

## The Winter Season is Here!

We are in the third 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 was rained out Thursday and their match was supposed to be away at Kensington Country Club. They will set up a makeup date soon. They are playing in the Blue Division, they are tied for 10th place after the second week. There are 10 teams in the league, they next play Pelican Isle Yacht Club at home at noon on Thursday January 30th at Challenge America. Come out and watch their match.

The 3.0 Women's team was rained out also. But they have rescheduled their home match against the Pelican Marsh-Pelican Picklers for Wednesday January 29th at 1pm at Challenge America. They are playing in the Green Division and are still in 8th place after the second week. There are nine teams in the league. They play at home (Challenge America) at

12:30pm on Friday January 31st against Quail Creek- Quail Creek Kitchenettes. 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

