

## Villages Pickleball Club Group Play

The Pickleball Club has established several levels of Group Play for the enjoyment of current and new pickleball players here at The Villages. The purpose of these Group Play gatherings is to have fun meeting and playing with other club members at your level, and to learn how to play different styles as appropriate for various opponents.

There are three levels of group play: Novice (includes skills training), Intermediate and Advanced. These levels, as defined in the following link, can be used as a guide for which level is appropriate for your skills. <https://villagespickleball.org/signing-up-for-group-play/> . Group Leaders are available for each session and will guide participants into rotations allowing for lots of varied play opportunities. The leaders will also use the skill guidelines to determine which group is your best fit. Please be cooperative with the leaders if they suggest that you would be better suited for another level (either higher or lower).

You should only sign up for one level of group play per week as you experiment to find the level that best suits your skills. Making transitions between levels may be awkward at first so we ask that everyone be patient as new players move between levels.

Group Play sessions are only open to club members, so if you wish to participate you must first sign up for club membership by using this link: <https://villagespickleball.org/member-list/>.

If you are new to pickleball, you should first contact Mike Walias (email [mjw0275@yahoo.com](mailto:mjw0275@yahoo.com)) to schedule a semi-private demo session to learn how to play. You will then be ready to join the fun in the Group Play sessions.