

# UTAH TENNIS ASSOCIATION



## 2016 YEAR IN REVIEW

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# Utah Tennis Association

The Utah Tennis Association is one of six districts in the Intermountain Tennis Association. Intermountain is one of the 17 sections comprising the United States Tennis Association (USTA). The USTA is dedicated to the development of tennis and establishes rules of play and standards of amateurism and good sportsmanship. Business and activities of the Utah Tennis Association are guided by a Governing Board whose membership is elected annually in December. Meetings of this Board are held quarterly and are open to the public.

## **2016 Executive Committee**

Charlene Peterson - President  
Janice Smith - Vice President Adults  
Brad Ferreira - Vice President Juniors  
Jon Hafen - Secretary  
Ric Hammond - Treasurer  
Marce Miles - Past President

## **2016 Board Members**

Terry Miya  
Garrett Snyder  
Ian Rothfels  
Marianne Page  
Brandon Owen  
Brian Moore

## **Staff**

Laurie Lambert-Executive Director  
Robin Wise-Tournament/JCC Coordinator  
Teresa Knudsen-Office Manager  
Allyson Sundberg-Adult League Coordinator  
Gretchen Soffe-Community Outreach  
Shanda Stoner-Data Entry/Web Admin & Program Assistant (retired)  
Jill Bruderer- Adult League Coordinator (retired)

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## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

As in the past, working with a committed staff and very creative and innovative executive director, 2016 emerged as another great year for Utah Tennis.

In addition to our already successful and growing programs such as tournaments, junior recreation opportunities, league play, the wheelchair program, community outreach opportunities, and the Ardene Bullard Of Love fundraiser, we are now offering free registration for first time league players and players under 25. Even more players are now participating due to this offer.

The Grievance Committee has continued to work with the Adult Programs Committee and staff to improve grievance procedures for 2016, creating a more unified pathway for grievances to be addressed. Thanks goes to our Committee Chair, Kathy Cameron and her committee for their total commitment to creating rules and regulations consistent with those of the Intermountain Section and National guidelines. As per the Utah Tennis Board approval in 2016, the responsibility to monitor the application of these rules and regulations has now been assigned to the Grievance Committee.

As with any successful organization, the Utah Tennis Association and Board of Directors experienced some challenges during 2016. Because of these challenges, we became a stronger, more unified Board as it created an opportunity to evaluate our league fees, adherence to the rules and regulations as well as our by-laws. The Association was also able to establish greater dialogue and stronger partnership with the tennis facilities, making sure we were meeting their needs and offering programs they could support. Not only did our Board and staff come together to listen and understand the concerns that were presented, but were committed to solving the issues in a positive and professional manner. Each member came to the table ready to create dialogue based on research, information, positive solutions, and a general commitment to meeting the challenges as a unified entity. Because of this professionalism and sincere desire to openly learn and grow, we became a stronger Board and Association. I sincerely thank everyone on the Board as well as staff members for their loyalty and professionalism during this time.

Jill Bruderer, our District League Coordinator and very valuable member of our team, retired this year. We will miss her tremendously and sincerely thank her for her undying commitment and dedication to league play and tennis in general. We wish her all the best in her retirement.

As this position is passed along to our new Board President, Brad Ferreira, I will miss the direct involvement in the day to day events happening with this Association, but will continue to be committed to Board responsibilities as Past President and growing the game of tennis in Utah. I sincerely wish Brad well for the coming 2017-2018 years. I leave this presidency with feelings of accomplishment and growth for the Utah Tennis Association and thank all involved for their support and involvement in growing tennis in Utah.

Charlene Peterson

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

As Executive Director for Utah Tennis Association, my focus during 2016 was consistently thinking about ways to bring the sport of tennis to as many people in the state as we can. Tennis is such a joyful sport, needs few people to create a "match", and is a lifetime sport. Tennis has always been such an enormous part of my life, and I come to work each day excited to grow the sport for our Utah community.

The year began with meetings with all the Tennis Directors in town to review how our league program fees are structured. Through an incredible process of many conversations with the Tennis Directors, the Adult Programs Committee, and the public, Utah Tennis added several new incentives for league players: FREE registration for first time players, and FREE registration for players under 25. I believe that these many conversations were beneficial for all league players and tennis pros in the community to understand our how league in our community is structured. With no league fee increases since 2012, the Utah Tennis Association is happy to offer an affordable league program throughout the year. League could not take place without the partnership with the Tennis Directors in town. Prime time courts are offered for league and other tennis events hosted by Utah Tennis Association and we are grateful for the team spirit with which we partner with the facilities. The relationship between the Utah Tennis Association and our facility partners working together to grow tennis is one of the best parts of my job.

Junior Tournaments continued to grow during the 2016. Nearly every junior tournament grew in participation from 2015 to 2016. The 10 & Under Tournament Series introduces young players to competition in a short format, with non-elimination play. Making sure that juniors have a positive first experience is critical in keeping new players coming to our sport. The Super League program, run by Shanda Stoner and Alissa Owen was again a highlight for the young player. Over 125 players joined teams, made t-shirts and slogans and posted their fun on Instagram through our spring session. In the fall, we were able to offer Super League again in a smaller format. Junior Team Tennis is a National USTA priority, and the Utah Tennis Association strongly supports creating team based fun for young players.

The Winter Masters, Zonals for 16s, and the Labor Day Masters tournaments were again a huge success due to the hundreds of hours of planning by Robin Wise and the extraordinary help from our parent volunteers. The Utah players were amazing in the Labor Day Masters tournament – winning 6 of the 8 divisions! Again, with incredible partnerships with the Tennis Facilities in town, we are able to provide high level competition opportunities locally for the juniors in our community.

Junior Recreation opportunities such as our Live Ball Program, the Boys and Girls High School Camps, PlayDays at public parks, Tennis On Campus, and elementary school PE tennis education, continue to offer opportunities for tennis to reach the youth in our community. Jaxon Montague, our Utah Tennis Service Representative, did a great job organizing all of these events.

League play is a thriving part of tennis for adults in our community. Utah Tennis runs over 10 leagues per year, and saw tremendous growth in the 40 & over Mixed Doubles league for the year. Utah Tennis is constantly assessing the league schedule and rules to try and make sure our programs run as seamlessly and conflict free as possible. 8 Teams qualified for Nationals in 2016 – with Doug Fowkes team taking 3<sup>rd</sup> in their division!

Teresa Knudsen in our office had fun again this summer by offering tennis social evenings for LDS Young Singles Wards. These game nights and lessons at Brighton High School were well attended and received by the young people in multiple singles wards in the community.

A primary focus for myself, as the Executive Director, is in Community Outreach. Communities throughout the state are learning about the new teaching methodology for young players, and learning that tennis can be taught year round in school gymnasiums now that we have foam balls and smaller racquets. I am so excited about programs that are thriving in places like Kanab, Nephi, Grantsville, and Bluff.

## Executive Director —continued

Andi Porter in Kanab has worked tirelessly for years to have new courts built for her community. Finally, in spring of 2016, 2 brand new courts were built – very exciting, and it only happened due to Andi's constancy in her passion for the kids in her town. Becky Henrie in Cedar City, also campaigned hard to have new courts built for the juniors of Cedar City. Six new courts were finished in the fall at Cedar City High School!

Utah Tennis Association was happy to award grants to multiple programs in the state to repair courts, add programs, hire instructors, and provide free programming. Programs such as the Glendale Tennis Community, in partnership with the Utah Tennis Association, offered free lessons to over 60 kids a day all summer out on the Glendale courts. In addition, a new program for the youth at Guadalupe School was very exciting for me to help get up and running with the help of Gretchen Soffe in our office.

The wheelchair program continues to thrive as our committee volunteers spend hours teaching adults and juniors free lessons each week at Liberty Park Tennis Center. With outreach events such as Paralympic School Field Days, Miracle League tennis fun, Spina Bifida picnics, and partnering with Neuroworx, we constantly try and show people with physical disabilities that tennis can be an active part of their lives. In February, we again hosted the National All Comers Wheelchair Camp. This camp, one of only 3 in the country, brings in players from all over the country, along with the best coaches in the nation.

Another highlight for me during the year 2016, was the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of partnership with the Bullard Family for the Ardene Bullard Of Love fundraiser. The Utah Tennis Foundation now works with the Of Love Foundation to grow the week long tennis event. With over 500 people in attendance at the exhibition with Mark Philippoussis and Ryan Harrison, this event is a community favorite. The adult and junior tournament again grew this year, and the Parent/Child social was sold out. This year, we added a local pro tiebreak tournament, which was great fun for people to come watch. Gordon Hayward of the Utah Jazz entered the Men's 4.5 Division. It was a first for me as tournament director to receive phone calls from people specifically asking if they could be placed against him in the draw! Gordon went on to win the 4.5 division. The press covered both Gordon's participation and the entire event with great stories on the news. Due to the success of the Ardene Bullard week, and other fundraising and grant writing during the year, the Foundation raised over \$34,000 to help grow tennis in underserved communities and population.

2016 also saw some changes in staff for the UTA. Long-time employee Jill Bruderer decided it was time for her to retire as the District League Coordinator for Utah. I'm sure being league coordinator for many years has left Jill with quite a few entertaining stories she can tell in her retirement years! Ally Sundberg, already a Utah Tennis Association staff member, has seamlessly moved into the District League Coordinator position. Ally has worked at facilities and is adored by the staff in our office. We are so happy she is now working with us full-time! Also leaving the UTA in November was our IT staff member, Shanda Stoner. Shanda was amazing at constantly thinking of new and creative ways the UTA could impact our community. A great addition to our staff at the end of the year was Gretchen Soffe. Gretchen is in a new position titled Community Outreach Coordinator. Gretchen will be working to bring new players into the fun by creating new leagues and social events, primarily focusing on adult play.

I want to thank the Utah Tennis Board of Directors for their tremendous support of myself and our staff. Their guidance was invaluable to us throughout the year. As we are a small staff, we could not offer the programs to our community, and the massive tournaments we host without the support of our volunteers. The hours you help us at tournament desks and junior programs throughout the year do not go unnoticed. Tennis connects people to each other, and to their community. I am grateful for the opportunity given to me to connect with everyone in our state and I am excited for the 2017 year.

Thank you!  
Laurie Lambert

## COMMUNITY TENNIS ASSOCIATIONS

What is a CTA? A Community Tennis Association is an organized group of dedicated volunteers and professionals who come together to support community tennis programs. As an association, the group works to coordinate and maintain programs and services and guarantees they are open and accessible to all. These tennis enthusiasts may act as advocates, program administrators, promoters or fund-raisers. Fueled by local volunteers, this not-for-profit association exists to promote and develop the game of tennis in the community. The following are active registered Community Tennis Associations in the State of Utah:

- Box Elder Tennis Association
- Cache Valley Tennis Association
- Cedar City Community Tennis Association
- Coach Mike's Tennis Academy
- Friends of Liberty Park Tennis
- Heber Valley Tennis Association
- Just Don't Quit Foundation
- Kane County Tennis Association
- Marriott-Slaterville Tennis Association
- Nephi Tennis
- North Canyon Swim & Tennis Club
- South Jordan Tennis Association
- Southern Utah Community Tennis Association
- Tennis & Tutoring
- Uintah Basin Tennis Association
- Uintah Tennis Foundation
- Utah Tennis Foundation

### HEBER VALLEY TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Tennis in Heber Valley continues to thrive. We have two pros working with our players out of Red Ledges and Timpanogas Valley Tennis. Juniors and adults participate in workouts. Many adult men and women play throughout the year, with the three courts used in the recreation center during the winter months. Red Ledges has two courts covered with a possibility of more in the future.

High school tennis is strong with 27 girls on the high school team and 17 on the boys team. The girls won the region tournament last year and qualified three for state. The boys were similarly successful. Heber Valley has grown in population this past few years as a result the high school has moved from 3A up to now 5A which makes for fierce competition. Although juniors must travel further distances to participate in tournaments throughout the state, they are making the effort. Their commitment shows and is paying off in the high school regional meets.

*Submitted by Terry Wagstaff*

### CACHE VALLEY TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Cache Valley Tennis Association keeps an updated website, [cachevalleytennis.org](http://cachevalleytennis.org), that lists all the tennis tournaments offered in the valley. We make a large poster and

attach them to all the public parks courts around the valley when the weather starts to get nice, along with a small hand bill that we put out at the Rec Center and The Sports Academy.

We run two of these public parks tournaments at the Logan Parks and Rec tennis courts. Our job consists of making and distributing the entry blanks, taking the entries on line, posting the draws on our website and handling the check-in table at both tournaments. They are lower cost unsanctioned tournaments and we get many entries from Box Elder County as well as Cache County. Each tournament offers singles first that runs 4-5 days, and then a 3 day doubles tournament the following Monday. We spend the week of the singles tournament trying to find more doubles entries, so we end up with one of the largest tournaments in the valley.

*Submitted by Carolee Hammel*



## COMMUNITY TENNIS ASSOCIATIONS

### KANE COUNTY COMMUNITY TENNIS ASSOCIATION

After 8 years of work we have 2 brand new tennis courts in Kanab. AND WE LOVE THEM...

Kane Community Tennis continued to offer year round programs including:

- In School PE classes at Valley HS, Kanab ES, and Fredonia ES and Middle School
- Spring Mini-Tournament Saturday play in Kanab
- Summer Lessons in Kanab, Valley, and Fredonia
- Clinics and playdays in Kanab and Valley
- Winter play in the gym for home schooled youth



**Kane Community Kids Love Tennis and the UTA!**

Fall tennis in Kanab was amazing. A Utah Jr. Tennis Foundation Grant allowed us to invite USPTA Pro Lori Sherbeck to come to Kanab to instruct junior and adult classes. What a great experience for our players to be taught by an accomplished instructor! An added highlight was the much appreciated and anticipated return of Laurie Lambert and Jaxon Montague who provided a fun workout for the kids and adults both in Kanab and Valley.



**2016: We did it! We have tennis ATTITUDE!!**

KCT was awarded a grant from the USTA Southwest Section to equip our Fredonia AZ program. We look forward to expanding that program and including those residents in our Kanab events.

In 2017 we will continue to expand our programs in conjunction with Kane County Recreation and the Healthy Kane County Coalition. Development of an adult component of lessons, clinics, and organized play is a priority for this year.

*Submitted by Andi Porter*

### NEPHI RECREATION TENNIS—

2016 was another strong year for youth tennis in Nephi. 37 youth participated in our Summer Tennis Camp, 16 youth participated in our Winter Indoor Tennis class and 11 youth participated in our new Adaptive Tennis with more than a dozen volunteer buddies. We also held free clinics for Adult tennis players.

With the assistance of a USTA Grant we are planning to expand our youth tennis offerings with a “playday” and offer Adult Drop In Tennis program throughout the summer.

Our Junior High and High School programs are now strong with excellent coaches. Our youth program now serves as a feeder program for those programs. We're excited to continue expanding Tennis in Nephi.

*Submitted by John Bradley*



**Summer Fun with Nephi Recreation Tennis**

## COMMUNITY TENNIS ASSOCIATIONS

### MARRIOTT-SLATERVILLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Our group lesson format continued this year, with a total of 152 participants. Marriott-Slaterville City and Harrisville City Parks and Recreation joined forces to provide low-cost lessons to our participants. Pepsi Co. generously donated t-shirts and water bottles for each participant. Three adult organizers and 6 youth coaches led our program.



Our 10 and Under Tennis program is a 3-week program with 2 lessons per week. These lessons are Monday and Wednesday mornings. We have 5 different classes. Age 5-6, age 7-8 Beginner, age 7-8 Intermediate, age 9-10 beginner, and age 9-10 intermediate. We were able to host three sessions of each course this year, with many students playing with us all summer.

Our age 11 and up courses are on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. We divide into both beginner and intermediate groups. Again, lessons are 3 weeks long with 2 lessons per week. We also followed the three session course schedule.

This year we implemented a new age 11 and older Advanced course. These classes were held Friday mornings for 2 hour sessions. In this new course, our instructors were able to work on more complex techniques, strategy, and incorporate match play. We have seen great growth in some of our advanced players. Many of these students are parents of our younger players. We love to see families playing together, and are grateful this course allows them the opportunity to learn along with their children.



We also have several students who use this course to help them better prepare for their high school tennis season.

We allow all our students age 11 and older the opportunity to play in a mini-tournament put on by our program. This single

elimination tournament allows our students to experience match play and get them ready for more competitive play in the future.

We continue to see increased participation and we are so proud of our growing program. We love seeing the difference it is making in our students, their families, and our community.

*Submitted by Ashlee Clayton*

## COMMUNITY TENNIS DEVELOPMENT



Since 2008, Tennis & Tutoring has been serving Salt Lake City youth through free, safe, afterschool programs that exercise their hearts, muscles, and minds and 2016 was no exception.



With over 120,000 k-12 students at home alone during out-of-school hours, there is high demand for safe, supportive, and effective afterschool programming in the state of Utah. 72 students from three schools attend our program for two hours a day, two days a week. After 8 years working with Lincoln Elementary students at Liberty Park Tennis Center, beginning in the 2016-17 school year Tennis and Tutoring now operates three program sites in Salt Lake City and West Valley City, Utah.

Tennis & Tutoring is planning for a period of significant program growth and organizational advancement in the next five years. Advocating on behalf of our students, their families, and the schools we serve; providing quality academic instruction, athletic training, and personal growth opportunities; implementing a robust evaluation and assessment protocol; growing our brand within the community; and developing a robust individual giving program are among our top organizational priorities. To grow our programming and improve our organizational capacity, we are fortunate to be participating in the USTA Foundation's NJTL Capacity Building Program. This program provides long-term leadership development, training, mentorship, and funding opportunities to 32 community and youth serving tennis organizations across the country.

We are so grateful for the support of Utah Tennis Association, Utah Tennis Foundation and the tennis community.

*Submitted by Angie Keeton*



## COMMUNITY TENNIS DEVELOPMENT



### *Tennis is Elementary After School Program*

Tennis is Elementary is an After School program that is meant to be a great introduction to the sport for elementary age children 10 years and younger. Taught in schools throughout Granite district, this program is fun and informative, leaving children with a greater knowledge and desire to play a lifelong sport!

Skills they learn now will encourage young children to embrace an active lifestyle early on. Tennis stimulates the mind, body, and emotions and fosters cooperative and competitive skill development for children. Utah Tennis works hard to find instructors that are able to connect well with children and reminds them that tennis is free of limitations based on gender, physical size, and age.

All children should consider an after-school tennis program, if it is offered near them.



## COMMUNITY TENNIS DEVELOPMENT

### LDS Singles Social

Teresa Knudsen, of Utah Tennis Association, spearheads this popular activity for LDS Singles wards. All skill levels participate in drills and games led by instructors one night a week. This fun activity is a natural stepping stone for new players to get into league and serves a large segment of our market. Most importantly, it offers a safe and fun environment for adults to get on the courts. This activity is growing in popularity and more locations will be added for 2017.



### Tennis On Campus



Salt Lake City is happy to host the collegiate club sport event called Tennis On Campus. The Intermountain section hosts the Intermountain Tennis On Campus Sectional Championships in March at Salt Lake Swim and Sports Mall. Multiple college teams from around Utah and the Intermountain competed for a spot in the National tournament. This program is a co-ed team format – similar to World Team Tennis that is growing in popularity across the country. Tennis On Campus is a great way to keep juniors who have played high school or competitive events playing once their junior career has ended.



#### Girls High School Tennis Training Camps

The girls camp runs each August under the direction of Head Pro Bob Juhasz at the Sports Mall. This camp drew girls from all over the state of Utah.

#### Boy's High School Tennis Training Camps

Each February the Salt Lake Swimming and Tennis Club hosts this two-day, 10 hour on-and-off court training camp for boys all over the state of Utah that are interested in playing for their high school tennis team. The boys camp was run under the direction of Don Williams. This camp was extremely successful with approximately 100 participants.



## 2016 HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS

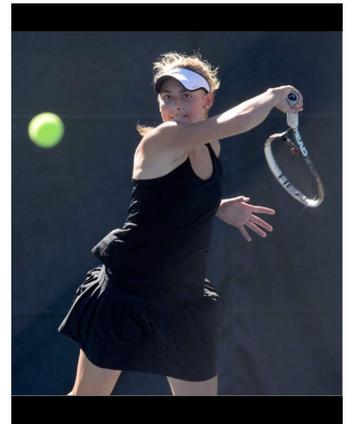
Kathy Rothfels & Luceen Sullivan Award—Presented to an Outstanding Girls' High School Tennis Team in the State of Utah (Nominations & selection from fall 2016 season). Named after Kathy Rothfels and Luceen Sullivan who together in 1969 were instrumental in organizing and running the first Girls High School Tennis Tournament in the State of Utah. This award recognizes achievement in high school tennis but is not determined solely on win/loss record.

**2016 Recipient**  
**Park City High School**



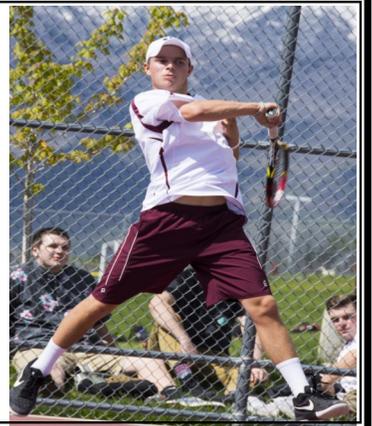
Ruby Hammel Award—Presented to an Outstanding Female High School Tennis Player in the State of Utah (Nominations & selection from fall 2016 season). Named after Ruby Hammel, who has been a tennis advocate for over 50 years and has taught and introduced hundreds of young girls to the sport of tennis. Through her guidance, inspiration and direction many of these young girls have gone on to play and compete on a High School Tennis Team. This award recognizes a female athlete for her achievements in high school tennis and also recognizes the individual for their overall performance, team spirit, sportsmanship and attitude both on and off the court.

**2016 Recipient**  
**Emilee Astle**



Lee Hammel Award—Presented to an Outstanding Male High School Tennis Player in the State of Utah (Nominations & selection from fall 2016 season). Named after Lee Hammel who coached High School Tennis in Utah at South and East High School for 40 years with over 5 State High School Championship Titles. This award recognizes a male athlete for his achievements in high school tennis and also recognizes the individual for their overall performance, team spirit, sportsmanship and attitude both on and off the court.

**2016 Recipient**  
**Brocton Andrus**



**Olympus High School Girls Tennis**  
**4A State Champions**

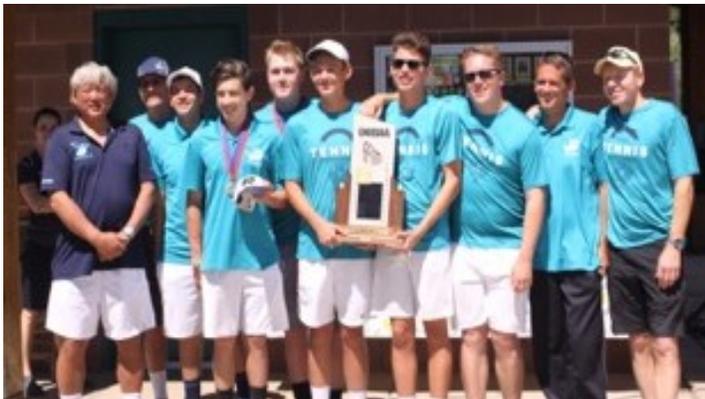
## 2016 HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS

Wilbur Braithwaite Award—Presented to an Outstanding Boys' High School Tennis Team in the State of Utah (Nominations & selection from spring 2015 season). Named after Wilbur Braithwaite, who coached High School Tennis at Manti High School for 53 years with over 11 State High School Championship Titles. This award recognizes achievement in high school tennis but is not determined solely on win/loss record

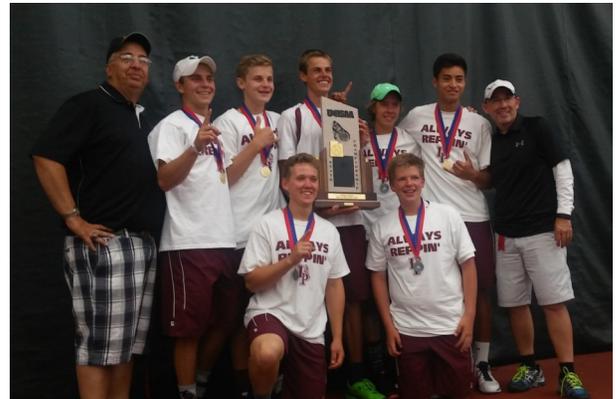


**2016 Recipient**  
**Waterford High School**

**Timpview High School  
4A State Champions**



**Juan Diego Catholic High School  
3A State Champions**



**Lone Peak High School  
5A State Champions**

## JUNIOR RECREATION

A primary focus for the Utah Tennis Association is to create better “entry level” experiences for the junior player who is beginning to compete. Many programs this year emphasized learning to play points, without the “one and done” experience that can happen in traditional tournaments. In order to help create this better transition from lessons and clinics to competitive play, Utah Tennis created multiple programs to make sure tennis is enjoyable for the beginner.



10 and Under Tennis, is the largest youth initiative in USTA history and scales the game down to size for its youngest players, with shorter courts, slower-moving and lower bouncing balls, and lighter and shorter racquets. 10 & Under tennis is structured for kids to learn tennis and rally and play quickly in a way that is both enjoyable and rewarding. Tailoring equipment and courts so they are sized appropriately for kids makes the game more accessible—and more fun—by allowing kids to get involved right from the start.

### SUPERLEAGUE

SuperLeague continues to be a focus for junior recreation in our community. This program succeeds thanks to the parents who have embraced the idea of team competition in a social and fun environment. Our SuperLeague ran both in the spring and then again in the fall for the first time. Over 150 players competed this year in every color of ball: orange, green and yellow (no red ball competition yet!). The spring session culminated in a large party at the Brighton High School tennis courts – with thanks to Alissa Owen and Jocee Bergeson who help beat the drums for this program. Thanks to the many team parents who really embraced the spirit of SuperLeague!



### Live Ball

Another offering for junior recreation players is the Live Ball program. Offering 2 sessions during the 2016 year (spring and fall), players converge at several different facilities to play “live ball” – or simulated point scenarios to improve their match play skills. Offering beginning, intermediate and advanced options for juniors age 11 and up, the Live Ball program is a great addition to the training opportunities for our Utah juniors.

# PLAYER DEVELOPMENT/JUNIOR PROGRAMS

## Early Development Camp

Early Development Camp is a new program that started in 2016. The program is for juniors ages 7-9. The camps were held quarterly at University of Utah Eccles Tennis Center and the coaches from all the various facilities assisted with the coaching and rotated with each camp. Brad Ferreira from Eagle Ridge Tennis & Swim Club is the main coach. Assisting him are Robin Wise from Utah Tennis Association and other teaching professionals from the Salt Lake Valley.



## Boys & Girls 16 Zone Team Championships

The Utah Tennis Association has hosted this tournament for the past 20 years. Tournament Director Robin Wise, Utah Tennis staff and volunteers worked very hard to make it a successful and fun event for everyone. One hundred forty-four junior players, parents and coaches representing 5 different Sections were in Salt Lake City for the tournament, which was held July 7th –July 11th, at Coach Mikes Tennis Academy at Liberty Park Tennis and Salt Lake Swimming & Tennis Club. The Intermountain, Northern California, Southern California, Southwest and Hawaii Pacific Sections participated. Each team consists of 6 boys and 6 girls who compete in a non-elimination singles and doubles, round robin team format. The team format also allows coaching during the matches. Many thanks to all of the volunteers and facility staff who helped with the tournament.

**The tournament was presented in partnership with the UTAH SPORTS COMMISSION**

## PLAYER DEVELOPMENT/JUNIOR PROGRAMS

Player Development/Junior Programs and Youth Recreation covers all aspects of junior tennis including introduction to the sport, recreational play, team competition, supplemental development programs and individual tournament competition at District, Sectional and National levels. The Utah Tennis Junior Competition and Player Development Committee provides many of the volunteers who help the Utah District Coordinator and make suggestions and recommendations for our Juniors and Player Development. They, along with staff member Robin Wise, also coordinated the **2016 Junior Gran Prix Point Challenge** sponsored by Utah Tennis, which remains a very popular incentive program for the junior tournament players. **Sponsored by HEAD/Penn**

### Player Development/Junior Competition

Player Development/Junior programs offer additional training opportunities for juniors. The Utah District Competition Training Center and Team Utah come under the Junior Competition and Player Development Committee's jurisdiction. These supplemental programs are designed to enhance these exceptional players' tennis performance in conjunction with independent training. The selection process for the juniors is based on rankings, interest, enthusiasm, tournament participation, dedication and sportsmanship. The Team Utah and CTC programs for the 2015/2016 season focused on helping our top juniors reach their full potential and giving them the opportunity to receive both on and off court training to help them get to the next level. The Junior Competition Committee and Junior Competition and Player Development Coordinator Robin Wise works closely with the coaches and parents to help educate them on the competitive opportunities for our juniors, as well as providing information to those who have the desire to progress in junior competition in the District, within the Section and Nationally and to help prepare them for college play. A portion of the cost of the program was reduced due to the success of the 22nd Annual Jan Dowse Junior Tennis Fundraiser. A portion of the dollars raised by the UTF were earmarked for junior tennis and will be used to help directly benefit those juniors who participate in the program & providing reduced program fees.



#### 2016-2017 USTA Utah District Competition Training Center (CTC)

Head Coach – Bob Juhasz

Coaches: Drew Sweet, Evi Vandecasteele, Dantley Young



#### 2016-2017 Team Utah

Head Coach—Lindsay Rawstorne

Coaches: Brad Ferreira,  
Clark Barton, Mike Trabert, Mike White

Calvin Armstrong  
Cort Armstrong  
Sage Bergeson  
Sophie Christensen  
Juliana Cooksey  
Victoria Cooksey  
Jane Dorny  
Charlie Frey  
Ethan Green  
Parker Hopkin  
Tucker Lee  
Dylan Lolofie

Tarun Martheswaran  
Emmie Moore  
Ford Owen  
Hardy Owen  
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Anzley Stohl  
Josh Stohl  
Lalith Suresh  
Lars Thulin  
Gunnar Woller

Brig Andrus  
Ryan Boddington  
Annaliese County  
Jacque Dunyon  
Sicely Ferreira  
Micah Heimuli  
Jakob Kempema  
Elizabeth Lara

Tanner O'Brien  
Redd Owen  
Gabby Rockwood  
Olivia Rockwood  
Addison Sepulveda  
Nicholas Sepulveda  
Luke Vandecasteele  
Quinn Vandecasteele

# CONGRATULATIONS !

## 2016 UTAH TENNIS JUNIOR GRAN PRIX POINT CHALLENGE

### BOYS DIVISION WINNERS

### GIRLS DIVISION WINNERS

<u>Singles</u>	<u>Boys</u>	-	<u>Singles</u>	<u>Girls</u>
18's	Jack Taylor	-	18's	Emilee Astle
16's	Giovanni Claus	-	16's	Katherine MacPhail
14's	Indiana Redd	-	14's	Dylan Lolofie
12's	Calvin Armstrong	-	12's	Sage Bergeson
10's	Jakob Fankhauser	-	10's	Sara White
<u>Doubles</u>	<u>Boys</u>	-	<u>Doubles</u>	<u>Girls</u>
18's	Nicholas Sepulveda	-	18's	Emilee Astle
16's	Isaac Smith	-	16's	Sara & Bitsy Tullis
14's	Hardy Owen	-	14's	Morgan Behymer
12's	Samuel Stewart	-	12's	Sage Bergeson
10's	Drew Bergeson	-	10's	Cameron Hendrix
		-		

Sponsored by HEAD/Penn

**2016 Junior Tournament  
Players of the Year**

Jakob Fankhauser  
Sage Bergeson



### HILARY DOYLE SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

Hilary Doyle started playing competitive tennis at the age of 10. She was a top ranked junior, played on the Brighton Girls High School championship tennis team, as well as a member of the University of Utah women's varsity tennis team. Hilary was a great tennis player and well liked by her peers. The most important part of Hilary's success was her attitude and sportsmanship. Her positive "can do" attitude and work ethic on and off the court served as a positive role model for young tennis players. Hilary passed away in 2006 at the age of 23. She brought a spark of joy and laughter into our lives with her unconditional love and energy. It is truly fitting that our Junior Sportsmanship Award is presented annually in her honor.



At the conclusion of each Sanctioned Junior Tournament, the tournament director will select one junior participant who exemplified good sportsmanship during the tournament. The sportsmanship winners from each tournament during the 2016 season will be considered as nominees for this award. The junior player that receives the most nominations is then selected to receive the Hilary Doyle award.

**2016 Hilary Doyle Sportsmanship Award  
Recipient- Emmie Moore**



Robin Wise and Emmie Moore

## 2016 ADULT LEAGUES/SPONSORS/ADVANCEMENTS

League	Sponsors	Format	Team/ Player Count	Advanced to National Championships:
Winter League	Hillside Tire & Service, Mike Doolin Steve Brand	3 doubles	80/1082	
USTA 18 & Over Mixed Doubles		3 doubles	28/418	8.0 Sports Mall—Nelson
USTA 18 & Over	Wollam Construction, Guy & Lana Wollam	2 singles 3 doubles	107/1551	W3.5 CMTA@Liberty Park—Utgaard W5.0 Brighton HS—Madsen M3.5 VASA—Fowkes
USTA 40 & Over Mixed Doubles		3 doubles	16/209	
USTA 40 & Over		2 singles 3 doubles	79/1215	W3.0 CMTA@Liberty Park—Leishman M3.5 VASA—Williams/Fowkes M4.0—CMTA@Liberty Park—Sato/Ward
USTA 55 & Over	Wollam Construction, Guy & Lana Wollam	3 doubles	20/249	W7.0 CMTA@Liberty Park—Stoddard/ Larkin
ITA Fall Mixed Doubles	Gottschall Engraving, John Balog	3 doubles	20/310	
Fall Outdoor		3 doubles	56/731	
Fall Indoor		3 doubles	62/790	
World Team Tennis (WTT)		17		
Wild Card Qualifier Tour- naments	IM Grating, Brent & Vicki Cox			Note: Winning teams earn spot in Utah District Adult 18&Over or 40&Over League playoffs.



4.0M —CMTA@Liberty Park—Sato/Ward



INTERMOUNTAIN  
UTAH

3.5M VASA—Williams/Fowkes



## ADULT LEAGUE PROGRAMS . . .

The Adult Programs Committee is responsible for the development and administration of leagues and tournaments. The Utah Tennis Association provides USTA Leagues under the governance of the United States Tennis Association, as well as other local leagues. These leagues are designed to provide the opportunity for year-round competitive tennis in a team format; and are designed to keep players in the game. Leagues provide play for adult men and women (18+ yrs.), a league for men and women (40+ yrs.) and a league for men and women (55+ yrs.), (65+ yrs.), as well as Mixed Doubles and World Team Tennis. League play offers skill levels for men and women from beginner 2.5 to advanced 5.0 NTRP, as well as leagues which also offer combined NTRP skill levels from 6.0 to 10+.



### CONGRATULATIONS TO TEAMS WHO ADVANCED TO NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS



**3.5W CMTA@Liberty Park—Utgaard**



**5.0W Brighton HS—Madsen**



**3.0W CMTA@Liberty Park—Leishman**



**7.0W CMTA@Liberty Park—  
Stoddard/Larsen**



## 2016 UTAH TENNIS WORKING COMMITTEE REPORTS

### **Audit Committee - Terry Miya, Chair**

The Audit Committee is responsible for overseeing the financials of the association and compliance reporting process and the operation of the policies on conflicts of interest and the Governing Board-Association's staff communications.

**2016 Audit Committee Members:** Ric Hammond, Marce Miles and Staff Member Laurie Lambert



### **Junior Competition and Player Development Committee - Brad Ferreira, Chair and committee members: Brandon Owen, Lindsay Rawstorne, Tiffin Tullis, Matt Stohl, Holly Hasler, Lesley Rockwood, Brian Moore, Tony Wallin, Tanner Frey, Robin Wise -**

Junior participation in Level 6 tournaments increased in 19 out of 22 tournaments during the year. The addition of individual age division competition to add another opportunity for play during the winter months was successful. All 4 tournaments, hosted at different facilities, sold out for this new option of play.

The Challenger and Futures tournaments, Levels 7 & 8, are excellent ways for players to become more comfortable in the tournament environment. The 10 & Under Futures tournaments are averaging 13 players per event. The total 10 & Under participation has increased at least 20% since 2013. Now, as this group of 10s ages up, we are seeing dramatic increase in our 12 & Under divisions. From the 6 largest tournaments in the year, the 12 & Under participation has increased from 200 in the year 2014 to 302 in 2016 – this is a 51% increase.

Utah Tennis Association continues to host the Winter Masters and Labor Day Masters Level 4 sectional tournaments. Thank you to all the facilities who help us pull off these massive tournaments – especially during the winter indoor season! We are proud to say that in the Labor Day Masters tournament, Utah juniors won 6 of the 8 singles divisions! Congratulations to: Caden Hasler, Quinn Vandecasteele, Redd Owen, Luke Vandecasteele, Emmie Moore and Jacque Dunyon.

For the Slammin 10s tournament in Las Vegas, which is a Regional competition against teams from all over the western half of the US, the Intermountain team WON the event for the first time! Congratulations to our Utah players: Calvin Armstrong, Dillon Johnson, Josh Stohl, Sage Bergeson and Jane Dunyon.

At the end of the year, the Junior Competition committee met to review the earned advancement requirements for the 10s. Changes to be implemented for 2017 include changing the earned advancement from orange to green to require 20 matches played (instead of winning 2 Orange Open tournaments). In addition, 10s players who are qualified for 10s green will now be eligible to play in the 12s green open division beginning in 2017.

## 2016 WORKING COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Adult Programs Committee - Janice and committee members (committee rotated in new members during the year) Terry Miya, Kristi Roggensack, Charlotte Kornik, Scott Ingham, Andrea Bain, Tina Holland, Katy Higgins, Katy Alder.**

League continues to be a thriving aspect of adult competition in the Salt Lake area. During the year, the league coordinator – Jill Bruderer and Ally Sundberg ran 11 leagues. In November, Jill Bruderer decided to retire from her position. Ally Sundberg took up the reins from Jill. We will miss Jill very much as she had a wonderful ability to listen and work well with all the league players.

Utah had 1892 unique individuals play league in 2016. Unique is defined as a person being counted once per year. Total registration of players for the year was 6477 – with each time a player registers for a team counting. League had 1143 women and 408 men compete in the 18 & Over league. The 40 & Over league is growing in registrations with each year as it becomes better known. This year the 40 & Over league had 1215 total participants as compared to 1077 in 2014.

The 55 & Over league continues to be popular, with 249 players in Utah as compared to 250 in 2015. Women are again the primary component of this league with 188 women and 61 men. The 40 & Over Mixed doubles league continues to grow in popularity. 209 players competed in 2016, as compared to 57 in the year 2015.

The following 8 teams made it to Nationals for Utah in the year 2016:

18 & over:

- 3.5 Women Liberty - Utgaard,
- 5.0 Women Brighton – Madsen,
- 3.5 Men VASA – Fowkes (this team took 3<sup>rd</sup> at Nationals!)

18 & Over Mixed:

- 8.0 Sports Mall – Nelson

40 & Over:

- 3.0 Women Liberty – Leishman,
- 3.5 Men VAS Williams/Fowkes, (taking 3<sup>rd</sup> at Nationals!)
- 4.0 Men Liberty – Sato/Ward

55 & Over:

- 7.0 Women Liberty – Stoddard/Larkin



## 2016 WORKING COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Wheelchair Tennis Committee Report – Marianne Page, Chair

The Utah Wheelchair Tennis Committee was able to accomplish a variety of goals in 2016 which led to a number of opportunities of play for all who wanted to take part. We hosted the fifth annual All Comers Wheelchair Tennis Camp, bringing in players from across the country. Some of the participants included players from Colorado, Idaho, Illinois, New York, Texas, Florida and New Mexico as well as several local players. National Wheelchair Tennis Coaches, Dan James and Jason Harnett, conducted the clinic along with David Wagner and Utah coaches Rick Draney, Michael O'Keefe and Lindsay Rawstone.

Coach Mike's at Liberty Park was home to the outdoor season. Weekly clinics were conducted for both adults and juniors on separate nights throughout the summer and fall with talk of an additional winter session for juniors to be held at Lagoon.

Monthly clinics were offered by both PC MARC and Ivory Ridge with an additional weekly workout being held at Park City. Both facilities and their pros continue to be strong supporters of wheelchair tennis and we appreciate their continued partnership.

Numerous outreach opportunities were held consisting of demonstrations at the TRAILS Sports and Recreation Expo, the Spina Bifida Picnic and the junior softball Miracle League which lead to a weekly opportunity to teach adaptive tennis to a group of about 13 juniors and young adults in a local neighborhood throughout the summer and fall. A clinic was taught in the gym at Neuroworx, a spinal cord rehabilitation facility, in efforts to reach new people. A new partnership was formed with the Salt Lake City School District and tennis was taught during the adaptive P.E. classes at West High School.

The Utah Wheelchair Tennis program strives to promote the sport of tennis and provide opportunities for all to play. Committee Chair, Marianne Page, along with committee members Dean Oba, Elizabeth Fetter, Rick Draney and Trish Oba contribute their time planning and implementing ideas to grow the sport of wheelchair tennis. We appreciate everyone's support of this wonderful program and look forward to 2017.



## 2016 WORKING COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Grievance Committee - Kathy Cameron, Chair

#### Grievance, Rules/Regulations and Bylaws Committee - Kathy Cameron, Chair

2016 was a busy year for the Grievance Committee as we continued to identify areas to be clarified in the Association's league regulations, the intent being to avoid misinterpretation of rules and regulations and in turn, avoid grievances. The responsibilities of the committee have been expanded in 2017 to include monitoring that the Working Committees are operating within the Rules, Regulations and Bylaws of the Association. During the early part of 2017, the committee will focus on identifying a process to complete these new responsibilities. The Junior Grievance process will also be reviewed and updated during 2017.

The committee continues to have the primary responsibility for resolving grievances and complaints filed by members, in connection with sanctioned tournaments, leagues and programs sponsored by the Utah Tennis Association. It is the responsibility of the Grievance Committee to balance the interests of the person who is the subject of the grievance, his or her teammates, and very importantly, other players who may be impacted by the complaint or incident. It is critical that, at the time of the incident, complaints be directed to local umpires, the local league coordinator, or the tournament desk for immediate handling. Parents are advised to restrain themselves in connection with their children's matches and to resort to appropriate remedies. All players and spectators are expected to adhere to the Code of Conduct, the Rules of Tennis, the UTA Spectator Policy, and demonstrate good sportsmanship, so that everyone can have a fun and enjoyable experience on and off the court.

**2016 Grievance Committee Members:** Terry Miya, Steve Robbins, Jason Grant, Marilyn Patch, Kristen Siddoway and Brandon Owen.



## 2016 MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS . . .

### USTA Individual Membership—Junior & Adults

The Intermountain Tennis Association, as of December 31, has over 38,322 members. Much of the Section and District's funding from the USTA is based on percentage of overall membership. It is also imperative that ITA maintain a strong presence in memberships because endorsement spots for national junior play is based on a percentage of our total membership. Utah is the second largest district in the Intermountain section with 5,199 members, second to Colorado.

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016		
Junior Membership	2106	1848	1630	1595	1643		
Adult Membership	3824	3764	3661	3604	3464		
Total Membership	5930	5612	5291	5199	5199		



The Utah Tennis Foundation is a tax exempt 501©3 non-profit organization established in 1987, which works closely with the Utah Tennis Association. The Utah Tennis Foundation seeks to open doors to players to participate in tennis throughout the state of Utah who might not otherwise be able to afford the sport. The Foundation helps competitive junior players by providing travel assistance to participate in sectional and national tournaments. The Foundation also offers a Junior Assistance Program, which covers USTA memberships, local tournament entry fees, and group lesson expenses for juniors with financial need.

The Foundation also focuses on diverse non-traditional communities and works with other allied organizations to provide community outreach and tennis playing opportunities to wheelchair tennis, adaptive tennis programs, kids at risk, and underserved youth in the community. Other programs such as community outreach to rural towns, and grants for non-profit organizations, also help provide tennis to new communities. This is a large part of the Foundation's monetary use.

A sampling of programs receiving grants and support during the 2016 year were: Payson City, Tennis & Tutoring, Marriott-Slaterville Tennis Association, Uintah Basin CTA, Box Elder, Southern Utah University, Glendale Tennis Association, Uintah Recreation, and the Guadalupe School.



A major source of funding for the Foundation is the Janet M. Dowse Memorial Rally for Junior Tennis Fundraiser. As of 2015, the UTF partnered with the OF LOVE Foundation to help raise money for the Foundation and Juvenile Diabetes Research thru the JDRF. The weeklong Ardene Bullard Of Love Tennis tournament at the University of Utah Eccles Tennis Center continues to grow as an incredible community event. The weeklong tournament increased in numbers again in 2016 and added a local pro tiebreak tournament to the fun during the exhibition evening. Mark Philippoussis and Ryan Harrison competed in the pro exhibition event – with over 500 people in attendance at the Eccles

Tennis Center on the University of Utah. With the help of Roeland Brateanu, the partnership between the OF Love Foundation, the Utah Tennis Foundation, and the University of Utah continues to grow. An additional thrill during the tournament this year was the participation of NBA Pro Gordon Hayward in the Men's 4.5 division. Gordon beat multiple players to take home the 4.5 title. Gordon also played with the pros during the exhibition event, which was attended by Governor Gary Herbert.

The Of Love evening culminates with the drawing for the Grand Prize trip to the US Open. Thru sales of opportunity drawing tickets all year long, people have the opportunity to win this trip. This year's winner was Lisa Smith, who purchased her ticket during the Annual Celebration of Tennis evening at the Leonardo Museum. For 2016, the Janet M Dowse Scholarship Award, with \$500 from the Foundation was awarded to Annaliese County.



**Jan M Dowse  
Player of the Year  
Annaliese County**

In addition to the Of Love event week, other, smaller fundraising events took place during the year. Silent Auction items are offered during the Annual Celebration of Tennis evening, including camps donated by BYU Head Men's Coach Brad Pearce.

In 2016, over \$34,000 was raised for the Utah Tennis Foundation. A special thanks to all the board members, staff members, and people in the community who help solicit silent auction items and purchase items during the silent auctions.

A large part of the Foundation's adaptive recreation programming is our wheelchair tennis program. Thru grant writing and donations, this program continues to thrive as one of the most active wheelchair tennis programs in the country. A huge thanks to the wheelchair tennis committee members: Marianne Page, Dean Oba, Trish Oba, Rick Draney, and Elizabeth Fetter for making this program so successful.

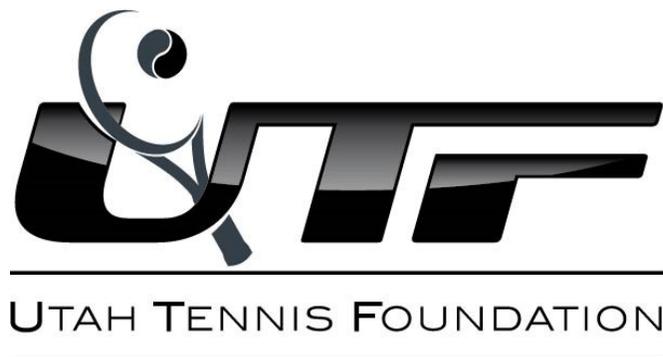
In 2017, the Utah Tennis Foundation will be again looking for community help in continuing to raise money for outreach and support programs throughout the state. Our goal of helping adults and juniors in Utah learn about the lifetime sport of tennis, and make this great sport part of their lives in ongoing.

**Utah Tennis Foundation**  
*a tax exempt 501©3  
non-profit organization*

**Changing Lives...through tennis.**



Thank you for your support. Due to the many contributions to the Utah Tennis Foundation in 2016, we were able to reach over 1000 people. We continue to help change lives....through tennis.



## Utah Tennis Association Past Presidents

1960-62 Jack Fairclough	1981-82 Shirley Tanner	2005-06 Don Sorensen
1963 Harry James	1983 Myron Walker	2007-09 Ken Harris
1964 Hyrum Cannon	1984-85 Bob Rutstein	2009-11 Mike Cooper
1965 Dale Robbins	1986 Patti Kelly	2011-12 Ric Hammond
1966-67 Lee Hammel	1987 Warren Rawlins	2013-14 Marce Miles
1968-69 Jack Morris	1988-89 Jim Haig	2015-16 Charlene Peterson
1970-72 George H. Johnson	1990 Jeff Jensen	
1973-75 Reed Gordon	1991-92 Marilyn Wallin	
1976 Jack Morris	1993-94 Gale Volkman	
1977 Ernie Smith	1995-96 Bruce Cummings	
1978 John Stephens	1997-98 Jean Greenwood	
1979 Janet Dowse	99-2002 Steve Hard	
1980 Lee Hammel	2003-04 Jean Greenwood	



## Utah Tennis Association Award Recipients



### The David L. Freed Award

The David L. Freed Award was established in 1979 to be presented annually to an individual who has constantly provided leadership and example both in quality of play and service to the game.

#### Previous Recipients

1979 Joe Cowley	1992 Warren Pretorius	2004 John Lin
1980 Kathy Rothfels	1993 Chris Spackman	2005 RuthAnn Allen
1981 Lee Hammel	1994 Julia Bradley	2006 Andrew Valdez
1982 Jack Fairclough	1995 Clark Robinson	2007 Dean Oba
1983 Wilbur Braithwaite	1996 Clark Barton	2008 Debbie Robb
1984 Harry James	1997 Jim Osborne	2009 Mike Trabert
1985 John Stevens	1998 Mike Martines	2010 Ian Rothfels
1986 Bob Rutstein	1999 Lindsay Rawstorne	2011 Laurie Lambert
1987 Patti Kelly	2000 Brad Ferreira	2012 Clark Hancock
1988 Janice Stevens	2001 Drew Sweet	2013 Mike Cooper
1989 Kathryn Wright	2002 Cal Nelson	2014 Brad Ferreira
1990 Myron Walker	2003 Rod Horton	2015 Bill Damron
1991 Rick Billings		2016 Christian Wright

### Volunteer of the Year

Established in 1991, the Volunteer of the Year Award is presented annually to a person who personifies the dedication of the tennis player who gives selflessly to the growth of the sport through involvement and commitment to the Utah Tennis Association.

#### Previous Recipients

1991 Jim Cox	1999 Colleen Parry	2006 Leeza Evensen
1992 Roy Keir	2000 Carolyn "Sam" Macfarlane	2007 Bev Taylor
1993 Bruce Cummings	2000 Melody Walter	2008 Marce Miles
1994 Dee Briggs	2001 Shawna Paterson	2009 Trish Jensen—Oba
1995 Larry Erickson	2001 Larry Colton	2010 Kathy Cameron
1996 Mike Larsen	2002 Cindi Kennedy	2011 Daniela Cramer
1996 Lisa Glines	2002 Mel Richards	2012 Jeanine Elsholz
1997 Gale Volkman	2002 Ken Harris	2013 Marianne Page
1998 Jean Greenwood	2003 Kande Shackelford	2014 Shilane Mansell
1999 Mark Jensen	2003 Bryan Bates	2015 Crystal McMullin
	2004 Janice Smith	2016 Ryan Schmidt
	2005 Kate Sturgeon	

### Linda Vincent Community Service Award

Established in 1998, this award is presented to an individual who has made outstanding contributions to the tennis community.

#### Previous Recipients

1998 Cal Nelson	2008 Dan Johnson
1999 David Freed	2009 Terry Miya
2000 Brent Goates	2010 David Jones
2000 Lynn & Carol Benson	2011 Terry & Abby Wagstaff
2001 Wilbur Braithwaite	2012 Jared Scow
2001 Lori Jenks	2013 Andi Porter
2002 Robert Saxton	2014 Christy Johnson
2002 Dell Loy Hansen	2015 Hillary Redd
2003 Max Miller	2016 Ron Bachman
2003 Bruce Haines	
2004 Don Wayne Nelson	
2005 Charlene Peterson	
2006 Ernest Oriente	
2007 Brad Ferreira	



# Utah Tennis Association Award Recipients



## Janet M. Dowse Award & Scholarship

Established in memory of Janet M. Dowse, Executive Director of the Utah Tennis Association from 1980 to May 1996. Jan was balanced in her approach to tennis and life and always kept both in proper perspective. This award & scholarship was established in 1996 and is awarded annually to a junior player who exemplifies integrity, willingness to help others, love of family and the joy of playing tennis. The junior player is recognized and presented the scholarship and award during the Annual Junior Tennis Fundraiser.

### Previous Recipients

1996 Tyler Poulson	2002 Cassie Kasteler	2010 Ashley Tanner
1997 Cassie Kasteler	2003 Lu Oswald	2011 Matt Sweet
1998 Lu Oswald	2005 Beck Roghaar	2012 Colin Holyoak
1999 Beck Roghaar	2006 Hadley Macfarlane	2013 Brooke Burnside
2000 Hadley Macfarlane	2007 Grant Taylor	2014 Sidnee Lavatai
2001 Tyler Poulson	2008 Mary Anne Macfarlane	2015 Jonathan Dollahite
	2009 Chas Foote	2016 Annaliese County

## Harry James “Will to Win” Award

The “Will to Win” Award was established through the sponsorship of Wilson Racquet Sports in 1991 in memory of Harry James. The award is given from time to time to a wheelchair athlete for his or her outstanding contributions to the sport of tennis, both on and off the court.

1991 Mike Schlappi	2000 Randy Curry	2009 Ryan Nelson
1992 Dean Oba	2001 Jeff Griffin	2010 Marianne Page
1993 Corey White	2002 Vernon L. Burgess	2011 Wally Lee
1994 Randy Curry	2004 Danny Quintana	2012 Nathan Hunter
1995 Danny Quintana	2005 Randy Curry	2013 Elizabeth Fetter
1996 Alan Kimball	2006 Leeza Evanson	2014 Rick Draney
1997 Charlie Levie	2007 Eliza McIntosh	2016 Rachael Maughn

## Family of the Year Award

Established in 2007 this award is presented annually to the family within the Utah district who has exemplified the benefits of tennis as family recreational sport and has contributed to the tennis community in a significant way.

### Previous Recipients

2007 Smith Family	2012 Owen Family
2008 Sweet Family	2013 Vandecasteele Family
2009 Kempin Family	2014 Marchant Family
2010 Pearce Family	2015 Hafen Family
2011 Toli Family	2016 Bullard Family

## Captain of the Year

This award is given to recognize the outstanding individual efforts of a league team captain in going above and beyond to serve their team/s.

### Previous Recipients

2013 Jackie Grant
2014 Chris Anderson/ Lynn Woodbury
2015 Doug Fowkes/ Kristen Siddoway
2016 Corinne Nasella— Special Recognition



# Utah Tennis Association Award Recipients



## Developmental Coach of the Year Award

Initiated in 2015, this award is given bi-annually to recognize the outstanding individual efforts of a developmental coach in the Utah District. This coach is being honored for his or her unending dedication to developing junior tennis players at all ability levels through teaching and coaching, presence at tournaments and events and the ability to positively impact the lives of junior players on and off the court.

2015 Lindsay Rawstorne

## 10 And Under Youth Tennis Ambassador

This award is given to recognize the outstanding individual efforts of a coach, parent, Community Tennis Association (CTA), or other organization that is helping to build 10 and Under youth tennis.

- 2014 John Bradley
- 2015 Alissa Owen
- 2016 Mike White

## Diversity and Inclusion Award

Initiated in 2015, this award will be given to honor an individual in the Utah District who has made a significant contribution to multicultural populations and communities in the Utah District through tennis.

- 2015 Ben Platt
- 2016 Lauren Swapp

## Organization of the Year Award

Established in 2007 this award is presented annually in recognition of the services rendered by a USTA Organization member in the State of Utah and for their support to the Utah Tennis Association in helping grow tennis participation at all levels. USTA Organization must be a member in good standing and has made a significant contribution to the tennis community in an effort to help promote and develop the sport of tennis in the Utah District.

### Previous Recipients

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <b>2007</b> Liberty Park Tennis Center       | <b>2012</b> Eagleridge Swim & Tennis Club |
| <b>2008</b> Park City Racquet Club           | <b>2013</b> Sports Mall                   |
| <b>2009</b> Salt Lake Swimming & Tennis Club | <b>2014</b> Coach Mike's at Liberty Park  |
| <b>2010</b> Sports Academy                   | <b>2016</b> Bloomington Country Club      |
| <b>2011</b> Cottonwood Heights Recreation    |   |

## RELATED ORGANIZATIONS

### Utah Tennis Umpires Association

Though an independent organization, the Utah Tennis Umpires Association (UTUA) works closely with Utah Tennis in providing certified officials for sanctioned tournaments and Adult & Junior League Playoffs held in the State of Utah. Certified officials also work at college matches throughout the state, sectional and national events throughout the Intermountain Section and in other states. Additional opportunities are available at the professional level as well, and we have several district umpires who officiate at the US OPEN and other ATP & WTA events throughout the U.S. More people are always needed for this work. The training and certification classes are free and normally scheduled at the beginning of the year. Additional umpire schools will also be offered during year and new officials need to be trained. If you have any interest in becoming an umpire please contact Utah Tennis Association for more information on the next training.

**Utah Tennis  
Umpires Association  
2016  
Executive Committee**

Gerard Baisch – President  
Jeff Haderlie - Vice President

Beverly O'Fee - District Chair

### Utah Tennis Hall of Fame

The Utah Tennis Hall of Fame was established in 1993 to honor men and women who have made outstanding contributions to tennis in the state of Utah. Candidates are nominated and elected on the basis of achievements in tennis, contributions of service to organized tennis, and considerations of tennis maturity and residence. Nomination forms are available on the Utah Tennis website or contact a committee member for more information. If you have interest in serving on the committee please contact committee chair, Clark Robinson. For a complete list of all the Hall of Fame Inductees go to [www.utahtennis.com](http://www.utahtennis.com).

**Utah Tennis  
Hall of Fame  
Committee**

Clark Robinson- Chair  
Jim Osborne-Co-Chair  
Bill Bennion  
Carolee Hammel  
Fritz Heinecke  
Karen Jeppson  
Ian Rothfels  
Drew Sweet  
Marilyn Wallin

**Utah Tennis**  
  
**Hall of Fame**

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## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Utah Tennis also wants to acknowledge and thank all those who have generously provided In-kind products, goods and services in 2016.

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Babolat	Marriott Hotels
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Fat Boy	Salt Lake County Recreation
Friends of Wheelchair Tennis	Sore No More
HEAD/Penn Racquet Sports	Reddy Ice
Holiday Inn Express	USTA
Intermountain Section	Wells Fargo
Kencraft	Wilson Racquet Sports

And to all our special partners and those who sponsor and support other USTA/Utah Tennis sanctioned tournaments and events not directly administered by Utah Tennis, thank you for your support of tennis in our state.



## TREASURER'S REPORT

Included below are the financial statements of the Utah Tennis Association for the 2016 operating year. The first statement reflects the Association's financial position as of December 31, 2016 and the second statement shows a summary of revenue and support, program and administrative expenses for the year.

Ric Hammond, 2016 Treasurer

<b><u>CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - DECEMBER 31, 2016</u></b>	
<b>ASSETS</b>	
CASH	\$328,082
OTHER CURRENT ASSETS	\$8,517
OFFICE CONDO FURNITURE & EQUIP. (Net of depreciation)	<u>\$125,384</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$461,983</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; ASSOCIATION EQUITY</b>	
LIABILITIES	\$46,906
ASSOCIATION EQUITY	<u>\$415,077</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; ASSOCIATION EQUITY</b>	<b>\$461,983</b>
<b><u>CONDENSED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014</u></b>	
ASSOCIATION REVENUE & SUPPORT	\$711,645
PROGRAM & ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	\$667,658
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES</b>	<b><u>\$43,987</u></b>