

Hello Utah Racquetball!

A lot has happened in Utah Racquetball this month! Here is the latest and greatest news!

The **Utah High School Championships** took place on January 28th – February 1st at Marv Jenson Fitness Center. It was a great time watching the future of racquetball compete as teams to take their school to the top. We want to Thank Lorretta Peterson and Tim Dolbin for all their involvement in running the High School program, both the league and the State Tournament. Also, thank you to all the coaches that volunteer so much time to teach the kids this great sport! You can view the results by visiting our website at <u>http://www.utahracquetball.org/tournaments/past</u>.

The next tournament was the **Valentines Day Massacre** tournament at Redwood Recreation center, this was their first tournament since getting their courts remodeled. They looked and played amazing! The tournament had a total of 57 participants this year. That is 22 more participants then last year! The tournament ran very smooth and we heard a lot of complements from the players. Thank you to David Diaz, Erika Rand, Mallory Parry and Sharee McBraun for all the work into making this a successful event. You can view the results by visiting our website at http://www.utahracquetball.org/tournaments/past.

The last tournament for the month of February was the **Utah State Doubles** tournament held at Marv Jenson Fitness Center. This was the last tournament that will be held at Marv Jenson as it is closing its doors on March 31st, 2020. It was great to see such a fantastic turnout with a total of 91 participants! There were some great racquetball and fantastic competition. We would like to thank Melissa Wood and her staff for running such a great tournament as well as Pam and Randy Martin. Pam is always on top of the hospitality during this tournament and her homestyle cooking never gets old! We will miss this Fitness Center and its great tournaments along with the many memories we all have there. Check

out results at <u>http://www.utahracquetball.org/tournaments/past</u> and you can view the matches that were live streamed on Facebook at <u>https://www.facebook.com/</u> <u>groups/32449625193/</u>

Important Information Regarding Your USRA Membership

The USRA made changes to the membership fees starting January 1, 2020. If you are a current member, you should have received an email from the USRA. The new fee schedule is as follows:

- Adult (1 year) \$60 with auto-renewal
- Adult (1 year) \$65
- Junior and Collegiate (1 year) \$30
- Limited Event Membership \$25
- Lifetime \$1,250
- Lifetime 65+ \$750

Because of these changes with the option to auto-renew, you will be responsible for making sure your membership is current before entering sanctioned events. There are no service fees for renewing online. If you want to check your membership expiration date, login to your R2Sport profile. Please reach out to Loretta Peterson or Devan Van Valkenburg with questions.

We have two tournaments left in the 2019-2020 season! Lets finish off the year strong!

- Shamrock Scramble
 - March 18th-21st
 - Alta Canyon Recreation center
 - Signup at <u>http://www.utahracquetball.org/tournaments</u>
- State Singles
 - April 14th-18th
 - J.L. Sorensen Rec Center

Please visit our <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u> and <u>YouTube channel</u>. Watch for some upcoming social media contests to win a prize!