed by downloading the Team Reach app on your phone. Group Code: MtCPickle



Mission Statement

We, as a Club, strive to promote the game of Pickleball as a community-based, safe, healthful, sporting activity by creating an environment where good sportsmanship, fun, and social interactions are fostered. It is our goal to provide facilities so that participants of all ages, skill levels, and abilities may enjoy the sport. We also seek to offer skill development programs and activities to enhance recreational as well as competitive play.

Club Play Hours & Public Play Hours

Mount Carmel Pickleball Club, Inc.

Club Hours

Mount Carmel Pickleball Club Play

Tuesday and Thursday:

8:00 AM – 12:00PM

4:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Saturday:

8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Sunday:

12:30 PM – 9:00 PM

Public Hours

Public Open Play

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday are set for open play for the public.

All other days of the week (except Sunday) from 12:00 PM until 4:00 PM will also be available for open play. Open play on Sunday is before 12:30 PM or after 9:00 PM.

Exceptions: There will be times that exceptions will occur. Special events including but not limited to tournaments and clinics may supersede normal schedules.

Membership Dues

Mount Carmel Pickleball Club, Inc.

Annual Membership Fee: \$75.00 per person

New members - \$75.00 per person per year. New members joining on or after September 1 can pay \$75 and be considered members for the remainder of the current year and all of the next calendar year.

Early Pay Renewal Membership Fee: \$50.00 per person if paid before December 31 of the preceding year.

NOTE: Guests of a member are allowed one free play and thereafter must join the club in order to play during Club hours

- All memberships are based on a calendar year.
- Memberships paid during a calendar year will not be prorated.
- Memberships cannot be transferred and are not refundable.

Your dues are essential for the Club to be able to maintain the courts, provide free balls, pay operating costs, and allow us to support our mission. **THANK YOU!**

Rules, Regulations & Pickleball Etiquette

Mount Carmel Pickleball Club, Inc.

The purpose of these rules and regulations is to establish procedures and controls for the safe, fair, efficient and practical use of our pickleball courts and equipment, for the optimum benefit of MCPC members and the public; and to protect the courts and surrounding facilities from damage.

Basic Pickleball Etiquette:

1. Good sportsmanship is the rule. We love the game, but it is only a game. Respect all players.
2. Remember, during open play sessions we are trying to get members to mix it up so the various level players can mix in and hopefully improve their play, and to get a better understanding of what it takes to move up in skill level. All players like to improve. It bears repeating-the better, more experienced player should occasionally make themselves available to play with or against the less experienced players. Remember, we are all in the same club.
3. Begin each game with a greeting by acknowledging the other players and introducing yourself if you don't know them. During regular play, players play with all skill levels. No complaints. Good sportsmanship is the rule.
4. Follow and respect USA Pickleball (USAP) rules and regulations.
5. Never yell at, swear at, or say hostile or sarcastic words to any player in anger. Abusive language and/or behavior will not be tolerated on or around the courts.

Rules and Regulations:

1. Membership shall be available to all persons 15 years of age or older. Memberships in the MCPC are individual, non-transferable, and are valid for one calendar year. The Fiscal year for the club is January 1st through December 31st.
2. Non-Members and players under 14 years of age are prohibited from using the courts during MCPC established and scheduled play times, and during MCPC special events.
3. Guest policy: Members are encouraged to promote the development and growth of the MCPC. Members may sponsor a guest on a one-time basis to attend and play during scheduled Club play times. The member will be responsible for informing

their guest of our Rules, Regulations, and Etiquette. The sponsoring member should encourage their guest to become a Club member in order to continue to play and participate in Club activities on a regular basis.

4. Dress Code: casual, comfortable clothing is acceptable. **Shirts and proper court shoes are mandatory and must be worn at all times.** Acceptable court shoes are soft-soled tennis type shoes that will not harm the surface of the courts.
5. Court lights will be available for night play and will automatically shut off at 10:00 P.M.
6. MCPC will provide paddles, balls and other necessary equipment to members during scheduled play time and for special events. (Members are encouraged to obtain their own paddle for court play). MCPC is not required and does not provide paddles or other club equipment to non-members or to the public.
7. Rotational Play System: The Club requires using a rotational play system during scheduled play hours. If your group has finished a game and others are waiting, your group must relinquish the court to allow other players the opportunity to play.
8. All members shall read and comply with all posted Court Rules.

These Rules have been reviewed and approved by the MCPC Board of Directors and became effective July 23, 2020. These “Rules” may be updated at periodic board meetings based upon changing needs and input from members. It is the responsibility of all members to read all notices posted at the pickleball courts.

For questions or information, please call the Club’s Membership Committee Chairperson, Lauren Thompson at 618/263-2997 or the Club’s Treasurer, Rob Coleman at 618/262-6948.

Membership Application

Mount Carmel Pickleball Club, Inc. (MCPC)

To become a MCPC member, please:

- 1. Complete this Membership Application form.**
- 2. Sign the Release of Liability form (on the reverse of this form).**
- 3. Pay your Membership Dues using cash or by making a check payable to MCPC (or Mt. Carmel Pickleball Club).**
- 4. Read through Rules, Regulations, and Pickleball Etiquette.**

MEMBER INFORMATION

Date: _____

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Cell Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

NOTE: We will use your contact information to keep you informed as to Club information, any changes in Club Rules or Club Play, and Club sponsored activities. Your contact information will never be sold or given to a third-party.

ALL CONTACT INFORMATION WILL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL!

PLEASE TURN THIS FORM OVER & COMPLETE THE RELEASE FORM ON THE REVERSE OF THIS DOCUMENT.

Please give this form and your check/cash to a Club Member, or mail to: MCPC, PO Box 633, Mount Carmel, IL 62863.

Hold Harmless & Release of Claims Agreement

Mt. Carmel Pickleball Club, Inc.

WHEREAS: I, the undersigned have paid the appropriate membership fee and completed the Membership Application form, as necessary to become a member of MT. CARMEL PICKLEBALL CLUB, INC. (club), and;

WHEREAS: I now have the rights, privileges, and responsibilities granted to me as a club member, which includes, but is not limited to:

1. Understanding and adhering to the rules, regulations, procedures, and controls as stated above.
2. Using the facilities of the club, which includes courts, nets, fencing, lighting, sheltered areas, parking lot, and a storage building; as located in the MT. CARMEL CITY PARK (facilities) on property owned by the CITY OF MT. CARMEL, MT. CARMEL, ILLINOIS (city).
3. Participating in pickleball and other activities sponsored by the club.

NOW THEREFORE: In consideration of the foregoing, I hereby release, discharge, and hold harmless the club and the city, their agents, employees, representatives, officers, directors, successors and assigns from all claims, demands and actions which I may have, or which the undersigned's heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns may have, or claim to have, against said club and/or the city, its successors or assigns, for all injuries to my person, known or unknown, and injuries to my property, caused by, or arising out of my participation in activities sponsored by the club. This includes, but is not limited to, injuries to my person or my property caused by the course of play, my contact with court surfaces, netting, fencing, facility structures, other players, pickleballs, pickleball paddles, and other pickleball equipment, or caused when spectating or bystander.

I, the undersigned, have read this release and understand its terms. In addition, I acknowledge that by using the pickleball facilities as described above and engaging in pickleball activities, there exists the possibility of an accident and injury to my person and my property.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have executed this Release and Agreement voluntarily and with full knowledge of its contents, at Mt. Carmel, Illinois this

_____ day of _____, 20_____.

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Please **sign** your name here

Please **print** your name here