

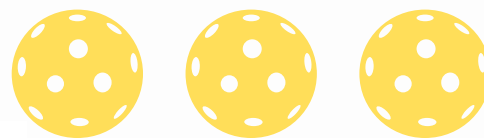
What's New



2024 INTERNATIONAL RACQUETS CONFERENCE

The PAB has been well represented at the Professional Tennis Registry's 2024 International Racquets Conference. George Thomas, a PAB Board Director and Gavin Manders, National Director of Pickleball (pictured with Taylor Taylor (R), Head of Education for PPR and President of Picklemania and Sarah Ansbury (L), USPTA teacher and NCAA coach) attended all-day PPR Level 2 certifications. Manders is now a certified Clinician who can certify PPR coaches and professionals.

The conference enabled the PAB to promote pickleball tourism, discuss public facilities management with people who manage and operate them and connect with delegates from other international jurisdictions like Ecuador and Cayman. Contacts were also made with people who can help develop the Bermuda National Team.



THANKS TO JOOLA FOR THEIR GENEROUS DONATION!

We'd like to recognize Joola's incredible contribution, especially Eric White, to the help kickstart our youth and community programs by supplying over 100 paddles, 200 balls and other equipment. This activity is essential for the PAB to help promote pickleball for participants of all ages. Joola's contribution demonstrates their appreciation for the sport's positive influences on health and well-being for individuals. This underscores the importance of strategic corporate partnerships in promoting youth development and pickleball participation.



If you were ever wondering how to say Joola, it's pronounced "Yo-la". 😊

Programme Updates

INTRO AND BEGINNERS COACHING SESSIONS AT WER JOELL CONTINUE

The PAB is now officially offering weekly one-hour coaching sessions on Saturdays at 11am at WER Joell Stadium.

The sessions have been over-subscribed this month, i.e., 18-20 players register for only 16 available slots. Recently, certified Pickleball coaches are being asked to volunteer.



To register for the beginners intro sessions, updates on public and self-organised open play opportunities, go to www.pabermuda.com/events to join the WER Joell WhatsApp group.



Install TeamReach on your phone and Enter code:



**Sun
25 Feb
12:30-2pm**

**Junior
Pickleball
OPEN HOUSE**

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY
Paddles are available to borrow (limited supply)

AGES 8-16
WER Joell Tennis Stadium
Pembroke
Free Entry!

PICKLEBALL ASSOCIATION BERMUDA www.pabermuda.com

A FANTASTIC DAY FOR JUNIOR PICKLEBALL!

Hey Pickleball Enthusiasts,

It's Gavin here, your National Director. I just want to share a bit about our Junior Open House - what a day it was! We had around 50 kids from all corners of Bermuda, ages 8 to 14, joining us. It didn't matter what level they were at, or where they came from; they all came together with one thing in mind - pickleball.

The energy was electric, and seeing such a mix of young players was truly inspiring. This event was another big step forward for us in leading junior pickleball in our region. I'm so proud of what we achieved together and excited for what the future holds.

Thanks to everyone who made this day possible. Your support is what's driving this incredible journey we're on. Let's keep this momentum going!

Catch you on the courts,

Gavin Manders
National Pickleball Director



WER JOELL PICKLEBALL COURTS NOW HAVE LIGHTS!

Lights at WER Joell Tennis Stadium pickleball courts are now operational!

TO BOOK: Use CourtReserve or call the office to book. 292-0105

COST: \$10 per hour and staff will make sure they are on for you. A court per hour is \$12 plus \$10 for lights or if a senior its \$10 plus \$10 for lights per hour.

LET'S
GO!

In the News



CHECK OUT OUR NEWEST SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS AND PICKLEBALL-RELATED NEWS COVERAGE - #SPORTMATTERS

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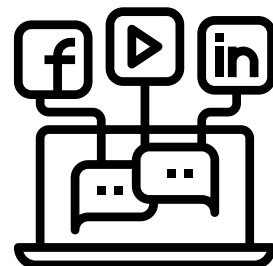
<https://www.instagram.com/reel/C3Noe1dN8TF/?igsh=MTAwaW4xemUOMjFONg==>

[Gavin Manders, National Director of The Bermuda Pickleball Association, shares some exciting information on the WER Joell Tennis Stadium... | Instagram](#)

[Gavin Manders Appointed PAB National Director - Bernews](#)

[Gavin Manders hoping to prove pickleball and tennis can coexist - The Royal Gazette | Bermuda News, Business, Sports, Events, & Community](#)

[Pickleball enthusiasts take chance to coach - The Royal Gazette | Bermuda News, Business, Sports, Events, & Community](#)



MTM Community News & Events

YOUTH PROGRAMMES ACROSS THE PICKLEBALL COMMUNITY ARE TAKING OFF!

MTM AT WER
JOELL TENNIS STADIUM

Come out and learn from Bermuda's best!
We don't teach sports, we teach them how
to fall in love with the game!

GAVIN MANDERS **TARIQ SIMONS**

TENNIS AND PICKLEBALL CAMP 9AM-4PM
AGES 5-14

FEBRUARY 12TH-16TH **\$300 WEEKLY \$80 DAILY**

CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION
INFO@MTM.BM / 591-4131
Registration - mtm.bm

Youth Development Pickleball Clinic

FEB 12th - 16th
11am-1pm

Ages 10-14
\$150 for 5 day clinic

MTM Tennis & Pickleball Camps:
Igniting a Lifelong Love for the Game

Come out and learn from Bermuda's best! We don't teach tennis, we teach them how to fall in love with the game.

Discover the Joy of Racquet Sports at MTM:

Welcome to a unique camp experience where we don't just teach tennis and pickleball, we inspire a lifelong passion for these dynamic sports. At MTM, our camps are crafted to introduce children to the excitement of tennis and pickleball, guiding them to discover their love for the game. Our holistic approach ensures that each child embarks on a journey of discovery, skill development, and personal growth.

Our Unique Approach:

MTM stands at the forefront of sports education, blending tennis and pickleball to cultivate a deep-seated passion for racquet sports. Our camps are designed around the interests of each camper with the ratio of time spent on each sport guided by their individual enthusiasm and love for the game. This personalized approach allows every child to explore, engage, and excel in the sport that resonates most with them.

Join Us for Unforgettable Breaks:

Our camps run during school breaks, offering a perfect blend of sports, education, and fun. Whether your child is new to racquet sports or looking to deepen their engagement, MTM provides an ideal environment for growth and discovery.

Camp Highlights:

Dual-Sport Discovery:
Experience tennis and pickleball in a supportive environment, enhancing overall racquet skills and uncovering new passions.

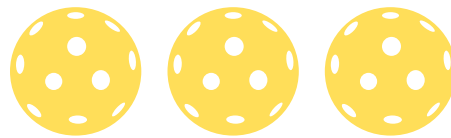
Individualized Focus:
The allocation of time between tennis and pickleball is tailored to match each camper's interest, ensuring a fulfilling and enjoyable experience.

Comprehensive Development:
Beyond skill acquisition, our camps emphasize fun, teamwork, and the intrinsic joy of playing.

Memorable Experiences:
Our camps are more than just about sports; they're about building friendships, confidence, and a love for active living.

Conclusion:
Embark on a journey with MTM, where each session is a step towards falling in love with tennis and pickleball. Our camps are a gateway to mastering the games, understanding teamwork, and enjoying the thrill of competition and play.

Location: WER Joell Tennis Stadium
Dates: March 25th-29th and April 1st-5th
For More Information: Call us at 591-4131 | Email: info@mtm.bm
Ages: 5-14 **Times:** 9am-4pm
Cost: \$300/Week or \$80/day



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POMANDER GATE TENNIS & PICKLEBALL CLUB HOSTED TOP DOGS TOURNAMENT

Damien McDonnell & Alvaro Triana Zan won last night's finals in 7 straight games!

Numair Khan & Hasan Khan came a close second only dropping one game!

Congratulations to the finalists!



Global Updates

Setting the Standards Worldwide – Interview with Tom Webb of Association of Pickleball Players

https://youtu.be/T_jf0vQJEPw?si=mZFTM8pbTb5MKyxD

(from the 24-minute mark)

Coral Beach & Tennis Club
BERMUDA

LET'S CELEBRATE
ST. PADDY'S DAY
WITH
PINTS & PICKLEBALL
MARCH 16 | 1:30PM-5:30PM
HORIZONS PICKLEBALL COURTS
PRICE \$50 INCLUDES COMPLIMENTARY DRINKS & LIGHT NIBBLES

SOCIAL TOURNAMENT 2 BRACKETS (A & B)
A BRACKET FOR ADVANCED PLAYERS (START TIME 1:30PM)
B BRACKET FOR INTERMEDIATE/ BEGINNERS (START TIME 3:30PM)

MAX 16 TEAMS IN EACH DIVISION
THIS IS A COED TOURNAMENT
PLEASE SIGN UP VIA THE EMAIL
TENNIS@CORALBEACH.BM

DUPR

CORAL BEACH & TENNIS CLUB TO HOST ST. PADDY'S DAY EVENT

Open to all!

Contact: Tennis@Coralbeach.bm

To learn more about DUPR ratings go to:
www.mydupr.com



By the Numbers

(as at February 19, 2024)

PAB Members: 305 (up from 250 in January)

WER Joell WhatsApp Participants: 231
(up from 200 in January – comprises PAB and larger community)



BECOME A MEMBER!

Be part of the growth of pickleball in Bermuda!

www.pabermuda.com



Why Join?

- Be a part of the growth of pickleball in Bermuda
- Belong to a fun, social community
- Receive early notification of clinics and tournaments to be held in Bermuda
- Participate in PAB-sanctioned tournaments
- Get involved as a volunteer, referee or coach
- Become connected to international pickleball organizations
- Your fees/donations will help PAB develop more pickleball facilities to encourage participation amongst all ages. To provide options for open rec play through to clinics and competitive events.
- Help Bermuda keep healthy, have fun and compete at an international level.
- Be a part of the pickleball phenomenon!

Sign up here! www.pabermuda.com



Newsletter Submissions:

With the explosion of this sport, there is so much happening. If you would like your pickleball news considered for the PAB newsletter, please submit to pabermuda@gmail.com for consideration. Note that this publication is for and about PAB members. External advertisers and businesses may be asked to make a moderate advertising contribution (TBD), in the future.