

SPEARFISH SLAMMER PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT

DATES OF PLAY: September 22-23 [CHECK IN 7:30; PLAY TO BEGIN EACH DAY AT 8:00 AM]

ENTRY DEADLINE: ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN - September 16, 2018

FORMAT OF PLAY:

- Saturday: Round Robin – minimum of 8 teams per division. Divisions based on level. (Medals Awarded)
- Sunday: Pool play followed by single elimination (min 3 games). Divisions based on level. (Medals Awarded)

[EACH PLAYER MUST SUBMIT AN ENTRY FORM] [KEEP SECOND PAGE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE]

LAST NAME: _____ FIRST NAME: _____ Gender: _____

E-Mail Address: _____ Phone # _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone # _____ CELL # _____

PLEASE CIRCLE BELOW THE EVENTS YOU ARE ENTERING AND YOUR LEVEL (level descriptions on next page)

SATURDAY:

- Round Robin
- Singles

SUNDAY:

- Women's Doubles Doubles Partner (if applicable): _____
- Men's Doubles Doubles Partner (if applicable): _____
- Mixed Doubles Doubles Partner (if applicable): _____

Note: if you don't have a partner, you may still sign up and we will make every effort to find you a partner. No guarantees though.

LEVEL: 2.0 2.5 3.0 3.5 4.0 4.5-5.0 (See following page for Clarification of Levels)

All Events will be played in accordance with the USAPA rules and regulations in effect at time of tournament.

FEE: \$20.00 FOR FIRST DAY - \$5.00 FOR SECOND DAY (Includes Snacks and Refreshments)

Total Fee Enclosed \$ _____

Please make checks payable to: **Spearfish Pickleball Club**

Mail your registration form and check to: **Spearfish Pickleball Club**
112 W Illinois St
Spearfish, SD 57783

I realize and understand that there are certain inherent risks to which I will be exposed because of the nature and level of the sports activity for which I have registered. I understand and agree that Spearfish Pickleball Club, their agents and officials assume no responsibility for injury or illness I may sustain as a result of my physical condition or my participation in any SPORTS event. I understand it is my responsibility to provide my own accident and health coverage and that Spearfish Pickleball Club, their agents and officials, do not provide any accident or health insurance for their participants or volunteers.

SIGNATURE _____

WAIVER DATE _____

LEVEL DESCRIPTIONS

2.0 Skill Level

Has taken the Bend Parks and Rec beginners lesson (or demonstrates equivalent knowledge)
Moves around court in balanced, safe manner
Gets some serves “in”, perhaps not regularly
Realizes aspects of score-keeping, rules and where to stand on court during serve, receipt of serve, and general play
Has some basic stroke skills

2.5 Skill Level

Able to serve “in” more regularly
Knows two-bounce rule and demonstrates it most times
Knows where to stand on the court during serve, receipt of serve and general play
Is mastering keeping score.
Attempts to dink but not always effective at it
Working on their form for ground strokes, accuracy is variable
Can keep the ball in play longer
Sometimes lobs with forehand with varying degrees of success.

3.0 Skill level

Knows the fundamental rules and can keep score
Regularly gets serves “in” to mid-court or deeper
Dinks mostly in opp. kitchen and is dinking lower over the net
Able to sustain dinking in the game
Using both forehand and backhand on returns and forehands on overhead returns
Working at keeping the serve deep and return of serve deep
Moves quickly towards the non-volley zone when opportunity is there
Trying to make flatter returns (where appropriate)

3.5 Skill level

Demonstrates a broad knowledge of the rules of the game
Gets a high majority of serves in deep & returns serve deep
Often hits to the weak side of opponent
Demonstrates strategies of playing during games
Actively works with partners in communicating, covering court, moving to net
With varying consistency executes: lobs, forehand/backhand ground strokes, overheads, net volleys, and sustained dinking
Some use of drop shots to get to the net
Specifically places shots rather than just hitting shots anywhere
Selective mixing up soft shots with power shots to create an advantage
Hits fewer balls out of bounds or in the net
Has a moderate # of unforced errors per game

4.0 Skill Level

Primarily plays in an offensive mode rather than reactively
Controls and places serves and return of serves to best advantage
Puts advanced playing strategy into the game, particularly in dinking
Consistently varies shots for competitive advantage, uses power shots selectively
Communicates and moves well with partner — easily “switches” court positions
Very comfortable playing at the non-volley zone. Works with partner to control the line, keeping opponents back.
Can block hard volleys directed at them
Has good footwork and moves laterally, backward and forward with ease.
Hits overhead shots consistently, often as putways
Consistently executes effective drop shots that are not easily returned for advantage
Hits a low # of unforced errors per game
Regularly demonstrates “anticipation of play”
Consistently is a multi-dimensional player and/or is exceptionally dominate in a limited playing repertoire.

4.5 – 5.0 Skill Level

Can regularly convert a hard shot to a soft shot
Exhibits patience in play at a superior level
Shows noticeably increased skills, a higher level of strategy, quickness of hands and movement, judicious use of power, superior placement of shots, superb anticipation of play, sustained volleying skills, superior put-aways —all with consistency
Makes very few unforced errors