



# South Carolina Pokemon Leagues

November - December 2015

## Trainer Cycle and League Challenge Information

### Season Schedule

Pokemon has changed the way we conduct our season schedules. The trainer cycle will now be divided up into quarters. We are now in the new trainer cycle and in what we call Q4. Seasons will now be conducted each month. This changes our season from 6 weeks to 4 weeks per seasons. The new seasons are as follows.

Nature Season - November 1st - November 30th

Tech Season - December 1st - December 31st

Break Season - January 1st - January 31st

We will still have league promo and code cards for casual play. We also have an option for a competitive track. Information later in this issue and given out at league as we continue forward.

### League Challenges

With the new changes we will now have possibly 12 league challenges per year over 8 league challenges per year. Prizes at our league challenges will still need to be determined. These will still remain Premier Events that will you be able to gain Champion Points.

The League Challenge Schedule is as follows.

November 21st - Expanded

December 19th - Standard

January 16th - Expanded

These dates are subject to change. We will notify you of any changes.

These LCs will be held at the Captain Hampton Memorial Library. Registration will be 930a -1030a. The cost will be free for all players.

As we move forward you will notice changes in the way the league will be conducted. We ask for your patients as we work with Pokemon in ensuring we are compliant with our sanctioned status with Pokemon. The league season prizes will change to some degree. We feel this will be exciting new changes. We hope that you continue to have fun and join us in this new frontier of Pokemon.

### Holiday Season Schedule

No Pokemon League (Easley League) on November 26th, December 24th, or December 31st. League resumes January 7, 2016.

Our league Christmas party will be on Thursday, December 10th during our regular league session. We'll need volunteers to bring in drinks for the party. We'll have games, food, and a picture area with green screen. Lots of Pokemon fun!

## Pika Ribbon Campaign

We will take some time to look at all the points of the Pika Ribbon Campaign (PRC) that encourages fair play among other qualities in our players. There are 7 points to the PRC that players can commit to as part of the program.

This month we are looking at point 3 of the Pika Ribbon Campaign, Observe the

Rules of the Game.



All games need rules to guide them. Without rules, there would be chaos. The rules of Pokemon are simple and easy to learn. Make an effort to learn them, so you understand the game better. This makes you a better player. It is just as important to understand the spirit of the rules. They are designed to make the game

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## Pika Ribbon Campaign

fun to play and fun to watch. By sticking to the rules, you will enjoy the game more.

Stay tuned for more points from the Pika Ribbon Campaign.



## Pokémon Trainer Club Account

With the changes to obtain some prizes in our new trainer cycle you now need an online Pokemon Trainer account. Players establish a Pokémon trainer Account at [pokemon.com](http://pokemon.com). We hope to be able to assist players in obtaining an online Pokemon Trainer account at league in the near future. In order to receive certain prizes such as Pokeballs, you will need to print off a Pokamon ID from your traininer account or verify your online Pokemon Trainer account with the league leaders.

An online Pokemon Trainer account provides a way to connect Pokémon players all around the world. With the Pokémon Trainer Club account, players can enjoy some member-exclusive benefits.

By creating a new account you can earn trainer tokens, be a part of organized Pokémon play, get the latest Pokémon news, and customize your trainer appearance and so on. Creating a new account is simple, easy and convenient.

If you have questions about signing up for a Pokémon Trainer Account see a league leader.

Go to <http://pokemon.com> and sign up today.

### League Contact Info

League Contacts: Jeff, League Owner – 864-324-2369,  
Email: [easleypokemongym@gmail.com](mailto:easleypokemongym@gmail.com)

### League Website:

<http://easleypokemongym.wix.com/easleypokemongym>  
<http://easleypokemongym.tk>

## Get the Mythical Pokémon Hoopa at McDonald's!

Get the Mythical Pokémon Hoopa at participating McDonald's restaurants starting on November 27! Hoopa is a Mythical Pokémon that cannot be encountered through regular gameplay. The Pokémon is recognizable by its two horns and the golden ring that adorns its trunk. Hoopa's rings are said to have the power to bend dimensions and move objects across great distances.

This Hoopa comes with an awesome selection of moves, including the powerful Hyperspace Hole move, a Psychic-type attack that only Hoopa can learn! This is the first opportunity to get the newly discovered Mythical Pokémon, so don't miss out!

Hoopa is available at McDonald's restaurants between November 27 and December 23, 2015. You'll need a copy of Pokémon X, Pokémon Y, Pokémon Omega Ruby, or Pokémon Alpha Sapphire as well as a system in the Nintendo 3DS family. To get Hoopa, connect to Nintendo Zone after logging on to the free Wi-Fi that is available inside participating McDonald's restaurants. The Hoopa you receive will be in its Confined form. When Hoopa is in Pokémon Omega Ruby or Pokémon Alpha Sapphire, it can transform into the powerful Hoopa Unbound!

While at McDonald's, you can pick up a Pokémon Omega Ruby and Alpha Sapphire Happy Meal, which includes one of eight Pokémon figures from the Pokémon Omega Ruby and Alpha Sapphire video games: Pikachu, Primal Groudon, Primal Kyogre, Lugia, Rayquaza, Mega Latios, Wobbuffet, and the newly discovered Mythical Pokémon Hoopa. In addition to the toy, each Happy Meal will contain one of 12 Pokémon TCG cards.

Visit McDonald's starting November 27 to get the Mythical Pokémon Hoopa while you can!

Hoopa

Level: 50

Ability: Magician

Moves: Hyperspace Hole, Psychic, Astonish, Nasty Plot

To get Hoopa:

1. Make sure your Nintendo 3DS system is connected to Nintendo Zone.

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## Get the Mythical Pokémon Hoopa at McDonald's!

2. Select MYSTERY GIFT.
3. Select RECEIVE GIFT, then YES.
4. Select GET VIA INTERNET, then YES.
5. Speak to the delivery girl in any Pokémon Center to receive Hoopa!
6. Be sure to save your game.

Information: Pokemon.com



## Changes To Our Trainer Cycle

Our Pokémon Leagues are officially sanctioned by Pokémon, USA, inc. Play Pokemon the division of Pokemon that sanctions Pokemon Leagues, regulates how we conduct our league sessions. We are now in our new league cycle. The league cycle will now be divided into Quarters during the year. Meaning that we will have three seasons, one per month, three months that make up the quarter. The season starts at the beginning of the month and ends on the last day of the month. We will also have one league challenge per month. Instead of 8 league challenges we have a potential of 12 league challenges per year.

The league may choose a competitive or casual play track, our league (Easley and Anderson) will continue on a casual play track with a few changes. Changes may occur each quarter, depending on the direction of Play Pokemon. This quarter there are four Pokeball charms per age group that can be awarded at the end of the quarter. They will be as follows.

### Master Ball

Casual Play – The player who finishes (Wins) the most matches wins this achievement. (There will be about 24 games for the entire quarter.)

### Luxury Ball

Casual Play – The player who has the best all-foil deck or shiny Pokemon team, as voted by their fellow league players, wins the achievement. (Decks will have a theme and requirements chosen each quarter. Example 30 card show decks, one type, etc.)

### Premier Ball

Casual Play – The player who brings the most new

players to League wins this achievement

### Poké Ball

Casual Play – The player who best represents the Spirit of The Game, as determined by the League Owner or assigned League Leaders wins this achievement.



Pokeball Charms: (Left to Right): Pokeball, Luxury Ball, Mega Ball, Premier Ball.

These Pokeballs will be awarded at the end of the quarter if, you have achieved the Pokeball and you have an online Pokemon Trainer Account. You must provide us with a Pokemon ID printed from Pokemon.com or confirm with the league leader your online account is active. You must have an online Pokemon Trainer Account to be eligible for these Pokeballs. One Pokeball will be awarded to the one player who wins the achievements. We no longer will use score cards for each individual. We will now have leader boards to be posted at the league to track these achievements. We will still be giving out league promo and online cards for participation in the season. You do not need an online trainer account to receive these promos.

There are several leagues here in Upstate, SC.

They are located at:

Captain Kimberly Hampton Memorial Library  
304 Biltmore Road

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## Changes To Our Trainer Cycle

Easley, South Carolina 29640

(864) 850-7077

Every Thursday: 5:30pm 8:30pm

Central/Clemson Library

105 Commons Way

Central, SC 29630

(864) 850-7077

Second and Fourth Monday

6:00pm 8:00pm

Planet Comics

2704 N. Main St

Anderson, SC 29621

(864) 261 -3578

Every Sunday 6p-8p

<http://planetcomics.net>

Players may visit all leagues if they wish.

These leagues have free entry. See our Facebook page and website for more information about these wonderful leagues.

See our website for more information at

<http://easleypokemongym.tk>.

If you have any questions please see our league leaders.

## Pokémon Resources

**Pokémon** – <http://pokemon.com>

**League Facebook Page** -

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/EasleyPokemonGym/>

**How To Play** – (Great for Parents) -

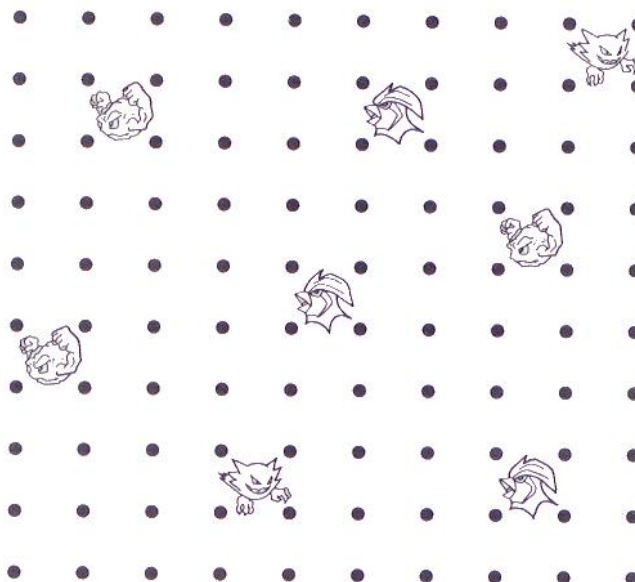
<http://www.pokemontcg.com/tutorials>

**Pokemon Global Link** - <http://3ds.pokemon-gl.com/>

**Pokemon Database** - <http://pokemondb.net/pokedex>

**Pokemon Bank** - <http://www.pokemonbank.com/en-us/>

If you have questions please see our league leaders. We'll be happy to answer your questions.



Two players. Take turns drawing a straight line between 2 dots to make a square. As you complete a square put your initials in it and take another turn. Count 3 points with each square containing Pidgeotto, 2 points for Geodude, 1 point for each square with your initials. Subtract 3 points for each square with Haunter. The player with the most points wins.

We thank you for your support of our league. We also thank local business that have been supporting our league as well. Please visit our sponsors and thank them as well...

### Geek Out Games

We will be carrying collectible card games, tabletop wargames, role-playing games, board games, and puzzles.

Lots of Pokemon cards and other Pokemon related merchandise. Pokemon Tournaments held every Saturday starting at 1p.

1276 18 Mile Rd, Central, SC 29630  
(864) 639-5700

### Planet Comics

Comics Books, Card Games, Board Games, Figurines.

Planet Comics sells Pokemon theme decks, card sleeves, and Pokemon singles. Pokemon League Sundays from 230p-530p.

2704 N Main St, Anderson, SC 29621  
(864) 261-3578