**What is Pickleball?** Pickleball is a fast-paced, fun sport that combines elements of tennis, badminton, and ping-pong. Perfect for all ages and skill levels!

**Social Media**: Learn more information about Pickleball at the following sites:

* **Lake Hartwell Pickleball Club (website)**:
  + https://www.lakehartwellpickleballclub.com/
* **YMCA (website)**:
  + Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/p/YMCA-of-Georgias-Piedmont-Bell-Family-Branch-100064856230999/
* **SPOND**:
  + Spond is a free phone app that helps the YMCA pickleball community manage their events, communication, and tasks.
  + To get setup on the Spond app, contact David McGinnis. Cell #: 770-789-0751; Email: DavidMcGinnis1953@gmail.com.

**Open Play Sessions:** All skill levels are invited to play during Open Play.

* **Indoor Courts**: Four indoor (gym) courts are designated as Pickleball Courts, (courts 1-4).
  + Open Play hours**:** 
    - M-F 7 am - 3pm
    - Saturday 8am - 2pm (excluding December through February)
* **Outdoor Courts:** Four outside pickleball courts available for open play.
  + Open Play hours:
    - M-F 7 am - 8pm
    - Saturday 8am – 2pm

**On-going Activities:**

* **Introductory Sessions**:
  + New to pickleball? We’ll get you up to speed in no time!
  + Contact David McGinnis for more information.
  + Cell #: 770-789-0751; Email: DavidMcGinnis1953@gmail.com
* **Skill Development Clinics**:
  + Improve your game with instructor-led drills and techniques.
  + Download the SPOND phone app to receive notices re clinic dates and times.
* **Pickleball Ladder Competitions**:
  + Compete in our friendly ladder events!
  + Four ladder events are coordinated each year.
  + Players are grouped into matches based on their skill level.
  + For more information, go to the Lake Hartwell Pickleball Club website.
* **Fun Nights:**
  + Wednesday nights between Ladder Leagues are either Fun Night competitions or skill development sessions. Updates are posted to SPOND and on the Lake Hartwell Pickleball Club website.