



## NEWS RELEASE - NORTHEAST REGIONAL QUIDDITCH CHAMPIONSHIP

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### **Quidditch Championship Coming to Rochester this month**

**The best of the Northeast region compete in a gender integrated full-contact sport**

ROCHESTER, N.Y. - Over Halloween weekend, the best quidditch teams from the Northeast will gather at Total Sports Experience in Rochester, N.Y. to determine the regional champion. Over two dozen teams and over 500 players from New York and Massachusetts will be in attendance October 31 and November 1. The top 10 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 an 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](#).

The event is supported by the Monroe County Sports Commission. Monroe County Sports Commission is a nonprofit organization that promotes, attracts and assists sporting events of all kinds in Rochester, NY. To learn more about the Monroe County Sports Commission and upcoming events visit [their website](#).

US Quidditch (USQ), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and the national governing body for the sport of quidditch, organizes the Northeast 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](http://www.usquidditch.org).

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## DETAILS FOR CALENDAR LISTINGS

### *Northeast Regional Quidditch Championship*

**WHAT:** **Northeast Regional Quidditch Championship** featuring over two dozen teams and over 500 players from New York and Massachusetts competing to be the regional championship. The top 10 teams will also qualify for the US Quidditch Cup 9, to be held in Columbia, South Carolina this spring.

**WHEN:** October 31, 8am-4pm and November 1, 8am-4pm

**WHERE:** **Total Sports Experience**

880 Elmgrove Rd  
Rochester, NY 14624

**HOW:** Admission is free. Visit this page for more information:

<http://www.usquidditch.org/about/Northeast-RC>

**OTHER:**

Free parking is available.