

# Pickleball

## NATIONAL QUALIFYING SPORT (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place finishers qualify)

(2015 in Bloomington/Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota)

There will be three different venues of Pickleball offered in five year age groups. They are:

- Female and Male Singles
- Female and Male Doubles
- Mixed Doubles

Age Groups		
50-54	70-74	If not enough entrants register for an age group, the Coordinator will combine age groups.
55-59	75-79	
60-64	80-84	
65-69	85-89	

### Entry Regulations:

When you register, do not forget to list your partner's name on the registration form (first and last name) for gender doubles and/or mixed doubles. If you do not have a doubles' partner, write that you need a partner. The Coordinator will attempt to find you a partner, but one is not guaranteed!

### Entry Fee:

\$20 will be charged for one event. An additional \$5 will be assessed for each event entered.

### Location:

Chambersburg Country Club in  
Scotland, PA (Chambersburg, PA)  
3646 Scotland Road  
717-263-8296

Search Google or Bing for the  
Chambersburg Country Club and  
driving directions.

### Dates:

July 14 Monday	8:30am	Opening Remarks
	8:45-12am	Male and Female Doubles
	1-3pm	Male and Female Doubles continue
	3-5pm	Mixed Doubles begin
	6-8pm	Mixed Doubles continued
July 15 Tuesday	8:30-12am	Mixed Doubles cont'd, if needed/Singles Begin
	1-5pm	Singles
	6-8pm	Singles continued, if needed

**Note:** This schedule is tentative and subject to change. Much will depend upon the number of entrants in each respective category. Every attempt will be made to post the initial match times for the day, and some kind of tentative schedule. However, we are aware how schedules change. Match times will be determined depending upon the number of entries received.

### Weather Policy

The courts are located outdoors. If inclement weather arrives (rain, thunderstorms, etc.), matches

could be postponed or cancelled. It is the PA Senior Games' policy **not** to issue refunds if games are cancelled. Every attempt will be made to accommodate the matches.

### **Format:**

The competition will be a double elimination format. Matches are based upon the best two out of three games. Matches will be best of three 11-point games, unless otherwise indicated by the Pickleball Coordinator. All games must be won 2 points.

### **Sport Rules:**

- Courts will be defined and rules will follow those as prescribed by the International Federation of Pickleball, *Official Tournament Rulebook*, January, 2014 revision.
- A tournament-approved (IFP/USAPA) yellow Dura Fast 40 pickleball will be used for the games. Balls will be provided, but they are not souvenirs.
- You need to check in. Check-in time will begin at 8:10am.
- Competitors should bring their own paddles. However, the Golf Shop at the Country Club does have paddles for sale.
- Thirty (30) minutes has been estimated for each match. Because the time is an estimate, please be ready to play 30 minutes ahead of time. If time is limited, due to the large number of entries, the coordinator reserves the right to reduce points played per game in order to accommodate all the matches; games will not be less than 7 points.
- **This is not a drop-in sport. You must be registered and on the schedule to play pickleball.** If you need a partner, I will look first among registrants for one. If none is available, I will be unable to accommodate a person's request for a double's partner.
- In case of an age category difference, a player can play down in a younger age group, but a younger player cannot play up in an older age group.
- Each player or team is expected to call faults honestly. If conflict ensues, referees will officiate the games. The referees' decisions are final. Referees are empowered to issue warnings and call technical fouls.

**Awards:** In each age category, medals will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> places, that is, gold, silver, and bronze, respectively

### **Water, Snacks, and Bathrooms:**

The PA Senior Games organization does not provide water. However, snacks and water are available at the pool snack bar and the Club's Pub. Bathrooms are located at the pool, the clubhouse, and the tennis house. Players and guests will have access to these facilities.

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**Additional Information:**

You should be aware that under NSGA rules, doubles and mixed doubles are classified as events. Therefore, athletes may not compete in more than one age division for doubles and mixed doubles.

Singles, Doubles and Mixed Doubles competition shall be determined by the age of the youngest doubles player as of December 31, 2015.

Each person assumes the risk of injury while playing pickleball. The Chambersburg Country Club will not be held liable for injury incurred during the play of pickleball.

The double elimination format will consist of the standard model. That is, each player must be eliminated twice in his/her quest for gold, silver, and bronze.