THE 2004 EASTER BOWL THE USTA NATIONAL SPRING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Presented By



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Tournament Dates: Referee: Rollie Shea

April 2 - 9, Boys 14, Girls 14 & 16 April 3 - 10, Boys 16 & 18, Girls 18

Events: Singles 128 draw, Feed-In-Consolation, 64 doubles draw, 3/4 Playoff singles and doubles. A player should expect to play two rounds of singles and 1 doubles or one singles and two rounds of doubles on a given day.

Special Events:

Welcome Reception & Referee Meeting: Thursday or Friday, April 1st or 2nd (to be announced at a later time – check the website!!!), 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Riviera Resort, heavy hors d'oeuvres and beverages served. Players, families and coaches all welcome.

Pro-Am & Pro-Celebrity

Participants, dates, times, and locations will be posted.

Player's Dinner: Sunday, April 4 @ 7:00 p.m., Riviera Ballroom

Daily special events: drawings, prizes, snacks, sponsor booths in Players Tent at host site Riviera Resort.

On-site Registration:

Thursday, April 1, Riviera Resort, 12:00 p.m. - 7 p.m. for all age groups and Friday, April 2, Riviera Resort, Noon – 6:00 p.m. for Girls 18 and Boys 16 & 18. Doubles Registration deadline for Boys & Girls 14's and Girls 16's is by 3:00 pm April 1st. Doubles Registration deadline for Boys & Girls 18's and Boys16's is by 3:00 pm April 2nd. Players first match time will be available at check in. Matches start at 8 a.m. daily.

Players should increase their intake of water at least 3 weeks prior to arrival in Palm Springs, and, of course, bring a water cooler to matches. **Gatorade and Fiji Water** will be available to players.





















Pro Circuit Stringing will be available as of Wed., March 31, Pineapple Room, Riviera Resort.

Ball: Wilson Heavy Duty; hardcourt **Surface:** Hard

Entry Fee: \$75. Trainers will be onsite

Refund: The Tournament Committee shall refund a player's entry fee if the player withdraws before the draw has been made (Tentative date on making the draw 3/26/04) or 7 days before tournament starts. A player shall not withdraw from a tournament except for a bona fide reason such as illness, injury, or personal emergency.

Entry Procedures:

Entries open January 22, 2004 and must be made using the USTA TennisLink Registration System available at www.usta.com and received by 11:59P.M. Eastern Standard Time, **Thursday March 4, 2004**. Do NOT wait until the last minute to register. **Late entries will not be accepted.** Players without access to the internet should call their Section. Special usta.com tournament search # -- 651790204.

It is a player's responsibility to check the applicant list at www.usta.com for his/her name and the selection process list for a checkmark next to his/her name to ensure successful completion of the registration process.

Doubles Registration:

ALL PLAYERS: PLEASE MAKE AN EFFORT TO PICK YOUR DOUBLES PARTNER BEFORE YOU REGISTER AND LIST THEM WHEN YOU REGISTER ONLINE. You must play doubles in the same age category as your singles. Players must sign up for doubles with their partner at on-site registration—Thursday April 1, 2004, from 12:00 p.m. – 3 p.m for all age groups and Friday April 2, 2004 from 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. for Girls 18s and Boys 16s and 18s – at the Riviera Resort. Players without partners are responsible to find a partner and sign up as a team **before** 3:00 p.m. deadline. The tournament is not responsible for matching partners. National Alternate players may apply for doubles provided the draw is not full.

We will accept notification of doubles teams in advance of the tournament via fax or e-mail. Once tournament singles selections have been made it is the players responsibility to let us know his/her doubles partner. It is extremely helpful if you can assist the tournament by letting us know your doubles partner prior to arriving at the event. Please send this confirmation after singles admittance is verified (which would be after March 4, 2004) by fax to 1.212.753.8742 or by e-mail (listed above).

USTA/ Medical Release will be provided when you register electronically. Please fill it out, have your parent sign it and bring with you to on-site registration.

Selection Notification: Will be published to the Internet www.usta.com no later than five days after the entries close.

Alternates Notification: Players on the National Alternate List will be notified by telephone if they have been accepted into the draw when a withdrawal has been confirmed. If you are planning to attend the tournament, even though you are not in the draw (On-site alternate), you must register and





















check in between 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m on Thursday April 1, 2004 (Boys & Girls 14 and Girls 16's) and between 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. on Friday, April 2, 2004 at the Riviera Resort. Please contact the tournament if your flight is coming in after this time and you can not make it to check in.

Withdrawal: Before or on the Entry Closing Date, the entrant must withdraw via the Internet. After the entry closing date it is your responsibility to notify your sectional endorser and tournament committee in writing, fax or e-mail (see above numbers) ASAP so that a National Alternate may be notified immediately. Please remember to cancel hotel/airline/car reservations.

USTA rules of play. Set tiebreak will be played at 6 all throughout. Point Penalty System will be enforced.

Dress code: Marriott Rancho Las Palmas require collared shirts. If T-shirt is worn, you will not be allowed on court. Appropriate tennis attire is required at all other sites and **collared shirts must be worn from quarters on**. Check with each sites' rules.

Transportation: We recommend a car rental. **Avis offers special rates** - See attached. Vans originate from Riviera Resort and will transport players to ancillary sites.

Please note: should you have a singles match off-site and a doubles elsewhere, and you are reliant on van service, you must return to the Riviera for transportation to next site. Maps and directions will be included in the Players packet handed out at registration.

Housing: Fee \$25. Please make check payable to Easter Bowl Fund. Deadline for housing request is March 14th. Private housing is extremely limited; out of state players will be given priority. We do not house coaches! Please call New York office 212-308-5368 for a housing request form. Housing is available 24 hours prior to start date April 2, 2004, and terminates 24 hours after final loss. Requests for a particular roommate or host family will, if possible, be accommodated. Host family provides bed, breakfast and dinner. You are responsible for lunch and snacks. Please adhere to host family rules. Unacceptable behavior will result in termination of private housing and player will be financially responsible for other accommodations. Parents and Section notified.

Practice Courts: You may sign up in person Thursday April 1, 2004, @ 7:30 a.m. at the Riviera Ballroom to reserve free same day practice courts for Riviera Resort, Rancho Las Palmas, and others. When you sign up for a court, you will be given a signed slip with your court reservation that must be shown at the respective site. Individuals booking courts through and including March 31, 2004, may be charged a court fee by site. Any reservation made prior to this date for any of the above sites will **not** be honored. Limited practice courts available throughout event. Check information in players' packet handed out at registration.

Sites: Host Site - Riviera Resort, 1600 N. Indian Canyon Drive, Palm Springs

Pro: Larry Kast, 760-320-2821 – Available for hitting sessions prior to and throughout tournament in the mornings. Call to arrange times.

Desert Princess Country Club, 28555 Landau, Cathedral City

Pro: Charlie Moore, 760-322-2293

5.3 miles from Riviera





















Marriott Rancho Las Palmas, 42-000 Bob Hope Drive, Rancho Mirage Pro: Kevin Connolly, (760) 568-2727 15 miles from Riviera

Cathedral Canyon Country Club, 34-567 Cathedral Canyon Drive, Cathedral City

Pro: David Mindell, (760) 321-7467

7.5 miles from Riviera

Palm Desert Resort Tennis Club, 77333 Country Club Drive, Palm Desert

Pro: Jai Nettimi, (760) 772-3285

17.3 Miles from Riviera

Monterey Country Club, 41500 Monterey Avenue, Palm Desert

Pro: Carl Schroeder, (760)568-9311

14.3 Miles from Riviera

Tennis Club of Palm Springs, 701 West Baristo Road, Palm Springs

Pro: Glenn Erickson, (760)318-1716

2.2 Miles from Riviera

Clinics and Workouts Provided by Easter Bowl Sites:

The Charlie Moore Tennis Academy at the Desert Princess Country Club will be holding a 1-day workout session for players that would like to have the opportunity to practice with other players who are entered in the tournament. The sessions will be held on Thursday April 1, 2004 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. OR 3:00-5:00 p.m. The cost is \$40.00 per session with checks made payable to Charlie Moore. All sign-ups must send in a non-refundable check for \$40.00 which guarantees a spot in the practice session. Please designate which practice session you are signing up for (either the 1:00-3:00 or the 3:00-5:00). If space warrants, we will take cash or check on the day of practice.

Note: Last year both practice sessions were full. We suggest signing up in advance and early. This year we are allowing 32 players per practice session spread out on 8 courts.

Charlie Moore and Paul "Hobie" Holbach will be conducting the practice sessions. Practice sessions will consist of some hitting drills and lots of match play. Players will be grouped by age and ability. Please call and talk to Hobie at **1.760.322.2293** for futhur information.

Checks and sign-ups go to: Paul Holbach c/c Moore Tennis Academy 28-555 Landau Blvd Cathedral City, CA 92234





















AIRLINE, CAR RENTAL & HOTEL INFORMATION

American Airlines (do not book Avis through American Airlines). American Airlines is the official carrier for the tournament. Specials include 15% off full refundable coach fares if booked 30 days in advance; 12% and 10% off other coach and non coach fares. American is not waiving the ASC charge this year. Use the following phone number and AN# to get your discounts and make a reservation:

Please insist on lowest fare available and ask about restrictions. Consider LAX, Ontario, Burbank, Long Beach, Orange County, Carlsbad or San Diego airports and/or alternate arrival and departure dates for possible lower fares.

Rental Car: AVIS A rental car is strongly recommended.

Call 1-800-331-1600 identify as Easter Bowl J659572 for special discounts.

These discounted rates are not available through American Airlines.

Host Site Hotel

Riviera Resort & Racquet Club - This is the areas most well known resort as well as the site of all special activities and sponsor booths. The Riviera features many luxurious rooms, some with private balconies or patios. All of the guest rooms feature

oversized beds, individually controlled air conditioning and heating units, coffee makers, small refrigerators, irons and ironing boards, cable, lighted make-up mirrors, and multi-line phones and data ports. The special Easter Bowl rate is \$115 plus tax and an additional \$5 daily service charge covers all local calls, an 18 hole putting course, daily newspaper, and parking. The Riviera also features two huge swimming pools, state of the art health club and massage therapy, a full service restaurant, and airport shuttle.

600 North Indian Canyon Drive

Palm Springs, CA 92262

For Reservations call: 1.800.444.8311

Important Note - When making your reservations, make sure to identify your group as being part of the Easter Bowl!

Reservation Deadline: March 9, 2004 – Rates will still be offered after this date based on availability. There is a 72 hour cancellation policy.





















Ancillary Hotels

Doral Resort & Desert Princess Condos - The Doral is a full scale resort and is also one of our tennis sites. The special Easter Bowl rate for deluxe rooms is \$116 plus tax, and 1, 2, and 3 bedroom condos range from \$200 - \$325 based on availability. A free continental breakfast and all local calls are included in the room rates. All guest rooms feature balconies, coffee machines, refrigerators, irons and ironing boards, HBO, and internet access is available. This resort also includes heated pools and whirlpool, sauna, fitness facility, hair salon, golf course and instruction, tennis courts and instruction, and airport and downtown shuttles.

67-967 Vista Chino (At Landau)

Palm Springs, CA 92263

(A 10 minute drive from the Riviera Resort & Racquet Club)

For Reservations call: 1.888.386.4677

Important Note - When making your reservations, make sure to identify your group as being part of the Easter Bowl! You must book the condos through the Doral Resort with the above number.

Reservation Deadline: March 12, 2004 – Rates will still be offered after this date based on availability. There is a 48 hour cancellation policy.

Shilo Inn - The Shilo Inn provides a free continental breakfast and airport shuttle for their guests. The hotel also offers two swimming pools, a whirlpool, sauna, spa, and a laundry room. All of the rooms are equipped with refrigerators, microwaves, coffee makers, and cots. The special Easter Bowl rate is \$99 plus tax.

1875 North Palm Canyon Drive

Palm Springs, CA 92262

(Located one short block from the Riviera Resort & Racquet Club)

For Reservations call: 1.760.320.7676

Important Note - When making your reservations, make sure to identify your group as being part of the Easter Bowl!

Reservation Deadline: March 11, 2004 – Rates will still be offered after this date based on availability. There is a 72 hour cancellation policy.

Super 8 - The Super 8 provides a free continental breakfast, free local calls, and one free 8-minute long distance call for each paid night. All rooms include double beds, refrigerators, microwaves, and coffee makers. The hotel offers a swimming pool, spa, and laundry room. The special Easter Bowl rate is \$78 plus tax, which applies to a 4-person occupancy.

1900 North Palm Canyon Drive

Palm Springs, CA 92262

For Reservations call: 1.760.322.3757

Important Note - When making your reservations, make sure to identify your group as being part of the Easter Bowl!

Reservation Deadline: March 18, 2004 – Rates will still be offered after this date based on availability. There is a 72 hour cancellation policy.





















Ramada Resort - This full service hotel has guest rooms with one king bed, one queen bed, or 2 queen beds. (One and Two bedroom suites are also available). Each room contains conversation area desks, phone, coffee makers, mini refrigerators, hairdryers, digital alarm clocks, voicemail/wake up call, climate control, balcony or patio, cable/pay TV and movies, etc. This Courtyard Hotel is built around a magnificent garden and pool. Each guest room offers a balcony or patio with a spectacular view. Our facilities include a resort pool, hot therapy pools, saunas, fitness center, coffee shop, gift shop, Leon's Bar & Grill for lunch and dinner, and Tony's Cafe for breakfast and lunch. The special Easter Bowl rate is \$89.95 plus tax for double/single occupancy. Third and fourth person adult occupancy is an extra \$10 per person. Children 18 and under stay free in the same room.

1800 East Palm Canyon Drive

Palm Springs, CA 92264 United States of America

For Reservations call: 1.760.323.1711

Important Note - When making your reservations, make sure to identify your group as being part of the Easter Bowl!

Reservation Deadline: March 13, 2004 – Rates will still be offered after this date based on availability. There is a 72 hour cancellation policy in writing.

Holiday Inn - The Holiday Inn - Palm Mountain Resort is located in downtown Palm Springs, just footsteps away from great shopping, dining and other activities. The special Easter Bowl rate is \$105 plus tax for triple occupancy. An additional \$10 fee will be applied to rooms occupied by four people. Children under the age of 18 will stay free in the parent's room and double/double and king guest rooms are available. The Holiday Inn includes a pool, spa, workout room, whirlpool, laundry room, and restaurant.

155 South Belardo

Palm Springs, CA 92262

(A 5 minute drive from the Riviera Resort & Racquet Club)

For Reservations call: 1.760.325.1301

Important Note - When making your reservations, make sure to identify your group as being part of the Easter Bowl!

Reservation Deadline: March 9, 2004 – Rates will still be offered after this date based on availability. There is a 72 hour cancellation policy.

Ocotillo Lodge - The hotel has large bedrooms with twin or king size beds, living room, dining room, kitchen, and weekly maid service. (King bedrooms are equipped with sofa beds.) The Ocotillo Lodge has a heated indoor pool, two whirlpools, a fitness center, and a laundry room. The special Easter Bowl rate is \$89, plus a \$5 resort fee, plus tax.

1111 East Palm Canyon Drive

Palm Springs, CA 92264

(A 10 minute drive from the Riviera Resort and Racquet Club)

For Reservations call: 1.760.416.0678

Important Note - When making your reservations, make sure to identify your group as being part of the Easter Bowl!

Reservation Deadline: March 11, 2004 – Rates will still be offered after this date based on availability. There is a 72 hour cancellation policy in writing.





















Courtyard Marriott - The Courtyard Marriott has spacious guest rooms that feature a comfortable sitting area, a well lit work desk, two phones with dataports, high speed internet access capabilities, complimentary weekday newspaper, cable/satellite TV, in-room movies and coffee, and refrigerators and cribs are available. Start your morning with a reasonably priced Breakfast buffet. When you need to unwind at the end of the day take advantage of the outdoor swimming pool, whirlpool and exercise room. The special Easter Bowl rate is \$109 + tax.

1300 Tahquitz Canyon Way Palm Springs. CA 92262

For Reservations call: 1.760.322.6100

Important Note - When making your reservations, make sure to identify your group as being part of the Easter Bowl!

Reservations Deadline: March 11, 2004 – Rates will still be offered after this date based on availability. There is a 72 hour cancellation policy.

The above listed hotels are the only ones offering special rates.

All participating Easter Bowl hotels will give you the "special" rate if you book after the reservation deadline as long as they have rooms available. Be sure to ask!

Please check the Easter Bowl website (<u>www.seenahamiltoninc.com</u> – click on Easter Bowl Tab) for the most up to date information. See you out in the Desert!



















