

# PICKLEBALL

By Kay Gray

Last weekend the Pickleball Club held its annual fall tournament. Everyone had a wonderful time playing, socializing and eating.

Saturday, October 27 was the mixer. Everyone played one half hour slots. A bell was rung to begin play. When the bell rang again your half hour was up, you came off the court and new players came on the court. There were 16 people playing at all times and scores were not reported. It was great meeting new people and playing with different partners!

Sunday, October 28 was the competitive tournament. On courts 5 and 6 the novice players competed. It was a round robin tournament. The first place team was Bob Shuck and Vera Hutton with Ralph Lentzner and Melinda Dobbs coming in second. With so many intermediate players and just a few advanced players these teams were put into two flights playing on courts 1-4. The flight one winners were Anahid and Mark Gregg with Debbie and Danny Kirwan winning the consolation round. Gail Keck, Anna Hewitt, Kevin Prest and Norm Krishna were finalists. Flight two winners were Sherry Benz and Terry Holmquist with Kathi Ashby and Joe Militello winning the consolation round. Larry and Julie Henig along with Bob Flesher and Kamini Patwari were finalists.

Our successful tournament was made possible by the work of several individuals. Betty Olsen was a great tournament director. Sherry Benz obtained wonderful prizes. Sheryl Ruth and her committee comprised of Robyn Siebenthal and Anna Hewitt provided yummy nibbles and drinks. Frank Houghton and his court crew made sure all of the courts were in tip top shape and ready to play. David Cook spent a lot of time with the IT support.

*A big thank you goes to all of you!*

Please save the date, January 25 for our Holiday Bash at the clubhouse. We are a friendly bunch...see you on the courts!