

U.S. OPEN TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIPS MARCH 3-5, 2006 RENO, NV

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**U.S. OPEN TEAMS**  
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# TOURNAMENT DETAILS

## General Information

### Proof of Membership

All participants must be able to show proof of current membership for USATT, or ITTF member association. If not, USATT membership must be purchased. Tournament passes will not be accepted.

### Equipment

All USATT and ITTF rules and regulations will be followed. Butterfly tables & net sets will be used with Nittaku orange 40mm three-star balls.

### Check-in

Registration check-in is open Thursday morning at 8:00 AM. All players must check in before being cleared to play and to receive their individual entry credentials.

### Teams Information

Please create a team name that uses less than 30 characters. Teams with an average rating over 2400 must select a name that represents a sponsor or place/region of origin. Teams consist of 3-4 players. Seeding in the tournament will be decided by averaging the 3 highest-rated players on each roster. Each tie will be 3 out of 5 matches. The Tie Format will be as follows:

\*The Same Now Used For Olympic Competition!

A	SINGLES	X
B	SINGLES	Y
A/B & C	DOUBLES	X/Y & Z
C	SINGLES	X/Y*
A/B*	SINGLES	Z

\*Player that did not play doubles will play this position

Except for division 1, all five matches will be played, even when victory has been attained in less than five matches. All singles matches are processed for ratings. Ties between teams will be broken using the completed five match result, so aim to win each match. Each match will be 3 out of 5 games. All games will be played by ITTF rules. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to change without notice any team names that are deemed inappropriate. Most recent ratings will be used for seeding. The tournament committee reserves the right to use ITTF world rankings to determine the top seeded teams. \*\*Boosting your team's initial seeding by including rated players who do not attend the tournament will be subject to disqualification and fine.\*\*

### Special Categories

If your team is eligible for consideration in the Women's, U-18 Boys' or Girls', O-40 Seniors' or collegiate categories, please circle the appropriate team type on the entry form. The age cut-off date is March 3rd, 2006 for juniors and December 31, 2006 for seniors. All players on collegiate teams must be enrolled able to provide proof of enrollment in college in the current semester. All teams will be placed into one draw and divisional prizes as stated will be given to the team with the highest finish in the tournament for that division.

### ENTRY DEADLINE

Entries must be postmarked by February 3, 2006. Any other entries postmarked by February 17, 2006 will be accepted on a space available basis with a \$50 late fee. If an entry is submitted late, please call to confirm that it was received and accepted. There is a \$50 penalty for returned checks. NO REFUNDS after February 3, 2006.

### NEED A TEAM? WE CAN HELP!

#### Go to our website and use our team finder!

Organize a team with your friends and compete against teams of equal ability, from Novice to International Levels!  
www.natabletennis.com

### INVITATION LETTER

If you need an invitation letter for your visa purposes, please email info@natabletennis.com.

## Tournament Schedule

Teams must be paid in full before start of tournament!

Thursday	7:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Registration
Friday	7:30 AM - 9:00 AM	Registration
Friday	12:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Competition
Saturday	9:00AM - 9:00PM	Competition
Sunday	9:00AM - 7:00PM	Competition

## Prizes

Open	Champion	\$7,000
	Finalist	\$3,000
	Semifinalist	\$1,200
	Quarterfinalist	\$600
Highest Women's Finish		\$600
Highest O-40 Seniors Finish		\$600
Highest U-18 Girls' and Boys' Finish		\$600

Trophies for champions and finalists in all divisions.

## TOURNAMENT T-SHIRTS & PROGRAMS

Tournament T-shirt and Program will include all team names submitted by February 3, 2006. T-shirts come in sizes Small to XXX-Large for \$15 each. Go to our website to see the t-shirt design

## VENUE

The 2006 U.S. Open Teams Championships will be held at the Reno-Sparks Convention Center. 4590 S. Virginia St. Reno, NV 89502. Visit our website for more details.

## SECURITY & SPECTATOR PASSES

All persons entering the venue must obtain an entry pass. Players will receive a pass when they check-in for registration. Each player must check-in individually and the **team captain** must check-in for their team at the registration desk. Spectators, family, and friends can either pre-purchase a pass on this entry form for \$10 per person for the entire duration of the tournament or purchase a pass on site for \$15. For lost passes for all entrants, a replacement must be purchased.

## TOURNAMENT REFEREE

Dr. Azmy Ibrahim, IR

## TOURNAMENT STAFF

Richard Lee, Wendy Troy, Fong Hsu, Alan Williams, Tom Nguyen

## OFFICIAL TOURNAMENT HOTEL

### Atlantis Casino Resort And Spa

3800 S. Virginia St.

Reno, NV 89506

For Phone Reservations:

Please call 800-723-6500. The group code for phone reservations is SNTA06 For Online Reservations use www.atlanticcasino.com, and use the online group code: NTA06

\*Special Pre And Post Tournament Rates Available

Room Types	Single/Double Rate	Triple Rate	Quad Rate
Lodge Guestroom	89	109	119
Tower Guestroom	99	109	119
Standard Concierge Guestroom	135	155	165

## NORTH STAR SKIING PACKAGES - DAILY LIFT TICKETS

Enhance your stay in the Reno/Tahoe area by taking a wonderful skiing trip with Northstar! Northstar is offering discounted group tickets to participants and their families of the US Open Teams Championships. For more packages & discount information, please visit our website  
www.natabletennis.com.

Adult All Day(23-64): \$49    2-Day Adult (23-64): \$84    Young Adult(13-22): \$39    Child(5-12):\$14    Senior(65-69):\$45

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**Entry Deadline:**

Postmarked by February 3, 2006.  
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**Send Completed Entry Forms To:**

**Mail:**

North American Table Tennis  
 401 N. Washington Street, Suite 110  
 Rockville, MD 20850, USA

**Register Online At:**

<http://www.natabletennis.com>

Team Name:(USE LESS THAN 30 CHARACTERS)	
Specify City, State, or Club Your Team Represents:	
Mailing Address:	
Phone Number:	EMAIL:
Team Type(circle all that apply):	
OPEN	WOMEN'S
OVER40 SENIORS	UNDER-18 BOYS'
	UNDER-18 GIRLS'

Team Captain:
City/State/ZIP:
* Membership Number:
Membership Expiration:
USATT Rating:

Player 2:
City/State/ZIP:
* Membership Number:
Membership Expiration:
USATT Rating:

Player 3:
City/State/ZIP:
* Membership Number:
Membership Expiration:
USATT Rating:

Player 4:
City/State/ZIP:
* Membership Number:
Membership Expiration:
USATT Rating:

**\*FOR EACH USATT MEMBER, AN EXTRA \$10 WILL BE CHARGED FOR PLAYERS THAT DO NOT SUPPLY A MEMBERSHIP NUMBER!**

**\*IF ANY TEAM MEMBER WILL BECOME A NEW USATT MEMBER, PLEASE USE THE MEMBERSHIP NUMBER AND MEMBERSHIP EXPIRATION FIELDS TO FILL OUT THE PLAYERS ADDRESS INFORMATION. PLEASE PROVIDE ESTIMATED RATING IF POSSIBLE.**

Team Fees: \$550	\$
Ratings & Registration Fees: \$10/Player	\$
USATT Membership Fees: (Place star next to players purchasing membership) U18: \$20 Adult: \$40 3-Y:\$100	\$
Tournament T-Shirt \$15 each (write in quantity): ___S ___M ___L ___XL ___XXL ___XXXL	\$
Spectator Pass Fees: \$10/Non-Player Applies to Spectators, Family, and Friends for entire length of tournament.	\$
Total Fees Due:	\$
Make Checks payable to North American Table Tennis (\$50 penalty for returned checks)	

We agree to abide by all USATT and ITTF regulations. We accept full responsibility for our participation and relieve all associated parties of any liabilities resulting from injury to ourselves or damage to our property.

Captain's Signature for team (Adult/Guardian for minors): \_\_\_\_\_

# U.S. OPEN TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIPS

It's back! The original, the one and only, the third major event of the USA Table Tennis calendar year returns after an eight year hiatus! This tournament is a Five-Star event, one of only three in the country. It's ITTF approved and is on the ITTF calendar as well. ([www.ittf.com](http://www.ittf.com))

Not only is it back, it's new and improved, with a format that makes it unique. The USOTC will be run in the new Olympic format, incorporating doubles play! 'Teams' are always more fun to play as you have people cheering you on, and a built-in support structure. Add the fun and excitement of competitive doubles play and you've got a real winner!

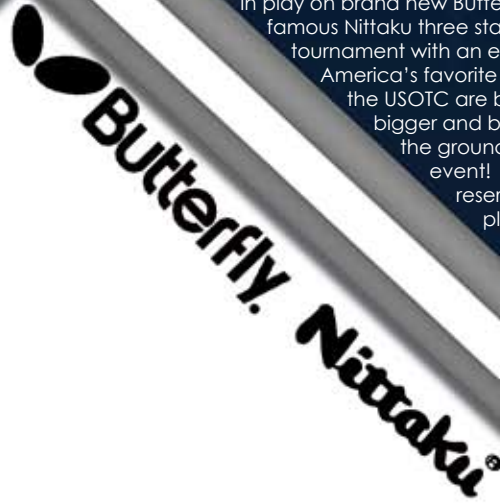
Speaking of fun and excitement, how about our playing site? Reno, Nevada, the Biggest Little City in America is smack in the middle of the recreational paradise that is Tahoe. Skiing, boating, hiking, mountaineering, golf, games of chance, museums, magic, music, Tahoe has the vacation choices that it an ideal destination.

Our playing site, the Reno-Sparks Convention Center, ([http://www.visitrenotahoe.com/facilities/reno\\_sparks\\_cc/](http://www.visitrenotahoe.com/facilities/reno_sparks_cc/)), is directly adjacent to the tournament hotel, the Atlantis, (<http://www.atlantiscasino.com/>), combining convenience and first-class modern accommodations! Make your reservation and mention 'Table Tennis' and you'll enjoy the savings of our special group rate.

USOTC allows play for teams of between three or more. In the competition between teams, each tie consists of five matches, 2 singles, doubles and 2 more singles matches. All five matches in tie will be played, even if one team has already landed three wins. These 'extra matches' not only increase the value to you, the entrant, they will be used to break ties between teams in the standings, so aim to win all five! You won't want to default any matches, either, since a point system will be used that awards one point for a loss and zero points for a default.

Tournament Referee Azmy Ibrahim will be presiding over play, and USA Table Tennis has selected NATT ([www.natabletennis.com](http://www.natabletennis.com)) to be the tournament operator. This means fair draws, on-time scheduling, online registration that works and responsive experienced staff to ensure you the best possible tournament experience!

In play on brand new Butterfly tables, using the world-famous Nittaku three star ball, in a well managed tournament with an exciting format in one of America's favorite destinations, you'll agree that the USOTC are back, and that they are back bigger and better than ever! Get in on the ground floor of this history-making event! Gather your team roster and reserve your entry! Make your travel plans and prepare for a great competition!



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Entry Form Enclosed Inside

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