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PICKLEBALL NEWSLETTER

The Winter Season is Here!

We are in the second week of the Winter Pickle Season here and for our traveling teams! We have two travel Pickleball teams in the Leagues for Pickleball league.

The 3.5 Men's team played on Thursday and their first match was away at Quail Creek. They are playing in the Blue Division, lost 3-0 but didn't win a game so they are tied for 10th place after the first week. There are 10 teams in the league, they play Kensington Country Club at Kensington Country Club at noon on Thursday. Come out and watch their match.

The 3.0 Women's team played on Friday and at the Vineyards. They are playing in the Green Division, lost 2-1. The team of Jean D./Stacy H won their match on Court #2 in 3 games. Courts #1 and #3 lost in 3 games. So, for the day they won 4 games, but they

are still in 8th place after the second week. There are nine teams in the league. They play at home (Challenge America) at 11am on Friday. Come out and watch their match.

Both teams will play their home matches at Challenge America in Bonita Springs. The address is 28120 Race Track Road, Bonita Springs, FL 34135. If you are free come and see them in action!

A little information about matches: They play 3 courts for each match. You have to win 2 out of 3 games to 15 points (you only have to win by 1 point). If you win the first two games that match is over and you don't play a third game. To win the entire match you must win 2 out of 3 courts.

Hopefully with the passing of the renovations to Worthington Country Club we will have our own Pickleball courts in 2026 or 2027. Many people are playing Pickleball on the community courts when invited or if they live in that neighborhood. Ask around and you might find a place to play in Worthington this winter. Please remember to check out the renovations plan and hopefully vote to get Pickleball courts in Worthington!

I have worked out a deal with Challenge America for court rentals of \$15/hr for one court (you can have as many players as you want to use this court for the time you reserve). You can reserve as many courts as you wish or a longer playing time when you call them. 239-663-1813. If you are a YMCA member or become one in Bonita Springs (off of East Terry Street just east of 75) they have courts, you can rent and play on if available.

I hope you enjoy the Winter Season and looking forward to seeing around the campus! Tom tahughes@pcii.net



YMCA OF COLLIER COUNTY ***INFORMATION BELOW:***

NEW 3.0 ROUND ROBIN PICKLEBALL (Outdoors)

North Campus (Naples)

Effective January 10th, we'll be offering a NEW 3.0 Round Robin play which will be coordinated by Helen, our Pickleball instructor. The clinic is geared towards the 3.0 Level player. Don't forget to register using the link below. [Schedules \(ymcacollier.org\)](https://www.ymcacollier.org)

Round Robin Fees

Members play for Free

\$10 for non-members

Minimum 3 players

Maximum 12 players

OPEN PLAY OUTDOOR SCHEDULE

Monday through Sunday

8:30am - 1:00pm

Don't forget to REGISTER and check in at the Racquet Center front desk before participating.

PICKLEBALL LESSONS & CLINICS

Private lessons and clinics are available and conducted by our coach Helen Anderson (239-272-5397). If interested, please contact Helen directly.

Available clinics are:

Adult Beginner Series (Thursdays) Month of January 8:30-9:30am

Adult Advance Beginner Series (Thursdays) Month of Jan 9:30-10:30am

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