

TOURNAMENT NOTES

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KOSER JEWELERS PRO CIRCUIT TENNIS CHALLENGE

LANDISVILLE, PA • MAY 15-22

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Site: Hempfield Recreation Center - Landisville, Pa.

Websites: www.landisvilleprocircuit.com procircuit.usta.com

 $\textbf{Qualifying Draw Begins:} \ \mathsf{Sunday}, \ \mathsf{May} \ 15$

Main Draw Begins: Tuesday, May 17

Main Draw: 32 Singles / 16 Doubles

Surface: Hard / Outdoor
Prize Money: \$10.000

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PRIZE MONEY / POINTS

SINGLES:	Prize Money	Ranking Points	
Winner	\$1,568	12	
Runner-Up	\$980	8	
Semifinalist	\$490	6	
Quarterfinalist	\$245	4	
Round 16	\$196	1	
Round 32	\$98	-	
DOUBLES:	Prize Money (per team)		
Winner	\$637		
Runner-Up	\$343		
Semifinalist	\$196		
Quarterfinalist	\$98		
Round 16	\$49		

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Wednesday, May 18

Ladies Day with Fashion Show and Brunch 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 22

Junior Tennis Clinic, to follow Final

USTA PRO CIRCUIT WOMEN'S TENNIS RETURNS TO LANDISVILLE

The Koser Jewelers Pro Circuit Tennis Challenge will be held in Landisville for the fourth consecutive year. It is the first of three consecutive \$10,000 hard court tournaments that take place during the spring season. It is the only USTA Pro Circuit women's event taking place in Pennsylvania. A men's \$10,000 clay court event will take place in Pittsburgh in July.

This year's main draw is expected to feature **Alexa Glatch**, the top-seeded player in the field, who is on the comeback trail after an injury-marred 2010. Glatch reached the quarterfinals as a qualifier at the WTA event in Memphis, Tenn., in February 2011 and, in 2009, propelled the United States to the Fed Cup final by winning two of the U.S. team's three points in the semifinals against the Czech Republic. As a junior, Glatch reached the final of the girls' singles and doubles at the 2005 US Open. She has captured three USTA Pro Circuit singles titles.

Also expected in the main draw are: last year's Landisville finalist **Kyle McPhillips**, a standout junior who won the 2011 Easter Bowl and the 2010 USTA Girls' 16s National Championships, as well as swept the girls' 16s singles and doubles titles at the 2010 Easter Bowl; 14-year-old **Anne-Liz Jeukeng**, who is competing in the fifth USTA Pro Circuit main





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draw of her career, and who was brought to the United States by her father from Cameroon at age 2 and became a standout tennis player; 2009 Landisville quarterfinalist **Chloe Jones**, who as a junior reached the doubles final of the Easter Bowl in 2007; and **Megan Falcon**, who last year reached the semifinals of three \$10,000 USTA Pro Circuit events and won the US Open National Playoffs Missouri Valley Sectional Qualifying Tournament.

Current and former college standouts expected to compete in the main draw include: Amanda McDowell, who won the 2008 NCAA singles title while playing for Georgia Tech; Katie **Ruckert**, who played for three years at the University of Texas, earning All-America honors, and who last year qualified for the main draw at the \$50,000 ITF Women's Circuit event in Toronto and reached the quarterfinals or better at five tournaments worldwide; Lena Litvak, who played at Harvard for one year before turning pro, and who is competing in her first USTA Pro Circuit main draw of the year after playing in ITF Women's Circuit tournaments in Mexico and Venezuela (reaching the semifinals in the latter locale);

Kyle McPhillips, last year's singles runner-up, won the 2011 Easter Bowl.

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Story Tweedie-Yates, a three-time USTA Pro Circuit doubles champion who won the NCAA team national championships at Stanford in 2002 and 2004 (earning All-America honors) before transferring to Texas Christian for her senior year; and Chieh-Yu Hsu, a current freshman at the University of Pennsylvania.

Players receiving main draw wild cards include: 18-year-old **Robin Anderson**, who reached the quarterfinals of the 2010 US Open juniors and will be attending UCLA in the fall; and 15-year-old **Brooke Austin**, who reached the semifinals at the USTA International Spring Championships last month and who was a girls' 16s runner-up at the 2010 Easter Bowl. Austin also helped lead the United States to back-to-back World Junior Tennis titles (the equivalent to the Fed Cup for players 14-and-under) in 2009 and 2010, and is competing on the 2011 Junior Fed Cup team (16-and-under).

Teenagers expected to compete in qualifying include: 17-year-old **Chanelle Van Nguyen**, a standout junior who won the girls' 16s title at



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the 2008 Dunlop Orange Bowl and reached the final at both the 2009 USTA Girls' 16s National Championships and the 2008 USTA Girls' 14s National Clay Court Championships; and 17-year-old **Anna Mamalat,** who won the 2010 USTA International Grass Court Championships as a junior.

Many current USTA Pro Circuit and WTA stars have found success in Landisville. Alexandra Mueller, last year's singles and doubles champion, won the inaugural 2010 US Open National Playoffs to earn a wild card into the 2010 US Open Qualifying Tournament. 2008 Landisville singles runner-up Rebecca Marino is currently the top-ranked Canadian player, ascending to a career-high No. 58 in the world in March after advancing to the semifinals of the WTA event in Memphis, Tenn. She also made her Fed Cup debut this year. Marino was named Tennis Canada's Player of the Year last year after winning three USTA Pro Circuit tournaments, including back-to-back \$50,000 events, and reaching the second round of the 2010 US Open in her Grand Slam tournament main draw debut. After winning the Landisville singles title in 2008, Kristie Ahn became the youngest player ever to qualify for the main draw at the US Open. She is now a standout freshman at Stanford.



USTA PRO CIRCUIT

With 90-plus 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 32 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 more than \$2.5 million in prize money. Last year, more than 1,000 men and women from more than 70 countries competed in cities nationwide. Maria Sharapova, Andy Roddick, Caroline Wozniacki, James Blake, Justine Henin, Andy Murray and Sam Querrey are among today's top stars who began their careers on the USTA Pro Circuit.

The USTA Pro Circuit helped launch the careers of two young Americans— Melanie **Oudin** and **John Isner**. Oudin began 2009 ranked No. 177, but climbed the rankings by winning back-to-back \$50,000 USTA Pro Circuit events. With a boost in confidence, she reached the fourth round of Wimbledon and the quarterfinals of the 2009 US Open. She peaked at world No. 31 in 2010 and has been a crucial player on the U.S. Fed Cup team. Isner joined the USTA Pro Circuit after turning pro in 2007 and jump-started the best season of his career by winning the Tallahassee Challenger in 2009. Subsequently, he reached the semifinals at two Olympus US Open Series events and upset Andy Roddick en route to the fourth round at the 2009 US Open. Last year, Isner captured his first tour title, reached three tour finals, and also won the longest match in history at Wimbledon. He finished 2010 ranked in the Top 20.



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

10 and Under Tennis is a nationwide USTA initiative that uses the QuickStart Tennis play format and takes a better approach to introducing kids to the game. Balls are lower in compression, so they are easier to hit; racquets are sized for small hands; and the courts are smaller and easier to cover. Full-sized courts can now be reconfigured to accommodate up to six 36-foot courts. In turn, kids learn, rally, play and compete right from the start, and the game becomes more accessible and fun for them. 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 550 registered chapters/ programs exist throughout the nation with more than 220,000 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 last year, making the US Open "open" to anyone age 14+ and of all skill levels. 859 men and 373 women competed in 16 Sectional Qualifying Tournaments nationwide for a 2010 US Open Qualifying Tournament



wild card. Blake Strode, 23, of St. Louis, and Alexandra Mueller, 22, of Abington, Pa., won the men's and women's wild cards. Registration for the 2011 US Open National Playoffs is now open with a mixed doubles event added this year. The mixed doubles champions receive a US Open main draw mixed doubles wild card and the singles champions again earn a qualifying wild card.

LANDISVILLE PAST WINNERS

Singles			Doubles	
Year	Winner	Runner-Up	Year	Winner
2010	Alexandra Mueller (USA)	Kyle McPhillips (USA)	2010	Alexandra Mueller (USA) / Gail Brodsky (USA)
2009	Laura Granville (USA)	Petra Rampre (SLO)	2009	Olga Boulytcheva (RUS) / Magda Okruashvili (GEO)
2008	Kristie Ahn (USA)	Rebecca Marino (CAN)	2008	Audra Cohen (USA) / Heidi El Tabakh (CAN)