# Pickleball FAQs

#### Where do people play outdoors?

There are pickleball lines painted on the tennis courts at <u>Cedar Point</u>, <u>Interlaken</u> and <u>Oakpointe</u>. There are two courts at Cedar Point and Interlaken and one at Oakpointe. There are also lines painted on the outdoor ice arena behind the High School <u>Tennis Courts</u>. Those are on cement and have some portable nets, but the nets are not in the best shape. If you have your own net, you can bring it and play on these courts.

### When do people play during the summer?

There are groups that play every day Monday-Friday in the morning, Wednesday evening, and Saturday morning. Times vary but can start at 7am and play until 10 or 11am. Wednesday evening, they play from 6-9pm. If it is raining, they may choose to play indoors at Safari Island, or may not play at all.

## How do I know where people are playing?

There is an app for your phone (WhatsApp) that people communicate when and where they intend to play. You need to load this to your phone and then be asked to added to the Waconia Master Pickleball list by sending an email to Darel at <a href="mailto:run4fivels@gmail.com">run4fivels@gmail.com</a>. He will need your name, phone number and email contact. He will add you as soon as possible.

## How can I tell which group I should play with?

All sessions are "open" sessions meaning that there is no level distinction between all the players. Players tend to gravitate to like players on the court. There are certain periods when certain levels tend to play more often. Example, 7 am on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays the players are 3.0 to 3.5+. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, the players are 3.0 to 3.5. On Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings they range from beginners to 4.0. Most people communicate on WhatsApp to find out when "their" group is playing and where.

#### How do I know what level I am at?

You can go on-line to <u>USA Pickleball Association</u>. Here you will find definitions and a checklist that you answer yourself to help determine your level. Otherwise, you will find out as you play with others what group is the best fit for your current level.