



## SouthEastern Squash

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*Charleston Squash Club  
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Pro: Richard Millman  
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*Piedmont Driving Club*  
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*Sea Island Squash Club*  
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Memphis*

## August 2008

### **Hello SESRA:**

Been a long time since the Nationals and hopefully your correspondent is fully recovered...

Having played squash in both northern and southern climes, the calendar is considerably different. Southern squash never really dies in the summer and by August, players are inside more than outside for very thoughtful reasons that begin with an external temperature approaching 100°.

With all this training going on, the squash season is again underway, so we should turn our attention to upcoming events...

### **Dragon Doc Pro Am August 22-24 at Midtown Club:**

For the seventh year, Dr. Gary Myerson's fascination with large, winged, flame-breathing mythical reptiles atop dwarvish piles of treasure leads logically to a great season opening squash tournament.

#### **Dates and Times:**

Draw sizes determine 1st round matches' schedule. Play may begin as early as 2:00pm Friday, or as late as Saturday a.m. All finals (except PSA pros) & most semis will be played Sunday. Last matches will commence 3pm Sunday.

**Divisions of Play: Men's:** 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5, 5.0, 5.5, 6.0, Pro.

**Women's:** 4.0, Open. **Age:** U19, U17; 50+, 50B, 60+

**PSA Pro Challenger:** \$5,000 total purse. 16 man qualifier starts 12noon, Thursday, Aug. 21. Main Draw finals: Monday, Aug. 25.

All players must either be members of SESRA / USSRA (you may join at the tourney) or pay a \$20 tournament surcharge. Racquet fee of \$80 includes tournament favor, entry into two divisions if appropriate, weekend hospitality. Entry DEADLINE: August 15th, 5:00pm.

**Social:** Continental breakfasts, courtside lunches, Friday reception, Saturday dinner party, weekend beverages.

For more info, contact Tom Rumpler - at [Windyhillsquash@comcast.net](mailto:Windyhillsquash@comcast.net) or signup via the entry form on [sesra.org](http://sesra.org).



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## Next, Charleston repeats its great pro am event begun last year:



turks & caicos sporting club  
britain's west indies

dps sporting clubs  
life, well played

snake river sporting club  
jackson hole, wyoming

## Merrill Lynch And Pegasus Partners Charleston 2nd Annual Challenge

SEPTEMBER 8TH - SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2008  
CHARLESTON SQUASH CLUB & KIAWAH ISLAND CLUB

### DIVISIONS:

W35+, W50+, W2.5, W3.5, W4.5  
M30+, M35+, M40+, M45+, M50+, M60+, M70+, M3.0, M4.0, M5.0, M6.0

**Doubles:** Open Amateur Doubles; Pro-Am Doubles

### VENUES:

Charleston Squash Club, Kiawah Island Club,  
Medical University of South Carolina

### OFFICIAL HOTEL FOR TOURNAMENT:

LaQuinta Riverview. Call for reservations and ask  
for the Charleston Squash Club special rate.  
Phone: 843-556-5200



### ENTRY FEES:

USSRA Members: ..... \$ 85  
Non Members: ..... \$100  
Open Amateur Doubles: \$250  
per pair  
Pro-Am Doubles..... \$200  
per player\*  
Patron:..... \$200  
Red Sponsor: ..... \$225  
Silver Sponsor:..... \$250  
Gold Sponsor: ..... \$350  
Doubles Patron ..... \$500  
\* Portion of this will be a contribution  
to the pro's appearance.

### HOSPITALITY & FAVORS:

Regular entrants will receive a tournament t-shirt, Sponsors cocktail party on Friday, breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Saturday, brunch on Sunday, beer and soft drinks throughout the tournament.

**Patrons** in addition will receive a Commemorative Sweatshirt and one free guest to all social functions.

**Silver Sponsors** will receive a Commemorative Sweatshirt, and one free guest to all social functions.

**Gold Sponsors & Doubles Patron** will receive two entries to the tournament and Commemorative Sweatshirt and Sweatpants.

### MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

The Squash Doctor Corporation  
c/o Richard Millman  
122 Evening Shade Drive  
Charleston, SC 29414

### FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CONTACT:

Richard Millman, Squash Professional  
843-402-9732 or 843-577-1099  
thesquashdoctor@yahoo.com

### OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ USSRA# \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Event 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Event 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_ Size: S M L XL  
Travel/Seeding Information \_\_\_\_\_

Tournament Committee reserves the right to combine or cancel draws dependent on the number of entries received. Players may enter up to two events, although entry may be limited owing to the logistic difficulties of getting from one venue to the other. The Tournament Director will do everything in his power to facilitate multiple entries.

**Closing Date: September 1<sup>st</sup> at 11:00 pm**





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**POOLE CUP REVIVED, IMPROVED AND SCHEDULED:**

After a year's hiatus, the next Poole Cup has been scheduled for November 15. Teams from Concourse Athletic Club, Midtown Athletic Club, Piedmont Driving Club, and Lifetime Fitness clubs collectively will compete Saturday for the fourth cup awarded in memory of Keith Poole, a longtime Atlanta squash player and supporter of the game.

The format has changed somewhat: each team will be made up of 15 players divided into three-man flights at the 3.0-3.5, 3.5-4.0, 4.0-4.5, 4.5-5.0 and 5.0+ levels as determined by national US Squash rankings. Each player will play his opposite number from each other club, so three matches apiece. The matches will be best of three games, played to 11 with a point every serve.

The venue will be Midtown Athletic Club and captains for each team are being designated to start the organization process.

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SESRA SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 17:**

The annual general meeting of Southeastern Squash will be held the evening of September 17 at a place to be determined shortly. The annual meeting will provide a venue for a report to the members on SESRA activity over the past year, the election of officers and an open discussion of any issues affecting the squash community.

The current board members have agreed to re-up for another year with Michael Gough as president, Diniar Alikhan as treasurer, Dave Bridges – events, Oscar Arenas – membership, Nick Orphan – juniors, Bill Villari and Sandy Draper – at large. They will be joined by new candidates Allan Post and David Espinosa, together with a candidate from Midtown identified by the nominating committee shortly.

More to come!

**US Squash upgrading website; RailStation replaced:**

U.S. Squash is upgrading its technology base both on its host website and in its data management and processing area. The decision has led to an abrupt move away from the RailStation database. The new internet solution overall includes iMIS15, Ektron and the purchase of TopDog software, as well as hiring Mike Friedman, the developer of TopDog and a 10 year veteran of USTA.

The implementation schedule is below:

For August 15

- Core membership module for testing
- Testing and training the last two weeks of August (18 and 25)



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Sept 2

- Launched embedded in current site...
  - Billing and membership, includes individual profiles, peer to peer contact
  - Event registration
  - Accounting interface
  - Basic tournaments, leagues, ladder management functions
  - Ratings/rankings

Sept 15

- Online tournament sanctioning
- Certifications

Oct 1

- Informz – email communication functionality
- Ussquash.com launch as shell site with new navigation

Further developments

- File sharing
- Social networking components

The move to current technology is long overdue, says U.S. Squash, and promises easier use, better security, a one-platform approach to members, and increased functionality including communications.

### **Reminder of Charlie Johnson's support of SESRA:**

Support those who support you! We continue to be grateful that we have the support of Charlie Johnson's Squash Shop ([www.cjsquash.com](http://www.cjsquash.com)) which gives SESRA members a **5% discount** on orders under \$100 and a **10% discount** on orders over \$100.



**Charlie Johnson's Squash Shop**

Here's how it works:

When you place your order, in the comment/memo box enter SESRA and your USSRA membership number. The discount will be taken before processing.

Hope this continues to be of interest.

Bob