

### CEVA AUGUST Pickleball News HAPPY PICKLEBALLING! August 27, 2023

As new pickleball venues and opportunities for play continue to grow, the Central Virginia Pickleball Club (CEVA) is shifting its role from primarily offering pickleball programming, to serving as a clearinghouse for pickleball events at all the public a private venues in the central Virginia area. We look forward to building upon on ou partnerships and collaborative relationships with all the organizations that work in our area to expand pickleball opportunities.

We will continue to offer pickleball special events and clinics, advocate for more public courts in the Charlottesville/Albemarle County area, manage indoor play opportunities at Key Rec Center and Agnor Hurt Elementary School's gym, and he maintain the pickleball courts at Darden Towe Park and the pickleball lines on the tennis courts at PVCC.

In the meantime, stay hydrated, sign up for lots of pickleball fun times, and keep o pickleballing!



#### **CEVA FALL FUNDRAISER**

CEVA moved away from an annual membership fee structure last year, and instea will be holding an annual fundraiser to cover known and anticipated costs associat with the club. These include operating costs (MailChimp for mass emails, website hosting, insurance) and public pickleball improvements such as portable heavy du nets on wheels for the pickleball-lined tennis courts at Darden Towe Park, and expansion of pickleball courts in the Charlottesville/Albemarle County area.

The CEVA Fall Fundraiser will officially kick off next month.

#### **AGNOR HURT AND KEY REC CENTER UPDATES**

**AGNOR HURT** – Indoor pickleball play will resume at Agnor Hurt Elementary

School's gym for the fall season on **September 12** and run through **December 14** Play times are Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30 – 9:30 pm. Note that the gym will be unavailable on occasion for special events, such as the General Election that will occur on Tuesday, November 7, and times when the school is closed for holidays, etc. When pickleball at Agnor-Hurt is closed, it will be posted on Playtime Schedul which will continue to list sign ups for play sessions at Agnor-Hurt.

NEW FEE STRUCTURE: Rather than paying a cash fee each time, players will ne

to register for the entire fall season through the county's website, for a fee of \$45. This equates to less than \$2.00/session. The link to sign up for the Fall session is

here: Activity detail I ACPR-Online Registration (activecommunities.com)

- Drop in fee for very occasional users: \$5.
  - Players in Charge (PICs) who open and close for at least 3 sessions will not pay for the period. We need 8 PICs who would like to take
- advantage of this opportunity! If interested, please send an email to CEVApickleball@gmail.com.

KEY REC CENTER - Thursday evening hours continue through mid-September, a all hours are:

- Monday and Friday (2:15-5:00 pm)
- Tuesday and Wednesday (12;15-3:45 pm)
- Thursday (5:45-8:45 pm)
- Saturdays & Sundays (1-3:15 pm)



#### **CVILLE PICKLEBALL LEAGUES**

Upcoming leagues begin Tuesday, September 5 through Thursday, September 14, at Greencroft Club and at Pen Park.

Visit Cville Social Pickleball for more information, schedule, and registration.

REGISTRATION CLOSES ON AUGUST 30 - SIGN UP TODAY!

#### **SUMMER ROUND ROBINS Here's how they went ...**

The CEVA summer round robins at PVCC were well attended despite the summer heat (and smoke!), with two successful competitions for 3.5 and 4.0 level players. Nine teams battled the heat and each other on the evening of Tuesday, July 18 for the **3.5 level round robin**. Winners were:

- Lori Timmons and Gabe Strauss, 1<sup>st</sup> place
- Christine Martin and Jimmy Morani, 2<sup>nd</sup> place
- Veronica Price-Thomas and Jared Cale, 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

#### CONGRATULATIONS!

The 4.0 round robin was played on Tuesday, July 25, with eight teams vying for first place honors. Winners for that competition were:

- Caleb and Lea Doise, 1st place
- Nick Lauterbach and Emily Clancy, 2<sup>nd</sup> place
- John Hathcoat and Louisa Wang, 3<sup>rd</sup> place

GREAT JOB, EVERYONE!

#### USTA FALL LEAGUE AND GENDER DOUBLES TOURNAMENT UPDATES

First up, the USTA **7.5 summer pickleball league** was full and everyone really enjoyed themselves. The Rivanna Raptors captured first place overall and a nation competition invite in the below 50 age category! Little Sumpin' Sumpin' was close on their heels and captured second place overall and a national competition invite the 50+ age category!

The USTA **Fall league** begins in September! This league will not be an advancing league -- i.e., will not lead to additional competition at a national level -- but it will be competitive. It will be held at Greencroft on Sunday afternoons. A \$45 fee applies per player. Get your pickleball friends together to form a team! A minimum of 2 women and 2 men are needed per team.

#### Season Schedule:

- Season runs: September 24 November 5, 2023
  - o Sundays, starting on September 24:
    - 2-4 pm: Intermediate Mixed 3.4-3.9 DUPR
    - 4-6 pm: Advanced Mixed 4.0-4.5 DUPR
- Week 1-6: Season Match Play Week 7:
- End of Season Social

Click here for more information and to register.

The gender team tournaments have been rescheduled for the weekend of September 16/17:

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Men's 7.5
Saturday, September 16 at Darden Towe Park in Charlottesville, VA Rain Date: September 17

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- O Sunday September 16 at The Club at Glenmore in Charlottesville, VA Rain Date: September 17
- Men's 9.0
  - Saturday, September 9 at Mary and Frances Youth Center in Richmond, VA Rain Date: September 16
- Women's 9.0
  - O Sunday September 10 at Mary and Frances Youth Center in Richmond, VA Rain Date: September 17

Tournament Format - Round Robin Matches (3 courts used, 10-minute warm-up, then teams play 3 rounds of doubles with all teams playing each other within the match, 1 game to 15, win by 2). \$60 per player for the day. 6 players minimum per team.

Click here for more information and to register.

(NOTE: Because it is a rescheduled event, it is listed on the website under Past PI Opportunities, 2023 Summer Advancing Team Pickleball League)

## IN THE PINK TENNIS & PICKLEBALL CHARITY EVENT

SEPTEMBER 29 - 30

Registration is **OPEN** for the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual *In The Pink* Tennis and Pickleball charity event to support essential women's health and wellness programs at Sentara Mart

Jefferson Hospital. Three clubs are donating their pickleball court space this year:

**Friday, September 29** <sup>-</sup> Pickleball in Pink at Glenmore and Farmington **Saturday, September 30** - Pickleball in Pink at Greencroft

Last year, your generosity raised \$30,000 that went directly into programs at Sentara Martha Jefferson Hospital to support patients and families by making possible FREE programs to

help women prevent, diagnose, treat, and survive breast cancer. From breast heal screenings to wigs and scarves to a 12-week survivorship program, the programs you support help women heal their bodies and their spirits. Many of these offerings would not exist, let alone be free, without community support through events like *In The Pink* to bring comfort and healing to women and families on their cancer journey.



**REGISTER HERE** 

## SAVE THE DATE: INTRO TO PICKLEBALL

October 21, 2 - 4 pm

Mark Mendelsohn will be leading an Intro to Pickleball session for new players, wit funds to benefit the Foothills Advocacy Center.

Stay tuned - More info will be available soon!





# HOW TO FIND PLACES TO PLAY AND PEOPLE TO PLAY PICKLEBALL WITH WHILE TRAVELING

Bringing along your paddle is a great way to add fun and meet new folks while traveling. Pickleball is a uniquely social sport and it is not surprising that mobile

apps and online programs have been designed to allow players to find each other wherever they go.

The USA Pickleball Association (USAPA) has the oldest such program -

Places2Play, and is quite robust. You can access the program on your computer at <a href="https://www.places2play.org/">https://www.places2play.org/</a> or more conveniently, grab the app to

put on your phone at the Apple Store or Google Play.

Pick your location of interest, and two categories will pop up - *Top Recommended* and *All*. You can see the location on a map, get directions, find a contact person, hours of play, public or private, whether fees apply, and an idea of how many players typically use the facility. It is a definite recommend to reach out to the contact person to make sure the info is current and it is nice to introduce yourself so when you do arrive at the courts, someone is happily expecting you!

Another program has also come along, PicklePlay. The website is

<u>https://pickleplay.com/</u>. It too has a mobile app accessible from the Apple Store or Google Play that allows searching for court/play locations. It does not appear to have quite as many placed identified, but using both apps should provide a very thorough search. Have fun and stay healthy with pickleball while you travel, and share your wonderful adventures when you get back!

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