



US Open National Playoffs

Middle States Sectional Qualifying

MIDDLE STATES

June 20-24, 2015

Mercer County Park Commission Tennis Facility

event overview

For many, simply attending the US Open is a dream.

Now anyone can play in it.

For the sixth straight year, anyone older than 14 will have that chance this weekend when the US Open National Playoffs Middle States Sectional Qualifying Tournament rolls into Mercer County Park. The event is open to USTA members with a membership valid through August.

The idea behind the tournament is simple: give players a shot to compete on the world's biggest stage.

The US Open National Playoffs were launched in 2010 to provide anyone 14 or older the chance to compete in one of the world's most prestigious sporting events: the US Open in Flushing Meadows, N.Y. In the past, the tournament incorporated three divisions: men's singles, women's singles, and/or mixed doubles. This year, the tournament adds men's and women's doubles to the draw sheet.

The US Open National Playoffs begin as a series of 13 sectional qualifying tournaments, held in different USTA Sections across the country. The winners at each local site advance to the national stage to compete against the other winning players/teams from across the country.

The winner of each Singles Championship (one male, one female) will receive a wildcard entry to compete in the 2015 US Open Qualifying Tournament. The winner of the Mixed Doubles Championship (one team) will receive a wildcard entry to compete in the 2015 US Open Mixed Doubles Championship, and the winner of the Men's & Women's Doubles Championship (one men's team, one women's team) will receive a wild card entry to compete in the 2015 US Open Doubles Championship at the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center.

notes and numbers

Total entries | **235** | Unique participants | **175**
Men's Singles | **77** | Women's Singles | **48**
Men's Doubles | **44** | Women's Doubles | **24**
Mixed Doubles | **42**
Youngest player | **14** | Oldest player | **61**

local tournament schedule

Saturday June 20

First match: 9 a.m.; Last match: 4 p.m.

Sunday June 21

First match: 9 a.m.; Last match: 4 p.m.

Monday June 22

First match: 10 a.m.; Last match: 3 p.m.

Tuesday June 24

First of four semi-finals at 10 a.m.

Women's doubles final: 1 p.m.

Wednesday June 24

Men's doubles final: 2 p.m.

Women's singles final: 4 p.m.

Men's singles final: 6 p.m.

Mixed doubles final: 8 p.m.

national tournament schedule

Yale University Tennis Center

New Haven, CT

Men's and Women's Singles Championship

August 21-24

Men's and Women's Doubles Championship

August 25-28

Mixed Doubles Championship

August 26-29

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who competes in the US Open National Playoffs?

Everyone and anyone.

Participants over the past few years include those competing for charity, as well as pastors and rabbis, musicians, lawyers, reporters, former athletes, teaching pros, high school players, and stay-at-home mothers and fathers.

Previous notable participants include Olympic skier Bode Miller, rapper Redfoo of the music group LMFAO, and ESPN's Mike Greenberg, who teamed with six-time US Open champion Chris Evert in mixed doubles.

past winners

	men's singles	women's singles	mixed doubles	
middle states qualifier	2014	Punch Maleka	Jennifer Ellie	Ilia Shatashvili/Lindsay Graff
	2013	Matija Pecotic	Lindsay Graff	Matija Pecotic/Lindsay Graff
	2012	Punch Maleka	Anna Mamalat	Ron Mercer/Stephanie Smith
	2011	Nathan Healey	Robin Anderson	Nathan Healey/Veronica Corning
	2010	Punch Maleka	Alexandra Mueller	(event not offered)
national	2014	Sanam Singh	Caitlin Whoriskey	Jacqueline Cako/Joel Kielbowicz
	2013	Jeff Dadamo	Mayo Hibi	Yasmin Schnack/Eric Roberson
	2012	Clement Reix	Alexandra Mueller*	Nicole Melichar/Brian Battistone
	2011	Blake Strode	Robin Anderson*	Christina Fusano/David Martin
	2010	Blake Strode	Alexandra Mueller*	(event not offered)

* winner of both Middle States qualifying and national event

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