Pickleball Tournament FAQs

The following includes details regarding the latest information and guidelines for the Roaming Shores 2023 Summer Pickleball Tournament. Details may be subject to change.

WHO:

RRA members in good standing and their guests are invited to participate. There are two divisions - Social Players (anyone who enjoys playing the game) and Skilled Players (those who are more experienced and competitive).

WHAT:

This is a fun tournament for all skill levels. Players register as individuals and will be blindly assigned to partners and matches.

WHY:

Because Pickleball is fun, and if you win you will earn bragging rights (and a prize!).

WHERE:

The tournament will take place at the Roaming Shores Pickleball/Tennis Courts near the clubhouse (13 Roaming Rock Blvd., Roaming Shores, OH 44085).

WHEN:

Friday, June 23, 2023 - Social Players Division 4:00 - 5:30 PM and Skilled Players Division 5:30 - 7:30 PM. In case of bad weather or wet courts, the tournament will be rescheduled for Sunday, June 25, 2023 with divisions starting at 1:00 and 2:30 PM. Players must report to the tournament desk no less than 30 minutes before their division start time.

HOW:

Email <u>ShoresPickleball@gmail.com</u> to register or ask questions. You may also call or text Marie Kaufman at 440-485-0688.

AND MORE:

- As of June 7, 2023 there are still openings in both divisions.

- Guests of RRA members may register beginning June 15, 2023. The sponsoring RRA member does not have to be playing in the tournament in order to host a player.

- Registrations for all players will be open until Wednesday, June 21, 2023.

- The cost of the tournament is \$10 for members and \$15 for guests payable at the event. We accept cash or Venmo. Credit cards are not accepted. There is no charge for spectators.

- Courts, balls, scoring materials, water, pizza, treats, and prizes are covered by the fees paid.

- You are encouraged to bring your own water bottle and stay hydrated! You are welcome to bring snacks that you may want while you are playing. Please note that only water is permitted on the courts.

- In case of bad weather or wet courts, a decision to postpone the tournament will be made no later than 1 hour before starting times.

- Picnic tables are available, but bringing your own outdoor chair is recommended.

- The restrooms at the clubhouse pool will be open to use.

- You will have warm-up time prior to your first match and breaks between games.

- Games will be played to 11 points or a time limit of 15 minutes. It is not necessary to win by 2 points. The first team to 11 points is the winner.

- Teams will switch sides of the court when either team reaches 6 points.

- Each team will be allowed one timeout per game (one minute).

- Match scoring forms will be located on clipboards at each court to identify player numbers, partners, and scores. One player in each match will complete the form and turn it in at the scorer's table. All players should review the form for accuracy before it is submitted.

- Standings will be determined by totaling the number of points earned as a team and awarded to the individual players in each match. Each player's points will be totaled after all games are played. There will not be playoff rounds. Ties of total points will be broken by (1) number of wins and (2) the least points given up.

- All other IFP/USAPA Rules will be in effect

- Tournament Balls: Franklin X40 outdoor balls (yellow) will be provided.

- Court Surface: These are resurfaced outdoor tennis courts which have a surface similar to fine asphalt. Slight irregularities may exist. The courts are green with white tennis lines and predominantly blue Pickleball court lines. Non-marking, appropriate footwear is required.

- Referees: There will not be referees during the matches. You will referee your own games. We expect good sportsmanship at all times. Questions or disputes should be brought to a tournament official immediately with as little disruption to play as possible.

- Guidelines for calls: Line calls should be made by the team receiving the ball and should only be called out if the ball is clearly seen as out. If a player is unsure of the call, they should assume the ball was in and continue playing. If the serving team sees a ball out, they can also call it out on themselves. Either team can make calls on non-volley zone faults. Teams are expected to call faults on themselves or their partner.

- We appreciate your help to make this event a fun experience. If there are any problems, players involved may be asked to refrain from participating in future Roaming Shores Pickleball events.

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