



Local Pickleball Player, Tracy Bennet of Nelson/Balfour, BC to Compete for the Most Prestigious Title in the Sport at the 2023 Minto US OPEN Pickleball Championships in Naples, Fla., April 15-22

NAPLES, FLA. - Mar. 15 - A record 3,000+ Pickleball players of all ages and skill levels from all 50 states and 26 different countries will gather in Naples, Florida from April 15-22 to compete in the largest and most prestigious Pickleball tournament in the world -- the **2023 Minto US OPEN Pickleball Championships powered by Margaritaville**. All will be competing for the most prestigious title in the sport -- US OPEN Champion.

Among these players is Tracy Bennet from British Columbia. SHE will be competing in the 50+ 5.0 Women's Doubles with new partner Brenda Nunez of the USA. Tracy has only been playing Pickleball for a year. And with her tennis background, she has excelled in the sport, quickly.

The most prestigious event in Pickleball since 2016 is back in beautiful Naples, Florida with a \$125,000 pro prize purse, and a record number of players. Known as the "Biggest Pickleball Party in the World™," a record 35,000 spectators help create an electric atmosphere throughout all 60-courts in the largest permanent Pickleball facility in the world.

"I wasn't planning on playing the US Open. But, when Brenda asked me to play 5.0 Women's Doubles with her, I just couldn't refuse the opportunity to be a part of the biggest event of the year! I'll be heading down to Florida early, so I can acclimatize and prepare. I'm extremely excited to be playing at this level, in front of such a large audience."

The event will be streamed daily on [Pickleball Channel](#) with the women's and men's pro doubles finals broadcast live on CBS Sports Network on April 22 from 5-7pm ET.

Pickleball is the fastest-growing sport in the country. A recent study indicated that more than 36 million people had played the sport. Information on the Minto US OPEN Pickleball Championships is available at www.USOPENPickleball.com. [You can follow the event on Twitter](#) | [Facebook](#) | [Instagram](#).

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