

TOURNAMENT NOTES

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MEN'S \$25,000 FUTURES HARLINGEN, TEXAS • OCT. 14-22



TOURNAMENT INFO

Site: Harlingen Country Club – Harlingen, Texas

Website: www.procircuit.usta.com

Qualifying Draw Begins: Saturday, Oct. 14

Main Draw Begins: Tuesday, Oct. 17

Main Draw: 32 Singles / 16 Doubles

Surface: Hard / Outdoor

Prize Money: \$25,000

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PRIZE MONEY / POINTS

SINGLES:	Prize Money	Ranking Points
Winner	\$3,600	27
Runner-up	\$2,120	15
Semifinalist	\$1,255	5
Quarterfinalist	\$730	3
Round of 16	\$430	1
Round of 32	\$260	-
DOUBLES:	Prize Money (p	er team)
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Winner	\$1,550	er team)
Winner Runner-up	\$1,550 \$900	er team)
Winner Runner-up Semifinalist	\$1,550 \$900 \$540	er team)

USTA PRO CIRCUIT MEN'S TENNIS RETURNS TO HARLINGEN FOR 15TH YEAR

The Harlingen Country Club Men's \$25,000

Futures returns to Harlingen, Texas, for the 15th consecutive year. Since 2003, the tournament had been held earlier in the year as a \$15,000 event. This year, the tournament will be held in October for the second time, with prize money increasing to \$25,000. It is the second of two consecutive \$25,000 hard-court events taking place this fall, following a tournament in Houston last week.

Notable players competing in Harlingen include:

Thai-Son Kwiatkowski, 22, Charlotte

• Graduated in May from the University of Virginia, where he won the 2017 NCAA singles title and was a three-time All-American.

• Was part of three NCAA championshipwinning teams at Virginia, with the school capturing team titles in 2015, 2016 and 2017. Named "Most Outstanding Player" at the 2016 NCAA team championship.

• Won the American Collegiate Invitational at the US Open in 2016, a tournament for esteemed college players.

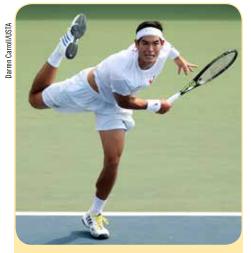
• Holds one ITF Pro Circuit singles title, won in Puerto Rico in 2016, as well as three USTA Pro Circuit and ITF Pro Circuit doubles titles.

• Ranked as high as No. 13 in the world among juniors in 2013. Competed in all four junior Grand Slams in singles and doubles, reaching the doubles quarterfinals at the 2012 junior US Open and French Open.

Ryan Shane, 23, Falls Church, Va.

• Graduated from the University of Virginia in





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2016 after a stellar collegiate career.

• During his junior season, won the NCAA singles title and finished as the No. 2-ranked collegiate player in the country.

• Was a member of three NCAA championship teams with Virginia, winning team titles in 2013, 2015 and 2016.

• Earned All-America honors during his junior and senior years, finishing his collegiate career with a 103-36 record in singles play.

• Holds three USTA Pro Circuit singles titles and two doubles titles. Had a strong September by winning the singles and doubles titles at the \$15,000 Futures in Laguna Niguel, Calif., and then reaching the singles final the following week in Fountain Valley, Calif.

• Also reached back-to-back USTA Pro Circuit quarterfinals this summer at the \$25,000 events in Tulsa, Okla., and Wichita, Kan.

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• Competed in the main draw of the 2015 US Open as a wild card.

• Served as a practice partner for the U.S. Davis Cup team in its firstround tie against Switzerland this year in Birmingham, Ala.

Dennis Nevolo, 27, Gurnee, III.

• Graduated from the University of Illinois in 2012, receiving two All-America honors.

• Was the second player in Illini program history to earn All-Big Ten honors all four seasons.

• Holds two USTA Pro Circuit singles titles, both won in 2014, as well as five USTA Pro Circuit/ITF Pro Circuit doubles titles.

• This year, reached semifinals at the USTA Pro Circuit Futures events in Buffalo, N.Y., Pittsburgh, Pa., and Champaign, III., and the quarterfinals at the \$75,000 Challenger in Winnetka, III., after qualifying for the main draw.

Ulises Blanch, 19, Pompano Beach, Fla.

• Captured his first career ITF Pro Circuit singles title this summer in Canada.

- Was ranked as high as No. 2 in the ITF World Junior Rankings.
- Reached the Wimbledon junior semifinals in 2016.

• Was born in Puerto Rico and has lived in Seattle, China, Thailand, Argentina and India.

Adam El Mihdawy, 28, Long Island City, N.Y.

• Has competed extensively all over the world, winning 12 ITF Pro Circuit and USTA Pro Circuit events in the U.S., Mexico, Egypt, Turkey and Bolivia. Won four singles titles in 2016.

• Also holds 11 doubles titles worldwide, which he won from 2009-13.

• This May, reached the quarterfinals of an ITF Pro Circuit event in Mexico.

• Grandfather played and coached pro soccer in Egypt.

Aron Hiltzik, 21, Wilmette, III.

• Currently a senior at Illinois. Played with brother Jared for two seasons at Illinois.

- Through his junior season, held a 21-2 singles record in Big Ten play.
- Earned First-Team All-Big Ten honors in 2015 and 2017.

• Has ranked as high as No. 20 in singles in the collegiate rankings and No. 23 in doubles, both in March 2017.

Shane Vinsant, 23, Keller, Texas

- Graduated from Texas A&M in 2016, where he received All-SEC honors.

• Captured his second career doubles title this year at the ITF Pro Circuit event in Canada, Also won a USTA Pro Circuit doubles title in 2012 in Joplin, Mo.

• Reached the singles final at an ITF Pro Circuit event in Japan in March. Spent this May and June competing in Korea and Mexico and competed in Portugal and Canada in August and September.

Ronnie Schneider, 23, Bloomington, Ind.

- This year, completed his collegiate career at UNC, where he earned All-America honors.
- Named the 2017 ITA Senior Player of the Year.
- Four-time All-ACC selection.
- Won first career USTA Pro Circuit singles title this fall at the \$15,000 Futures in Fountain Valley, Calif. Also won three doubles titles this year.

• Captured the 2013 USTA Boys' 18s National Championships doubles title to earn a wild card into the main draw of the 2013 US Open doubles tournament.

Ryan Haviland, 36, Greenville, S.C.

• Reached the semifinals of the 2002 NCAA Singles Championship during his junior year at Stanford.

• Earned All-American honors his junior year and finished that season ranked No. 32 in the collegiate rankings

• Also at Stanford, won a NCAA team championship and helped the team achieve a No. 1 national ranking at some point during all four years he competed.

• Holds five USTA Pro Circuit and ITF Pro Circuit doubles titles, won in 2003 and 2004 with Stanford doubles partner K.J. Hippensteel.

• Played on the pro tour from 2000-2008, then suffered injuries and a series of nine different surgeries to halt his pro career. Resumed playing in 2014.

• Owns Haviland Tennis Academy in Greenville, S.C.

John McNally, 18, Cincinnati

- Currently a freshman at Ohio State.
- The standout junior player peaked at No. 13 in the ITF World Junior Rankings in October 2016.

• Competed in the junior US Open, French Open and Wimbledon in 2016 and reached the doubles quarterfinals at last year's French Open.

• Reached the final of the Easter Bowl, a prestigious junior event, in 2016.

• From a tennis family. Sister, Caty, is a Top 30 junior player. Caty and John are coached by their mother, Lynn, who was named the Team USA Developmental Coach of the Year for 2014 after John won the USTA Boys' 16s national hard-court title and Caty won the Girls' 14s national hard-court title.

• The McNally family has been profiled in *Family Circle* magazine, by Tennis Channel and other publications.





HARLINGEN PAST WINNERS

Singles			Doubles	
Year	Winner	Runner-Up	Year	Winner
2016	Dominik Koepfer (GER)	Luke Bambridge (GBR)	2016	Evan King (USA) – Luke Bambridge (GBR)
2015	Alexander Sarkissian (USA)	Eric Quigley (USA)	2015	Deiton Baughman (USA) — Jeremy Hunter Nicholas (USA)
2014	Filip Krajinovic (SRB)	Daniel Smethurst (GBR)	2014	Evan King (USA) — Devin McCarthy (USA)
2013	Jiri Vesely (CZE)	Bjorn Fratangelo (USA)	2013	Ruben Gonzales (PHI) – Chris Letcher (AUS)
2012	Thomas Fabbiano (ITA)	Peter Polansky (CAN)	2012	Tennys Sandgren (USA) – Rhyne Williams (USA)
2011	Dayne Kelly (AUS)	Daniel Cox (GBR)	2011	Daniel Danilovic (SWE) – Joshua Zavala (USA)
2010	Arnau Brugues-Davi (ESP)	Andrey Kumantsov (RUS)	2010	Catalin-Ionut Gard (ROU) – Artem Sitak (RUS)
2009	Jesse Witten (USA)	Uladzimir Ignatik (BLR)	2009	Javier Herrera-Eguiluz (MEX) – Jarmere Jenkins (USA)
2008	Jamie Baker (GBR	Jurek Stasiak (AUS)	2008	Nicholas Monroe (USA) – Phillip Simmonds (USA)
2007	Alex Bogomolov Jr. (USA)	Victor Estrella (DOM)	2007	Izak Van Der Merwe (RSA) – Wesley Whitehouse (RSA)
2006	Jesse Witten (USA)	Alberto Francis (USA)	2006	Brendan Evans (USA) – Tim Smyczek (USA)
2005	Eric Nunez (USA)	Ryan Newport (USA)	2005	Scott Lipsky (USA) – David Martin (USA)
2004	Nicolas Todero (ARG)	Kepler Orellana (VEN)	2004	Scott Lipsky (USA) – David Martin (USA)
2003	Huntley Montgomery (USA)	Dusan Vemic (SRB)	2003	Raven Klaasen (RSA) – Huntley Montgomery (USA)