



## NEWS RELEASE: 2017-18 EVENT LOCATIONS ANNOUNCED

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### ROUND ROCK, TEXAS WILL HOST US QUIDDITCH CUP 11 ON APRIL 14-15, 2018



Texas State University - San Marcos competes against BosNYan Bearsharks in the semi-final match at US Quidditch Cup 10 in Kissimmee, Florida. Photo by Nikki Smith.

ROUND ROCK, TEXAS– US Quidditch (USQ) is excited to announce that Round Rock, Texas will host US Quidditch Cup 11 at the Round Rock Multipurpose Complex in partnership with [Round Rock CVB](#). US Quidditch Cup 11 and Round Rock will welcome the top collegiate and community teams to compete on the national stage on April 14-15, 2018. Round Rock will host five to eight thousand friends, family and fans at the US Quidditch national championship. Tickets go on sale in the fall.

Round Rock is located approximately 30 minutes north of Austin and is known as “the sports capital of Texas.” The Austin area is home to two national championship

winning teams: Texas Quidditch (2013, 2014, and 2015) and Texas Cavalry (2017). In the 2016-17 season, Texas had more teams registered with US Quidditch than any other single state in the league.

"We are honored to host the players, families and fans in Round Rock for the US Quidditch Cup in April 2018!" Round Rock Convention and Visitors Bureau Director Nancy Yawn said. "How exciting that the year of the 20th anniversary of Harry Potter, the Sports Capital of Texas gets to announce that the magical, competitive quidditch national championships will be held here!"

Event locations and dates for the 2017-2018 regional championships are as follows:

#### Great Lakes Regional Championship

- Kalamazoo, Michigan
- October 28-29, 2017
- River Oaks County Park
- In partnership with [Discover Kalamazoo](#)

#### Midwest Regional Championship

- Madison, Wisconsin
- November 4-5, 2017
- Breese Stevens Field
- In partnership with [Madison Area Sports Commission](#)

#### Mid-Atlantic Regional Championship

- Monroeville, Pennsylvania
- November 11-12, 2017
- Consol Energy Turner Valley Complex
- In partnership with [Visit Monroeville](#) and [SportsPITTSBURGH](#)

#### Northeast Regional Championship

- Rochester, New York
- November 18-19, 2017
- Total Sports Experience
- In partnership with [Monroe County Sports Commission](#)

#### South Regional Championship

- Tuscaloosa, Alabama

- February 10-11, 2018
- Munny Sokol Park North
- In partnership with [Tuscaloosa Tourism & Sports](#)

#### Northwest Regional Championship

- Olympia, Washington
- February 17-18, 2018
- Facility to be announced in July
- [Olympia-Lacey-Tumwater Visitor & Convention Bureau](#)

#### Southwest Regional Championship

- Wichita Falls, Texas
- February 24-25, 2018
- GWFSA Soccer Complex & Memorial Stadium
- In partnership with [Wichita Falls Convention & Visitors Bureau](#)

#### West Regional Championship

- Tri-Valley, California
- March 3-4, 2018
- Facility to be announced in July
- In partnership with [Visit Tri-Valley](#)

Quidditch is a full contact, competitive, mixed gender sport inspired by the *Harry Potter* series. It began in 2005 and has since spread to over 300 colleges, high schools and community teams nationwide. US Quidditch includes official club teams at traditional sports powerhouses like the University of Texas; University of California, Los Angeles; and University of Florida. Teams compete over a year long season. USQ hosts eight regional championships that crown regional champions and are part of the qualification process for teams attending the annual US Quidditch Cup. At these events, teams will compete in one of two brand new created divisions: collegiate and community. Collegiate teams will compete only against other collegiate teams and community teams will compete only against other community teams.

Quidditch is played with seven players to a team all mounted on brooms. They score points with the quaffle (a volleyball) and the snitch, a neutral yellow clad athlete who tries to avoid capture similar to flag football. US Quidditch's official rulebook is

available free for download [here](#).

### **About US Quidditch**

US Quidditch (USQ), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and the national governing body for the sport of quidditch, organizes US Quidditch Cup. USQ advances the sport by organizing events and programs that build community and empower all genders to compete together. US Quidditch is not affiliated with JK Rowling, Warner Bros., or Time Warner. To learn more about quidditch, visit [www.usquidditch.org](http://www.usquidditch.org).

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