

## September 18-24

## 4 News

## TOP 10 LOCATIONS TO PLAY PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENTS IN FLORIDA



## We're Number 1!

Below is the list of the Top 10 venues to play pickleball tournaments in Florida, according to the website FloridaPickleballTournaments.com. They took an unscientific poll through their social media and as you can see in the graph above, Pictona is the clear leader! But of course, we knew that already :)

## Pictona at Holly Hill

Manatee County, Florida Government
Naples Pickleball Center, Pickleball Capital of the World
Sarah Vande Berg Tennis \& Wellness Center
Diadem Pickleball Complex
The Yards
Orlando Racket Sports
ClearOne Sports Centre - Orlando
Fruit Cove Recreation Club
St. Johns County


## **NEW! High School Pickleball League

As part of our Junior Pickleball program, we're launching a FREE high school league this Fall! Open play kickoff will be on September 27th and the league will run from October 4th through November 15th.

Click HERE for more details!
Pictona's Junior Pickleball programming is proudly sponsored by Brown \& Brown.


## NEW Vending Machine in MetroHealth Stadium

Next time you're playing in P2 you'll notice a new vending machine! You'll be able to quench your thirst after playing a rigorous game. It takes one dollar bills only, but we will be installing a card reader soon.)


## St. John's River Pickleball Group!

We welcomed this enthusiastic group of picklers for a day of play followed by delicious lunch in The Kitchen! We call our group outings "Play Pictona"! If you have a group of 8 or more, please email events@pictona.org with your name, \# of estimated attendees, email address, and phone number. Our events team will get back to you to finalize your planning.

Go HERE for more information.


## Major League Table Tennis - September 15-17

Major League Table Tennis is the newest professional Table Tennis League in North America, featuring the world's best table tennis athletes playing in a new exciting format for fans to see up close and personal.

The first inaugural event is taking place this weekend, September 15th-17th in Daytona Beach, FL and the event organizers want to extend an invite to all Pictona at Holly Hill members, staff, and friends and family to witness a part of history and be our guest!

Click here for your FREE Tickets !


## Remembering Pictona Member Mike Berman

Mike Berman, Pictona member and tireless volunteer, passed away at age of 65 on August $20^{\text {th }}$ while on a trip to Las Vegas. Mike never hesitated to volunteer his time for Pictona events. If you parked your car at Pictona during a tournament here odds are Mike is the one that directed you to your spot. Mike also was involved in refereeing pickleball matches, and enjoyed being
part of the Pictona community.
He will surely be missed.


## October 19-22, 2023

## Register by October 2nd to receive a tournament T-Shirt!

Kick off the Fall Tournament Season by registering for the Conviva Pictona Open on October 19-22, 2023.

Last year 1030 players helped us open the completed Pictona campus that has 49 courts, 13 under cover, and a championship court in the MetroHealth Stadium. Help us top that number this year!

Join us for the entire tournament. On Thursday, the 19th, after you play, we offer a barbecue dinner on the deck and entertainment by New York's Dueling Pianos (\$35 per person).

## Experience Pickleball Paradise at Pictona!

Register for the Conviva Pictona Open HERE


## Register for Tournaments at Pictona

You can view our full schedule of tournaments and find details, including how to register, at this link.


### 3.5 Women's League Champions... GERM! <br> Rosita Karlsson, Gianna Southwick, Michelle Southwick (mom) and Erin Masters

2nd place: Get A Grip... Cindy Brackett, Colleen Holt, Jenny Gilbert and Krista Duff

3rd place: The LOBsters...Deidra Tober, Jessica Lambert, Sue Jeske and Suzanne Edgar


### 3.5 Men's League Champions... Andiamo!

Russ Owen, Carter Ellis, Kevin Ellis (dad), Blake Henderson (subbed for this team $4 / 5$ weeks) and (not pictured) Paul Pilblad

2nd place: Thunderdink...
James Tran, Jesper Jensen, JR Cheung and Kerry Hunt
3rd place: Dill With It...
Evan Ankrom, Joe Firrantello, Scott Rachal and Tim Frame


## Youth Mixers - New Fall Dates Added!

Due to the overwhelming popularity of these two POP! activities, they are back again in September and October! Check out later start time of 3pm on Saturday, Oct 7. REGISTER TODAY


ㅍICTONA ORGANIZED PICKLEBALL
Tired of open play?
Sign up for a POP! activity
Experience 5-6 consecutive games with players in designated skill levels
1.0 to $4.5+$

ONLY \$5 each!!!

POP! activities include:
aders, Mixers (youth \& adult) Tournament Practice Round Robins and Leagues


Check out a sneak peak of the NEW POP! activities and times coming in October.


Click HERE to SIGN UP to participate in any of our POP! Activities!


## Pickleball Minute: Blooper Reel

We have been happy to bring you the Pictona Pickleball Minute each week with valuable pickleball tips. It would be impossible to film this much and not have a blooper reel, so for your entertainment here it is!

Want to learn more about Pictona's instructional programs? Check out our education webpage HERE.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



## Join the Pictona Success Team

With hurricane season upon us and an exciting tournament schedule around the corner, Hali has updated our year-round Volunteer needs. Click HERE for Volunteer positions and "sign up" for as many as you wish. Once there is a specific day/time that we need help, you will be notified via email. Volunteer shifts are filled on a first come, first serve basis.

Incentives for our volunteers:

- Earn POP! Credits to play organized activities for FREE
- Free Meal Vouchers to use in The Kitchen and The Depot
- Eligible for FREE One Month Pictona membership: (monthly drawings during tournament season, courtesy of Karen/Jeff Dillard of Realty Pros)
- Invitation to annual volunteer appreciation BBQ
- Free stadium seating to watch top professional matches.
- Volunteer of the Month Parking spot.


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## Homemade Quiche

Our quiche has the best ingredients! Roasted tomato, mushrooms, onion, bacon \& cheddar. Served with a side salad of spinach, shaved red onion, \& sweet orange supreme salad (with choice of dressing).

Delicious!



## September 20th - Pop Up Putting Challenge!

The new 9-Hole Putting Green is almost finished! Alexis Golf Shop is hosting a bi-weekly putting challenge, and on Wednesday, Sept. 20th they will be at Pictona's NEW putting greens! Drop ins are welcome, but registration is encouraged. Please reach out to Alexis at Alexisgolfproducts@gmail.com or call (386) 872-4023.

You can find more information HERE.


# The FHCP Senior Activity Center offers a great variety of activities to help you maintain an active, healthy lifestyle 

Click HERE to view next weeks schedule of classes and activities.


## NEXT WEEK! NY NY Dueling Pianos

- Thursday, September 21
- 7:30 PM
- \$20 Bleacher Seats
- \$25 Floor Seats
- Box Seats available - The best seats in the house! Box seats include 4 reserved seats and a cocktail table. (\$120-\$30 per seat).

Click here to Purchase Dueling Piano Tickets


## U.S. Navy Band "The Commodores"

Although this is a FREE concert, please register at the button below so there is a record of how many will be attending.

- Thursday, November 2
- 7:00 PM
- FREE!

