Steve Valiant & Maya Ben-David are PPR Certified Pickleball Coaches and founders of the highly popular <a href="DC Pickleball League">DC Pickleball League</a>. Please contact <a href="wdcpickleball@gmail.com">wdcpickleball@gmail.com</a> for lessons, clinics, leagues & open play information.

## DC Pickleball League:

Dc Pickleball league has more than 500 active league players, join the fun! For more information and registration, contact us at <a href="mailto:dcpickleballleague@gmail.com">dcpickleballleague@gmail.com</a>.

Our shootout ladder leagues are designed for you to play multiple games with players of similar skill level in a fun and competitive environment while climbing up the ladder as you improve across the season!

Ladder league rankings are updated each week based on your performance in the round-robin events on wdcpickleball.com. As you play each week, your ladder ranking will become more accurate, and your matches more competitive.

Follow us on IG! <a href="https://www.instagram.com/dcpickleballleague/">https://www.instagram.com/dcpickleballleague/</a>

**Steve Valiant** is the consummate pickleball professional. He has played the sport for the last 16 years and has been competing in tournaments at some of the highest levels since 2009; playing against many of the top professional players throughout the nation. With more than 100 Gold and Silver Medals, he is well-known and admired throughout the pickleball community nationally.

- PPR Certified Coach; personally instructed more than 1000 players
- Co-founder of the <u>DC Pickleball League</u> with 500+ active league players
- Official Instructor of the Washington DC Pickleball Club.
- Engage Pickleball Brand Ambassador
- Demonstrated and introduced the sport for implementation in the City of Charlottesville VA, Silver Spring YMCA & Bethesda YMCA MD.
- Taught at Gamma Pickleball Camp alongside the pro player Jonny Andrews in Chantilly VA in 2023.
- Holds pickleball instructional workshops at the Takoma Park Rec Center for the City of Takoma Park.
- Organized and developed regular pickleball player competitions throughout the region for years prior to the popularity of the sport.

## Recent Tournaments:

- 2023 APP New York City Open Gold Medal Men's Doubles 4.5/5.0
  Golden Ticket Qualifier for Nationals Tournament in Dallas TX
- Boca Raton FL Masters 2023 Silver Medal Men's Doubles 4.5
- PPA n2grate DC Open 2022- Silver Medal Men's Double 4.5 Gold Medal Mixed Doubles 4.5
- Maryland Senior Olympics 2022 Gold Medal Mixed Doubles highest level
- National Senior Olympics 2022 Ft. Lauderdale, Overall 2<sup>nd</sup> place in age group 50-59; Silver Medal 4.5/5.0
- 2022 Arizona Robson Ranch Desert Slam 9th Annual Pickleball Tournament:
  Gold Medal Men's Doubles 4.5
- 2022 Arizona Fun In The Sun Pickleball Tournament For Charity: Gold Medal Men's Doubles 4.5
- 2022 Sun City Arizona Spring Slam: Gold Medal Men's Doubles 4.5

Steve's expertise in the sport provides DC with a high-caliber professional instructor, organizer and leader in the sport.

**Maya Ben-David** discovered pickleball in Washington DC in 2019 and immediately fell in love with it. Since then she has been dedicating her time to drilling, competing in tournaments around the US, teaching and organizing highly successful pickleball programs in the DMV area.

Maya is a PPR-certified coach running hundreds of pickleball clinics and lessons with over 1000 student base. She is an Engage Pickleball Brand Ambassador. As an instructor, she held Pickleball Summer Camp at Takoma Park Community with her colleague Steve Valiant and taught at Gamma Pickleball Camp alongside the pro player Jonny Andrews in Chantilly VA. She is an Official Instructor of the Washington DC Pickleball Club. Maya is a co-founder & director of <a href="DC Pickleball League">DC Pickleball League</a>, arguably the most popular league in the DMV area with hundreds of participants each season.

## Recent Tournaments:

- 2023 WVU Medicine Pickleball Tournament Hosted by the Winchester Country Club, Bronze medalist, Mixed doubles 4.5
- 2023 USA Pickleball Diamond Amateur Championship, Bronze Medalist Women's doubles 4.0
- 2022 YMCA of the Chesapeake Summer Smash Pickleball Tournament Gold Medalist Mixed Doubles 4.5
- 2022 PPA n2grate DC Open, Bronze Medalist, Mixed Doubles 4.0
- 2022 APP Sunmed Philadelphia Open (\$35K), Bronze Medalist, Women's Doubles 4.0
- 2022 APP New Jersey Open (\$50K), Silver Medalist, Women's Doubles 4.0
- 2021 DC Classic, Gold Medalist Mixed Doubles, Advanced Div.
- 2021 DC DPR Pickleball Challenge and Senior Games, Gold Medalist Advanced Div.





