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PICKLEBALL NEWSLETTER

The Winter Season is Here!

We are in the seventh 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 last Tuesday against the Kensington Country Club-Big Shots and lost 3-0 but Bob and Mike won one game and then lost the tie breaker. They are now in 8th place in the Blue Division. Next, they play Valencia Trails-Drop Shots at Valencia on Tuesday February 18 at 1pm and Then they play Quail West-Ballers at home at noon at Challenge America. Come out and see them play!

The women's 3.0 team played at Kensington Country Club- Pickled-Pink instead of at Challenge America. They lost 1-2 but lost a third set tie breaker which could have won the match for them! They are getting so close to winning! Jean and Patricia won, and Jackie and Stacy lost the tie breaker 15-10. They play their next match at Hunters Ridge-Dinking Divas at 11:30 am. Come out and watch their match since it is right next door!

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!

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 East Terry Street just east of 75) they have courts, you can rent and play on if available.

The Spring travel leagues start March 10, 2025, and end May 10, 2025, and for both the Men and Women, they only play two courts in the Spring. The Men's 3.0 play on Mondays, Men's 3.5 play on Thursdays, the Women's 2.5 play on Tuesdays and the Women's 3.0 play on Fridays. If you wish to have a team in any of these leagues, the team must be registered by March 3, 2025. Let me know if you need to get courts reserved for home matches but they would be at Challenge America again and each team should be able to get their own courts reserved.

Let me also know if the Pickleball community would like to have a get-together in late March at the Cabana with reserved seating and eating off the menu. To celebrate pickleball in Worthington.

I hope you enjoy the Winter Season and looking forward to seeing around the campus!

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