

# CEVA Pickleball News HONOR OUR MILITARY VETERANS

May 24, 2023

Memorial Day is around the corner. Some of our pickleball community are military veterans, and for many of us, our family members have served. So let us take a deep breath, center within ourselves, and very intentionally honor the memory and actions of our military veterans who gave the ultimate sacrifice of their lives to defend the United States.

While some of you may be traveling over the Memorial Day weekend, we have fun activities planned! Take a look at the details below. And more tournaments are coming up, woo hoo! Let's also celebrate the hardware brought home by some of our pickeball family. Love those!

Read on for more good stuff!

MEMORIAL DAY SPRING FLING & PICKLEBALL SWAP MEET IS FINALLY HERE! Saturday, May 27, 9 am - 12 pm



At long last, after two rescheduled dates due to rain, our first Pickleball Swap Meet and Spring Fling is finally happening! This will be held at Darden Towe Park pickleball courts. Bring out your gently used pickleball gear -- 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 INTRO TO PICKLEBALL:** In addition to open play, an introduction to pickleball class will be offered **9-10 am**. So bring your friends and family members, and pickleballer wannabes, set them up with a paddle (we'll have extras), and we'll help them get started!

## INTRACLUB SOCIAL LEAGUE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!

The Intraclub Social League is going well, and players report having great experiences meeting new people and having a great time. For all the private clubs, a person is paid to manage the many details of the Intraclub experience. CEVA Pickleball Club is the only public club in Charlottesville, and the club is run by the Board of Directors, who are all volunteers. Kayla Johnson is our Program Director and has managed the Intraclub details single-handedly, adding many hours weekly to her full-time job as an engineer.

Soooo .... we need your help! The ask is pretty simple: we need a few volunteers to show up at Darden Towe Park when the Intraclub occurs at this location, to welcome the players, offer them balls to use, and answer any questions. Dates we need volunteers for are below. Play starts at 6pm

- May 31
- June 7
- Jun 21

Please drop us at note at <u>CEVApickleball@gmail.com</u> to volunteer. Thank you so much!

### **FOOTHILLS CHILD ADVOCACY PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT**

**June 3-4 Greencroft Club** 575 Rodes Drive, Cville, VΔ

**REGISTER BY JUNE 1 for** this fundraiser pickleball tournament at Greencroft Club on June 3 and 4 (rain date June 10-11).

For more information and to register:

FoothillSCAC.org/events





### MAJOR LEAGUE PICKLEBALL CHARLOTTESVILLE -EXHIBITION

Saturday June 3rd 6pm - 9pm

### Farmington CC indoor Tennis Center

1901 old Mill Rd Charlon ex ele VA

Two local teams playing Major League Pickleball (MLP) Format

MLP Match Format:

- Game 1: Women's Boubles
- Game 2: Men's Doubles - Games 3 & 4: Mixed Doubles
- Once a team wins three games the match ends. Games to

21 (win by 2) with rally scoring.

If after the four games have been played, the teams are tied at 2-2, the "Bream breaker" round begins

It starts with one team selecting an order of singles play for their members. The opposing team then chooses their match up. The players then hattle it out in singles in the agreed order, playing four points before rotating and letting the next player take over.

#### ALL AGES EVENT

#### FREE ADMISSION

#### AT THE DOOR

Free raffle tickets to win a new pickleball naddle and other prizestill

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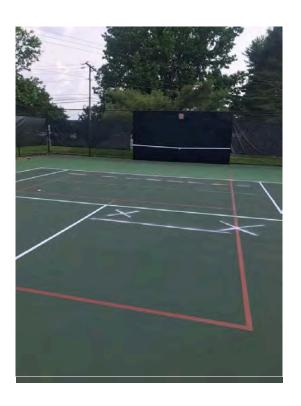
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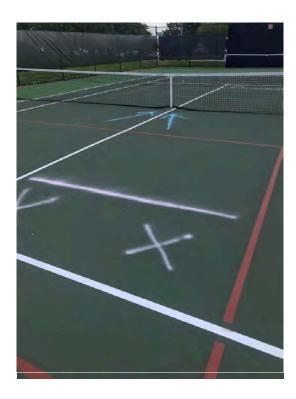
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### DEAR PICKLEBALL COMMUNITY ...

We are reaching out to all of you because of some vandalism that occurred on one of the multi-use courts at Darden Towe. White lines and X's and bright blue arrows were painted in the area close to the tennis net. These markings were not authorized by the County and are considered by the County to be vandalism. If anyone has any information or knowledge of this, please email us at <a href="mailto:cevapickleball@gmail.com">cevapickleball@gmail.com</a>, Thank you!





## SPECIAL OLYMPICS DEMO DAY WAS A SUCCESS!

The rain stopped and the sun shone on April 29th as CEVA partnered with Virginia Special Olympics for a very successful Demo Day out at Darden Towe. More than a dozen athletes and their coaches were on hand to observe and try out the sport of pickleball. CEVA volunteers helped demonstrate basic play, then later partnered with the athletes for additional play. The event was also assisted by middle school students from Saint Anne's Belfield. The athletes later joined in and had a great time! It was incredible to see so much improvement in such a short time, and so many smiles on the court!

**Thank you** to all the CEVA board members, volunteers, and Saint Anne's Belfield students who made this event so successful, and inspired so many special olympics athletes to take up the great sport of picklball!







## CONGRATS TO JOOLA VIRGINIA PICKLEBALL CLASSIC WINNERS!

Hearty congratulations to all Charlottesville area pickleballers who participated in the Joola 5th Annual Virginia Pickleball Classic, held at Pouncey Tract in Glen Allen, VA. Special callout to all those who brought home the hardware, a great showing for our area!

- Janice Redinger and Toni Roby (gold, women's doubles 3.5, 60+)
- Megan Knutson and Jared Racicot (gold, mixed doubles 4.0, 35-49)
- Sarah Marie Kidd (gold, women's doubles 4.0, 10-49)
- Megan Knutson (bronze, women's doubles 4.0, 10-49)
- Raymond Hillyard (bronze, men's doubles 4.0, 60+)



# 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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