

Pickleball Members

The Pickleball Club has been a part of our community for 3 ½ years. The club has 150 + members and is still growing. Our members have many interests and activities here at The Villages and represent a broad age group. Over the next several weeks I would like to introduce some of them to you.



Joe Spada is 74 years old and has lived in The Villages for 3 years. He has been playing pickleball for 2 ½ years. He plays about 5 or 6 times a week. Joe likes pickleball because it is the type of game that seniors can play as a team. He enjoys the fast pace of pickleball, feels it is wonderful exercise where you use a lot of your skills. Besides pickleball Joe participates in golf, bocce, bowling, cycling and working out at the fitness center. He cannot wait for The Villages to have their new courts!



Dave Hathaway is 67 years old and has lived in The Villages for 4 years. Dave plays with several pickleball groups. He likes pickleball for the terrific exercise and the socialization. When he is not playing pickleball he also enjoys tennis, golf, photography club, senior academy and SIRS 114.



Charlie Bougopoulos is 83 years old and has lived in The Villages for 24 years. He has been playing pickleball for 3 years. Charlie loves pickleball! He says, "It is good exercise, good for my reflexes, good for my balance and is aerobic too." Charlie likes the camaraderie of pickleball and has made many new friends. Other activities Charlie is involved in include golf, bocce, volunteering at the SRS office and being a volunteer tax preparer for AARP.

As you can see our members take advantage of all The Villages has to offer. We are a very friendly, welcoming group. Open play is Wednesday and Friday from 1:30-3pm with instruction beginning at 1pm at tennis courts 5 & 6. Equipment is provided. Please wear court shoes. See you on the courts!!!!

For more news and club information, visit our web site at pickleballclub.org