

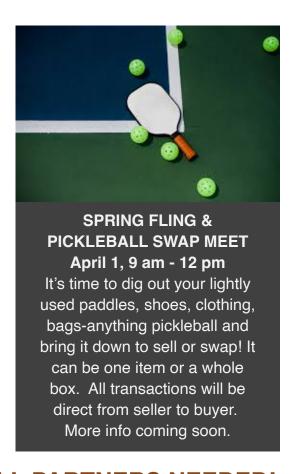
CEVA Pickleball News - It's LOVEly February!

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Players – we hope you're enjoying our balmy February weather ... some days it feels like Spring!! And while many days are warm enough to play outdoors, don't forget about <u>local indoor options</u> in the Cville area -- check out the CEVA website for details!

Now on to the other good stuff! News about the Spring Round Robins, "Save the Date" for a couple of upcoming events, and become a Volunteer Pickleball Partner! We LOVE our VPPs!





VOLUNTEER PICKLEBALL PARTNERS NEEDED!

Pickleball Partners at Innisfree Village: They are seeking 2-3 volunteers who could commit to a regular schedule (weekly, every two weeks or once a month). The courts are indoors and Saturdays after 9 am is preferred.

Innisfree Village is a residential community for adults with intellectual disabilities, and as such, they ask any interested volunteers to complete a short application and agree to a background check which they would pay for. Those interested should contact Carol Evans at carol@innisfreevillage.org.

Agnor Hurt Players in Charge: We LOVE how many of our players come out to play at Agnor Hurt in the winter month, but struggle to find players in charge for each evening. The job is simple and takes minutes, and many times other players assist. Job responsibilities include:

- Setting up 3 pickleball nets by 6:30 pm
- Putting out balls, sign up sheets
- Collecting \$2.00/person
- Packing up nets at the end of the evening at 8:45 pm
- Giving sign up sheet and money to Board member (Maureen, Kayla, Teddy, Brandon, Gene, Dougie)
- Those interested should contact cevapickleball@gmail.com

The 2023 Winter Indoor Round Robins were a great success!

We had 7 teams for both the 3.0 and 3.5 round robins and 5 teams for the 4.0 round robin. Congratulations to 1st and 2nd place winners of the 3.0 round robin, Craig Huneke & Mary Newton and Louis Herndon & Kimberly Kidd, respectively. First place in the 3.5 round robin went to Kelly Silvers & Mark Philhour, with Georgia Lawrence and Andrew Frieden taking silver. Finally in the 4.0 round robin, Dougie Douglass & Marcus Jenkins took gold, and Pam Riley & Mark Mendelsohn took silver.

Stay tuned for news about our outdoor round robins planned for late spring/early summer!



(left to right) **3.0 winners**: *Craig, Mary, Kimberly and Louis*





3.5 winners: Georgia, Andrew, Mark and Kelly



4.0 winners: Mark, Pam, Dougie and Marcus

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 https://www.places2play.org/ 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 https://pickleplay.com/. 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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