

Frick Park Clay Court Tennis Club

PAUL G. SULLIVAN CLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Monday, July 6 – Sunday, July 19, 2015

Pro Exhibitions:
WED-THUR, JULY 1-2
6:30PM

USTA Tournament ID:
350016915

USTA Referee:
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Location:
Frick Park Red Clay Courts,
South Braddock Avenue,
Regent Square, Pittsburgh, PA

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2015 Tournament Website:
www.ClayFrickTennis.org

Tournament Registration:

ALL players, including top ranked: quick 3 minute online registration at www.ClayFrickTennis.org

2015 SCHEDULE (Weekdays: 4pm – Dusk; Weekends: 8am – Dusk)

Wed, July 1, and Thur, July 2	USTA Pro Circuit Men's Futures of Pittsburgh Exhibition Matches
Mon, July 6 to Thur, July 9	Men's Open Singles Qualifying Draw
Fri, July 10 to Sun, July 12	Men's and Women's Open Singles Qualifying Draws, Men's and Women's Senior (50+) Singles, Men's and Women's Open Doubles, Mixed Open Doubles
Mon, July 13 to Fri, July 17	USTA-Sanctioned Men's and Women's Open Singles Main Draws – continuation of all events up to QF
Sat, July 18	Semifinals
Sun, July 19	Finals

Tournament History:

In August 1930 the newly constructed Frick Park clay courts first hosted the Pittsburgh Parks Championships. Paul Sullivan wrote that the Frick Park had "the classiest battery of rectangles in the district." Paul Sullivan directed the Pittsburgh Parks Championships held at the Frick Park clay courts from 1930 until 2001.

In 1930 the singles champions were Frank Broida of Frick Park and Jean Artzberger of Olympia Park. From 1930 until 2001 there were no tiebreaks in any of the matches and there were no age groups in any events. In 2001 Paul Sullivan directed the tournament for the last time at Frick Park. In 2002 Paul Sullivan, at 98 years old, put down his racket for the last time and the tournament was renamed the Paul G. Sullivan Tennis Championships.

In 2007 the tournament was relocated back to Frick Park after the volunteer restoration of the red clay courts by the new Frick Park Clay Court Tennis Club. Participation has increased from less than 30 players in 2006, to 62 players in 2007, and over 100 players in 2008-2010. There were 61 players in the 2010 Men's Open Singles Draw. 2011-13 had over 150 registered players, with more than 68 players in the Men's Open Singles. 2014 edition had 175 participating players in 7 events, including 72 players in Men's Open Singles and 26 in Women's Open Singles.

