



## Exciting Update on Our Pickleball Tournament!

We are absolutely thrilled by the overwhelming response to our Pickleball tournament! On the final day alone, we received 12 reservations. Your enthusiasm truly energizes us and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts for the overwhelming support.

## Schedule Adjustments & Fair Play

With the surge in registrations across categories, we had to make some adjustments to the schedule to ensure every team gets a fair chance to compete.

Based on the number of participants in each category, the rules have been slightly modified; for example: **Playoffs will be held only for Boys Sr Intermediate and Men Intermediate categories.**

## Court Availability & Match Completion

Due to last-minute registrations, we face a challenge toward the end of the day: we won't have access to all 4 courts simultaneously.

To keep the tournament moving smoothly, we'll be using open courts creatively to complete matches.

This is our first time managing such a dynamic schedule, so we kindly ask for your patience and understanding as we learn and improve for next year.

## Important Notes

- Given the tight schedule, **we may not be able to accommodate category changes** if an incorrect selection was made during registration.
- We made every effort to schedule children's matches in the morning when the weather is most pleasant.



## General Rules for the Tournament:

- **Arrive on Time:** Upon your arrival volunteers will be available to check you in. Check the posted schedule and be at your court ready to play at the designated match time. We will wait for 5 minutes, and after that match is considered forfeited.
- **Warm-Up Courtesy:** Limit warm-up time to about 2–3 minutes before your match to keep the schedule on track.
- **Sportsmanship:** Maintain a positive attitude regardless of the score. Congratulate opponents on good shots and avoid negative comments or gestures.
- **Decisioning:** In the event of any dispute arising from the contest relating to the interpretation of these Rules, the decisions of organizers on all matters pertaining to the contest shall be final and binding on all parties

### Cancellations due to Weather:

- In case of weather related cancellations we will do our best to reschedule the event to the next available date.

### Self-Refereeing:

- **In this tournament, above 18 players are expected to self-umpire their matches:**
  - Players should communicate clearly and respectfully with their opponents when making calls..
  - Make fair line calls on your side of the court and accept calls made by your opponents without arguments.
  - Observe the rules regarding the non-volley zone (Kitchen) and avoid stepping into it improperly during volleys.
- **Keep Noise to a Minimum:** Avoid loud distractions during points, such as shouting or unnecessary movement, to respect players' concentration and to be good neighbors.



- **Dress Code:** Dress comfortable for the tournament, typically comfortable athletic wear and non-marking court shoes.
- **Health and Safety:** Stay hydrated and prioritize your safety and well being.
- **Time Outs:** Each team is allowed one time out per game.

### **Under 18:**

- Volunteers will be available to keep score and provide Umpiring services.

## **What will D.A.T.A provide?**

To help keep all players energized and hydrated throughout the tournament, the organizers will provide the following refreshments free of charge:

- **Bananas** - a natural source of energy and potassium
- **Snack Bars** - an energy boost to keep you going
- **Water Bottles** - to hydrate
- **Ice and Coolers** - to keep the drinks

Please feel free to enjoy these refreshments at designated areas near the courts. We encourage all participants to stay hydrated and take care of their nutrition during the event!

### **Prizes:**

Prizes will be awarded at the conclusion of each tournament category. For every category, a total of 4 prizes will be distributed as follows:

- One for each participant in the Winning Team
- One for each participant in the Runner Up Team

### **Disclaimer:**

- You understand that participation is at your own risk and the organizers are not liable for any injuries and damages.



## Men's Doubles Tournament Format

### Group Stage

- 14 teams will be divided into 2 groups of 7 teams each (Group A and Group B), based on alphabetical order of team names.
- Each group will play a round-robin, where every team plays every other team in their group once.
- Each team will play 6 matches during the group stage.
- Matches will be played to a set score of 15 points.
- Teams will be ranked within their group based on the number of wins.
- The top team from each group (A1 and B1) will advance directly to the semifinals.

### Advancement to Knockout Stage

- **Qualifiers:**
  - The 2nd and 3rd place teams from each group will play in the qualifiers.
- **Qualifier Matches:**
  - Qualifier 1: Group A 2nd place (A2) vs Group B 3rd place (B3)
  - Qualifier 2: Group B 2nd place (B2) vs Group A 3rd place (A3)
- **Semifinals:**
  - Semifinal 1: Winner of Qualifier 1 vs Group B 1st place (B1)
  - Semifinal 2: Winner of Qualifier 2 vs Group A 1st place (A1)
- **Finals:**
  - Winners of the semifinals will compete for the championship.



## **Boys Sr Intermediate**

### Group Stage

- All teams will compete in a round-robin format, where each team plays every other team in their category once.
- Each game will be played to 15 points.
- Teams will be ranked based on the number of wins at the end of the group stage.
- The top 4 teams will proceed to the knockout stage.

### Knockout Stage

#### Semifinals and Finals

- Both semifinals and finals will be played as a single knock-out games with 15 points

#### Semifinals Pairings

- Semifinal 1: 1st seed vs 4th seed
- Semifinal 2: 2nd seed vs 3rd seed

#### Finals

- Championship Match: Winner of Semifinal 1 vs Winner of Semifinal 2



## **Men Beginners and Boys Sr Beginner**

### Group Stage

- Each team will compete in a round-robin format, playing every other team in their category once.
- Each match will be played for 17 points
- At the end of the group stage, the top two teams will be designated as Winner and Runner-up.

### Tiebreakers

- If two teams have the same number of match wins when the winner will be selected by an additional tie-break 11pt match or point difference.

## **All other teams/formats:**

- **Mixed Doubles**
- **Girls Sr**
- **Girls Jr- Beginners**
- **Boys Jr**

### Group Stage

- Each team will compete in a round-robin format, playing every other team in their category once.
- Each match will be played for 15 points.
- At the end of the group stage, the top two teams will be designated as Winner and Runner-up based on the number of wins.

### Tiebreakers

- If two teams have the same number of match wins when the winner will be selected by an additional tie-break 11pt match or point difference.