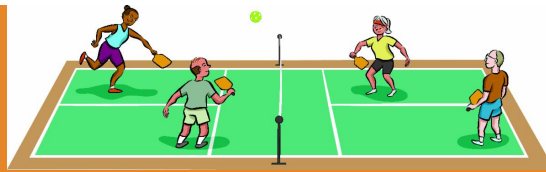




Maple Leaf Pickleball Club



THE FUN CLUB THAT WELCOMES PLAYERS
OF ALL LEVELS
FROM BEGINNERS TO ADVANCED!!

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President's Letter

Dear Pickleball Club Members;

As we wrap up another successful fun-filled season, and plan for a new one, I just want to thank everyone for your enthusiasm, kindness to one another, and patience.

Our next season is gearing up to be an exciting one! Your new Pickleball Board has already:

- finalized 2022/2023 event dates, (see below)
- voted to increase dues to \$40 on Nov 1,
- improve our communication and technology,
- develop a budget for the next year,
- committed to providing more player development at all levels,
- oversee the progress & construction of Courts 3 & 4,
- begin planning for Courts 5 & 6!

And more developments to come!

We have formed a Construction Taskforce to oversee all aspects of the construction of Courts 3 & 4. The members are: Mike Klatt-Chair, Larry Garnett, Ed Hopkins, Mike Risalti, and Fred Borden.

They are charged with the responsibility of making sure communication between all parties is constant and clear, and with making sure our safety is our first priority, plus confirming timelines, status of permitting, and that construction is going as planned. Please see their first report below.

I am so pleased and honored to work with such smart, dedicated, and cooperative fellow board members. We are committed to taking the good work of Joe Potter and past board members to carefully and strategically manage our growth and future.

Thank you again - Dink on and stay calm!

Tony Stam, MLPC President

Court Construction Update

Our newly formed Construction Task Force has met several times to review what we know, what we need to know, and to develop a plan.

The first issue we noticed was the dimensions of Courts 3 & 4 on the site plan that the professional engineering company, DMK Associates, submitted to the SouthWest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) on Dec 27, 2021 did not include sufficient out of bounds space. That prompted the Task Force to immediately meet with Mitch Krach, ML General Manager, and to also contact the Engineer, John Pari of DMK Associates.

After several meetings and phone calls which included discussions about our Task Force members' other recommendations such as placement of gates, insisting the fencing between Courts 3 & 4 be increased from 3 feet to 8 feet, and increasing the seating area with retractable sunshade, we are happy to report with confidence that we are making

positive progress.

The engineer has provided SWFWMD with all outstanding items they have requested and based on our most recent communication we believe the permit from SWFWMD should be approved within the next few weeks. Contracts are already awarded for the construction of the new courts which will be 31 x 64 each to meet pickleball standard court sizes. We are also working on the feasibility of bleachers between courts 2 & 3.

We have been told the Charlotte County Building Dept has preliminarily approved building permits which should put construction on a fast track.

However, before the actual construction of the courts takes place, the following has to happen:

1. the Rampart Center building has to be moved
2. the whole area has to be graded
3. trees removed
4. berm will be moved further towards the golf course
5. utility lines installed

After the court surfaces have been graded and poured, it will take a minimum of 45 days for the court surface to cure. Then of course they are painted, then nets and fencing installed.

We will continue to keep you advised of any new developments and timelines. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

Mike Klatt, Chair-MLPC Construction Task Force

Facebook Page is Active!

Please join our private facebook group "Maple Leaf Pickleball Club" to stay up to date with our programs, leagues, classes, clinics, and events.

This Facebook Group is private, only members of our ML Pickleball Club can join and post news, comments, and photos. We look forward to staying in touch with and hearing from all of our members!

Here is the link to join. Once on the group page, click the Join Group button, agree to our rules, and begin sharing your pictures and stories!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/631964914695254/>





Mens 1st- Plus Winners
Mike Roubil
Dan Downham



Mens 1st- Plus Finalists
Ling Kullermeier (pictured)
Roger Marsh



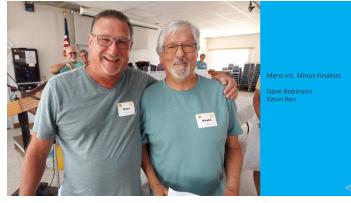
Ladies 1st- Minus Winners
Laurie Lodge
Sandy McCabe



Ladies 1st- Minus Finalists
Charis Martin (not pictured)
Dorothy Watt



Mens 1st- Minus Winners
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Mens 1st- Minus Finalists
Dave Robinson
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Ladies 1st- Minus Winners
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Ladies 1st- Minus Finalists
Coranne Roberts
Kristine Magleston



Mens 1st- Minus Winners
Ted McClunall
John Bauer



Mens 1st- Minus Finalists
Dan Corner (not pictured)
George Foley (not pictured)



Annual Meeting Minutes and Board Member Reports are posted on our website in .pdf format.

[Please click to access.](#)

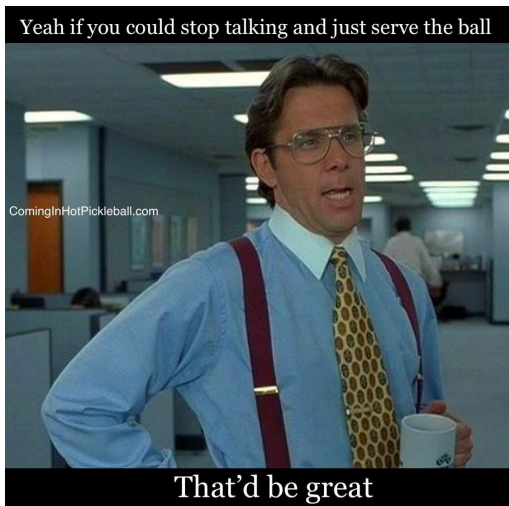
Revised Court Schedule: April

The court schedule for April is posted at the Court bulletin board, and on the website. To view, and download, [click here](#).

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Please note that the rescheduled March 24th Skills & Drills session will take place on April 7th.

	Women's -Wed, Nov 16, 2022	12pm- 4pm
	Men's -Fri, Nov 18, 2022	1pm- 6pm
Fun Tournament #1	Saturday, Nov 19, 2022	All day
Member Registration Day #2	Monday, Jan 2, 2023	2pm-4pm
Fun Tournament #2	Saturday, Jan 14, 2023	All day
Club Championship	Fri, Sat, Sun-Feb 24, 25, 26	All day
Annual General Meeting	Tuesday, Mar 21, 2023 (tentative)	2pm-4:30pm



In rec play here in Maple Leaf we don't track the 10 second rule (thank goodness), but good to know if playing in a tournament.

Have We Been Guilty of This, or Thought This ...Probably!

Here's the Rule

4.E. The 10-Second Rule. Once the score has been called, the server is allowed 10 seconds to serve the ball.

4.E.1. If the server exceeds 10 seconds to serve, a fault will be declared.

[Link to USAPA Serving Basics](#)

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