TOURNAMENT FLYER

New to Central Florida is “THE PLAYERS’ TOURNAMENT @STONECREST” located at 11038 SE 176, just off Route 441, Summerfield, Florida. It is only two minutes to the Villages, 20 minutes to Ocala, one hour to Orlando, and forty-five minutes to the Orlando Airport.

Stonecrest is a beautiful gated community with lakes, fountains, and a challenging golf course. They are continually developing and building new homes.

There is plenty to do while in the area, however, let’s talk pickleball! There will be 12 pickleball courts, and we will begin on Friday, March 7th with Men’s and Women’s Singles, Saturday, March 8, with Men’s and Women’s Doubles, and Sunday, March 9, with Mixed Doubles.

PLAYING FORMAT

This is a Skill Level/ Age Combination Tournament, you must be at least 19 years of age by December 31, 2014 to participate. Skill Ratings are: 2.5, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5, and 5.0. Only 2.5 and 3.0 will be combined if there are not enough teams in one or the other. All other skill levels will not be combined. This is a Double Elimination Tournament. All upper bracket matches will be 2 out of 3 games to 11 points win by 2 points, back draw matches will be one game to 15 points, win by 2 points. Only final matches will be 2 out of 3 games to 11 points win by 2, however, if the back draw player(s) wins then there is an additional game to 15 points win by 2 points. Medals will be awarded for 1, 2, 3rd place finishers.
Skill groups may play a Round Robin Format if there are only 4 teams within an Age level. The games will be to 21 pts., win by 1. Total Points scored determines 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place. In the event of a tie, head to head scores will be used.

The “The Players Tournament” @ Stonecrest” will be a USAPA Tier 4 Sanctioned Tournament. If you are a USAPA member and you come in 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> place points will be awarded. You do not have to be a USAPA member to participate. We will be playing by all USAPA rules.

**SKILL LEVELS / AGE COMBINATION CATEGORIES**

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* There must be at least 4 teams in each age group, with in the skill level, otherwise age groups will be combined within the skill level to ensure adequate playing time, for all players.

**LODGING**

The Holiday Inn Express at the Villages is offering a special rate for Tournaments Players, please make sure you let them know you are here to play in the Tournament.

**TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE**

**Friday, March 7** - Men’s and Women’s Singles (Check in Times to be announced after Online Entry Deadline)

**Saturday, March 8** - Men’s Doubles and Women’s Doubles (Check in Times to be Announced after On-Line Entry Deadline)

**Sunday, March 9** - Mixed Doubles (Check in Times TBA after On-Line Entry Deadline – Please make sure your email address is clearly printed – all start times will be email to you)

**Registration and Tournament Fees**

$25 Base Fee  (Includes One Event, Player Bag, and Tournament Shirt)

$ 5  Second Event

$ 5  Third Event

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TOTAL $__________
Food

Lunch will be available to purchase on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday for players and spectators.

REFEREEING

There will be 2 special drawings, one on Saturday and one on Sunday, for those that help out to referee 4 or more matches. You will receive a raffle ticket for each 4 times you referee. The more you referee the more chances you have to win. We appreciate your help!

REGISTRATION

Registration forms are available to print at: www.USAPA.org or www.PickleballSpecialties.com

Mailed entries must be Postmarked by: Saturday, February 22, 2014.

** If you are in need of a partner for any of the events please make sure your registration form is marked, we will do the best to match you up with skill level and age. It is best to turn your form in as soon as possible. If you find a partner after turning your form in, please email the information to: Pickleballtournaments@gmail.com.

The Dura Ball will be used. There will be 12 outdoor Pickleball Courts. Water, apples, and fruit will be provided for players. Lunch will also be available for purchase on Friday, Saturday and Sunday for players and spectators.

There will be a vendor in which you can purchase Paddles, Balls, Equipment, Net Systems, T-Shirts, Dri-Fit Shirts, Sweatshirts, Hats, Towels, etc.

Make Checks Payable to: Pickleball Tournaments

Mail to:

“The Players Tournament”
P.O Box 4636
Ft. Myers, Florida
33918

On-Line Registration will Open on January 14, 2014, at www.Active.com. When you go to the site, type in the KEYWORD space – Stonecrest City: Summerfield, FL

On-Line Registration will Close: Wednesday February 26, 2014 at 11:58pm.
Additional email updates will be sent out so Please make sure your email address is printed clearly!
Any questions please email Pickleballtournaments@gmail.com

Or call: Nancy- 419-320-3655 or Cindy - 954-309-5882
We are looking forward to having a fun and competitive Tournament!

Your Tournament Directors,

Nancy Meyer
Cindy Eddleman