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**Dear Mayor and Councillors**

As a 3 year member of Peninsula Community Pickle Ball Club I wish to share my opinion on Pickle Balls future on the Saanich Peninsula

Currently there are no purpose built pickleball courts on the Saanich Peninsula.

With the closure of the courts in North Saanich and the Larose box the demand for courts is huge

The multi-sports box being built in Central Saanich will have some pickleball lines and temporary nets will have to be setup; however, access to use the pickleball courts will be severely restricted as lacrosse is the primary tenant and they will block out a lot of time along with other sports and panorama programs. We have already heard that with new lacross facility tournaments and play will increase. So happy for the players to have the facility but it removes 2 courts from our use.

A purpose-built pickleball court has permanent nets, lines for pickleball only, and not shared with any other sports.

Pickleball recently surpassed tennis in participation numbers in North America.

6 to 8 people play on the PB courts while only 2 to 4 players on tennis courts.

There are 15 purpose built tennis courts on the Peninsula and zero for pickleball. I suspect they are not utilized to their full potential.

I understand the pickleball associations and the pickleball community will finance the conversion; thus no cost to Central Saanich.

I hope you have a healthy and happy day!

Neela Streifel



Brevity and typos?

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