

Thursday, April 28th  
 2022

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## Thursday Schedule

- 7am-2pm\* Check In Available
  - 8am-8pm Women's Sr Pro Doubles  
 Women's Skill/Age Doubles  
 Mixed Pro Qualifier  
 ParaPickleball Doubles
  - 8am-11am Anyone can watch matches on  
 Zing Zang Championship Court  
*(no ticket required)*
  - 11am-2pm Entertainment: Hot Damn Duo
- Food served all day at Delicious By Design in the Landshark Beer Garden Tent and at the Food Trucks (by the Fan Zone)*

### FEATURED MATCHES ON ZING ZANG CHAMPIONSHIP COURT (PURCHASED TICKET REQUIRED)

- 2pm Women's Sr Pro Match    5pm Women's Sr Pro GOLD
- 3pm Women's Sr Pro Match    6pm Women's Sr Pro BRONZE
- 4pm Women's Sr Pro Match    *(schedule subject to change)*

#### NO TICKET? 2 OTHER WAYS TO WATCH TODAY'S MATCHES

- 1) At the Fan Zone on the Video Wall while you enjoy some dinner and drinks from the Food Trucks.
  - 2) On-line at PickleballChannel: Facebook, YouTube or Global Live.
- Go to: [www.pickleballchannel.com/live](http://www.pickleballchannel.com/live)

Please check out today's Draws/Match times at:  
[www.USOpenPickleball.info](http://www.USOpenPickleball.info) > Draws-Results

*\*Registration will remain open until 2pm or until everyone for that day's matches are checked in.*

it's *Ladies Day* at *the Open*



**Go Hard on the Court. Not on Your Hair.**



## Pickleball Sweepstakes:

Enter at [dphue.com/pickleball](http://dphue.com/pickleball) for a chance to win one of 10 packages: A custom paddle and a dpHUE product package (value of \$209) And don't forget to stop by our table today.

**LOST -N- FOUND IS LOCATED AT THE GUEST SERVICES TABLE**

## 2022 Men' Sr Doubles Medalists



Gold:

Dayne Gingrich/Dave Weinbach



Silver:

Mircea Morariu/John Sperling



Bronze:

Jose Derisi/Scott Crandall



**Congratulations to all Medalists**

All results thru yesterday will be posted at:  
[www.usopenpickleball.info](http://www.usopenpickleball.info)  
 > Draws-Awards



## Barney saved Me!

I'd like to introduce you to Barney, my sports wheelchair. I named him after Barney McCallum, one of the founders of pickleball.

I started playing pickleball, standing, in 2010. In 2019 I had a surgery to remove a cancerous tumor off my spine. Surgery didn't go so well. My legs were paralyzed. I was off courts 22 months and I thought I was going to become depressed, so I bought my chair. Named him Barney.

Barney has saved my life. I'll be playing this thurs and Saturday in U.S. Open.

No matter what we are dealt with in life, you must enjoy the life you have each day. I was a flight attendant for almost 20 yrs and was a Screen Actors Guild Stuntwoman. I'm having a Grrreat life.

I am walking some now, like a zombie, but I'm walking some. Where there's a wheel there's a way.

*Jamie Elliot*



### OUR GOLD COAST AUSSIE FRIENDS

All 7 Aussie players have been preparing for the US OPEN for several months. Waking up and training as a Team at 4:30am several days a week. We're thrilled to be here competing together and playing at the US Open!!!

*Bottom lt to rt: Bec Kingsley, Dion Rewiti, Anna-Lise Bolton, Shannon Burr. Top row lt to rt: Martin Clark, Sarah Burr, Yuki Horiuchi (Manager), Mike Newell, Sandra Kingsley(Manager), Don Kingsley(Manager)*



*Avid fans from Oklahoma*

### Ticket Center

Hours: 9am-4pm daily in Vendor Tent #2. Pick up your pre-paid tickets. While-they-last,

last year's 2021 shirts (\$20), as well as Souvenir Programs (\$5), water (\$3) and Tsamma Watermelon Juice (\$4).

## Daily Photos

more at:  
[usopenpickleball.info](http://usopenpickleball.info)

**She likes the Sponsors Drinks  
Landshark Beer and Fruit Smash**



*Never know who you'll run into on the awesome air conditioned shuttle at the end of the day. Sue Carmen (lf) meeting Pro Player-Lee Whitwell.*

*Keep your Stories  
& Photos coming...*



Tonight we were practicing on the open courts and met Rob Cahill, the “Worlds First Pickleball Champion.”

He proceeded to explain the wonderful history of Pickleball and shared many great stories of Pickleball throughout the decades. It was such a pleasure meeting him, and getting him to sign our ‘History of Pickleball’ book that he is mentioned in & bonus, this great picture!

*John & Lynze Kapp*



*26 Players from Burnt Store Marina in Punta Gorda, FL are playing in The OPEN ... here are a few of us! Go BSM!!!*

## Margaritaville & Heather

*The Brand and one of the key players behind it!*

You can't go anywhere where the word 'Margaritaville' is not a part of our lives these days. That's a good thing because they have built a brand that is our demographic. Margaritaville is: lodging, restaurants, lifestyle communities, adult beverages, music/entertainment, clothing, accessories and then NEW to the family this year; Margaritaville Cruise Line. In fact you can have a chance to win a Cruise for Two if you head to their booth this week and enter.

Talking with Heather Jones, a 19 year veteran and now, Marketing Director for Margaritaville (the woman with the smiling face that you've seen at the Margaritaville Booth and in the VIP Lounge every day for the past 6 years). She spreads the Margaritaville State of Mind. Margaritaville partnered with the US Open Pickleball Championship in the very beginning when they saw Pickleball and declared it a 'perfect fit'. And she is right!



**Stop by their booth before Saturday afternoon and enter for a chance to win a CRUISE AT SEA.**

*Exciting News: If you are a PRO and win Gold in a Pro Event ... you will also receive a Cruise for Two.*

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*at Sea*

**MARGARITAVILLE**  
*Pickleball Event Special*

**FINS UP, PADDLES UP! BUNDLE** **\$60**

*Margaritaville Bundle Includes*

Specialty Performance Shirt, Stainless Steel Tervis, Sunglasses, and a Baseball Cap or Visor

## Not Your Court. Not My Court. Our Court.

Today's doubles action at the US Open made one thing clear: strong teams know how to share space.

Whether it is poaching a high ball at the net or setting up for a third shot drop, the teams that had success today were those that made a plan for how they would cover the court.

While we might be inclined to use the centerline to divide “your court” and “my court”, the most successful teams were much more fluid than that. The space they occupied shifted — either because the shots of the opponents demanded it or because one teammate started to heat up or cool off.

The most effective approach looked less like two people defending their own territory and more like two partners dancing together. The best teams defended their court in tandem and if they could do so by one person “getting big” and settling into the middle, so be it.

Next time you are hitting the court, think about having a quick conversation about sharing space. Invite your partner to trust their instincts when it comes to going for balls and hopefully they extend the same to you. Try to move away from a mindset of “my court” and “your court” and toward an approach that sees your 20 ft x 22 ft rectangle as “our court”.

Mark Renneson  
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*Thanks to 'The People in Orange', they are from the Naples Pickleball Center (right here) and can assist you ... so ask away!*

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