Announcing the 2018 US Open Racquets Championships

Dear Racquets Player,

The Racquet Club of Philadelphia is proud to be the host of the 2018 United States Open Racquets Singles and Doubles Championships!

Play will be begin on Wednesday, March 7th with qualifying matches and continue through the Singles and Doubles Finals on Sunday, March 11th. We already have commitments from some of the top players in the world so this is sure to be a top level field.

Philadelphia is proven to have one of the best racquets courts in the world, most recently hosting the Singles World Championship in 2015. Our court is a favorite among many for its true walls and its speed so this is a unique opportunity to see our sport played at the highest level.

Alongside the US Open, the Racquet Club will be hosting the Lord Percival court tennis tournament (a team tournament for higher handicap players) as well as a Member/Guest squash doubles tournament. If you wish to participate in either of these events, please let our Pro Shop know as soon as possible as both are filling up fast.

As is typical of any racquets tournament, the social schedule promises to be strong. The gentlemen's stag night will be held in our Grille Room on Thursday, March 8th with a 3 course meal followed by jokes, stories, and some games of chance. Then on Friday, March 9th the club will host a 5th floor cocktail party in the evening while members, players, and guests watch the quarterfinal matches. Racquets players will join tennis and squash players on Saturday evening for a celebratory dinner in our main dining room announcing the finalists in all of the various tournaments. The racquets singles and doubles finals will be played on Sunday and brunch will be served on the 5th floors adjacent to the viewing gallery. For those familiar with our club, you are correct to assume the beer from Pub Club will be flowing freely all weekend.

Please read the information on the pages to follow and fill out our entry form online. Please contact the Pro Shop or myself if you have any questions or require further information. To ensure the draw is completed in a timely manner, we ask that all entries are received by Friday, February 27th.

Also, check http://rcop.com/event/2018-us-open/ for information and updates. We hope 2018 is treating you well and look forward to hosting you and your guests during the US Open.

PLAY!

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2018 United States Open Racquets Championships

March 7th through March 11th, 2018

RACQUET CLUB OF PHILADELPHIA 215 SOUTH 16TH STREET, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102

Social Events:

Wednesday, March 7th:	Singles Qualifying Matches, Dinner Available in the "1889 Pub"
Thursday, March 8th:	Stag Dinner in the Grille Room (Black Tie)
Friday, March 9th:	Cocktail Party on the 5th Floor & Quarterfinal Matches
Saturday, March 10th:	Tournament Dinner in our Main Dining Room (Coat & Tie)
Sunday, March 11th:	Finals & Brunch

Format

- The main draws will be comprised of 16 singles players and 8 doubles pairs.
- The 12 top singles players and 6 top doubles pairs (as determined by committee/rankings) will be entered directly into the main draws.
- The remaining 4 singles spots and 2 doubles spots will be filled via a qualifying tournament which will commence on the morning of Wednesday, March 7th.

Entries are due Friday, February 27th, via <u>online form</u>.

There will be a court tennis team tournament (the Lord Percival) and a Member/Guest squash doubles tournament running concurrently with the US Open.

PATRON PACKAGE: \$650

Tournament Entry (**US Open or Other**) Stag Dinner Lunch on Friday and Saturday Saturday Dinner (x2) Sunday Brunch (x2) Reserved finals seating (x2) in Row 1-2 Recognition in Tournament Program

PLAYER PACKAGE: \$375

Tournament Entry (**US Open or Other**) Stag Dinner Lunch on Friday and Saturday Saturday Dinner Sunday Brunch Reserved finals seating in Row 3-4

A LA CARTE:

Tournament Entry - \$125 Stag Dinner - \$100 Lunches - \$25 each Saturday Dinner - \$100 Sunday Brunch - \$35 US Open Finals Ticket - \$35

NOTE: Credit card information will be required upon arrival at the club. **SIGN UP LINK:** <u>http://rcop.com/event/2018-us-open/</u>