- **Do I have to be a resident in the Midwest to play in this tournament?**Anyone in the USA or a country can participate in this tournament.
- Are the games played outdoor or indoor? Wood floor or Asphalt? We will play indoor on asphalt courts, using X-40 balls.
- Why is the participation limited to individuals aged 18 and above? Due to liability and waiver purposes, the event is set for adults.
- I do not have a Cash App or prefer not to use it. What do I do?

  First choice, please ask your friend to pay Cash App for you. Second choice, email June Prusak at <a href="mailto:deafmidwestpickleball@gmail.com">deafmidwestpickleball@gmail.com</a> to discuss an alternative payment.
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- What is the Tournament agenda for Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup>?
   SureShot Pickleball, 2244 Corporate Lane, Naperville, IL is open at 7am. The tournament check-in is at 8:15am.
   Presentation/Group Picture are at 8:45am. No one is allowed on any courts before 9am. Games begin at 9:10am.
- What is Scramble Round Robin format for Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup>? It means you will have a different partner for each game per your division/pool. Example: Round 1- A/B vs C/D Round 2- A/C vs B/D Round 3- A/D vs B/C There are three pools for each skill level: 3.0, 3.5, and 4.0, with eight players in each pool. All games go up to 11 points. The top two players from each pool move on to the double-elimination playoffs, where games are also played up to 11 points. Medal Awards given to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each division.
- What is Mixed Fixed Round Robin format for Sunday, June 30th?
  You need to bring your own partner for your group. Each team must have one female and one male player, and at

least one partner must be deaf or hard of hearing. There are three pools for each skill level: 3.0, 3.5, and 4.0, with 8 teams in each pool. Games are played up to 11 points. The top two teams from each pool move on to the single-elimination playoffs, where games are also played up to 11 points. Medal Awards given to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each division.

• Are there food/drinks provided?

The place sells water bottles, Gatorades, and a few protein snacks. It's a good idea to bring your own food and lots of drinks. Feel free to bring lawn chairs, but put them in the spectator area. You can eat *whenever* you want; the tournament won't pause for lunch.

Can fans come and cheer?

Yes! Fans must stay in the spectator area at all times.