



United States Quad Rugby Association

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**ABILITY360 SPORTS & FITNESS CENTER WILL HOST NATIONAL  
WHEELCHAIR RUGBY CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT, APRIL 20-22, 2017**  
*16 of the Nation's Best Teams Will Compete During Three-Day Event*

PHOENIX, Ariz. (Oct. 28, 2016): Ability360 Sports & Fitness Center will play host to nation's the top 16 wheelchair rugby teams at the 2017 United States Quad Rugby Association (USQRA) National Championship Tournament, April 20-22, 2017.

The tournament is presented by Vantage Mobility International of Phoenix, one of the nation's largest manufacturers of wheelchair van conversions. Ability360 Sports & Fitness Center is located at 5031 E. Washington Street.

Tournament teams will be seeded in two divisions following regional and sectional tournaments in February and March across the country involving 45 teams in eight divisions. At the national tournament, teams will compete in preliminary round robin formats with national champions to be determined through single elimination contests in the final round.

The defending 2016 Division I national champions are the Texas Stampede from Cedar Park, Texas while the Brooks Bandits from Atlantic Beach, Florida are the defending Division II champions.

For more information about the United States Quad Rugby Association, visit [www.usqra.org](http://www.usqra.org). For more information about Ability360 Sports & Fitness Center, visit [www.ability360.org](http://www.ability360.org).

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**ABOUT THE ABILITY360 SPORTS & FITNESS CENTER:** The **Ability360** Sports and Fitness Center is a 45,000-square foot, state-of-the-art facility located in Phoenix, Arizona. Owned and operated by **Ability360**, the Sports & Fitness Center offers a wide variety of amenities to help you achieve your health and fitness goals including a fitness center with wheelchair accessible weight machines, an aquatic area equipped with lifts and elevators, accessible locker rooms, and more.

**ABOUT ABILITY360:** **Ability360**, formerly Arizona Bridge to Independent Living (ABIL), continues a 35-year tradition of empowering programs for people with all disabilities. **Ability360** offers and promotes programs to empower people with disabilities to take personal responsibility so that they may achieve or continue independent lifestyles within the community. The independent living philosophy states that people with disabilities should have the same civil rights, options, and control over choices in their own lives as do people without disabilities. **Ability360** is located at 5025 E. Washington St. Ste. 200, Phoenix, AZ 85034, [www.ability360.org](http://www.ability360.org), 602-256-2245.

**ABOUT THE USQRA:** The United States Quad Rugby Association is a 501(c)3 nonprofit which provides oversight, development and administration to the sport of wheelchair rugby across the United States. Since 1988 the USQRA has been promoting and supporting wheelchair rugby to provide competitive athletic opportunities to eligible people with disabilities and also to empower people to reach their full potential in all areas of life. The USQRA features 45 teams with more than 500 athletes across the country. For more information: <http://www.usqra.org/>