

Brisbane Bayside Pickleball Club Monthly Newsletter

November 2025



Welcome

Hi all you Brisbane Bayside pickleballers. Welcome to the November edition of our club newsletter.

What a month, November, has been!! Not sure who annoyed the weather “Deities” but they have certainly been wrecking havoc over the last couple of weeks. In between the wild storms, damaging hail and cyclonic winds, we somehow got to play a little bit of pickleball in the gaps...

For those that attended our end of year combined Christmas and 2nd year birthday party, we hope you all enjoyed yourselves. Judging by the photos you all appeared to be having a great time. Lots of photos included inside...

Our last pickleball session for 2025 is on Monday 22 December and our first for 2026 is 05 January 2026. If the session is in OpenSports, then we are up and running. If nothing is there no session is planned...

Lots more to talk about, so please enjoy reading this months newsletter!

Please stay dry, enjoy the spectacular late afternoon “light shows” and as always, see you out on the courts...

Brian Krisanski (Club Secretary)

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President's Report

What a great year it has been despite mother nature throwing a lot of uncertainty our way.

On the last day of November, we held our Christmas Party, it was also a celebration of our second anniversary as a Club. A club that stretches across the bayside from Wynnum Manly in the far north to the deep down south at Victoria Point, and all suburbs in between. The gathering was a true testament of the social fabric within the club.

We had a fantastic day, the weather though hot couldn't have been better. We had people queuing for a game of pickleball throughout the day. The Slinger was a crowd pleaser. The Tasty Pocket Greek Food Truck was outstanding. All enjoyed themselves, in the end we had well over 100 players and family coming along to enjoy the party.

Redland Council's Mayor Jos Mitchell and Councillor Wendy Boglary were unable to join the festivities due illness. Wendy has always been a keen supporter of pickleball from its earliest introduction to the Redlands five years ago. She recognised back then the mental and physical benefits the game of pickleball offers the community. Her support granted us the funds to purchase the "Slinger ball machine", a pickleball training aid. Its use is slowly infiltrating our skills and drills sessions with its introduction into coaching sessions planned next year. So thankyou Wendy.

I would like to extend our thanks to Anna Dray (the school's Business Manager - Victoria Point State High) for allowing the club to use the school's facilities. Anna has been very accepting of our club and has instinctively recognised the potential benefits that pickleball offers, both within the school and the community. She has been instrumental in overseeing the resurfacing of the four tennis courts with the installation of lights, 16 pickleball courts permanently marked out were also included. This is in addition to 5 indoor pickleball courts. Being able to access such a venue makes us the envy of many clubs across Brisbane. So Thankyou Anna.





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Our Club committee has a special social bond which allows their energy, enthusiasm, and considerable talents to be harnessed seamlessly into growing this unique club. Sunday was a perfect example of their passion and commitment, every one of them deserves our thanks.

Cynthia & Brian, Wendy & Andy, Kerrie & Greg, Corinne & Paul, Jean & Heather along with Janice & Patrick (former committee members), many of whom also host sessions.

We also need to acknowledge and thank other session hosts Alain and David who run the Victoria Point venue. Wes who looked after Wednesday mornings at Wellington Point and for Thomas who has stepped up to help host IONA with Heather.

In the words of Brendan Lee Pickleball Australia's Executive Officer "At the end of the day, sport is about creating a sense of belonging, community and connection and pickleball delivers all those things."

Have a safe and Merry Christmas.

Chris Warner (Club President)





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Xmas Party and We are 2 Years Old!!

Sunday, 30 November 2025 saw well over 100 players and family all come together at our pickleball venue at the Victoria Point State High School.

With all our fingers and toes crossed the weather held out for us and what a magnificent day it was!!

A huge thanks to one of our club's sponsors NIUPIPO AUSTRALIA for all the FREE merchandise (bags, hats, shirts, cooling towels, sweat bands) and 7 x give-away paddles! Very much appreciated for your generosity!

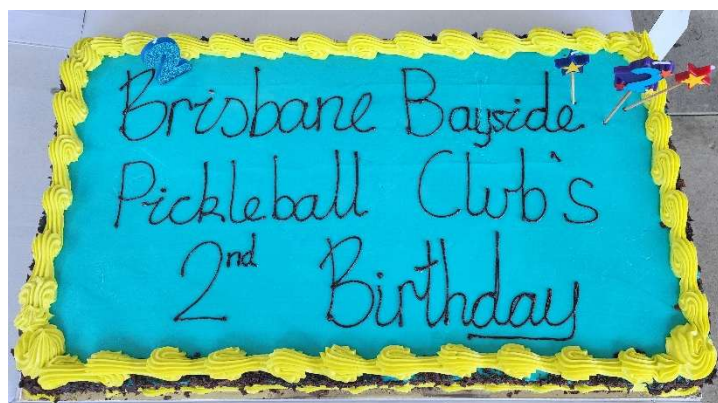
Well done to Deb Adams who won our Post a photo to Facebook comp. your 5 x FREE pickleball sessions have been credited to your OpenSports account for use however you see fit.

Lot's of fun seeing our players out on the courts enjoying themselves and well done to the box's of chocolates winners (who would of thought it was that hard to hit a pickleball off of a coaching cone on the other side of the court!! We started with around 7-8 cones on the court and I think we ended up with around 20 odd cones otherwise I think we would still be there waiting for someone to knock a ball from the top of one!!

With plenty of snacks, cold water and soft drinks the "munchies" were kept at bay. That was till the Tasty Pocket Greek Food Truck opened for lunch. YUMM!!



Well done to all those that filled in the Pickleball Bingo card. It was great to see a lot of our players interacting with players from other venues that they normally would not have had contact with.





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Club shirt update

An order for our new club shirts has been placed with the supplier.

They should be ready late January 2026.

Between now and then we will contact each of you that have placed an order to arrange payment.

Wild Weather

When the WILD WEATHER comes out of nowhere during the middle of a pickleball session!!



Player Feedback Survey Update

Thank you to all those that took a little bit of your time to provide the Club Committee with some feedback about how our club is run, the sessions and formats we run and to provide us with your thoughts on the future direction we should take the club.

Submissions have now been closed off and we are going through all the data and analysing the information. We will share a summarised version of the results with all club members when the review has been completed.





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Coaches Corner

Brian Krisanski (Certified Pickleball Coach)

Strategy Tips for 3.0-3.5 Players

Welcome to this month's Coaches Corner! If you're playing at the 3.0 to 3.5 level, you've likely noticed that improving your game isn't just about hitting harder or adding new shots. The real key to moving forward is understanding strategy and making smarter decisions on the court.

Master the First Three Shots

Every rally's outcome often hinges on how well you execute the serve, return, and third shot.

Here's what to focus on:

Your Serve: Consistency beats power. Aim for deep, high serves that push opponents back and limit their angles. Target the middle or backhand to simplify the rally and create predictable opportunities.

The Return: Keep it deep, high, and soft. This gives you time to advance to the kitchen line while preventing the serving team from attacking immediately. Remember, you're not trying to win the point here—you're setting up the next phase.

Third Shot: Don't overcomplicate this. A comfortable drop that clears the net with good margin and lands in the kitchen is far better than attempting a perfect shot that leads to errors.

Mix in drives when the return sits up short, but always focus on establishing a neutral rally at the non-volley zone.

Control the Kitchen Line

The team that controls the kitchen line has the advantage. From here, you limit opponents' angles, force them to hit upward, and spot pop-ups more easily. Many players hesitate a foot or two behind the line, creating gaps that opponents can exploit. Commit fully to the line, stay balanced, and keep your paddle ready.

Practice Patience Over Power

One of the most common mistakes at this level is trying to hit winners too early. Instead, wait for the right opportunity—a ball that's truly high and sitting up, when you're balanced and prepared. When in doubt, reset with a soft shot to the kitchen. This isn't passive play; it's purposeful play that keeps you in control.

Aim for the Middle

The middle of the court is your most reliable target. It reduces your unforced errors, limits your opponents' angles, and creates communication problems for teams. You don't need to paint the lines to win points—you need smart placement and patience.



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Strengthen Your Dinking Game

Solid dinking is about control and consistency, not flash. Work on these three essentials:

1. Crosscourt dinks for maximum margin and depth
2. Middle dinks to test opponents' communication
3. Reset dinks when you're stretched or off-balance

If you can sustain five to ten dinks without rushing, you've built a competitive foundation.

Move as a Team

Doubles requires coordinated movement. When your partner shifts, you adjust. When one player defends a lob, the other rotates. Clear, early communication—"yours," "mine," "middle"—makes all the difference. Teams that move and talk together often beat more skilled opponents.

Build Repeatable Patterns

Successful players rely on consistent patterns rather than improvisation. For example: return deep, move to the kitchen, settle into crosscourt dinks, wait for a floater, then attack the middle or right hip. Repeating high-percentage patterns reduces surprises and builds confidence.

Avoid Common Traps

Watch out for these habits that hold players back:

- Overhitting the third shot
- Playing from no-man's land (between baseline and kitchen)
- Forcing winners from low positions
- Dinking with wrist flicks instead of controlled paddle movement
- Aiming for sidelines too often
- Failing to reset under pressure

Progress happens when you eliminate these errors, not when you chase fancy new techniques.

Your Path Forward

Moving from 3.0 to 4.0 isn't about talent—it's about smarter decisions, better positioning, and cleaner execution. The players who advance are those who manage the middle, control the kitchen, communicate effectively, and reduce unforced errors. They're disciplined during dinks, patient during rallies, and aggressive only when opportunities are clear.

You already have what you need. Focus on these fundamentals, and you'll see your game become steadier, more confident, and far more effective on the court.

See you out on the courts!

Coach Brian

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Brisbane Bayside Pickleball Club Merchandise

Take your Game to the NEXT Level!!

(Brian Krisanski - BBPC Coach/Instructor)

Want to improve your pickleball skills and take your game to the next level?

Get in contact with Brian Krisanski, our club coach/instructor and discuss how he can help you improve.

Brian is officially recognised and accredited with Pickleball Australia and Pickleball Coaching International and regularly runs 1 to 2 hour coaching sessions for one-on-one or small groups.

Contact Brian at: coachbrianpickleball@gmail.com

Love our club and want to show it off??

Why not get some Club merchandise?

Check out our online store at

<https://bbpc.redbubble.com>



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with **BRIAN**
Pickleball Australia Certified Coach
Pickleball Coaching International Certified Coach
(Australian and Queensland Championships medalist)
email: coachbrianpickleball@gmail.com



MASTER your Pickleball game and take it to the next level!!!

Beginner, Intermediate & Advanced players all welcome!

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Private one-on-one (\$60 per hour)
2 players (\$40 per hour per person)
Group of 3 or 4 (\$30 per hour per person)
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Weekly Pickleball Sessions

Each week we run the following pickleball sessions. Reserve your spot via OpenSports –

<https://opensports.net/bbpc/tab/events>

For more information and instructions how to reserve your playing spot, see our webpage:

<https://www.baysidepickleballclub.com/book-session>

Wellington Point Tennis Courts (Outdoor Courts)

- **Monday 7:00pm-9:00pm**
Social/Come 'n' Try
- **Wednesday 6:30pm-8:30pm**
Intermediate+ (Pickleheads)
- **Thursday 6:30pm-8:30pm**
Social to Advanced (Pickleheads)
- **Sunday 3:00pm-5:00pm**
Self run session – no host (BYO gear)

Iona Tennis Centre (Outdoor Courts)

- **Monday 6:30pm-8:30pm**
Social
- **Wednesday 6:30pm-8:30pm**
Social/Come 'n' Try

Victoria Point State High School (Indoor Courts)

- **Tuesday 6:30pm-8:30pm**
Social
- **Thursday 6:30pm-8:30pm**
Social
- **Saturday 8:30am-10:30am**
Social/Come 'n' Try

Cleveland State School (Indoor Courts)

- **Sunday 9:00am-11:00am**
Social/Come 'n' Try

Weekly Pickleball Sessions

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Wellington Point Tennis Courts	7-9 PM Social Come 'n' try		9-11AM Social 6:30-8:30PM Intermediate+	6:30-8:30PM Competitive League			3-5PM BBPC Members ONLY
Iona Tennis Centre	6:30-8:30PM Social		6:30-8:30PM Social Come 'n' try				
Victoria Point State High School		6:30-8:30PM Social Come 'n' try			6:30-8:30P M Social Come 'n' try	9-11 AM Social Come 'n' try	
Cleveland State School							9-11 AM Social Come 'n' try

OpenSports - <https://opensports.net/bbpc>
<https://www.baysidepickleballclub.com>
play@baysidepickleballclub.com



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Brisbane Bayside Pickleball Club Committee

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Treasurer – Jean Warren

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General Committee

email: play@baysidepickleballclub.com

- Cynthia Krisanski
- Andy Tompkins
- Wendy Tompkins
- Paul Harper
- Corinne Harper
- Greg Ryan
- Kerrie Ryan
- Heather Tyrrell

Our Club Financial Member Stats

Youngest	12.5	Male	143	50.7%		
Oldest	78.9	Female	139	49.3%		
Average Age	53.7	Other	0	0.0%		
		Total	282	100.0%		
	#	%	Male	%	Female	%
Under 20	5	2.1%	3	2.4%	2	1.7%
20-30	11	4.6%	6	4.8%	5	4.3%
30-40	17	7.1%	13	10.5%	4	3.4%
40-50	49	20.4%	25	20.2%	24	20.7%
50-60	80	33.3%	36	29.0%	44	37.9%
60-70	52	21.7%	27	21.8%	25	21.6%
70+	26	10.8%	14	11.3%	12	10.3%
Total	240	100.0%	124	100.0%	116	100.0%

(** some age data not available)

Sponsors

A huge thank you to our club's sponsors.



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Important Links

Website: <https://www.baysidepickleballclub.com/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100095199866558>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/brisbanebaysidepickleballclub/>

Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgxBnHjA3MWNmRCwf1eXyIQ>





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Buy / Sell / Swap / Trade

Have any pickleball gear, paddles etc that you are wanting to sell, swap, or trade, then let us know and we can add it here in our newsletter to let our members know what you have to offer or what you are chasing.

Need to purchase a pickleball paddle and not sure where to buy them from or if the one you are thinking about even suits your game?

Brian Krisanski now has a range of demo paddles that you can "Try before you Buy!!"

He will have them available at each session (he attends). Come speak to him to determine which paddle best suits your game.

See Brian/Cynthia Krisanski or Paul/Corinne Harper for more details

CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

use discount code **BBPC20** for 20% off all paddles

NIUPIPO
AUSTRALIA

<https://niupipo.com.au/>



Need a portable pickleball net, pickleball balls, non-residue court tape, or even a Ksix Chalk Line Marker – make sure you visit the Third Shot Warehouse website.

<https://thirdshotwarehouse.com/>



PowerCore Explorer Pro -
Elongated
\$140



PowerCore Explorer Pro -
Widebody
\$140



PowerCore - Jack Foster
14mm
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PowerCore Round Top
Green - Elongated Handle
\$210



PowerCore Square Top
Blue - Elongated Handle
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PowerCore China -
Elongated Handle
\$210



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OBELISK

<https://www.obeliskpickleball.com/paddles>

Use **BRIAN10** for a 10% discount on your order



Horizon III Gen3S
\$249



Invictus III Gen3
\$249



Triple Crown Gen3
\$249



Red Horizon
\$189

CRBN

<https://crbnpickleball.com/>

Use **BRIANCRBN** for a 10% discount on your



CRBN⁴ TruFoam Genesis (Hybrid, Aerocurve)
\$436.00



CRBN³ TruFoam Genesis (Elongated)
\$436.00



CRBN² TruFoam Genesis (Square)
\$436.00



CRBN¹ TruFoam Genesis (Elongated, Long Handle)
\$436.00



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Upcoming Pickleball Tournaments

Check out the following URL for the latest
Tournament listing:

<https://www.baysidepickleballclub.com/tournaments>

September 2025

Barrington Coast Seniors Tournament 2025

3rd – 5th September 2025

Toowoomba Carnival Bash 2025

5th – 7th September 2025

MLPA/PPA Tour Australia Championships (NSW)

11th – 14th September 2025

QPT Bundaberg

12th – 14th September 2025

Sydney Social Slam

27th – 28th September 2025

PPA Tour Australia Open (Location TBD)

26th – 28th September 2025

2025 Trilogy Funds Australian Pickleball Championships

29th September – 6th October 2025

October 2025

Perth Grand Slam

10th – 12th October 2025

2025 Australian Rainbow Pickleball Championships

11th – 12th October 2025

NPL Championships (Syd)

17th – 19th October 2025

Australian Masters Games (Canberra)

18th – 25th October 2025

Battle of the Asobigai (Melbourne)

19th October 2025

MLPA/PPA Tour Australia Championships (Location TBD)

23rd – 26th October 2025

Sunshine Coast Open

31st October – 2nd November 2025

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MLPA/PPA Tour Australia Championships Finals (Location TBD)

13th – 16th November 2025

Melbourne Grand Slam

21st – 23rd November 2025

December 2025

2025 ACT Pickleball Championships

5th – 7th December 2025

NPL Championships (Location TBD)

12th – 14th December 2025