

## Message from the President

Another Mountain Regional Tournament is in the books and Tony Spurlin and team did another fantastic job.

Although our numbers were down from last year it was still a great tournament and much cooler.

Here are the stats from the 2022 Mountain Regional Tournament:

### Player Dbls UTPR Player Age Groups

2.5	18	8+	1
3.0	213	13+	1
3.5	314	15+	4
4.0	168	17+	2
4.5	51	19+	72
5.0	4	35+	149
		50+	88
		55+	109
		60+	141
		65+	108
		70+	60
		75+	25
		80+	8



Total Players - 768  
 Total Matches - 1561  
 Average Match Times  
 1-15 matches – 34 minutes  
 2/3 matches – 72 minutes  
 Gold Medal Matches – 62 minutes  
 33 States and 2 Countries  
 41 Referees  
 56% Male Players  
 44% Female Players  
 Average of 1.73 events per player  
 Nevada Players – 206  
 Utah players - 132  
 Out of Region Players – 430

The 2023 tournament will again be held at the Sunset Park courts in Las Vegas. Dates to be announced soon.

From our courts to yours, be safe, stay well and have fun.  
 David Jordan, Regional Director



2022 USA Pickleball Mountain Diamond Regional Tournament team

left to right:  
 Randi Levenbaum, Referee Coordinator  
 Doug Messenger, Facilities Coordinator  
 David Jordan, Tournament Director  
 Tony Spurlin, Tournament Director  
 Patti Chess, Events Coordinator  
 Kathy Lewis, Volunteer Coordinator  
 (not pictured)

# 2022 USA Pickleball Mountain Diamond Regional

March 28<sup>th</sup> – April 3, 2022 at Sunset Park in Las Vegas, NV



# Ambassador Pioneer Award

UTAH



Tammy Wursten, David county Utah ambassador  
Sue McClelland, Northern Utah District ambassador

This award was created to recognize ambassadors in the Mountain region who go above and beyond promoting pickleball in their areas.

The honorees were chosen by their District ambassadors.

Congratulations to the deserving ambassadors!

NEVADA



Vicki Sharp, Northern Nevada District Ambassador  
Juana Begeulin, Carson City, NV ambassador  
Dave Whitefield, Carson City, NV ambassador  
Nick Sharp, Northern Nevada District Ambassador



Scott Whitehead, Southern Nevada District Ambassador  
Patti Chess, Las Vegas, NV Ambassador

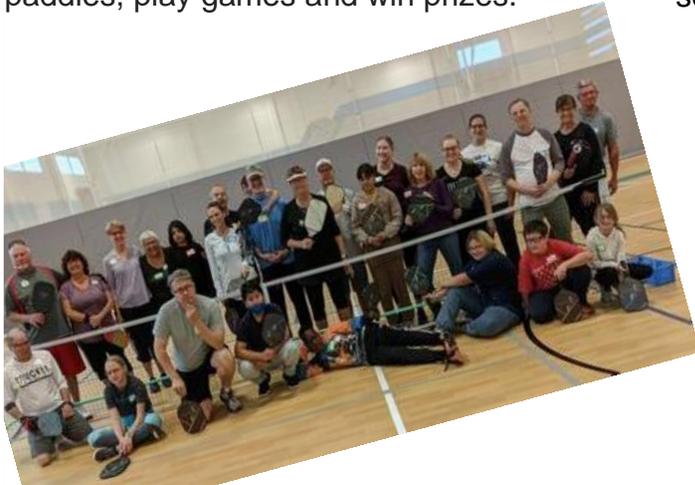
# Youth pickleball

## RENO, NV

Truckee Meadows Pickleball Club, from Northern Nevada, introduced pickleball to twenty attendees from the Northern Nevada Big Brothers and Big Sisters Program at the Boys and Girls Club in Reno, NV.

TMPC was the recipient of a \$1000 youth grant, from USA Pickleball mountain region, for paddles and equipment for teaching the youth in our area.

Everyone was excited to try out the new paddles, play games and win prizes.



## LAS VEGAS, NV

75 Clark County School District PE teachers were trained by Ambassadors, volunteers, certified trainers and members of our pickleball community. What makes this event even better is that it involved networking with an ambassador across state lines, Kathy Pederson from Park City, Utah, who helped lead this event.

After the event, Southern Nevada Pickleball club used grant monies from the last Mountain Regionals, to purchase eight nets for the CCSD. These nets are being shared by all schools to offer a pickleball program at their school.



# 2022 USA Pickleball Diamond Amateur Championship

Thursday 12/01/22 through Wed 12/07/22

**Pictona at Holly Hill**  
1060 Ridgewood Ave  
Holly Hill, FL 32117



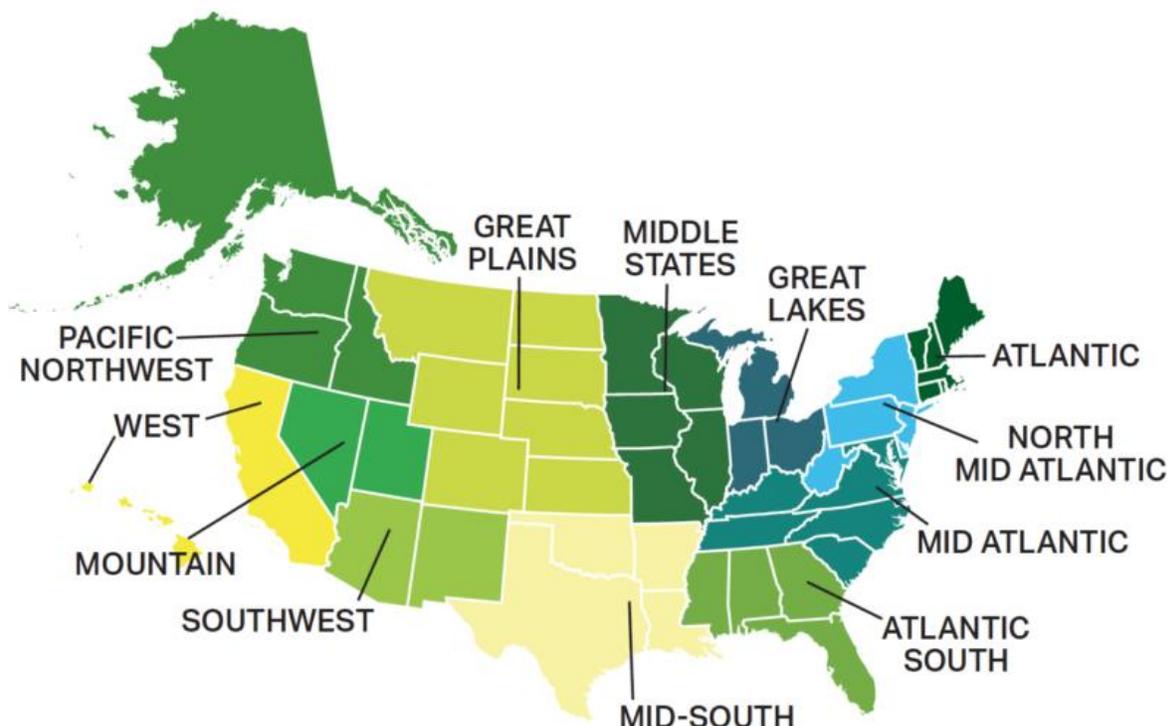
## Registration Dates

- Open: 07/07/22
- Closed: 11/01/22

Gold medal winners in each event of the Diamond Amateur Championship will earn a golden ticket to the USAP National Championships at Indian Wells in 2023

Regional Championships are now qualifiers for the new Diamond Amateur Championship. Gold and Silver Medalists from the Regional Tournaments will earn pre-registration into the Diamond Amateur Championship. Gold, Silver and Bronze Medalists from Regional Tournaments will be entered into the lottery for the 2022 National Championships in Indian Wells. Gold Medalists from the Diamond Amateur Championship will earn pre-registration (Golden Tickets) to the following year's National Championships in Indian Wells. MMP Sanctioned Tournament with the goal to have as many matches refereed as possible.

## USA Pickleball Regions



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Did you know there are 59  
ambassadors in the mountain  
region of Utah and Nevada?

Thank your ambassador today!!!!

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IN 2 YEARS

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\*Source: SFIA 2022 Sports, Fitness & Leisure Activities Topline Participation Report.



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