

NEWS RELEASE - MID-ATLANTIC REGIONAL QUIDDITCH CHAMPIONSHIP

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Quidditch Championship Coming to Virginia Beach This Weekend

The best of the Mid-Atlantic region compete in a gender integrated full-contact sport



Photo by Sofia de la Vega

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA - In November, the best quidditch teams from the Mid-Atlantic will gather at Hunt Club Farm in Virginia Beach, VA to determine the regional champion. Over 20 teams and over 400 players from Delaware, New Jersey, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Washington D.C., and West Virginia will be in attendance November 14 and 15, 2015 for the Mid-Atlantic Regional Quidditch Championship. The top ten teams will qualify for the US Quidditch Cup 9, to be held in Columbia, South Carolina this spring. This event is free and open to the public.

Real-life quidditch has swept the nation as a fast paced, gender integrated, full-contact adaptation of the sport from the *Harry Potter* books, with more than 170 official teams, 4,000 players, nine annual championship events, and hundreds of thousands of fans. 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](#).

Where the Atlantic Ocean and the Chesapeake Bay meet, Virginia Beach promises visitors a unique chance to “Live the Life.” Nature at its finest, just-caught and just-picked local food, and toes-in-the-sand relaxation combine for a soul-satisfying experience. A world-renowned boardwalk, energetic downtown, state-of-the-art Convention Center, abundant parks and waterways, and mild weather give rise to an active lifestyle and flourishing local culture. The Virginia Beach CVB is responsible for promoting year-round leisure, business, meetings and conventions, international and sports travel to Virginia’s most populous city. For media information and images, visit www.VisitVirginiaBeach.com/pressroom.

US Quidditch (USQ), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and the national governing body for the sport of quidditch, organizes the Mid-Atlantic Regional Quidditch Championship. 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.

DETAILS FOR CALENDAR LISTINGS

Mid-Atlantic Regional Quidditch Championship

WHAT: **Mid-Atlantic Regional Quidditch Championship** featuring over 20 teams and over 400 players from Delaware, New Jersey, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Washington D.C., and West Virginia competing to be the regional champion. The top ten teams will also qualify for the US Quidditch Cup 9, to be held in Columbia, South Carolina this spring.

WHEN: November 14, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and November 15, 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

WHERE: **Hunt Club Farm**
2388 London Bridge Rd
Virginia Beach, VA 23456

HOW: The event is free and open to the public. Visit this page for more information:
<http://www.usquidditch.org/about/MidAtlantic-RC>

OTHER: Youth quidditch, a non-contact adaptation of the sport taught to elementary, middle, and high school students, will be available Sunday from 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

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