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The University Club of

Memphis

May 2009

Hello SESRA:

Upcoming events:



SQUASH FOR 2016



WORLD SQUASH DAY SCHEDULED FOR MAY 23:

Several area clubs are planning related events ([see below](#)) but SESRA IS LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL SQUASH IDEAS FOR WORLD SQUASH DAY. SEND YOUR THOUGHTS TO MICHAEL GOUGH AT amgough@bellsouth.net.

[From the World Squash Day website: www.worldsquashday.com]

The world of squash is uniting to support the sport's bid for inclusion in the 2016 Olympic programme with a massive worldwide festival on May 23rd.

The popular World Squash Day is being re-branded as Squash 2016 Day as National Federations all over the globe organise a massive programme of events.

Every squash club on the planet is being urged to throw open its doors to promote the sport and help the Olympic bid.

Squash 2016 Bid Team Member and former world champion Peter Nicol said: "Our ultimate aim is for every club in the world to open their doors on this one special day, to show people what a fantastic sport we have, to get media and personalities involved, and encourage new participants to take up the game."

The event is endorsed by the World Squash Federation - and World Squash Day founder Alan Thatcher said: "This gives every squash club the opportunity to support two major objectives: to raise the profile of the sport and to raise valuable money for the Squash 2016 Bid Fund.

"The Olympic bid is an ambitious project which, if successful, will give squash a deserved place in the Olympic Games. That bid process is not cheap and it is up to every squash player to help the cause."

Nicol added: "Squash 2016 Day is free to join and we look forward to seeing a massive response, with clubs and federations employing their creative powers to organise fantastic global festival of this brilliant game."



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LIFE TIME AND MIDTOWN WORLD SQUASH DAY ACTIVITIES:

Life Time Fitness, May 9:

Join Life Time Fitness in supporting the road to the 2016 Olympics on May 9 as players of all levels and ages will participate in games of skill and chance. This event is free for members and non-members.

Life Time is hosting this nationwide in over 25 centers at the same time playing the same format. They will be filming and taking pictures- all players will sign in a book and receive a certificate for participating. The book with the names from every center will go to the WSF for the support of World Squash Day for the Olympics. Contact Andre Maur for participation.

Life Time- Mountain Brook -- Robert Unger will host

Life Time- John's Creek -- Andre Maur will host

Midtown Athletic Club, May 23:

Midtown will hold a half-day handicap tournament on May 23, details to be forthcoming. Contact Tom Rumpler for entry.

Andre's Annual Bash is Back: the 2009 Atlanta Open, May 15

In his own words: "Where else are you able to compete for the Atlanta Open title, watch PSA pros battle for \$10,000 in prize money, enjoy catered dinners, lunches and breakfasts, experience a Saturday night VIP party with the pros at club Opera with your transportation provided by Atlanta Limo Bus, a catered finals party for all US Squash and PSA players with a open martini bars, coverage by a professional photographer for memories to take home, plus this year's tournament gift...."?

Entry Deadline: Friday May 8th, 2009. All Draws: \$85 U.S. Squash member; \$100 non-member. All cash, check or credit payments must be received by May 8th. Sign up by fax, mail or online through the link at sesra.org. Start Times: Event begins on Friday at noon. Smaller draws may start on Saturday. Start times will be posted on Monday May 11th. Results will be available daily on US Squash.



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Agenda:

PSA Draw

Prize: \$10,000; When: May 11th - 16th; Qualifiers: May 11th & 12th; Main Draw: May 13th; Quarters: May 14 @ 5 pm; Semis: May 15th @6:30 pm; Finals: May 16th @ 6:30 pm

Thursday May 14th

Junior Clinic with PSA pros 4:30; Sponsor Party

Friday May 15th

US Squash draw starts at 12:00pm
PSA Semi at 6:30 pm

Saturday May 16th

Breakfast 9am
PSA Finals- 6:30 pm
Buffet Finals Dinner Party following the finals

Sunday May 17th

Breakfast served at 10:30am
US Squash Semi and Finals- 10:30am

Past Events:

U.S. Skill Level Championships:

Millman takes National 5.5 Title, Francis and Mulumba finish 2 and Lewin 3

The U.S. National Skill Levels took place April 17-19 at King of Prussia, Pennsylvania and the Southeast's nine man contingent brought home a title and a pair of finalists.



5.5 Champ Richard Millman

no. 3 slot over Lakota Kruse in a marathon: (11), 9, 6,(7), 9. LifeTime's Franky Martin won the Plate Finals, defeating David Von Hemert, 8,3,5.

4.5: CAC's Bupe Mulumba survived a 5-gamer in the round of 16 and advanced to the finals, where he lost to Bhatti Devkaran in another war: (9), 3, (11), 5.

5.0: Midtown's Tom Rumpler played to the consi quarters before dropping to Thomas McNulty in 5: (10), 9,(3), 10, 5.

3.0: CAC's David Nolan took seventh place, defeating Scott Welle 8,3,8.

3.5: Charleston's Karl Francis played to the finals, losing to Jonathan Atwood, 11,9,9.

Midtown's Hafez Fazal won his consol semi match, defeating David Bock 6,(12),4,6. (what happened in the finals?)

4.0: Charleston's David Lewin lost in the semis to Jose Ferrao in three but went on to capture the



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5.5: Charleston's Richard Millman won the national title, defeating Terence Li (5), 5,4,6. CAC's Justin Mather launched an all out drive come back against Edwin Lennox in the consi quarters but fell short, 6,11,(5),(6),8.

Charleston Junior Laura Watson wins Girls U13 Silver National Championship: First Kiawah Island National Champ

On a quiet summer afternoon at the Sports Pavilion in July of 2006, James and Laura Watson, the not-quite-ten year old twin children of Kiawah Island Club members Brian and PJ Watson, took their first tentative steps toward playing squash with Director of Squash, Richard Millman.

In March, at the Fairmount Athletic Club in King of Prussia PA, those tentative first steps turned into a massive leap as Laura Watson won the United States girls U13 Silver National Championship and, in doing so, became the Kiawah Island Club's first ever National Squash champion.

Coach Richard Millman was surprised and delighted with Laura's performance: " I recently told Laura's parents that I suspected that she was on the verge of a breakthrough. But I didn't expect it to come so quickly. It's very rare that the number 8 seed wins a National championship.

"And that is exactly what Laura achieved," continued Millman. "Seeded eighth she won her first round match as expected. She then faced the number one seed. In an epic encounter she came through to win in five hard games. That would have been extraordinary by itself, but Laura went on to win the semi final - again in five hard games - and the final - once again in five games!"

Merrill Lynch Memphis Open, April 24-26.

The Third Annual Memphis Open, sponsored by Merrill Lynch, took place April 24-26 at Rhodes College in Memphis. While matches were hard fought, The match of the tournament definitely went to Jason Rothschild and David Hogue, who slugged it out in a grueling five game final in the 3.5 Finals.

Results and pics:

3.5 Consolation: Jim Withey def. Vince Boberski 11-2, 6-11, 11-8, 11-8

3.5 Finals: Jason Rothschild def. David Hogue 9-11, 12-10, 8-11, 11-8, 11-8

4.5 Finals: Chris Taylor def. Asif Ahmed 11-4, 9-11, 11-5, 11-4

4.5 Consolation: Steve Wirls def. Nauman Qureshi 11-5, 11-6, 8-11, 11-4

5.5 Finals: Albert Johnson def. Gary Wilson, 11-3, 11-2, 11-6

5.5 Consolation: Roy Bell def. Martin Daniel 11-6, 11-13, 11-8, 11-8



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How about some Memphis pics?



Maur wins key match in U.S. Copa Wadsworth upset in Chicago

The 20th Anniversary between USA and Mexico was he played at the University Club in Chicago and Team USA had not won in 12 years.



Said Andre: “To come out and win was a fantastic achievement for Team USA on the 20th Copa Wadsworth Anniversary.”

The format included both singles and doubles.

Andre won his game with Ruben Giron from Mexico 3 -1, which proved critical

in the unexpected 18-16 match U.S. victory.



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Hope this continues to be of interest.

Bob