



July 2015 News  
plus Upcoming Camps, Leagues, Tournaments,  
Classes and More

A lot has been happening at Triangle Table Tennis since our June newsletter:

- We hosted the POWERADE State Games of NC Table Tennis Competition, and crowned some new state champions in multiple categories! Check out the results on our News page [article](#). Congratulations to all of the winners!
- We hosted a week-long ITTF Level 1 Coaching class, enabling 21 coaches to pass their written and practical exams for certification. Some were visiting us to take the class, but many of the participants will be applying their enhanced coaching skills in our Center. For more information and a few fun photos, check out the [article](#) that was published on the ITTF web site. We're planning to offer the ITTF Level 2 Coaching class in 2016, and it will be open to any coach with a completed Level 1 certification.

We're continuing our commitment to host a USATT-sanctioned tournament every month in 2015 -- all in our top-quality, dedicated [facility](#) that's open 80 hours a week! Looking for some heated competition in a cool gym this summer? Look no farther than our upcoming Tournaments:

- **July 18–19, 2015: Triangle July Open Tournament** -- with a USATT 2-Star Sanction, and \$3,000 in cash and prizes, this tournament will have events for junior players, ratings-based singles events, and a doubles event for teams with a combined rating under 3900. We're delighted to host the top junior player from Pakistan, who will be visiting for this tournament. We have a wide range of players signed up so far, with ratings ranging from below 1000 to 2500, so there's sure to be fun and competition for ALL levels. This one is coming up fast, and enrollments close out in a few days, so get your registration in by Thursday, July 16!
- **August 15–16, 2015: Triangle Two-Person Teams Summer 2015 Open Tournament** -- with a USATT 4-Star Sanction, \$3,800 in cash and prizes, and a popular format that includes both singles matches and doubles matches for all players, in 3 ratings-based events: an Open, teams under 4000, and teams under 3000. This will be our third Two-Person Teams tournament, and they're always popular, so find a partner (or two partners at different rating levels if you want to enter different skill level events) and reserve a spot soon.
- **September 12–13, 2015: Triangle September 2015 Open Tournament** -- with a USATT 2-Star Sanction, and \$3,000 in cash and prizes. This more traditionally formatted tournament primarily offers ratings-based events, but also includes two junior events and a doubles event for teams under 3800. The timing is perfect for those who want match practice before our NC October Open.
- **September 26, 2015: NC Senior State Games Table Tennis FINALS** -- non-USATT closed tournament with state-level final events for qualifiers who earned invitations based on their play in local NC Senior Games events.
- **October 16–18, 2015: NC October Open Tournament** -- with a USATT 4-Star Sanction, and \$5,000 in cash and prizes, this tournament will be very similar to our extremely popular Butterfly Cary Cup Championship in March. Enrollments are building for this one, including several ITTF world-ranked players from Nigeria. The main event, a Giant Round Robin, along with several preliminary events, were completely sold out with waiting lists in the

March tournament. So, plan to register early to reserve your spot in October!

The [Tournament](#) list on our web site includes all of our monthly USATT-sanctioned tournaments through the end of 2015, and we will be adding our 2016 tournament dates soon. So pick your events, send in your registrations, and join the fun!

Beyond tournaments, we are dedicated to providing opportunities for recreation, fun, practice, training and competition every day -- and with a Center that's open 7 days and 80 hours a week, we deliver!

- With school out for the summer, many parents are looking for ways to keep their children engaged in fun and active learning this summer. We can help! [Weekly Camps](#) are currently running and scheduled throughout 2015. Our weekly Summer Camps and "Track Out" Camps offer table tennis instruction and fun to children from 12:30 to 3:30 each weekday afternoon. These camps run most weeks of the year, and children have the option to enroll in group or private lessons following the camps, if they'd like to extend their playing time. Whether you're planning your child's traditional summer break, or a track-out period from a year-round school, our Camp can provide a fun experience that builds skills, fitness, and friends! Pre-registration is required, and membership discounts apply.
- [Our weekly Leagues](#) are in full swing. Leagues are scheduled in sessions of 12 weeks or more, and they offer weekly fun and practice, along with a chance to meet and match up with players who have similar skill levels for some friendly competition. The next time you're in the Center, check out the league results and ladders on our bulletin boards to see who's moving up, or who claimed prizes. Pre-registration is required, and membership discounts apply.
  - [Division 1](#) (ratings over 1900): meets every Friday at 6:00.
  - [Division 2](#) (ratings from 1500 – 1899): meets every Thursday at 6:00.
  - [Division 3](#) (ratings from unrated up to 1499, with skill-level sub-groups): meets every Tuesday at 6:00.
  - [Corporate Teams](#): meets every Wednesday at 6:00; next start date is August 26.
- [We're continuing a full range of Instruction offerings on our weekly schedule](#), including Private Lessons, Beginner and Intermediate Group sessions, and Advanced Mini-Group sessions which offer a 1 to 3 ratio of coaches to advanced (over 1900) players. We've added a special, 3-hour Extended Intermediate group lesson just for the summer months on

Tuesdays – Fridays from 1:00 to 4:00. Pre-registration is recommended, and membership discounts, as well as Buy 10 Get 1 free deals, apply to Group Lessons.

Looking past this summer into the next 2015-2016 school year, **we are excited to be launching two school leagues: a Middle School Table Tennis League, and a High School Table Tennis League.** Both [school leagues](#) will be structured for schools to compete against each other in singles and doubles matches, both will encourage co-ed teams, and both will begin with pre-season clinics during the last week of October and have their final post-season tournaments during the second week of February. Enrollments continue until September 15th or until the leagues fill up. If you live in the Triangle and want your child to participate, please ask your school to consider joining!

Additionally, we'll be launching a monthly **Sunday Camp**, which will be scheduled one Sunday each month, beginning on September 27th. This new Sunday Camp will consist of three 2-hour sessions, with participants in each session grouped by skill level:

- 1st Session: 10:00 am – 12:00 noon
- 2nd Session: 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
- 3rd Session: 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

The cost for any single 2-hour session of a Sunday Camp will be \$65, and the cost for two sessions will be \$110. Anyone who commits to two sessions may choose to attend the 3rd session for free. Pre-registration is recommended and membership discounts apply.

We're also planning a week-long **Adaptive Sports/Paralympic Camp** for September 21 – 25. This will be a FREE offering for qualified players, so please help us spread the word. More details will follow in our next newsletter, and interested players can contact Mike Babuin for more information in the meantime.

To find out more about all the happenings, please visit our [Events Calendar](#) or our [Programs and Events](#) page.

But first, remember to **send in your enrollment for the July 2015 Open Tournament** using the online enrollments or printable PDF forms available

on the [Tournaments](#) page of our web site.

See you on the court!



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