



LAKEWOOD  
RACQUET CLUB  
SPORT

DECEMBER 2025

# LAKEWOOD RACQUET REPORT

Dear LRC Members,

As we close out 2025 and welcome in 2026 we would like to share with you some continued updates involving LRC.

The Board shared a similar list of updates below with members on November 6. Since then, we have refined our next steps based on the results of the poll sent to membership on November 13. Number 3 below reflects that update.

Beginning January 1, 2026, the following changes will take effect:

- Streamlined Membership Categories:** The current 14 categories will be simplified to 7. The two primary categories will be:
  - Court Membership - Includes court booking privileges and full access to all club amenities.
  - Social Membership - Includes access to Open Play for tennis and pickleball, social events, classes, gym facilities, pool, and lounge areas.
- Increased Membership Dues:** Adjustments will be made to cover rising operating costs and ensure the club can sustain daily operations.
- Capital Expense Dues:** A fixed maintenance fee billed quarterly, due at the start of each quarter. Collected funds go directly toward maintenance and improvement projects.

The Board reviewed the membership poll results regarding a facility use fee vs. a quarterly maintenance fee (capital expense dues). After reviewing the results at our November Board meeting, as well as valuable feedback from members in person, by phone, and via email, the Board has decided to move forward with quarterly capital expense dues and eliminate the facility use fee. The Board also agreed that if our new general manager demonstrates that we can reduce or eliminate capital expense dues by reducing expenses or increasing revenue in another way, we will do so.

**Why are we implementing quarterly capital expense dues?**

As the Board, we have a responsibility to look out for the long-term health of the club. Historically, LRC has not collected sufficient capital dues to fund its known long-term capital needs. As a result, LRC has deferred critical maintenance on end-of-life assets without a defined funding plan, relying instead on asking members to cover costs when those assets fail. Relying on emergency assessments to fund asset financial practices because it:

1. Creates risk if membership sales slump.
2. Unfairly shifts the costs of partially funding the replacement of depleted capital assets from members who have benefited from the full utilization of those assets to new members who have never used those assets.
3. Diminishes LRC's ability to strategically plan for, and fund, new assets aimed at further enhancing the overall member experience.

## What this means for LRC

These changes will allow us to address deferred maintenance and continue operating as a member-owned club. The Board will keep members updated once we are aligned on the strategic plan, and we will address the most critical needs first.

Capital expense dues will be stored in a separate bank account to ensure the funds are used for capital improvements and maintenance needs.

## 2026 Member Dues & Capital Expense Dues

### Membership Dues:

|                 | Monthly Dues |     |
|-----------------|--------------|-----|
| Family Court    | \$           | 235 |
| Single Court    | \$           | 180 |
| Under 35 Family | \$           | 180 |
| Under 35 Single | \$           | 135 |
| Student         | \$           | 70  |
| Social          | \$           | 70  |
| Medical         | \$           | 70  |

### Capital Dues:

|                 | Quarterly Capital Contribution |     |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|-----|
| Family Court    | \$                             | 200 |
| Single Court    | \$                             | 155 |
| Under 35 Family | \$                             | 155 |
| Under 35 Single | \$                             | 115 |
| Student         | \$                             | 60  |
| Social          | \$                             | 60  |
| Medical         | \$                             | 60  |

Members have understandably raised concerns that although our overall revenue is at its highest level, our expenses are also higher than ever. This is accurate, and there are two primary drivers: the costs tied directly to generating that additional revenue, and the impact of ongoing inflation.

A key example is our growth in lesson instruction revenue. This income is the main driver for our

increase in income as it has increased significantly in recent years, but it is shared with our tennis professionals, meaning the related expense rises in direct proportion to the revenue we report.

In addition, inflation has substantially increased core operating costs over the past five years. This includes Washington's minimum wage up 23%, building insurance up 70% if we did not get more quotes to switch to a lower cost provider, and utilities with natural gas up 40% even though we have decreased usage due to delivery fees. We have continued to streamline staffing and manage operational expenses carefully, while working to preserve the member experience as much as possible.

## The Board needs you!

We want to thank everyone who has provided feedback and ideas to the Board over the last month. Thank you to the members who attended the Board meeting to have their voices heard and to support LRC. Some of you have gone above and beyond for LRC, and we are grateful to have you as members. The shared love for LRC is truly something special.

With the member outreach the board has witnessed it has become clear that we need more member involvement on committees to continue to secure the future of LRC.

LRC is not short on passionate members and quite literally we need you. We have many spots available on our committees and your involvement will help us make positive progress that will enhance all our memberships. We want your voices, come help us grow. Reach out to Lily or any Board member if you're interested.

As we welcome Teena Ward Hyde and Connie Worthen to the Board, we also want to extend our gratitude to Kate Perry and Nicole Enslow for all their energy, insight, and willingness to support LRC above all else. We will miss you at the table, but we'll see you on the courts.

We hope you have a wonderful holiday season surrounded by those you hold most dear. Thanks for being members of LRC.

Sincerely,  
The LRC Board of Directors



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### Officers

Trish Parsons, President  
Craig Robertson, Vice President  
Brian Parsons, Treasurer  
Wayne Davis, Secretary

### Directors

Chi Guerrero  
Schuyler Soderlind  
Connie Worthen  
Teena Ward Hyde  
Lori Wollen

### LRC Staff:

Lily Blackwell, General Manager  
Michael Campbell, Director of Tennis  
Alana Teas, Operations and Outreach Director  
Andrew Brown, Head of Maintenance  
Jereck Orenia, Assistant Manager  
Eugene Tremble, Janitor  
Winston Ngo, Tennis Pro  
David Vichitthavong, Tennis Pro  
Bayley Gochanour, Tennis Pro  
Isaac Giddens, Tennis Pro  
John Cassens, Tennis Pro  
Myra Avitia, Front Desk Staff  
Loretta Conway, Front Desk Staff/Tennis Pro  
Mark Duriviage, Front Desk Staff  
Schylar Geagan, Front Desk Staff  
Ashley Goerge, Front Desk Staff  
Opal Mickelson, Front Desk Staff  
Ryan St. John, Front Desk Staff

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## HOLIDAY HOURS

|                |               |
|----------------|---------------|
| Christmas Eve  | Close at 2 pm |
| Christmas Day  | Closed        |
| New Year's Eve | Close at 2 pm |
| New Year's Day | Closed        |

## TENNIS PRO TIP:

If your rallies feel rushed, try giving yourself more margin by aiming three to four feet inside the lines. It is a small tactical change that makes a big difference. By playing higher-percentage targets, you will cut down on unforced errors, stay in better court position, and create more chances to attack the next ball. Most players try to be too perfect, but consistency and depth win far more points than painting lines, especially in winter when footwork can feel a little rusty.



## PICKLEBALL PRO TIP:

When you're at the kitchen line, keep your paddle up and in front of you. Most fast exchanges happen higher than you think, and that small adjustment gives you a split-second advantage to block, reset, or punch the ball back with control.







# LRC EVENTS

**LRC Presents**

## A Holly Dolly Mixed Night!

PLAY IN YOUR BEST UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER OR HOLIDAY ATTIRE

**THURSDAY, DEC. 11**  
**5:00 - 7:00 PM**

BRING A DISH FOR A FESTIVE POTLUCK AFTER TENNIS!

**TOY DRIVE!**  
COME WITH A TOY TO DONATE TO THE WISHING WELL FOUNDATION FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON



## FRIDAY NIGHT BUMP



**EVERY FRIDAY, 5-6:30PM**  
ONLY AT LAKEWOOD RACQUET CLUB

*LRC Presents*

## Dink the Halls Pickleball

**December 23rd**  
**11 AM - 2 PM**

Play in your festive wear and spread the holiday cheer!



## CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

SPREADING JOY, ONE TOY AT A TIME!



**Through December 19**

**How You Can Help**  
Scan the QR Code below for their Amazon Wishlist!



**Also Accepting New:**

- Gift Cards
- Books
- Board Games
- Electronics
- Items for 13+ youth

**Drop Off & Make a Difference!**  
All Donations Will be Distributed to the Wishing Well Foundation



# DECEMBER 2025

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| <b>7</b>  | <b>8</b><br><br>Adv Skills/drills<br>5-6:30pm  | <b>9</b><br><br>Pickleball<br>11am-2pm<br>Men's Night<br>5-7pm                                 | <b>10</b><br><br>Skills/drills 3-3.5<br>11am-12:30pm<br>Beg. Pickleball<br>Skills/drills<br>12:30-1:30pm<br>Cardio Skills/drills<br>5-6:30pm                   | <b>11</b><br><br>Pickleball<br>11am-2pm<br>Mixed Night<br>5-7pm                | <b>12</b><br><br>Pickleball Adv 3.5+<br>3:30-6:30pm*<br>Friday Night Bump<br>5-6:30pm* | <b>13</b><br><br>Tennis Skills/drills<br>9:30-10:45am<br>Pickleball<br>11am-2pm* |
| <b>14</b> | <b>15</b><br><br>Adv Skills/drills<br>5-6:30pm | <b>16</b><br><br>Pickleball<br>11am-2pm<br>Ladies' Night<br>5-7pm                              | <b>17</b><br><br>Skills/drills 3-3.5<br>11am-12:30pm<br>Beg. Pickleball<br>Skills/drills<br>12:30-1:30pm<br>Cardio Skills/drills<br>5-6:30pm                   | <b>18</b><br><br>Pickleball<br>11am-2pm<br>Mixed Night<br>5-7pm                | <b>19</b><br><br>Pickleball Adv 3.5+<br>3:30-6:30pm*<br>Friday Night Bump<br>5-6:30pm* | <b>20</b><br><br>Tennis Skills/drills<br>9:30-10:45am<br>Pickleball<br>11am-2pm* |
| <b>21</b> | <b>22</b><br><br>Adv Skills/drills<br>5-6:30pm | <b>23</b><br><br>Pickleball<br>11am-2pm<br>Men's Night<br>5-7pm<br><b>Board Meeting 5:30pm</b> | <b>24</b><br><br>Skills/drills 3-3.5<br>11am-12:30pm<br>Beg. Pickleball<br>Skills/drills<br>12:30-1:30pm<br>CLUB WILL<br>CLOSE at 2PM<br><b>Christmas Eve</b>  | <b>25</b><br><br>CLUB WILL BE<br>CLOSED FOR<br>THE HOLIDAY<br><b>Christmas</b> | <b>26</b><br><br>Pickleball Adv 3.5+<br>3:30-6:30pm*<br>Friday Night Bump<br>5-6:30pm* | <b>27</b><br><br>Tennis Skills/drills<br>9:30-10:45am<br>Pickleball<br>11am-2pm* |
| <b>28</b> | <b>29</b><br><br>Adv Skills/drills<br>5-6:30pm | <b>30</b><br><br>Pickleball<br>11am-2pm<br>Ladies' Night<br>5-7pm                              | <b>31</b><br><br>Skills/drills 3-3.5<br>11am-12:30pm<br>Beg. Pickleball<br>Skills/drills<br>12:30-1:30pm<br>CLUB WILL<br>CLOSE at 2PM<br><b>New Year's Eve</b> |  |  |  |

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# JANUARY 2026

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