

DEL MAR FINANCIAL PARTNERS INC. OPEN RANCHO SANTA FE, CA • JANUARY 29-FEBRUARY 5

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Site: Morgan Run Club and Resort
Rancho Santa Fe, Calif.

Website: procircuit.usta.com

Qualifying Draw Begins: Sunday, January 29

Main Draw Begins: Tuesday, January 31

Main Draw: 32 Singles / 16 Doubles

Surface: Hard / Outdoor

Prize Money: \$25,000

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PRIZE MONEY / POINTS

SINGLES:	Prize Money	Ranking Points
Winner	\$2,940	50
Runner-Up	\$1,666	34
Semifinalist	\$1,078	24
Quarterfinalist	\$686	14
Round 16	\$490	8
Round 32	\$294	1
DOUBLES:	Prize Money (per team)	
Winner	\$1,176	
Runner-Up	\$686	
Semifinalist	\$392	
Quarterfinalist	\$196	
Round 16	\$98	

USTA PRO CIRCUIT WOMEN'S RETURNS TO RANCHO SANTA FE

The **Del Mar Financial Partners Inc. Open** returns to Rancho Santa Fe, Calif., for the second consecutive year in 2012. It is the third USTA Pro Circuit event on the 2012 women's calendar and the first hard court event of the year.

Those players expected in the main draw include: **CoCo Vandeweghe**, a Rancho Santa Fe resident and the highest-ranked American in the field, who reached the second round of the 2011 US Open and broke into the Top 100 for the first time last season after qualifying for the Australian Open and reaching the quarterfinals of the WTA event in Memphis. Vandeweghe also was named to the U.S. Fed Cup team for the 2010 final versus Italy in San Diego, and as a junior, she won the 2008 US Open girls' singles title. Her mother, Tauna, was an Olympian in both swimming and volleyball, and her uncle is former NBA All-Star Kiki Vandeweghe.

Also expected in the main draw are: 16-year-old **Madison Keys**, who in 2011 became the youngest player to win a match in the main draw at the US Open since Nicole Pietrangeli in 2005, and who won a USTA playoff to earn a main draw wild card into the 2012 Australian Open; **Madison Brengle**, who rose to a career-best No. 152 in April 2011 after reaching the final here, and who has

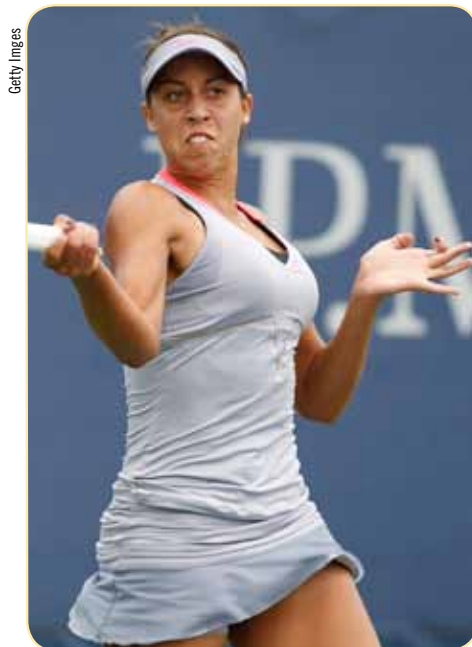


Rancho Santa Fe native CoCo Vandeweghe reached the second round of the 2011 US Open and broke into the Top 100 last year.

competed in the main draw at the Australian Open, French Open and US Open in her career; and **Chichi Scholl**, who rose more than 500 spots in the WTA rankings in 2011 after finishing the year as the leading money winner on the women's USTA Pro Circuit.

Also scheduled to compete are: **Julia Cohen**, who won two \$25,000 events in the fall of 2011 in Armenia and Argentina, and who, as a collegian, earned All-American honors at both the University of Florida and the University of Miami; **Alexa Glatch**, who helped propel the United States to the 2009 Fed Cup final and reached the final of two USTA Pro Circuit \$50,000 events in 2011; **Julia Boserup**, who won her first professional title in 2011 at the \$25,000 event in Redding, Calif.; and **Ashley Weinhold**, the 2007 USTA Girls' 18s national champion who won the \$25,000 event in Rancho Mirage, Calif., in 2011.

Players receiving main draw wild cards include young Americans **Lauren Davis**, 18, who won the 2011 USTA Girls' 18 National



16-year-old Madison Keys earned a wild card into the 2012 Australian Open after winning a USTA wild card playoff.

Championships to earn a wild card into the 2011 US Open and captured a USTA playoff to earn a wild card into the 2011 Australian Open, and **Krista Hardebeck**, 17, who reached the semifinals in Rancho Santa Fe in 2011 and the girls' singles quarterfinals at the 2011 US Open. Hardebeck arrives in Rancho Santa Fe after reaching the girls' singles semifinals of the 2012 junior Australian Open.

Young Americans and former collegiate standouts competing in

qualifying include: **Chieh-Yu Hsu**, 19, who won three ITF Circuit titles in 2011, with victories in Taiwan and Turkey; **Shelby Rogers**, 19, who captured the 2010 USTA Girls' 18 National Championships to earn a main draw wild card into the 2010 US Open; **Maria Sanchez**, a three-time All-American for USC who won the 2010 USTA/ITA National Indoor Intercollegiate Championships; and fellow former USC standout **Amanda Fink**, who reached the final at the \$50,000 event in Lexington, Ky., in 2011.

RANCHO SANTA FE PAST WINNERS

Singles

Year	Winner	Runner-Up
2011	Michelle Larcher de Brito (POR)	Madison Brengle (USA)

Doubles

Year	Winner
2011	Julie Ditty (USA) – Mervana Jugic-Salkic (BIH)

USTA PRO CIRCUIT

With approximately 90 tournaments hosted annually throughout the country and prize money ranging from \$10,000 to \$100,000, the USTA Pro Circuit is the pathway to the US Open and tour-level competition for aspiring tennis players and a frequent battleground for established professionals. The USTA launched its Pro Circuit 33 years ago to provide players with the opportunity to gain professional ranking points, and it has since grown to become the largest developmental tennis circuit in the world, offering nearly \$3 million in prize money. Last year, more than 1,000 men and women from more than 70 countries competed in cities nationwide. **Mardy Fish, Maria Sharapova, Andy Roddick, Caroline Wozniacki, James Blake, Li Na and Andy Murray** are among today's top stars who began their careers on the USTA Pro Circuit.

More recently, the USTA Pro Circuit helped launch the careers of two young Americans—**Christina McHale** and **Ryan Harrison**. McHale reached the quarterfinals or better at five USTA Pro Circuit events in 2010 and climbed more than 100 spots in the WTA rankings that year. Buoyed by those results, she began to compete regularly on the WTA tour in 2011 and became the youngest player in the world's Top 50 after defeating No. 8 seed Marion Bartoli en route to the third round of the US Open. Three weeks prior, she upset world No. 1 Wozniacki at the US Open Series event in Cincinnati. McHale also was named to the U.S. Fed Cup team for the World Group Playoff in April 2011. Harrison began 2011 by winning the singles and doubles titles at the \$50,000 USTA Pro Circuit Challenger in Honolulu and subsequently reached the round of 16 in Indian Wells, where he upset three players ranked in the Top 50. Harrison cracked the Top 100 for the first time in summer 2011—becoming one of just two teenage males in the Top 100—after reaching back-to-back semifinals at the US Open Series events in Atlanta and Los Angeles. He also played in the main draw of all four Grand Slam events last year, pushing world No. 5 David Ferrer to five sets in the second round at Wimbledon.



Christina McHale

PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

The USTA Player Development program identifies and develops the next generation of American champions by surrounding the top junior players and young pros with the resources, facilities and coaching they need to reach their maximum potential. The Player Development program is based at the USTA Training Center Headquarters in Boca Raton, Fla., and also utilizes Training Centers in Carson, Calif., and Flushing, N.Y., as well as a series of Certified Regional Training Centers located throughout the continental United States.

10 AND UNDER TENNIS

On January 1, the USTA announced that the rules of tennis have officially changed and require that 10 and Under Tennis tournaments be played utilizing smaller, lighter racquets and lower-bouncing balls on smaller courts. This rule change signifies the emergence of 10 and Under Tennis as an integral part of the development of young players. The scaled-down equipment and smaller courts better allow kids to rally and play the game earlier in their development, and increase the likelihood they will return to the court and continue to improve while having fun doing so. For more information, visit www.10andundertennis.com.

NJTL

Cities across the country participate in the USTA/National Junior Tennis and Learning (NJTL) network, a nationwide network of community tennis organizations seeking to develop the character of young people through both tennis and education. Founded by Arthur Ashe in 1969, more than 650 registered chapters/programs exist throughout the nation with more than 250,000 participants ages 6-18, making NJTL one of the USTA's largest community-based initiatives.

US OPEN NATIONAL PLAYOFFS

The USTA launched the US Open National Playoffs in 2010, making the US Open "open" to anyone age 14+ and of all skill levels. Last year, more than 1,200 players competed in 16 Sectional Qualifying Tournaments nationwide for a 2011 US Open



Qualifying Tournament wild card. A mixed doubles element was also added, where the winning team won a main draw mixed doubles wild card. Blake Strode, 24, of St. Louis, defended his US Open National Playoffs men's title in 2011 and Robin Anderson, 18, of Matawan, NJ, won the women's wild card. David Martin and Christina Fusano won the mixed doubles tournament. Registration for the 2012 US Open National Playoffs opens on March 15.