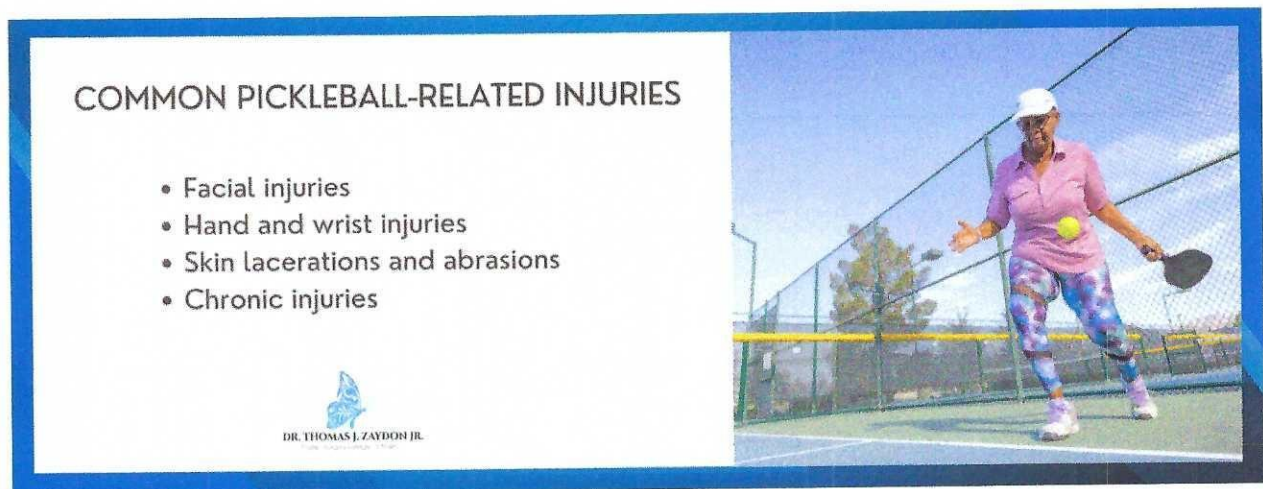


# Common Pickleball Injuries and How Plastic Surgery Can Help

Pickleball – it's the sport taking America by storm, offering a fun and social way to stay active, especially for those over 60.

However, a recent study revealed a surprising trend: players in this age group are experiencing new injury patterns. Broken noses, facial cuts, and even sun damage are becoming more common. While safety and proper warm-up routines are crucial, sometimes accidents happen.



Here's where plastic surgery steps in, helping you recover your confidence alongside your physical health.

## Common pickleball-related injuries

This rapid growth of pickleball has also led to a surge of pickleball-related injuries. The repetitive motions, quick bursts of speed, and sudden changes in direction inherent in the game can strain muscles, tendons, and joints. Some injuries can also affect one's mobility and functionality.

Some of the most common forms of injuries that you might get from pickleball include:

### Facial injuries

Lacerations, fractures, and dental injuries are common [facial injuries](#) in pickleball. This is usually caused by accidental racket strikes, falls, or collisions with other players.

## Hand and wrist injuries

Fractures, ligament tears, and tendon injuries often occur in the hands and wrists. This is typically caused by repeated strain from gripping the paddle or falling on outstretched hands.

## Skin lacerations and abrasions

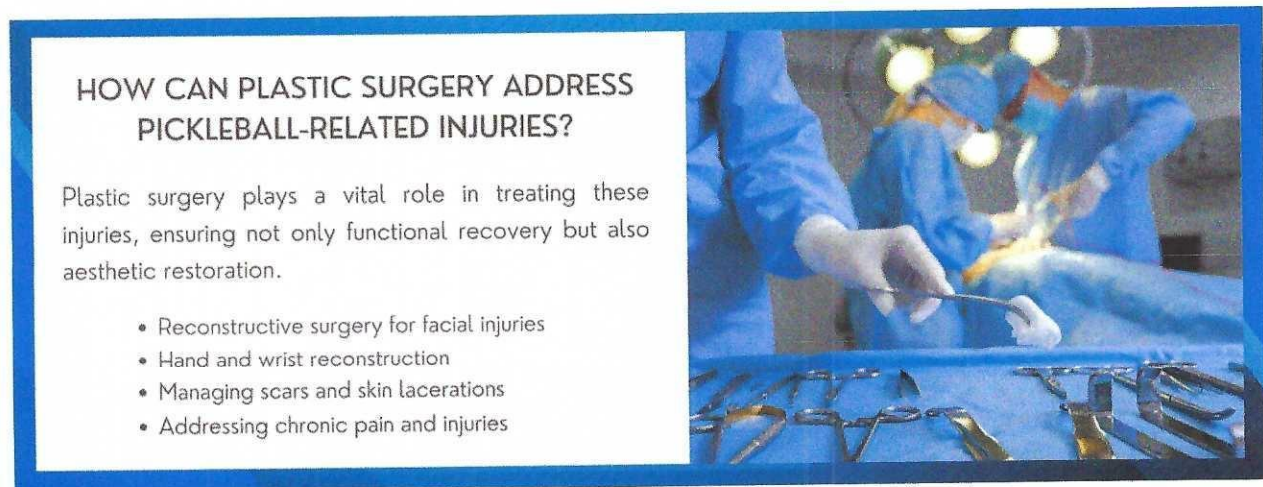
Falling on rough surfaces or being hit by a ball or paddle can cause deep cuts and abrasions on the skin.

## Chronic injuries

Tendonitis, bursitis, and chronic pain issues are common among avid players. This typically occurs due to repetitive stress and overuse of muscles and joints.

## How can plastic surgery address pickleball-related injuries?

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- Reconstructive surgery for facial injuries
- Hand and wrist reconstruction
- Managing scars and skin lacerations
- Addressing chronic pain and injuries

The graphic includes a photograph of surgeons in blue scrubs performing an operation in an operating room.

Here's a closer look at how plastic surgery can assist in addressing pickleball-related injuries:

### Reconstructive surgery for facial injuries

Facial injuries can be particularly distressing due to their impact on both function and appearance. Reconstructive surgery aims to repair the damage while preserving or restoring the facial structure.

Surgeons may use a combination of sutures, skin grafts, and bone restructuring. In cases of severe fractures, metal plates and screws may be necessary to stabilize the bones.

**Advancements:** Minimally invasive techniques and 3D imaging have revolutionized facial reconstruction, allowing for precise repairs with minimal scarring. Advanced laser technology can also reduce scar visibility post-surgery.

## Hand and wrist reconstruction

Hand and wrist injuries can significantly impact a player's ability to participate in Pickleball. Plastic surgeons can perform various procedures to restore function and relieve pain, such as:

- Tendon repairs
- Nerve decompression
- Ligament reconstruction
- Microsurgical techniques

**Advancements:** The use of bioengineered tissue and regenerative medicine has enhanced healing and recovery times. Platelet-rich plasma (PRP) therapy and stem cell treatments are cutting-edge options that promote faster and more efficient recovery.

## Managing scars and skin lacerations

Effective management of skin lacerations and scars is essential for both functional recovery and aesthetic reasons.

Suturing techniques, flap surgery, and skin grafts are employed to treat severe cuts and abrasions. Post-surgical care often includes laser treatments to minimize scar appearance.

**Advancements:** Fractional CO2 lasers and other advanced laser technologies have greatly improved scar treatment outcomes. These lasers can resurface the skin, promoting collagen production and reducing scar visibility.

## Addressing chronic pain and injuries

For chronic conditions resulting from repetitive stress or overuse, plastic surgery can offer solutions that alleviate pain and restore function. Some of the procedures that can address chronic pain issues include:

- Tendon transfers
- Joint replacement
- Nerve decompression

**Advancements:** Integrating minimally invasive techniques like arthroscopy allows for less traumatic interventions with quicker recovery times.

## Latest advancements in plastic surgery for sports injuries

The field of plastic surgery is continually evolving, with new techniques and technologies enhancing treatment outcomes for sports-related injuries. Here are some of the latest advancements specifically beneficial for treating pickleball and other sports injuries:

### Regenerative medicine

Regenerative medicine involves using the body's own healing mechanisms to repair tissues. This includes stem cell therapy and PRP.

These treatments accelerate healing, reduce inflammation, and can significantly improve recovery times for tendon and ligament injuries.

### 3D imaging and printing

3D imaging provides detailed visuals of the injury, allowing for precise planning and execution of surgical procedures. 3D printing can create custom implants and surgical guides.

### Minimally invasive techniques

These techniques involve smaller incisions and the use of specialized instruments to perform surgery. Patients experience less pain, shorter hospital stays, and faster recovery times. The risk of infection and scarring is also reduced.

### Advanced laser treatments


Laser technology has advanced significantly, offering improved methods for treating scars and promoting skin healing.

Lasers can effectively reduce scar tissue, improve skin texture, and enhance the overall appearance of surgical sites.

## Dr. Thomas Zaydon: Your Champion for Recovery

Love pickleball? Then you know the thrill of competition, the camaraderie on the court, and the occasional twinge of pain. But nagging injuries shouldn't sideline you.

Here at Plastic Surgery Institute of Miami, under the expertise of [Dr. Thomas Zaydon](#), we get you back to the game you love, stronger and more confident than ever.

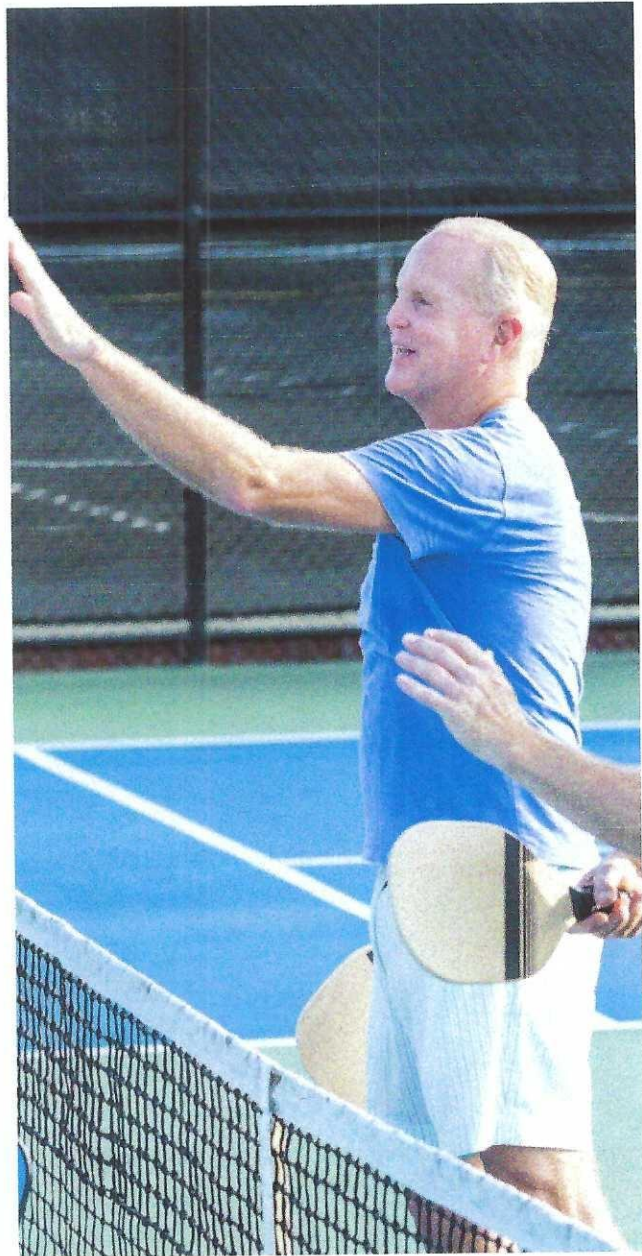


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Dr. Zaydon provides essential solutions for treating pickleball-related injuries, focusing on both functional recovery and aesthetic restoration.

With advancements in techniques and state-of-the-art technology, he can offer more effective and less invasive treatments, ensuring that pickleball enthusiasts can return to the court with confidence.

Dr. Zaydon is a board-certified expert in [plastic surgery for scars](#) with over 20 years of experience. He is not just passionate about aesthetics; he's also a leader in reconstructive surgery and the medico-legal side of plastic surgery, such as:

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- [Plastic surgery expert witness](#)

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