



# Virginia Commonwealth Games Pickleball Tournament

15 Indoor Courts on hardwood floors PLUS 4 designated  
practice courts available each day

**LaHaye Fitness Center**  
**Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA**  
**July 29-30, 2016**



## Double Elimination Tournament – Qualifier for 2017 National State Games

### Amazing new facility for 2016:

- 15 indoor Pickleball courts on hardwood floors
- 4 separate practice courts available each day
- Large mezzanine area overlooking all 15 courts
- Plenty of convenient parking available
- Modern, spacious locker room facilities
- Water fountains throughout the facility

Walking distance to Applebees, Hardees, CiCi Pizza, Mexican restaurant and more. Within a mile there is a shopping mall which includes a food court, many major chain stores, several motels, as well as Cracker Barrel, Texas Steak House, Ruby Tuesdays, Olive Garden and more.

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**Registration fee:** \$44 Per Person – and includes a newly designed Virginia Commonwealth Games Pickleball t-shirt, welcome packet and fruit and trail mix-type snacks. \$7.00 for each additional event.

**Registration:** [www.commonwealthgames.org](http://www.commonwealthgames.org); Opens early January 2016 closes July 25 at midnight

Tournament Director: **Judy Bowman, USAPA So. Central Virginia Ambassador • Contact: 434-385-5839 or [Judy@wheelpower.org](mailto:Judy@wheelpower.org)**; Bracketologist: **Steve Bowman (Judy's son)**

### PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT COMPETITION EVENT OVERVIEW:

- Age divisions: 50-54; 55-59; 60-64; 65-69; 70-74; 75-79; 80+
- Doubles open age divisions: 18 to 49
- Age determined as of December 31, 2016
- Scoring: 2 out of 3 (11 point) games, win by 2 points • Survival Bracket: 1 (15 point) game, win by 2 points
- Gold, Silver and Bronze final games will be the best 2 out of 3 games to 11 points, winning by 2 points.
- Referees will only be used for the medal games. All other games will be played using the honor system, calling your own lines and the server calling the score before each serve.
- *Official USAPA indoor balls will be used. Brand name will be announced soon.*
- USA Pickleball Association rules will apply. However, this is not a sanctioned tournament.

## **PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE:**

**Friday, July 29:** Practice courts open at 7:30am and close at 6:00pm

**Tournament Start time: 9:00 am** (specific event start times will be announced after registration closes)

- Men's & Women's Doubles (Age Groups)
- Men's and Women's Doubles – OPEN (ages 18-49)
- Men's Singles (all divisions)

**Saturday, July 30:** Practice courts open at 7:30am and close at 6:00pm

**Tournament Start time: 9:00 am** (same as above)

- Mixed Doubles (Age Groups)
- Mixed Doubles – OPEN (ages 18-49)
- Women's Singles (all divisions)

**Format of Play:** 2 out of 3 (11 point) games, win by 2 points • Survival Bracket: 1 (15 point) game, win by 2 points

**Medal Matches:** 2 out of 3 (11 point) games, win by 2 points. If Survival Bracket team wins 2 out of 3, then 1 game (15 points), win by 2 points.

***Players may only play in one age division in the same event. Once a match is announced, all players have ten (10) minutes to begin play. USAPA Rules Apply – Decisions by Tournament Director are Final.***

***SPECIAL NOTE on brackets: Brackets with 5 teams or fewer will either play a Round Robin or their bracket will be combined with the next age bracket. This will be determined at the Tournament.***

*Personal drink containers, with lids, are allowed on the courts. No water will be provided on the court, but water fountains are available throughout the center. Personal snacks/ foods are not allowed in the court area but can be enjoyed in the Mezzanine area.*

**Lodging Suggestions in Lynchburg:** There are many well-known motels close to the campus of Liberty University, some within walking distance. The motels closest to campus will also provide you with many restaurant choices, shopping, the Snow Flex on campus and other activities and amenities all within walking distance. Please check with **commonwealthgames.org** for suggested accommodations.