

USTA Southern Wheelchair Tennis Newsletter

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Welcome to the newsletter for USTA Southern Wheelchair Tennis, providing you with information about upcoming tournaments, wheelchair tennis programs, tips on how to take your game to the next level, and all things wheelchair tennis. Also, keep an eye out on USTA Southern's Facebook page for Wheelchair Wednesday twice a month when wheelchair tennis will be the featured post for the day!

Tournament Recaps

The ITF Junior Winter Wheelchair Classic was held at the Mobile Tennis Center in Mobile, AL February 15th – 17th. Despite a small field of athletes, the talent among these junior players was strong. This tournament was held alongside a USTA Southern Level 3 Junior Winter Closed 14/16s tournament. Every day, they announced the start of the matches, and many juniors and parents of the Level 3 tournament came to watch the wheelchair players, which created an inclusive, welcoming atmosphere. Congratulations to the winners:

Tournament Winner – Tomas Majetic

Runner Up – Maximus Wong

Third Place – Zane Goodwin



The Polar Doubles Tournament was held February 15th and 16th at the Cary Tennis Park in Cary, NC. The tournament is a partnership between Wheel Serve NC and the wonderful staff at the Cary Tennis Park, who are committed to promoting and supporting wheelchair tennis in North Carolina. There is also an able-bodied tournament held at the same time, which allows wheelchair tennis to be seen within the broader tennis community, a win-win for tennis as a whole. Polar Doubles is an Up/Down tournament, which is a favorite format among Wheel Serve NC athletes. Organizers cite that the best aspect of the tournament is the partnerships between able-bodied and wheelchair athletes.

Congratulations to tournament winners:

A Division - Nick Burnham/Mary Kay Deering

B Division Blue - Kenny Heuchert/Helen Leonard

B Division Red - Sarah Benzing/Mason Womack

C Division Blue - George Sutphen/ Robyn Merk

C Division Red - Ben Elliott/Allen Foiles

C Division Green - Mel Bussard/Megan Atterbury

D Division - Alexandra Cariboni/Diane Rode



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The Georgia Open wheelchair tennis tournament took place March 5th - 9th at the Rome Tennis Center at Berry College. This year's tournament included 50 athletes from 15 countries. Check out action from this year's tournament.

The 34th annual **Cajun Classic** was held March 11th-16th in Baton Rouge, LA. The tournament is one of only six Super Series events on the ITF Wheelchair Tour, and the only one in the US, making it a premier stop for top-ranked athletes from around the world. Over 100 professional and amateur players from 20 countries and 22 states competed. With Grand Slam champions in action and intense matchups throughout the week, it was a fabulous showcase of the skill and sportsmanship of wheelchair tennis.



Congratulations to the winners:

Quad Doubles – Heath Davidson and Niels Vink

Quad Singles – Niels Vink

Juniors Singles – Tomas Majetic

Juniors Doubles – Zane Goodwin and Sabina Czauz

Men's Singles – Alfie Hewitt

Women's Singles – Aniek Van Koot

Women's Doubles – Lucy Shuker and Aniek Van Koot

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2025 Tournaments

Check out these upcoming tournaments within the Southern Section for players at all levels and make plans to participate!

2025 Southern Wheelchair Tournament Schedule						
To search for tournaments, please go to playtennis.usta.com/tournaments . When searching for the event, please type in the CITY and STATE listed below into the appropriate search fields on the USTA website. For more steps on how to register for the tournament, please see this Customer Care article.						
Date	End Date	Name	Level	State	Registration Link	Facilities
4/10/2025	4/13/2025	Montgomery Open	Level 3	AL	Click Here to Register	Lagoon Park Tennis, Lagoon Park Drive, Montgomery, AL,
5/4/2025	5/5/2025	Garden City/Walton Foundation	Unsanctioned	GA	Click Here to Register	Newman Tennis Center, Wrightsboro Road, Augusta, GA,
7/18/2025	7/20/2025	Clemson Tournament	Level 3	SC	Click Here to Register	Clemson University, Sikes Hall, Clemson, SC,
10/3/2025	10/5/2025	Mississippi Rock N Roll	Level 3	MS	Click Here to Register	Brandon Tennis Complex, West Government Street, Brandon, MS,

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10/24/2025	10/25/2025	Lakeshore Wheelchair Tennis Classic	Level 3	AL	Click Here to Register	Birmingham Tennis Academy, Birmingham, AL,
11/13/2025	11/16/2025	America Wheelchair Tennis Championships	Level 1	GA	Link coming soon	Richard Craig Park, S Zack Hinton Blvd, McDonough, GA,
TBD	TBD	Doubles	Unsanctioned	GA	Link coming soon	
TBD	TBD	Music City Classic	Level 4	TN	Link coming soon	
TBD	TBD	Wheel Serve NC Open	Level 5	NC	Link coming soon	
TBD	TBD	Hallowheel	Unsanctioned	LA	Link coming soon	