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What's Happening

March Tournaments

11-15 **Luck of the Heights** **Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center**

April Tournaments

1-5 **State Singles** **Orem Fitness Center**
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Board Members Needed!

Do you love the sport of racquetball?

If so, bring your talents and ideas to the Utah Racquetball Board and help us improve and grow the sport in Utah.

- Board members run the yearly membership and State tournaments
- Complete individual assignments for different racquetball programs in the state
- Attend monthly board meetings.

If you are interested please email David Diaz at david.helmuth.diaz@gmail.com and you will be added to the ballot. Voting for Board Members will be done online through R2Sports the week prior to and during State Singles.

Quick Tips

- Do not run directly at the ball. Keep to the side of the ball and at the distance of your swing circle.
- During your forehand stroke, your racquet position should move from ear to ear to ensure a complete follow-through.
- Hit down the line (DTL) passing shots as often as possible.
- Warm-up for 10 minutes before every match by hitting the most common shots such as down-the-line passing shots and ceiling balls.



Ladies Invitational Tournament

Get ready ladies, the tournament you have all been waiting for is finally here! Please come and join us for some serious girl-time. This amazing event will be held at Marv Jenson Fitness Center 10300 S. Redwood Road March 21-22nd.

This is not a sanctioned event so you do not need to be a USRA Member to play in the tournament. The cost is only \$10.00 per person. What a fun way to get reconnected with some old friends. This is also a great way to get a little extra court time in for those of you interested in playing the State Championships just 2 weeks later.

On Saturday, after the matches, we will have a potluck lunch. In case I need to tempt you further I will be cooking up some Chicken Teriyaki and Rice. Cindy will be bringing her famous Taco Salad (for those of you that have tried it, you know that alone it is worth the 10 bucks) and Loretta has promised to whip up a sweet treat. We will also have little gift bags for each of you.

After hearing all of this I'm not sure how anyone could possibly miss this fabulous event. Be sure to drop an email to Mallory at president@utahracquetball.org to let her know what division you want to play in. Can't wait to see ya'll there!

- Pam Martin



Utah State Singles

Utah State Singles Championships

The Utah State Singles Racquetball Championships will be held April 2-5, 2014 at the Orem Fitness Center. Both skill level and age divisions will be offered. First event is \$40 and the second event \$15. Awards will be given for winners in each division. Go to www.utahracquetball.org for registration link. Deadline for registration is Friday, March 28 at 6pm.

Don't Miss the URA Banquet

The event will wrap up with a URA sponsored banquet after the finals on Saturday, April 5th. The banquet will include a catered dinner, raffle, awards, general meeting, and announcement of new and current board members. All URA members and tournament participants are welcome to attend. Non-members can attend for \$5 per person. See you there!



Hall of Fame Spotlight

Ruth McGovern- Inducted in 2000

Ruth McGovern won the first USRA National Women's Amateur championship only five years after learning to play racquetball in 1970. She played on the National Racquet Club Pro Tour for about four years, maintaining an eighth place ranking much of that time. Ruth also won a number of California amateur championships during that period.

Living in California at the time and working as a racquetball pro, Ruth ran tournaments in the hotbed of the sport during its explosive growth period. In the first tournament she ever ran, she had 121 entrants . . . in the C division alone.

She then moved back to SLC in 1979 and ran programs and tournaments at clubs today's young players have probably never heard of, like The Fountain of Youth, Towne and Country, and Sherwood Hills. In 1983, Ruth moved to the Redwood Center and has been promoting the sport there ever since. No other person has had as much impact on the junior's racquetball program in Utah as Ruth McGovern.



Orem Open Racquetball
January 22 – January 2
Orem Fitness Center

Division Type	Division Name	Winner	Runner-Up	Third	Fourth
Men's Age Singles	60+	Keith Haslem	Samuel Lammie	Walt Ralls	Byron Boyd Jr
Men's Doubles	A / B	Adam Wyatt / Loretta Peterson	Braden Hess / Joseph Thiriot	Mike Van Valkenburg / Greg Dorius	Duke Sorensen / Nate Sorensen
Men's Singles	A	Gamaliel Bautista	Jerry Bradshaw	Richie Asay	Greg Arnsen
Men's Singles	A Consolation	Bryan Durfey	Joseph Thiriot	Trevor Manning	Loretta Peterson
Men's Singles	B	Bryan Durfey	Jason Shaw	Keith Haslem	Kyle Morgan
Men's Singles	B Consolation	Austin Ulmer	Zachary Brown	Samuel Lammie	Jesse Caldwell
Men's Singles	C	Rick Bertelsen	Kyle Morgan	Rob Cousins	Colton Webb
Men's Singles	C Consolation	Scott Nelson	Kevin Tuttle	Kyle Jacobson	Nate Sorensen
Men's Singles	Elite	Braden Hess	Adam Wyatt	Jeff Webb	Trevor Manning
Men's Singles	Open	Jesse Van Valkenburg	Steve Black	Joseph Blank	Rob Burr
Mixed Doubles	C / D	Kylie Belt / Tjay Belt	David Henrie / Kaye Buhler	Roger Flick / Sylvia Sawyer	Scott Nelson / Val Shewfelt
Women's Singles	B / C	Tarah Barker	Kylie Belt	Tylynn Barker	Sheri Manning

Alta Canyon
January 28 – February 1
Alta Canyon Fitness

Division Type	Division Name	Winner	Runner-Up	Third	Fourth
Men's Age Singles	50+	Bradley Yoder	Keith Jeppson	Ross Tate	Keith Freeman
Men's Doubles	MABDcomb.	Greg Young / Jared Daniels	Jim Kountz / Samuel Siebert	Terry Petrie / Wilber Cerna	Dallas Heiner / Jim Heiner
Men's Doubles	Open / Elite	Matthew Majxner / Josh Doniak	Andrew Gale / Steve Black	Joseph Blank / Andrew Clarke	Devan Van Valkenburg / Jesse Van Valkenburg
Men's Doubles	Open / Elite Consolation	Adam Wyatt / Shane McDougal	Richard Bunker / Scott Johnson		
Men's Singles	A	Tony Benich	Caleb Kruger	Adam Wyatt	Bradley Yoder
Men's Singles	A Consolation	John Parry	Jack Bybee	Samuel Siebert	Ben Sisson
Men's Singles	B	Terry Petrie	Ivan Villarreal	Jim Kountz	Keith Jeppson
Men's Singles	B Consolation	Clark Morzelewski	Gus Wheeler	Keith Freeman	Jim Heiner
Men's Singles	C	Clark Morzelewski	Dallas Heiner	Keith Freeman	Gus Wheeler
Men's Singles	Open / Elite	Matthew Majxner	Joseph Blank	Andrew Gale	Andrew Clarke
Men's Singles	Open / Elite Consolation	Jesse Van Valkenburg	Scott Johnson		
Mixed Doubles	Upper	Erika Rand / Jesse Van Valkenburg	Adam Wyatt / Loretta Peterson	Staci Christensen / Shane McDougal	Emily Coonse / Richard Bunker
Women's Singles	Open	Emily Coonse	Erika Rand	Loretta Peterson	Staci Christensen

Utah State High School Championships
February 5 – February 8
Marv Jensen

Division Type	Division Name	Winner	Runner-Up	Third	Fourth
Boy's High School Doubles	#1	Eric Christensen / Greg Dorius	Carter Brown / Dallas Heiner	Max Benich / Sagen Fredrickson	Kevin Ekins / Tristan Broadbent
Boy's High School Doubles	#2	Ben Williams / Blake Burns	Jordan Rand / Randy Weintz	Isaiah Bennett / Jesse Sindelar	Mitch Backus / Ryan Schroeder
Boy's High School Singles	#1	Jesse Van Valkenburg	Nathan McLaughlin	Greg Dorius	Eric Christensen
Boy's High School Singles	#1 Consolation	Colton Webb	Carter Brown	Dallas Heiner	Tristan Broadbent
Boy's High School Singles	#2	Jordan Rand	Daniel Sheanshang	Max Benich	Jesse Sindelar
Boy's High School Singles	#2 Consolation	Blake Burns	Patrick Dowd	Mitch Backus	Levi Bruner
Boy's High School Singles	#3	Kelton Stokes	Sean Robison	David Hall	Kohlten Bills
Boy's High School Singles	#3 Consolation	Gunner Poulson	Isaac Robison	Nicholas Rasetti	Alex Smith
Girl's High School Singles	#1	Alexi Rose	Mallie Brown	Rebecca Van Rhee	Kylie Belt
Girl's High School Singles	#1 Consolation	Maren Madsen	Lucy Youn	Addison Morris	
Girl's High School Singles	#2	Rebecca Wirthlin	Kelsie Barker	Emily Rupp	Madison Hyland
Girl's High School Singles	#2 Consolation	Jillian Combs	Bethan Anderson	Celina Uhl	Andi Li
Mixed Doubles	Upper	Daniel Sheanshang / Kelsie Barker	Addison Morris / Rahul Mukherjee	Alexi Rose / Maren Madsen	Jordan Sabourin / Kristyn Sites

**UVU Open
February 5 – February 8
Utah Valley University**

Division Type	Division Name	Winner	Runner-Up	Third	Fourth
Men's Doubles	A	Ben Sisson / Clint Savage	Adam Wyatt / Terry Petrie	Mark Allen / Perry Allen	Jed Cromwell / Josh Schultze
Men's Doubles	A Consolation			Caleb Kruger / Justin Hanks	
Men's Doubles	B	Kyle Morgan / Rick Bertelsen	Keith Jeppson / Tanner Luke	Erik Thompson / Jason Duckworth	Dezmond Swain / Richard Dawson
Men's Doubles	Open	Joseph Blank / Roberto Cantos	Devan Van Valkenburg / Jesse Van Valkenburg	Brian Zundel / Paul Snyder	Braden Hess / Patrick Harris
Men's Singles	A	Caleb Kruger	Ben Sisson	Amulek Alcazar	Josh Greenwell
Men's Singles	A Consolation	Jerry Bradshaw	Mark Allen	Scott Herbst	Zach Byers
Men's Singles	B	Kyle Rowley	Spencer Loveless	Kyle Morgan	Clu Snow
Men's Singles	B Consolation	Reid Kuttler	Erik Thompson	Jason Duckworth	Greg Daniels
Men's Singles	C	Richard Dawson	Dezmond Swain	Tanner Luke	Kevin Tuttle
Men's Singles	Open	Andrew Gale	Roberto Cantos	Joseph Blank	Scott Burr
Men's Singles	Open Consolation	Brian Zundel	Braden Hess	Jared Clawson	Brandon Gould
Women's Doubles	Upper	Charlotte Macfarlane / Katherine Affeltranger	Eliza Culverwell / Valorie Draper	Adrienne Schneider / Sara Moulton	Kamila Welling / Krista Yourstone
Women's Singles	A	Adrienne Schneider	Krista Yourstone	Jennifer Tovar	Kamila Welling
Women's Singles	Open	Eliza Culverwell	Valorie Draper	Katherine Affeltranger	Charlotte Macfarlane
Women's Singles	Women's B/C	Sarah Larsen	Catherine Tryon	Jessilee Loucks	Jessica Madson

**St. Valentine's Day Massacre
February 11 – February 15
Redwood Recreation Center**

Division Type	Division Name	Winner	Runner-Up	Third	Fourth
Men's Singles	A	John Parry	Jared Daniels	Jerry Bradshaw	Wilber Cerna
Men's Singles	A Consolation	Michael Rubin	Scott Herbst	John Down	
Men's Singles	B	Stephanie Barton	Mallory Parry	Clu Snow	Allan Peterson
Men's Singles	B Consolation	Clark Morzelewski	Samuel Lammie	Tyler Boice	
Men's Singles	Mens C/D	Tyler Boice	Allan Peterson		
Men's Singles	Open	John Parry	Garrett Gilmore	Brad Schmidt	Enrico Dubach
Women's Singles	Womens Singles	Mallory Parry	Lisa Kuttler	Paige Bryson	Laura Daniels

2013 – 2014 Utah Racquetball Tournament Schedule

August	7-10	Juniors State Tournament	Redwood Rec Center rmcgovern@slco.org	Ruth McGovern 385-468-1870
September	3-7	Fall Opener Membership Drive	Marv Jensen inkmanvan@gmail.com	URA /Mike VanValkenburg 801-928-4713
	17-21	Utah County Membership Drive	Utah Valley University ruff.bryce@gmail.com	URA/ Bryce Ruff 801-995-9207
	17-21	Bountiful Bash Membership Drive	South Davis Rec Center rico@swissboy.biz	URA/Rico Dubach 801-298-3656
October	1-5	U of U Open	University of Utah kmccloyn@hotmail.com smiller@crs.utah.edu	Kayla McCloyn/Susan Miller 801-641-6672/801-641-6682
	9-12	Huntsman Senior Games	St. George rbjohn@icloud.com rbjohn175@gmail.com	John Haynes 801-541-3425
	15-19	Provo Open	Provo Rec Center plsnyder1@gmail.com	Paul Snyder 801-429-9730
	22-26	Jordan Valley	Jordan Valley rvanwagoner1@msn.com	Randy Van Wagoner 801-557-5152
November	5-9	State Doubles	Marv Jensen randy@utahracquetball.org	Garrett Snyder / Randy Martin 385-468-1630/ 801-699-6266
	20-23	November Contenders	Orem Fitness Center kbuhler@orem.org	Kaye Buhler 801-229-7118
December	3 -7	Aggie Open	Utah State University j.r.g@aggiemail.usu.edu	Josh Greenwell 208-589-2191
	10-14	Utah Age Division Challenge	Orem Fitness Center kbuhler@orem.org	Kaye Buhler 801-229-7118
January	7-11	Sports Mall	Sports Mall rbjohn@icloud.com rbjohn175@gmail.com	John Haynes 801-541-3425
	21-25	Orem Open	Orem Fitness Center kbuhler@orem.org	Kaye Buhler 801-229-7118
	28-1	Alta Canyon	Alta Canyon shanejmac@gmail.com	Shane McDougal 801-860-3491
February	4-8	State High School	Marv Jensen inkmanvan@gmail.com	Mike Van Valkenburg 801 -928-4713
	4-8	UVU open	Utah Valley University ruff.bryce@gmail.com	Bryce Ruff 801-995-9207
	11-15	Valentine's Day Massacre	Redwood Rec Center rmcgovern@slco.org	Ruth McGovern 385-468-1870
March	11-15	Luck of the Heights	Cottonwood Heights rmcgovern@slco.org	Ruth McGovern 385-468-1870
April	1-5	State Singles	Orem Fitness Center kbuhler@orem.org	Kaye Buhler 801-229-7118
	22-26	Spring Smash	Marv Jensen randy@utahracquetball.org	Garrett Snyder / Randy Martin 385-468-1630/ 801-699-6266