TENNIS NEWS:

CELEBRATING WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH



Happy Women's History Month!
Throughout March, we recognize and celebrate the myriad achievements of women, while also focusing effort and energy on continuing to make strides for positive change, including equality of opportunity and an inclusive presence in all spheres of life.

Over the past year, the world of sports has provided a grand showcase to allow us all to witness women breaking barriers. For the first time we saw an all-female Navy flight crew complete the Super Bowl LVII flyover, an all-female MLB broadcast team on ESPN featuring Melanie Newman and Jessica Mendoza, and all-female officiating crews in tennis, college football, and the World Cup. We also witnessed the U.S. Women's National Soccer Team make their voice and vision become reality by achieving equal prize money in their sport.

This year, the US Open will celebrate the 50th anniversary of equal prize money for both male and female players at the US Open. This inspiring watershed moment was initiated 50 years ago by Billie Jean King, just one of the many indelible marks she has made on the sport of tennis. In recognition of this milestone, the USTA will leverage the power of its "Be Open" platform to shed light on gender pay equality through storytelling and various website and social media content throughout the year. It will kick off with an exciting campaign launch around National Equal Pay Day on March 14 and culminate during the 2023 US Open women's final with a fitting celebration of Billie and others who've helped to level the playing field for all.

This month gives us all an opportunity to reflect and recognize the achievements of the many great women who have made a significant impact across a variety of fields, and who continue to strive for impactful change that will shape the future.



REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR SPRING USTA LEAGUES

Spring teams are forming now for several adult leagues in the Paci ic Northwest.

Click <u>here</u> to visit the PNW League website to find out what leagues will be starting in your region.

If you need help finding a team, please reach out to your Regional League Coordinator, they are always happy to help.

We look forward to seeing you out on the tennis courts this spring season!