

## Badger State Games Pickleball Summer 2023 Updates:

We are only days away from our Badger State Games Pickleball tournament! Registration closed on Thursday night and we have 140 people registered to play over the 3 days. We cannot wait to see you. Here is some info that we feel you might be interested in.

- There is no natural shade at Marathon Park. We plan to bring some EZ up tents, but if you have your own, it would be great to bring it along.
- Bring chairs.
- We will have water coolers for you to refill your water bottles at the site as well as some bottled water.
- There will be some light snacks, but we do not have any food trucks coming. Marathon Park has been under construction all summer and we were not given permission to invite food vendors in. There are some great restaurants close by, but nothing close enough for you to grab a sandwich between games.
- As of this moment, we are not sure what kind of bathroom facilities we will have available. The construction has impacted the water supply to the park. When we spoke to the park department last week, they were hopeful that we would have bathrooms available. We will have a port-o-potty regardless, but are crossing our fingers that we will have running water.
- Check in times will be 1:00pm Friday for our 2:00 singles start, 7:00am both Saturday and Sunday for our 8:00am starts. If you start at 11:00 or 2:00, please plan to check in a half an hour prior to your scheduled start.
- The format for \*most\* of our brackets will be a straight up round robin. Many of our brackets have 9, 10 or 11 teams, so be prepared to play a lot of games. There are a couple of smaller brackets and we may play a double round robin and perhaps have some play offs in those small brackets. No one will play less than 6 games, many of you will play 8 or more games.
- This is a DUPR event. We need to have 100% participation so that all matches count. You must be signed up for DUPR prior to playing.

Here are the start times for the tournament:

Friday, July 21

2:00pm All men's singles  
5:00pm All women's singles

Saturday, July 22

8:00am Men's 4.5 doubles 10 teams  
8:00am Men's 4.0 doubles 9 teams

11:00am Men's 3.0/3.5 doubles 7 teams  
11:00am Women's 4.0/4.5 doubles 9 teams

2:00pm Women's 3.0 doubles 5 teams  
2:00pm Women's 3.5 doubles 10 teams

Sunday, July 23

8:00am Mixed doubles 4.0 10 teams  
8:00am Mixed doubles 3.0 4 teams

11:00am Mixed doubles 4.5 11 teams  
11:00am Mixed doubles 3.5 11 teams

Plan on playing no matter what the weather. If it is raining OR we have high winds, we will move indoors to The Wausau Tennis Centre. 928 McDonald St. Wausau, WI 54403

If you have questions or concerns do not hesitate to send a text to either of us. We want to make sure this is a great experience for everyone.

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