

# **CEVA Pickleball News Welcome to March Madness!**

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Players – While some have been ensconced on their couches watching basketball and drinking libations, we hope many of you have taken advantage of the mild March weather to stay healthy and play pickleball, even participate in local and area tournaments and bring home the **gold**! Don't forget to send in your photos to <u>CEVA Pickleball Club</u> so we can post to the website and share in your victories! Check out the <u>local play opportunities</u> and <u>upcoming</u> tournaments on the website.

Our first annual **Spring Fling and Pickleball Swap Meet** is around the corner, so save the date (**April 1, 9-12**) and bring your stuff! 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!

Read on for more good stuff!

### **LOVE IT OR LEAVE IT!**

SPRING FLING &
PICKLEBALL
SWAP MEET
April 1, 9 am - 12 pm
Darden Towe Park, Cville, VA



**LOVE IT OR LEAVE IT PICKLEBALL SWAP MEET:** It's time to dig out your lightly used paddles, shoes, clothing, bags-anything pickleball and bring it down to sell or swap! It can be one item or a whole box. Tables will be be provided and set up on the courts between the tennis and pickleball courts. It should be great fun!

All transactions will be direct from seller to buyer; i.e., you as seller make payments arrangements with the buyer directly (no cash change provided).

**SPRING FLING:** In addition to open play, an introduction to pickleball class will be offered 9-10 am. So bring your pickleballer wannabes with you, set them up with a paddle, and we'll help them get started!

#### **GREENCROFT PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT**

**April 21-23** 

Greencroft Club, 575 Rodes Drive, Cville, VA



Come play and enjoy the Greencroft Club's first tournament of 2023, which will be double elimination and will offer singles, doubles and mixed doubles competitions over the weekend.

You can sign up to volunteer or play on <u>pickleballbrackets.com</u>.

#### CVILLE SOCIAL PICKLEBALL SPRING LEAGUES

### Start dates April 23-27

Pen Park, PVCC, Greencroft Club (location dependent on dates)

C'ville Social was founded in 2007 with the mission to provide the best adult sports experience in Charlottesville, VA. Since 2007, C'ville Social has grown from a few sport options to over 10 sports. It's rapid growth has made C'Ville Social one of the largest adult sports leagues with over 7,000 players!

Cville Social Pickleball begins April 23 for the spring leagues, and run for six weeks. Compete weekly in doubles in our Spring, Summer, and Fall leagues! Sign-up with your friends or co-workers to compete over 6 weeks on lined Pickleball courts.

Visit <u>Cville Social Pickleball website</u> or email <u>Sports@CvilleSocial.com</u> for questions and more information.



#### **VOLUNTEER PICKLEBALL PARTNERS NEEDED!**

Special Olympics Demo Day April 29, 10 am - 12 pm (Rain date May 6)

We're looking for 12-16 volunteers/players to:

- Demonstrate the game
- Talk with Special Olympics athletes about the rules and play
- Maybe play some games with them at the end.

Email CEVA if interested in helping out. It'll be a blast!

Agnor Hurt Players in Charge: We LOVE how many of our players

continue to come out to play at Agnor Hurt and are still looking for more 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
- You can volunteer for either setting up or packing up nets at the end of play, if you cannot do both setting up and packing up nets
- Giving sign up sheet and money to Board member (Maureen, Kayla, Teddy, Brandon, Gene, Dougie)
- Please contact cevapickleball@gmail.com and volunteer!

## 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 <a href="https://pickleplay.com/">https://pickleplay.com/</a>. 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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