



## More Pickleball Courts Coming

Like many residential communities, The Meadows has seen an explosion of interest in pickleball. As the number of residents enjoying pickleball has greatly expanded, the pickleball facility in The Meadows remained at two courts. Many of our residents have had to seek outside venues to have an opportunity to play.

MCA has recognized that we need to expand the opportunity for residents and club members to play with their friends and neighbors within our community.

Several potential sites for more pickleball courts were reviewed. Many of these sites had deficiencies that precluded them from further consideration. The one site that met our needs best was to convert tennis courts one and two to pickleball courts. Developing this site for pickleball will bring much desired amenities to players- such as lighting for evening play, access to food and beverages, and an opportunity for socialization at either Centre Court facility or a new shaded area on the north side of the new courts. Converting the two tennis courts to eight pickleball courts is also the most fiscally responsible choice.

The court conversion project will begin shortly. MCA has contracted with Mor Sports, a Florida company, to construct the new pickleball courts. Mor Sports has extensive experience with this type of project. We expect the actual construction to begin in mid-August. They have estimated that the construction will take 90-120 days. With this schedule, the new courts should be ready for use before our snowbirds return in late Fall. Of course, weather events could alter this timeline.

In the immediate future, electrical and plumbing contractors will be preparing the site for construction. Please be careful to avoid any of these activities.

To secure the funding for maintenance and future improvements, MCA will institute an annual usage fee of \$120.00 for Renaissance Access cardholders. The funds collected will be deposited in a specific account for this purpose.

Over the next few months, besides the construction activity, the Meadows Pickleball Committee will be working to develop policies for the usage of these new courts. The Committee will also update the community on construction progress and usage policies and rules.

Sincerely,

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Director, MCA Board and  
MCA Pickleball Committee, Chair