

2025 ANNUAL REPORT



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Mission Statement

The USPA is dedicated to leading the expansion and development of padel throughout the United States. We focus on enhancing Padel's visibility and accessibility, supporting our member clubs and players of all abilities and backgrounds, and promoting sportsmanship and competitive integrity. Additionally, we are committed to nurturing the next generation of players through our junior programs and advancing our national teams and elite players on the international stage.

President's Message



Bill Ullman, President, USPA

To our esteemed members and partners,

2025 was another year of solid growth for the USPA and padel in the USA. Our membership increased by over 20% and now stands at nearly 3,000 individual members and over 100 club memberships. Just three years ago, our membership was below 500 people, meaning we have increased by almost 600% in just 3 years.

We are delivering substantially more value to our members than ever before. By being a USPA member, which costs only \$50, you can earn back hundreds of dollars in value through our partnerships and relationships with padel-related companies. Our tournament circuit is the most robust it has ever been, with over 200 USPA-sanctioned tournaments per year, offering opportunities for men and women of all levels and ages. Our schedule has grown more than threefold in the past two years alone.

Our U.S. teams represented the country incredibly well this year, competing on the international stage in junior, open, and senior events. Our Senior Team finished third at the Pan American Padel Championships in Asunción, Paraguay, led by coaches Angel Espadas, Antonio Martinez, and Marcelo Perez. This was the best-ever result for a U.S. team in this event. It was a statement performance; the U.S. is on a clear path to becoming a force in the padel world. Our men's and women's Absolute National Teams also competed admirably in Santiago, Chile, at the Padel America Championships, led by women's coaches Richie Bailey and Mariana Talarico, and men's coaches Jaco Blanco and JP Arizpe. This year, our Junior National Team competed multiple times, led by Coaches Lorena and Jaime Rouillon Jimenez. Including at the Padel America Junior Circuit Finals, an event managed and hosted by Taktika Padel in San Diego. The Cat Libres team played in Argentina, led by Jon Guerra and Jaco Blanco.

I would like to acknowledge the outstanding work that our delegates and volunteers have accomplished this year in the service of various national teams. Our National Teams Committee is led by Board Member Ron Bobman. He, along with his Committee, put in hundreds of hours of volunteer time organizing our various National Teams - including team selection, travel

logistics, uniform procurement and coach selection. In particular, I would like to highlight the “above and beyond” efforts made by Tomas Galvez Santaella, Ana Magrini, and Leti Martinez-Bordiu - all of whom have spent many days away from home and hours each week to help organize and manage our various National Teams.

Thanks to the amazing efforts and relationship development led by fellow Board member Gabriel Perez-Krieb, the USPA continues to improve its relationships with the FIP and Padel America and the other national federations; we strive to be a positive, supportive and capable partner to the global padel community as the sport becomes a larger part of the overall global sports landscape and makes a push toward inclusion in the Olympics.

Our flagship tournament, the US Open Padel Championships, was held in Atlanta this year and attracted the strongest field ever for a USPA-sanctioned event. We crowned the champions and distributed record prize money of over \$35,000, more than doubling the payout from the prior year.

The Nox USPA Circuit expanded significantly this year, with many new clubs and tournaments added to the calendar. It was a fantastic year of competition, with Anna Cortiles and Luicelena Perez dominating Division 1 on the women’s side and reaching the combined number one ranking. On the men’s side, U.S. National Team member Vinny Di Francesco competed on the circuit for the first time, culminating his year by winning the Circuit Championships and securing the year-end number one ranking. Board Member Juan Arraya worked tirelessly all year to create an expanded event schedule and very often could be seen on-site making sure tournaments were well run.

USPA Member Clubs Padel Clube in Chicago, Padel 39 in Austin, and Padel N9NE in San Diego all hosted FIP Tournaments, helping to expose our players to the game’s global tours.

As we execute our mission to grow padel in the USA, we continue to see incredible grassroots and entrepreneurial efforts across the country. The USPA stands ready to help, provide funding, and support these initiatives wherever possible. This year, we supported new communities and leagues, including the NPL, Padel Palooza, and 6LoveSports, and we are helping to launch the first intercollegiate padel tournaments and efforts. I encourage our members to share their ideas and expertise; we want to be as helpful as possible.

So what’s in store for next year? We will continue to work in support of the growth and development of junior players at all levels. We aim to build a better website with enhanced functionality for our members, and we plan to develop a USPA App to improve connectivity across tournaments, events, leagues, rankings, news, and other features. We will continue investing in the US Open with the goal of building it into a truly special event in the global padel landscape. Additionally, we aim to attract more expertise and talent to our Board and committees. We need your help. We need volunteers. Please reach out to Scott or a Board member you know to get involved. The pay is not great, but I guarantee you’ll meet wonderful people who are passionate about our sport.

I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to our sponsors: Nox, Padel Haus, Chosen Foods, VanEck, Bullpadel, and Padelmba. These fantastic companies and brands are long-standing sponsors of the USPA, and we greatly value their contributions immensely.

In our most recent membership vote, which saw record participation, the USPA members approved a set of updated bylaws by an overwhelming margin. These changes modernize our organization, strengthen our governance framework, and position the USPA to better support the rapid growth of padel in the United States. The outcome reflects the trust and confidence our members place in the Board of Directors, allowing the USPA to align more closely with the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Committee framework as padel continues its push toward the Olympic movement.

I am pleased to introduce the people elected to the Board of Directors for 2 year terms: Ron Bobman from Rye, NY, Manuel Avina from San Antonio, Texas, and Frederick Andersen from San Diego, California. Congratulations to each of you on your election and thank you for your willingness to serve and contribute your time, experience, and leadership to the continued growth of padel in the United States.

Thank you to my fellow board members in 2025: Ron, Juan, Leti, Subu, Gabriel, Jose, and Larry. I thank you for entrusting me with the role of President; it has been an honor to work and serve the USPA with you. Thank you to Scott Colebourne, our Executive Director, who works tirelessly every day for the padel community across America.

And finally, thank you to our growing, passionate USPA membership and community. By being members and playing this sport, you are directly contributing to the growth of padel, bringing happiness, health, and wellness to more people across the country.

Yours sincerely,

Bill Ullman

Membership Overview

- **Individual USPA Membership Growth (Year-over-Year):**

- 2020: 163
- 2021: 335
- 2022: 394
- 2023: 1,742
- 2024: 1,917
- 2025: 2,915

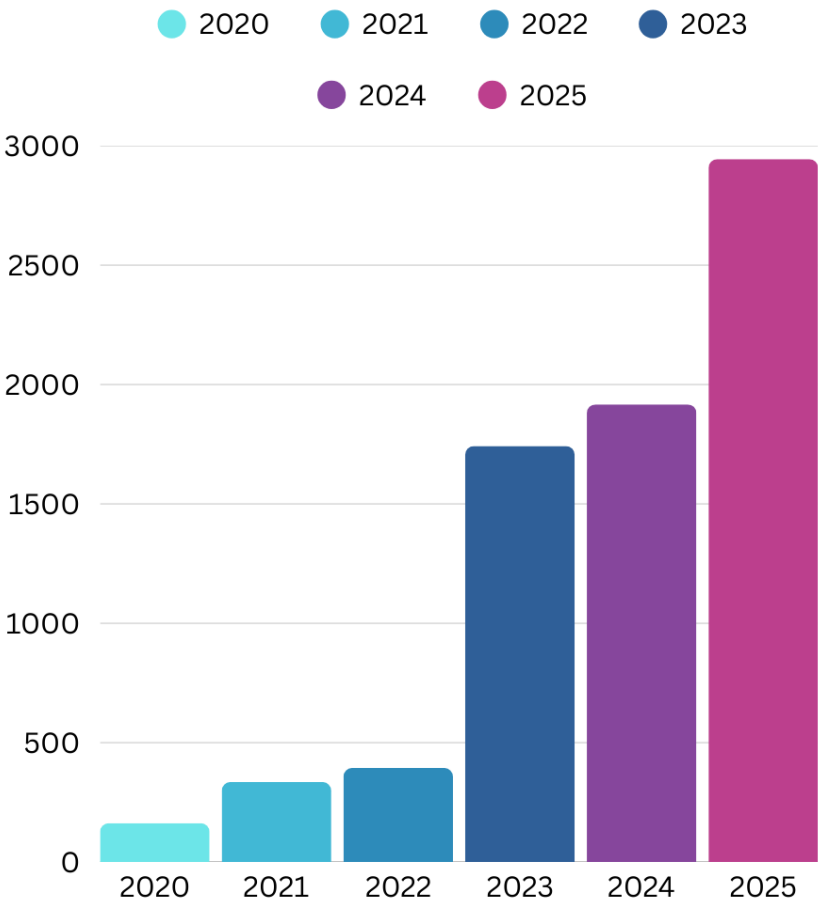
In 2025, the USPA experienced a definitive "second wave" of expansion. Following a period of consolidation in 2024, individual membership surged by 53.5% year-over-year, climbing from 1,917 to a historic high of 2,915 members. This growth trajectory representing an 18x increase since 2020

signals that the sport has successfully transitioned from a niche interest to a widely recognized competitive discipline. As court infrastructure expanded across key markets this year, player conversion into official USPA members followed suit, validating our strategy to professionalize the amateur pathway.

- **USPA Club Membership:**

- Premier Clubs: 63
- Official Clubs: 36
- Registered Clubs: 9
- **Total: 108 Clubs**

Our infrastructure backbone strengthened significantly in 2025, providing our growing player base with more access to sanctioned courts. The USPA ended the year with 108 active clubs, and continue to widen the net for new players entering the sport.



International Competitions

2025 Highlights:



- **Padel America Absolute Championships:**

The U.S. National Absolute Padel Teams delivered their strongest-ever combined performance at the Padel America Absolute Championships on October 22-25, 2025, in Santiago, Chile, marking a pivotal step forward for American padel on the international stage. Competing against the top national programs from Central and South America, the men's and women's teams showed resilience, unity, and growing depth throughout a demanding week of high-level competition.

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Men's Team: Competitive Performance Against Top Tier Competition

The U.S. Men's Team faced a challenging draw, opening group play against regional powerhouse Argentina, the eventual champions. Despite the 0–3 result, the Americans demonstrated flashes of potential, highlighted by Aaron Segura and Vinny Di Francesco pushing their match to a second-set tiebreak against one of the world's most experienced pairings.

The team rebounded in dramatic fashion against Chile, securing a 2–1 victory, which was the highlight of their campaign. Jose De Armas and Raul Ruiz fought back from a

set down to win 4–6, 7–6, 6–3, while Di Francesco and Segura sealed the team win with a straight-sets triumph, 7–5, 6–4.

In their final group match against Paraguay, the U.S. was edged out of a semifinal berth, finishing third in the group. A close playoff loss to Venezuela (1–2) left the team in sixth place overall, their best performance at this level to date. The fifth-place match was a tough break for the USA, as it came down to the final match with the tie even at 1-1. Raul Ruiz and Chris Humphreys fought hard but lost narrowly 7-6 in the third set.

With three debutants in the squad, and several matches decided by only a handful of points, the U.S. men showed that they are closing the gap with South America's top programs. Aaron Segura and Chris Humphreys played all four matches as rookies, proving worthy on their debut. Vinny Di Francesco continued his strong domestic form, winning two of his four matches partnered with Segura. Jaco Blanco, in his first tournament as Head Coach of the Absolute team, was proud of his team's efforts against such tough competition. Assistant Coach JP Arizpe stated. "Thanks to the dedication of our players throughout the year, padel in our country keeps growing, and the world is already noticing. Step by step, we will continue to rise in the rankings. Extremely proud of all our players, men and women."

Women's Team: A Breakthrough Tournament

For the U.S. Women's Team, the 2025 Padel America Absolute Championships represented a historic breakthrough. Drawn into a challenging group with Brazil and Mexico, two of the strongest programs in the region, the team achieved a series of firsts, including its first-ever point against Brazil.

Under the leadership of Head Coach Richy Bailey and Assistant Coach Mariana Talarico, the U.S. women demonstrated exceptional unity and competitive consistency. Against Brazil, Marta Morga and Brittany Dubins recorded the nation's first match victory over a Brazilian pair, contributing to a narrow 1–2 team loss that underscored the U.S.'s growing competitiveness.

Their second group match against Mexico produced another statement performance. Veronica Costabel and Ana Zubori pushed their match to a third set, and Morga and Dubins dominated Mexico's top pair 6–1, 6–2, a win Bailey later described as *"probably the best match I've ever seen them play."* The U.S. narrowly missed advancing to the semifinals after a third-set loss in the deciding rubber.

The women closed their campaign with a 3–0 sweep of Venezuela, securing fifth place overall, the program's highest-ever finish. Narrow losses to both Brazil and Mexico, decided by only a few points, reflected how far the U.S. women's team has progressed in just one year.

"The reality is we were just a few points away from possibly being in a Pan American final," said Head Coach Richy Bailey. "The team is becoming more professional, more united, and more competitive with every event."

A Step Forward for U.S. Padel

The 2025 Padel America Absolute Championships highlighted the growing strength and professionalism of U.S. national teams. Both squads demonstrated that American padel is now competitive with traditional powerhouses across Latin America and is poised for continued progress in 2026 and beyond.

Padel America Absolute Championships Results Men's Division Group Play

USA vs. ARGENTINA 0-3

USA	ARGENTINA	WINNER	SET SCORES
Di Francesco-Segura	Blanco-Libaak	Argentina	2-6, 6-7
Ruiz-De Armas	Arce-Piotto	Argentina	4-6, 1-6
Agritelley-Humphreys	Valenzuela-Rubini	Argentina	4-6, 3-6

USA vs CHILE 2-1

USA	CHILE	WINNER	SET SCORES
De Armas-Ruiz	Walker-Muñoz	USA	4-6, 7-6, 6-3
Di Francesco-Segura	Martinez-Molina	USA	7-5, 6-4
Agritelley-Humphreys	Salinas-Negrete	CHILE	1-6, 4-6

USA vs PARAGUAY 0-3

USA	PARAGUAY	WINNER	SET SCORES
Humphreys-Ruiz		PARAGUAY	2-6, 1-6
Di Francesco-Segura		PARAGUAY	2-6, 2-6
Agritelley-De Armas		PARAGUAY	3-6, 3-6

Men's Division 5th / 6th Playoff

USA vs VENEZUELA 1-2

USA	VENEZUELA	WINNER	SET SCORES
Di Francesco-Segura	Mendez-Lopez	USA	7-6, 6-3
Agritelley-De Armas	Lopez-Gonzalez	VENEZUELA	3-6, 4-6
Ruiz-Humphreys	Soto-Leon	VENEZUELA	7-6, 4-6, 6-7

Women's Division Group Play

USA vs BRAZIL 1-2

USA	BRAZIL	WINNER	SET SCORES
Riobueno-Petrauskaite	Cirne-Barros	Brazil	2-6, 2-6
Morga-Dubbins	Schuck-Giusti	USA	7-6, 1-6, 6-4
Cortina-Zubori	Barrero-Abarzua	Brazil	5-7, 1-6

USA vs MEXICO 1-2

USA	MEXICO	WINNER	SET SCORES
Costabel-Zubori	Martinez-Rullan	Mexico	7-6, 1-6, 4-6
Dubbins-Morga	Ramme-Cabrejas	USA	6-1, 6-2
Petrauskaite-Riobueno	Perches-Snaider	Mexico	6-4, 1-6, 2-6

Women's Division 5th / 6th Playoff

USA vs VENEZUELA 3-0

USA	VENEZUELA	WINNER	SET SCORES
Costabel-Zubori		USA	6-3, 7-6
Dubbins-Morga		USA	6-1, 6-1
Petrauskaite-Adamowich		USA	6-2, 6-2

Team Members and Coaches

Men's Team	Women's Team
Nico Agritelley	Sofia Adamowich
Will Agritelley	Paloma Cortina
Jose De De Armas	Veronica Costabel
Vinny Di Francesco	Britt Dubins
Daniel Fernandez	Marta Morga Alonso
Chris Humphreys	Egle Petrauskaite
Aaron Segura	Clementina Riobueno
Raul Ruiz	Ana Zubori
Jacobo Blanco – Coach	Richy Bailey – Coach
Jose Pablo Arizpe – Coach	Mariana Talarico – Coach
Tomas Galvez Santaella – Team Delegate	Ana Magriini – Team Delegate



- **Pan American Cat Libres:**

The US Cat Libres Team delivered an impressive performance at the Padel America Cat Libres tournament, held November 6-9, 2025, in Misiones, Argentina. Competing across multiple divisions, the team demonstrated the growing strength and maturity of American padel on the international stage.

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Men's Team	Women's Team
Alan Richard Catanzariti	Christine Indellicati
Daniel Wright	Valeria Garza
Daniel Koehler	Sabaea Carrington
Matthew Hansen	Isabelle Martinez
Simon Kauppila	Kobe Kobayashi
Jacob Kauppila	Irina Shkov
Kyle Shepard	Hafsah Jannah Sani
Eduardo Divero	Khadeejah Imani Sani
Jorge Pereyra	Madeleine Olivia Martinez
Ignacio De Elia	Kari Ann Yerg

Omar Herrera	Laura Carolina Robbio
Hernan Mutti	Estefania Grandio
Jaco Blanco (Coach)	
Jon Guerra (Coach)	

Tournament Highlights

The four-day competition saw U.S. athletes making deep runs across six competitive divisions, with standout performances throughout the draw.

In the 3rd Division Men's, Alan Richard Catanzariti and Daniel Wright captured 4th place, showcasing the skill level emerging in American padel's upper tiers.

The 4th Division proved to be a strong showing for the USA, with Daniel Koehler and Matthew Hansen advancing to the quarterfinals in the men's bracket. At the same time, Christine Indellicati and Valeria Garza secured 4th place in the women's division.

Jacob Kauppila and Simon Kauppila represented Team USA in the 5th Division Men's competition, advancing to the quarter finals with consistent play throughout the tournament.

The tournament's brightest result came in the 6th Division Men's, where Ignacio De Elia and Jorge Pereyra reached the finals, marking a significant achievement for the U.S. delegation.

Coaches Reflect on Team Performance

US Cat Libres Team Coach Jaco Blanco emphasized the intangible qualities that distinguish this group.

"What stood out most in Misiones was the unity and heart this team played with," Blanco said. "Every player embraced the challenge, supported their teammates, and represented the United States with pride. The team spirit we saw throughout the tournament was extraordinary; it reflected not only their commitment to each other, but the continued growth and maturity of our program. This group demonstrated exactly what it means to wear the USA jersey."

Coach Jon Guerra echoed those sentiments while highlighting the competitive environment the team faced.

"The level of competition in Misiones was outstanding, but what impressed me most was how our players rose to the occasion," Guerra noted. "Match after match, they showed resilience, discipline, and a willingness to fight for every point. This tournament proved that U.S. padel is gaining strength, and our athletes demonstrated that they belong on this stage. Their effort and attitude made all of us incredibly proud."

The strong results in Misiones continue to build momentum for American padel as the sport grows domestically and U.S. players increasingly compete on the international circuit. The team's performance in Argentina indicates that USA Padel is establishing itself as a competitive force in both regional and international competitions.



- **Pan American Senior Championships:**

The US National Senior Padel Team delivered a standout performance at the Pan American Senior Games, held from December 4th to 6th, 2025, in Asuncion, Paraguay. Facing stiff competition from across the Americas, the American squad secured six medals and a podium finish in the overall standings.

In a display of depth across age categories, the USA finished third overall, tying with Chile with a total of 304 points. The team's success was anchored by dominant performances in both the Men's and Women's categories.

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Below are the details of the rosters, reflecting the depth and talent of our participants:

Men's Team	Women's Team
Eliseo Reategui	Isabelle Sofia Martinez Lawrence

Anthony Radogna	Lauren Maci Epstein
Alfredo Edgardo Miranda Trullenque	Valentina Simon De Ferrari
Andrei Stern	Celine Thum
Luis Gutierrez	Sabaea Carrington
Parker Rhodes	Meriem Boussalem Romeo
Alvaro Marcelo Baez	Cristina Draft
Matthew Logan Hickey	Fiorella Rosales Ugarte
Kyle Shepard	Maria Teresa Avilez Guzman
Eduardo Mano Diverio	Desiree Lorraine Seilhamer
Mauro Javier Garcia	Khadeejah Sani
German Previsdomini	Tamarin Espinoza
Esteban Carlos Vazquez	Kim Lee Kouwabunpat
Oliver Pegueros	Elizabeth Marie Lubin
Carlos Manuel Lecour	Laura Gaviria
Jose Parrotta	Karyn Erinlynn Kobayashi
Christian Inza	Liz Maria Cruz Orellana
Andrew Ma	Mirian Cruz Orellana
Scott Kendrit Lippit	Paloma Varela
Francois Castejon	Maria Susana Mingrone
Tomas Galvez	Paola Molentino
Mario Adolfo Guevara	Cynthia Ainsa Rodriguez
Nicholas Frank	Nancy Dingwall
Shane Stone	Veronica Liz Costabel
Alejandro Ciffoni	Sara Marshack Levy
Patricio Misitrano	Andi Yael Neugarten
Andreas Olesen	Ana Karina Magrini
Brian Alan Lubin	Lisa Maria Teer
Jorge Hernan Mutti	Claudia Longell Mollerup-madsen
Omar Herrera	Valeria Moore
Jarret Laabs	
Jonathan Pieter Stahl	
Matthew Brand Pyle	
Jorge Noguera	
Leonardo Contini	
Maurice Ruah	

Eric Zolnosky		
Gabriel Gonzalo Ferrer		
Mehdi	Alami	
Lamar	May	
William	Ullman	
Larry	Pascal	
Antonio Martinez (Coach)		
Angel Espadas (Coach)		
Marcelo Perez (Coach)		

Golden Performances

The USA's medal haul was led by a sweep in the finals of four Women's categories and a gold medal in the Men's 40 C category. An additional silver medal in the Men's 35 C completed a historic evening on the final night of the tournament.

"The spirit within this team is building something truly special," said Coach Angel Espadas. "This is only the beginning, our dreams have no limits. One day, I hope to see the Stars and Stripes standing at the top of the World Championships."

One of the defining moments of the championships came during the Saturday evening finals, where the U.S. delegation created an atmosphere unlike anything seen at previous Pan American Senior events. Although not all team members were competing in the final matches, every American player became part of the effort, filling the stands with chants, songs, and music that energized the court and uplifted their teammates. Their collective support transformed the venue into a festive, electric environment, showcasing the unity, pride, and camaraderie that have become hallmarks of the U.S. National Senior Team. The spirit on display not only motivated the athletes on court but also left a lasting impression on fellow delegations and tournament organizers. The spectators volume and energy increased as the matches progressed and the USA players fought their way to a record five gold medals.

Men's

- Male 40 C: The duo of Francois Castejon and Scott Lippit battled their way to the top of the podium, securing the gold medal for the USA.
- Male 35 C: Represented by Alvaro Baez and Matthew Hickey made the finals of the highly competitive 35 C division and secured a silver medal.

Women's The US National Senior Women's Padel Team proved to be a powerhouse in Paraguay, capturing four of the team's five gold medals:

- Female 35 B: Maria Aviles and Desiree Seilhamer displayed exceptional teamwork to claim the gold.
- Female 40 B: The pairing of Liz Cruz and Mirian Cruz dominated their bracket to take home the top prize.
- Female 50 A: In the senior A-level competition, veterans Nancy Dingwall and Veronica Costabel showcased their experience and skill, winning gold.
- Female 55: Completing the gold rush, Ana Magrini and Lisa Teer defeated their opponents to secure the title in the 55+ category.

Final Standings

The collective effort of the squad earned the United States a prestigious spot on the overall podium.

- Total Gold Medals: 5 – 2nd most overall.
- Overall Position: 3rd Place

The event in Paraguay marked another successful chapter for the US National Senior Padel Team, proving the nation's growing competitiveness on the international stage.

Junior and Community Initiatives

2025 was a watershed year for the next generation of American padel. Building on the foundational grants of the previous year, the USPA shifted focus toward high-performance pathways and international exposure, ensuring that our junior players are not just participating but competing on the world stage.

- **Junior Elite Padel Program Presented by Padel X**

In a major improvement of our youth development programming, the USPA launched the **Junior Elite Padel Program** in partnership with **Padel X**. This initiative was designed to identify and nurture top-tier talent, providing our most promising young athletes with structured training, mentorship, and competitive opportunities. By centralizing resources and creating a clear pathway to the National Team, this program will help to build a sustainable pipeline of talent for the future of US padel.

- **Junior Grant Program:**

The USPA continued its commitment to grassroots growth by renewing the Junior Grant Program. Building on the success of the inaugural 2024 cycle, we continued to allocate funding to clubs that met strict development criteria. Furthermore, the equipment distribution initiative remained active, ensuring that lack of equipment is never a barrier to entry for interested youth players at our member clubs.

2025 Competition Highlights

- **Padel America Junior Circuit Finals**



The Padel America Junior Circuit Finals, presented by Playtomic, united many of the brightest young players from across the Americas for an exciting three-day showcase of skill, teamwork, and international competition. The event marked the culmination of the inaugural Padel America Junior Circuit, a new initiative launched by Padel America, the governing body for the sport across the continent.

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Hosted by Taktika Padel in San Diego, the Finals reflected both the club's commitment to developing youth padel and its continued support of the USPA's mission to grow the sport nationwide.

The circuit was created to expand competitive opportunities for junior players throughout the region. Following three qualifying tournaments held across Latin America, top athletes from Chile, Mexico, the United States, Ecuador, Brazil, Argentina, and Paraguay earned their places in the Finals.

This first edition of the Junior Circuit marks a milestone for youth padel development in the Americas and serves as a testament to Padel America's vision in creating a platform that enables the next generation of players to compete, connect, and grow through the sport.

"The success of the Padel America Junior Circuit Finals reflects the incredible momentum behind youth padel in the Americas," said Gabriel Perez-Krieb, USPA Vice President and Padel America Board Member. "Events like this wouldn't be possible without the vision and cooperation of Padel America, Taktika Padel, and the USPA. We are all focused on the future and developing opportunities for juniors to learn, compete, and dream on a global stage."

American Pairs Make Their Mark

The United States fielded competitive teams across all three age divisions, 14U, 16U, and 18U, each displaying exceptional spirit, discipline, and determination throughout the weekend.

18 & Under Division

Boys – Abraham Noah Jakubowicz Murcian (Miami, FL) and Jaden Anderson Jordan (The Woodlands, TX)

Girls – Emma Avina (San Antonio, TX) and Julianna Cobo Basave (Mexico City, MX)

16 & Under Division

Boys – Camilo Velasco Franco (Puebla, MX) , Pablo Avina (San Antonio, TX), Santiago Castro Varela (Spring, TX), and Santiago Hernandez Ochoa (Key Biscayne, FL).

14 & Under Division

Boys – Matias Esteban Vazquez (Houston, TX), and Nicolas Adiputra Darmohusodo (San Diego, CA), Alejandro Kalil (Chicago, IL), and Diego de la Cruz (Mission, TX),

Girls – Emma Cantu (Piedras Negras, MX) and Roberta Berlanga (San Antonio, TX)

Podium Performances

Bronze Medal – Boys 14U:

Alejo Kalil and Diego de la Cruz captured third place in a thrilling comeback victory, winning 4–6, 7-6, 6–3.

“Alejo and Diego showed incredible maturity and fight throughout the tournament,” said Jaume Rouillon, USA Junior National Team Coach. “They handled pressure with composure well beyond their years and proved that American Juniors can compete with the best in the region.”

Silver Medal – Girls 14U:

Emma Cantu and Roberta Berlanga earned an impressive runner-up finish, reaching the final and securing silver.

Both pairs demonstrated composure, skill, and resilience beyond their years, solidifying the U.S. as a rising force in junior padel.

“This event was an incredible experience for our players and a major step forward for junior padel in the United States,” said Lorena Rouillon, USA Junior Team Coach. “Competing against the best young athletes from across the Americas gave our team valuable experience and confidence. The progress we’ve seen, both on and off the court, shows that the future of American padel is in very good hands.”

The success of the Padel America Junior Circuit Finals was made possible through the leadership and dedication of Ryan Redondo, Mike Erwin, and the Taktika Event Management team, alongside the operations team from Padel America, whose coordination and event management ensured an excellent experience for players, coaches, and families.

“It was incredible to have the Padel America Junior Circuit Finals here in the United States and to see such enthusiasm from players, families, and fans,” said Leticia Martínez-Bordiu, USPA Board Member and USA Team Delegate. “Having Jorge Maña, President of Padel America, present at the event underscored the shared commitment to growing padel across the region. His support, along with the collaboration between Padel America, Taktika Padel, and the USPA, made this tournament a true celebration of how far the sport has come, and where it’s headed next.”

As the first year of the Padel America Junior Circuit concludes, its impact is already being felt across the region. The program provided young players not only with competitive match experience but also with the chance to build friendships and gain exposure to international play.

For the United States, the event reinforced the progress being made in developing homegrown talent capable of competing at the highest levels of competition. With new opportunities emerging through the USPA Junior Pathway

and events like this circuit, the future of junior padel in the Americas looks brighter than ever.

- **International Success: FIP Junior World Championships**



The United States continued its steady rise on the international stage at the FIP Junior World Cup in Costa Daurada, Reus, Spain, with both the team and pairs competitors showcasing progress for the country's emerging players. 2025 marked the largest-ever FIP Junior World Cup, with over 60 countries participating across the Boys and Girls Divisions. Sixteen nations play in the FIP Junior World Cup Finals, and due to the large number of entries, the USA was required to participate in the qualification draw for both the Boys' and Girls' Divisions.

The girls' team was drawn against Ecuador and Venezuela, while the boys' team was drawn against Uruguay and Venezuela, with only one country set to advance from each qualifying phase.

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Historic Performances in the Team Competition

The U.S. Girls' Team recorded a landmark moment in its program history, earning a 2–1 victory over Ecuador, the first time the U.S. has defeated the South American nation in FIP competition.

- Ornella Beltramino and Emma Cantu delivered a strong opening win in the U14 division, setting the tone early.
- In the U16 match, Katalina Correa and Roberta Berlanga narrowly fell in a dramatic third set that underscored how close the margins have become between the U.S. and South America's established powers.
- Sophie Alarcon and Delfina Inza clinched the deciding point in the U18 category to secure the overall tie for the USA.

Against Venezuela, the U.S. girls once again proved competitive. Beltramino and Cantu scored another straight-sets victory in the U14s. In the U16 and U18 categories, the USA fought valiantly, but Venezuela proved too strong in both positions.

For the U.S. Boys' Team, the results did not translate into overall wins, but the performances spoke volumes about the team's growing depth and competitiveness.

- In the tie against Uruguay, Alejandro Kalil and Diego de la Cruz took the U14 match with an impressive display of precision and consistency, prevailing 6-3, 6-0.
- Pablo Avina and Marco Acosta faced tough competition and fought hard, but ultimately went down 4-6, 4-6 in the U16 match. In U18, the experienced team of Alan Brinol and Camilo Velasco narrowly lost 6-7, 6-7 in a tremendous battle. Showing just how close the overall result was against Uruguay.

"The boys may not have come away with a team victory, but they made an impact," said coach Jaime Rouillon. "Every point was contested, and it was clear that our American juniors were prepared to compete with anyone."

Progress Reflected in the Pairs Competition

In the FIP Junior World Cup by Pairs, U.S. players again showed encouraging progress. The USA players did not receive direct entry into the pairs competition, as the USA did not qualify for the World Cup team finals. However, players were able to apply for Wild Card places in the draw.

- Ornella Beltramino and Emma Cantu faced tough competition and didn't advance past the Round of 32.
- Roberta Berlanga and Katalina Correa earned a commanding first-round victory (6-1, 6-1) over Paraguay to progress to the round of 16. In a competitive match, they fell to the seventh-seeded Mexican team. Berlanga and Correa's progress to the round of 16 was the highlight of the national pairs for the USA.

Leadership and Commitment

The U.S. delegation was led by Head Coaches Lorena and Jaume Rouillon, supported by the USPA delegate and families who traveled from across the country to support the players.

“I could see in the eyes of every player how eager and hungry they were to win every single match. As a coach, that is one of the proudest feelings you can have: seeing the fire, unity, and determination in your team. I’m deeply proud of every player and every parent who are helping to improve padel in the United States,” said Lorena Rouillon. “As coaches, we are thrilled and extremely proud of our team because we see how committed they are throughout the year. We know that for the juniors, this is a big commitment. The United States is so large that most players have to take flights just to attend tournaments, and some even travel outside the country to compete. Despite that, we held several tournaments across the U.S. this year, and the players never wanted to miss a single one. We are proud of the effort and dedication they continue to show. At the World Cup, it was clear how much they wanted to win every single match. Even when facing tough countries, they competed with the best attitude, believing in themselves and fighting until the end for their country, something we deeply admire.”

Building Toward the Future

The 2025 campaign marks a pivotal step in the U.S. junior development pathway. With participation and training opportunities expanding through USPA-sanctioned academies and junior growth initiatives set to launch in late 2025, the next generation of American players is gaining the experience and confidence needed to perform on the global stage.

US Open Padel Championships Recap



- **US Open Padel Championships:** The second ever US Open Padel Championships were held in October of 2025 at Padel Haus Atlanta. This competition continues to grow in prestige and participation, and prize money doubled from the inaugural edition held at Padel Haus in New York in 2024. This year's championship witnessed two unseeded teams dismantle the competition to claim Division 1 titles, defying all pre-tournament predictions and leaving favorites stunned. With a record 240 participants and \$35,000 of prize money, it is clear that interest in padel at the elite level continues to gain traction in the USA.

Men's Division: Gaspar Campos and Ferosell's Triumphant Return

The men's division delivered a fairytale comeback story as Jose Carlos Gaspar Campos and Jaime Ferosell dominantly seized the championship, validating every ounce of the considerable hype that surrounded their return to competition.

Saturday delivered an unforgettable day of padel at Padel Haus Atlanta, as fans packed the Centre Court to witness all four men's quarterfinals and both semifinals. The level of play was nothing short of outstanding, with matches showcasing world-class athleticism, precision, and drama that kept spectators on their feet throughout the day.

One of the standout battles of the quarter finals came when Sergio Conde and Geronimo Barrios Silva fell just short against Nico Agritelley and Nicolas Xiviller in a gripping

three-set thriller, 6–7, 7–5, 6–4. The intensity and shot-making on display captivated the crowd from start to finish.

But it was the match of the tournament on the men's side that truly stole the show a high-quality semifinal, in the prime evening Saturday evening time slot where Vinny Di Francesco and Octavio Alvarez edged out Luis Estrada and Daniel Díaz, 6–3, 6–7, 6–4. The level of play, energy, and atmosphere made for one of the most memorable days of padel ever hosted in the United States.

Coming into the tournament, questions swirled around the unseeded duo. Gaspar Campos, a former USPA Number 1 and last year's defending champion, hadn't competed on the circuit since May. His partner, Fermosell, despite his reputation as one of America's elite players, had minimal recent circuit experience. The pre-tournament analysis was precise: "The question is, can this pair shake off the cobwebs and perform at the right time?"

The answer came with emphatic clarity. In their semifinal clash, Gaspar Campos and Fermosell defeated the #2 seeds Nico Agritelley and Nicolas Xiviller with a clinical 6-2, 6-2 victory. The developing partnership between Agritelley and Xiviller, two individually accomplished players, found no answers for the relentless pressure and championship pedigree of their unseeded opponents. But the real statement came in the finals against top seeds and this season's revelation pairing, Vinny Di Francesco and Octavio Alvarez. The young duo, holders of both a USPA 2000 and 1000 title, with Di Francesco sitting atop the USPA rankings, were expected to cement their status as the circuit's premier team.

In the final, Gaspar Campos and Fermosell produced a masterclass, taking down the top seeds 6-4, 6-4, a match that showcased why experience and timing can trump form and momentum. Their championship run answered every doubt about their rust and readiness, proving that elite talent combined with championship DNA transcends long absences from competition.

Women's Division: Piltcher and Silva's Perfect Storm

If the men's result was surprising, the women's division was nothing short of seismic.

Raquel Borges Piltcher and Manuela Schuck Silva entered the tournament as one of the dark horses highlighted in pre-tournament analysis. Ranked #128 and #97 respectively in the FIP World Rankings, the unseeded pairing was making their debut together on the Nox USPA Circuit. The scouting report was intriguing but cautious: "This team will be one to watch to see if they can translate their global success to the USA."

They didn't just translate it – they dominated it.

The Brazilian duo's semifinal victory over the #2 seeds, Jordana Lujan and Gianinna Minieri, sent shockwaves through the tournament. Lujan and Minieri, who had proven their partnership with wins at both the RGV USPA 1000 and P1 Padel Las Vegas Open

USPA 2000, were riding momentum that many believed could carry them to the title. Instead, they managed just two games in a 6-1, 6-1 loss.

But Piltcher and Silva saved their most devastating performance for the finals against top seeds Anna Cortiles and Luicelena Perez. The favorites entered as the overwhelming choice to claim the crown, having captured 12 tournament titles together in the past year and carrying the hunger of last year's runner-up finish at this very event. However, in the final, Piltcher and Silva delivered a near-perfect performance, 6-1, 6-0.

The women's match of the tournament came in the semifinals, where Ana Cortiles and Lucielena Perez produced a remarkable comeback to defeat the defending champion Brittany Dubins and her new partner Margarida Fernandes in a thrilling three-set battle, 2-6, 7-6, 6-4. After dropping the opening set, Cortiles and Perez regrouped with relentless determination, saving multiple key points in the second-set tiebreak to level the match. The final set was a showcase of grit and precision, as the duo held their nerve to close out one of the most dramatic and hard-fought victories of the championship, a performance that had the crowd at Padel Haus Atlanta on its feet.

Mens Results

Division 1 – Jaime Fermosell and Jose Carlos Gaspar Campos

Division 2

Co-Champions:

Juan Arraya and Marco Mazzotta

Jared Finkelstein and Natoil Farber

Division 3

Co-Champions:

Héctor Osorio and Ruben Tovar

Larry Pascal and Isaac Arevalo

Division 4 – Luis Briceno and Andres Riera

Women's Results

Division 1 – Raquel Borges Pitcher and Manuela Schuck Silva

Division 2

Co-Champions

Lisa Teer and Ana Magrini

Victoria Inno and Ellen Jang-Milsten

Division 3 – Annabella Ortiz and Luisangela Estrada

Age Group National Championships Recap



- **Age Group National Championships:** The humid Texas air was electric with anticipation as players from across the nation descended on U-Padel Woodlands for the USPA Age Group National Championships on September 13-14, 2025.

Men's Divisions Deliver Thrills Across All Ages

The Young Guns (35+ Division)

The weekend's most nail-biting finish came courtesy of Martin Navarro and Andres Plasencia, who faced off against Eduardo Diverio and Kyle Shepard in a match with spectators on the edge of their seats. After splitting the first two sets 7-5, 5-7, everything came down to the decisive super tiebreak. In a display of nerves of steel, Navarro and Plasencia clinched the championship with a heart-stopping 10-8 victory.

The Experienced Competitors (45+ Division)

Experience showed its worth as Juan Arraya and Rudi Kalil delivered a masterclass performance against Brian Lubin and Eric Zolnosky. The duo dominated from start to finish with a convincing 6-2, 6-2 straight-set victory, showcasing the tactical awareness

and consistent execution that comes with years on the court. It was a clinical display of padel excellence that left no doubt about who deserved the championship.

The Masters (55+ Division)

Perhaps no match better exemplified the fighting spirit of padel than the encounter between Javier Maldonado and Gabriel Sanchez Iniesta against Mehdi Alami and Claudio Lopez. This three-set thriller saw momentum swing back and forth like a pendulum. After taking the first set 7-5, Maldonado and Sanchez Iniesta watched their opponents bounce back with a decisive 6-3 second set. But when it mattered most, the eventual champions showed their mettle, edging out an 11-9 super tiebreak victory that left everyone breathless.

Women's Champions Rise to the Occasion

In the 45+ women's division, Cynthia Ainsa and Patricia Salazar emerged as champions, demonstrating the skill and determination that make them a force to be reckoned with on the national padel scene.

Claudia Mollerup-Madsen and Cristina Petrosini claimed the title in the 55+ women's division, adding another chapter to what promises to be a continuing story of excellence in women's padel.

Echoes of Competition, Promises of Progress

As the dust settles on the 2nd Annual USPA Age Group National Championships, one thing is clear: American padel is in excellent hands. The combination of veteran leadership and emerging talent promises an exciting future for the sport.

Ruben Gonzalez and U-Padel Woodlands were fantastic hosts all weekend. With seven indoor courts, attentive staff on hand, a player party for everyone to enjoy, and other activities around the club, it was a fantastic setting to ensure the best performances from the players and a fun weekend for all entrants.

For those who witnessed this weekend's action in Magnolia, Texas, the memories will last long after the final points were played. And for those who missed it? Mark your calendars now so you won't want to miss next year's championship battles.

USPA Tournaments

The NOX USPA Circuit in 2025 marked a period of substantial expansion for domestic competition. We delivered a calendar designed to serve a growing player base, increasing the frequency and accessibility of sanctioned match play across the country. Below is a summary of our tournament offerings and the evolution of our competitive landscape.

2025 Open Tournaments

The USPA sanctioned 104 Open Tournaments throughout the year, more than doubling the 48 events hosted in 2024. This significant increase reflects the rising demand for competitive play and provided consistent opportunities for our community to compete for national rankings. These events attracted a broad spectrum of athletes, deepening the talent pool and reinforcing the high level of skill within the USPA membership.

Age Group Tournaments

Commitment to players at every stage of their development remains a priority. In 2025, we hosted 16 Age Group Tournaments, offering dedicated competitive pathways for our members. These events are essential for fostering community and ensuring that players of all generations have access to appropriate and challenging competition.

Year-End Top 25 Rankings

The culmination of this year's circuit has brought forward exceptional talent, highlighted by our year-end top 25 and top 10 rankings for each category. These rankings celebrate the achievements of our players, who have demonstrated outstanding skill, sportsmanship, and dedication throughout the season.

Men's Open Category - Top 25:

TOP 25			
1	VINNY DI FRANCESCO	9950	USA
2	OCTAVIO ALVAREZ	8600	ARG
3	MATIAS SEGURA	6925	USA
4	PEDRO ALONSO MARTINEZ	5710	ESP
5	JOSE CARLOS GASPAR CAMPOS	5305	ESP
6	LUIS ESTRADA	5190	VEN
7	JACOBO BLANCO DE MIGUEL	5160	ESP
8	JUAN MANUEL VAZQUEZ	5020	ARG
9	DANIEL DIAZ	4620	CHL
10	NICO AGRITELLEY	4440	USA

11	NICOLAS XIVILLER	4400	URY
12	JAIME FERMOSELL	4340	ESP
13	SERGIO CONDE	3635	ESP
14	GUILLERMO JIMENEZ CAGIGAS	3630	ESP
15	MAXIMILIANO ROZAS	3530	CHL
16	GERONIMO BARRIOS SILVA	3300	CHL
17	DIEGO RAMOS SALDIVIA	3190	URY
18	MIGUEL BRIEGA RAMOS	3140	ESP
19	ALBERTO GARCIA TRABANCO	2630	ESP
20	RAUL RUIZ	2100	USA
21	IVO ANDENMATTEN	2000	ARG
22	JOSE DE ARMAS	1765	USA
23	MAURICIO RIVERA	1675	MEX
24	NICOLAS CLERC	1665	ARG
25	CARLOS GARCIA	1540	VEN

Women's Open Category - Top 25:

TOP 25			
1	ANNA CORTILES	9,700	ESP
1	LUICELENA PEREZ	9,700	VEN
3	JORDANA LUJAN	8,200	ARG
4	MARTA MORGALONSO	5,940	USA
5	BRITTANY DUBINS	5,500	USA
6	GIANINNA MINIERI	5,100	CHL
7	ASTRID GEHRE	4,560	PRY
8	EGLE PETRAUSKAITE	4,200	USA
9	VERONICA LIZ COSTABEL	3,098	USA
10	BEGO BENJUMEDA	2,910	ESP
11	CLEMENTINA RIOBUENO	2,880	USA
12	MANUELA SCHUCK SILVA	2,770	BRA
13	MARILUZ ROJO DOMINGO	2,505	ESP
14	RACQUEL BORGES PILTCHER	2,500	BRA
15	NICOLE CHIS	2,275	USA
16	VALENTINA ABRILE	2,235	ARG
17	MARIA MAGRANER	2,205	ESP
18	PALOMA CORTINA	2,060	USA
19	JULIE RAZAFINDRANALY	2,055	CAN

20	CAMILA RAMME COELLAR	2,000	MEX
21	LORENA ROUILLON	1,985	ESP
22	DHANY QUEVEDO	1,855	USA
23	PAULA BARANANO	1,810	ARG
24	ANDREA SAMSON	1,760	USA
24	SUSANA ALCARAZ	1,760	USA

Seniors Year-End Top 10 Rankings

Men's 55 Category

TOP 25	
MEHDI ALAMI	3,675
CLAUDIO LOPEZ	3,675
GABRIEL SANCHEZ	2,950
JAVIER MALDONADO	2,950
FERNANDO DE LA LAMA	1,830
LARRY PASCAL	1,670
LAMAR MAY	1,620
RONALD BOBMAN	1,470
GABRIEL FERRER	1,310
BRYAN TAYLOR	1,170
BRUCE REDPATH	1,060
HARRY DEMOTT	900
AGUSTIN GIL	900
ALFREDO GUILLERMO ROMAN	788
TOM BARTZEN	730
JOSE R GONZALEZ CHAPA	675
KEN GOLDBERG	670
DAVE STEWART	660
JASON GILBERT	630
ED GARNO	600
ADRIAN GONZALEZ	600
PABLO GONZALEZ	600
MATT PYLE	585
JOSEPH SIEBECKER	510

HARDY MANGES	450
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Men's 45 Category

TOP 10	
RUDI KALIL	4,100
JUAN MARTINEZ ARRAYA	3,500
MARCO MAZZOTTA	2,600
FRANCOIS CASTEJAN	2,240
SCOTT LIPPITT	2,240
ERIC ZOLNOSKY	1,950
BRIAN LUBIN	1,860
MARK PARSONS	1,000
FERNANDO ALARCON	1,000
NICHOLAS FRANK	900
MARCO ALVAREZ	900

Men's 35 Category

TOP 25	
ALVARO BAEZ	1,750
GABRIEL ARRAIZ	1,600
TRES DAVIS	1,540
EDUARDO DIVERIO	1,500
MARTIN NAVARRO	1,500
ANDRES PLASENCIA	1,500
CRAIG O'SHANNESY	1,000
RADU IONESCU	1,000
FERNANDO ALARCON	1,000
ORLANDO SUPERLANO	1,000

Women's 55 Category

TOP 10	
CLAUDIA MOLLERUP-MADSEN	750
CRISTINA PETROSINI	750
HEATHER BARTZEN	675
LISA TEER	500
ANA MAGRINI	500
ANGELA ALLIN	450
SUE HART	338
BECKY NUSS	338
KARI YERG	300
CESILDE SPALVIERI	300
VALERIE CARMET	225

Women's 45 Category

TOP 10	
VERONICA COSTABEL	1,450
NANCY DINGWALL	1,000
ANDI NEUGARTEN-MAIO	1,000
CATHERINE GALVIN	1,000
CLAUDIA MOLLERUP-MADSEN	1,000
CRISTINA PETROSINI	1,000
LIZ LUBIN	810
CYNTHIA AINSA	750
PATRICIA SALAZAR	750
DOROTHY ZERBST	600
DOMINIQUE LEMPERLE	600
CAROLINA ROBBIO	600
ESTEFANIA GRANDIO	600
BARBARA MONTERO	600
HEATHER BARTZEN	600

Women's 35 Category

TOP 10	
IELYZAVETA DAIUBE	1,050
SCARLETT ALFONZO	1,000
CAROLA QUINTANA	1,000
MIRIAN CRUZ	1,000
LIZ CRUZ	1,000
LAURA GAVIRIA HALABY	960
AMELA HADZIOSMANOVIC	900
NEDA PACIFICO	690
NATALIA DE BIASI	600
CRISTINA VALLADARES	600

These rankings honor the achievements of our seasoned players and highlight the competitive spirit prevalent across all age groups within the USPA community. The USPA is dedicated to fostering an inclusive and diverse padel environment where players of all ages can find opportunities for competition and growth. We celebrate the accomplishments of these athletes and look forward to their continued success in future tournaments.

As the USPA looks ahead to 2026, the Nox USPA Circuit will be the largest ever with over fifty clubs hosting more than 150 tournaments across the open and age group categories. The USPA has also secured FIP tournaments for 2025 that will provide a vital stepping stone for aspiring professional players living in the USA and raise the profile of Padel across the country. In addition, partnerships with Premier Padel for the Miami P1 tournament and the PPL will continue to grow the exposure of Padel.

Sponsorship and Partnerships

The exponential growth of the USPA in 2025 was powered by a coalition of industry leaders who share our vision for the sport's future. We extend our deepest gratitude to the companies that supported the USPA during 2025.

Sponsors

We thank our core sponsors for their unwavering commitment to the USPA mission. A special acknowledgement goes to **NOX**, whose title sponsorship of the **NOX USPA Circuit** has elevated the quality of domestic competition for thousands of players. We also recognize **Bullpadel** for their essential support as the Official Ball of the USPA, ensuring consistency and high standards in every sanctioned match. Furthermore, our alliance with the **Pro Padel League (PPL)** continues to bridge the gap between amateur enthusiasm and professional aspiration, driving unprecedented visibility for the sport across North America.

We are equally grateful for the continued backing of our corporate and venue partners, **Chosen Foods**, **VanEck**, **Padel Haus**, and **Padelmba**, whose investments are vital to fueling our events and supporting our National Teams. Finally, we thank World Padel Rating for their critical contributions to our technical infrastructure.



Partners

Building the "padel revolution" requires a strong foundation, literally and figuratively. We are proud to collaborate with our official infrastructure and court construction partners: **Mondo**, **Sportsfield Specialties**, **Mejorset**, **AFP Courts**, and the **ASBA (American Sports Builders Association)**. Together, these industry leaders are setting the standard for facility excellence and quality across the country. Additionally, our partnership with **RacquetX** has provided a vital platform for industry connectivity and media exposure.

Community Partners

Our impact is amplified through collaboration. We thank **MACS (Military Adaptive Court Sports)** for their continued leadership in our veteran outreach programs, helping us deliver on our commitment to make padel an inclusive sport for all service members.

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Rating and Tournament
Management



Education & Certification



Sports Media & Events



Adaptive Sports Program



Get Involved

The USPA thrives on the dedicated service of our committee members, who play pivotal roles in shaping our association's strategic direction and operational efficiency. Simply put, the USPA cannot operate effectively without the hard work and expertise of these groups. On behalf of the entire padel community in the USA, we express our deepest gratitude to these outstanding volunteers for their tireless commitment. Below is an outline of our key committees and their current members:

Governance Committee

Chairperson: Larry Pascal

Members: Bill Ullman, Gabriel Perez-Krieb

Mandate: Ensuring ethical compliance, legal oversight, and maintaining the highest standards of organizational integrity for the association.

Finance and Audit Committee

Chairperson: Bill Ullman

Members: Larry Pascal

Mandate: Overseeing the financial health of the USPA, ensuring transparency in reporting, and managing resource allocation to support our non-profit mission.

Competition Committee

Chairpersons: Juan Arraya

Vice Chairperson: Jose De Armas

Mandate: Professionalizing the tournament ecosystem, refining the **NOX USPA Circuit**, and elevating competitive standards for players at all levels.

US National Teams Committee

Chairperson: Tomas Galvez Santaella

Vice Chairperson: Ron Bobman

Members: Jose De Armas, Leticia Martinez-Bordiu, Bill Ullman

Mandate: Managing the selection, funding, and logistical support for our elite athletes, ensuring Team USA competes at the highest level on the global stage.

Junior Committees

Leadership: Subu Jayaram, Leticia Martinez-Bordiu

Mandate: Building the future of the sport through grassroots school programs, youth academies, and the newly launched Junior Elite initiatives.

Elite Athlete Council

Leadership: Jose De Armas

FIP and Padel America Relations

Chairperson: Gabriel Perez-Krieb

These committees are integral to the USPA's function and success. We deeply appreciate the commitment and professional expertise each member brings to their respective roles.

Padel Growth: A Snapshot

Global Momentum

The global appetite for padel has reached unprecedented levels. According to the 2025 FIP World Padel Report, the sport has now surpassed 35 million amateur players worldwide. This participation is supported by a rapidly maturing infrastructure, with over 24,600 clubs and 77,000 courts now active across the globe.

The United States is positioning itself as a critical growth engine within this ecosystem. While Europe currently holds the majority of the player base (61.3%), the American continent is accelerating. The US is identified as a market in transition from an "initial phase" to a robust "growth phase," with projections indicating exponential expansion.

The US Landscape: A Sleeping Giant Wakes

The expansion of padel in the United States is becoming increasingly strategic. While early growth was scattered, 2025 saw the consolidation of key "padel hubs." **Florida** remains the epicenter, boasting approximately **41%** of the nation's courts, followed by **Texas (18%)**, **California (10%)**, and **New York (4.7%)**.

This geographic concentration is expected to act as a catalyst. Projections indicate a shift toward exponential growth beginning in 2026, with a significant acceleration anticipated by 2027 as infrastructure projects currently in development come online.

Player Retention & Coexistence

Why is the sport sticking? The data points to an exceptionally high conversion rate. The **Playtomic Global Padel Report** highlights a **92% retention rate** for players after their first try. This suggests that once Americans step onto the court, they stay.

USPA's Social Media Presence Continues to Grow

Social media is one of the most effective ways the USPA communicates with its members and with the Padel community worldwide. With over 12,000 followers on Instagram and nearly 1,300 on LinkedIn, the USPA is helping to grow the game and fulfill its mission by sharing stories about our member clubs and players and padel news on social media. Please follow the USPA on Instagram at @usapadel, on LinkedIn at @US Padel Association, or on our website at www.padelusa.org.

Future Outlook: 2026 and Beyond

As we look toward the next horizon, the data suggests that the USPA is standing on the precipice of a major inflection point. The trajectory for padel in the United States and globally is defined by two key themes: **exponential scalability** and **institutional maturity**.

The US Acceleration

While 2025 was a year of establishing hubs in key states like Florida and Texas, the market analysis indicates this is just the beginning. The **Playtomic Global Padel Report** forecasts that the United States will see faster expansion in **2026**, with a "real acceleration" projected for **2027**. This aligns with the global trend where court infrastructure is expected to continue growing at a rate of **17%** over the coming years.

A New Era for Amateurs

The pathway for our members is expanding. In **2026**, the International Padel Federation (FIP) will launch **FIP Beyond**, a brand-new circuit dedicated specifically to amateur players. This initiative will provide our membership with structured international competition below the professional tier, further incentivizing participation and player development.

The Olympic Pathway

Our strategic alignment with the FIP's global mission has never been more critical. The FIP has strengthened ties with **Padel America** and **Padel Asia** specifically to drive the globalization of the sport and its Olympic pathway mission. With **2025** identified as a key year for advancing the sport's bid for the **Brisbane 2032 Olympic Games**, the USPA's continued adherence to high standards of governance and growth directly supports the dream of seeing American padel players on the Olympic podium.

Explore Padel Research Reports

- **FIP World Padel Report 2025:** [Download from PadelfIP.com](https://www.padelfip.com/en/reports)
- **Playtomic Global Padel Report 2025:** [Download from Playtomic.com](https://www.playtomic.com/en/reports)
- **Misitrano Consulting State of Padel Report 2025:**
<https://www.misitranoconsulting.com/us-padel-report>

Acknowledgments to the Board

The exponential growth and institutional maturity achieved by the United States Padel Association in 2025 would not have been possible without the strategic vision and tireless dedication of our Board of Directors. As a volunteer-governed organization, we rely on their leadership and work to navigate the complexities of a rapidly evolving sport.

We extend our deepest gratitude to Scott Colebourne, Executive Director of the USPA. Scott's tireless work with the membership, Board, club owners, partners, sponsors and international padel federations has enabled the USPA to grow and thrive. We also recognize the pivotal contributions of our Committee Chairs and Directors, whose specific expertise has shaped our success this year:

- **Ron Bobman** (Chairperson, US National Teams Committee) for his instrumental role in securing resources and elevating our national teams.
- **Larry Pascal** (Chairperson, Governance Committee) for his legal acumen and oversight.
- **Juan Arraya** (Chairperson, Competition Committee) and **Jose De Armas** (Vice Chairperson, Competition Committee & Elite Athletes Committee Chair) for their work in professionalizing and continually improving our tournament schedule, processes and structure.
- **Subu Jayaram** and **Leticia Martinez-Bordiu** (Junior Development Committee) for their passionate advocacy and execution of our youth initiatives.
- **Bill Ullman** (President and Chairperson of the Finance Committee)
- **Gabriel Perez Krieb** (Vice President and Head of International Padel Federation relations)

Their collective commitment to transparency, integrity, and excellence continues to be the bedrock of the USPA.

Future Directions

As we look toward 2026, the USPA is positioned to capitalize on the sport's rapid adoption through strengthened governance, digital innovation, and strategic investment. Our roadmap for the coming year focuses on continuing to modernize and improve the member experience and solidifying padel's place in the American sports landscape.

We are pleased to welcome our newly elected Board members: Ron Bobman (Rye, NY - re-elected to another 2 year term), Manuel Avina (San Antonio, TX), and Frederick Andersen (San Diego, CA). Their combined experience and leadership will be vital to the USPA as we navigate the next phase of national expansion.

The USPA remains steadfast in its mission to govern with integrity and respond proactively to the needs of our community, providing more value to members. As we reflect on the milestones of 2025, we look forward to another year of growth and success in the world of padel, driven by the shared passion of our players, clubs, and partners.

This report serves as a testament to our commitment to transparency and effective communication and the collective efforts of the USPA community to promote padel across the nation. From the professionalization of our tournament circuits to the expansion of our junior and collegiate pathways, every achievement is a result of our dedicated volunteers and members. Together, we are building a sustainable foundation for the sport's future growth in the United States and beyond.