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Quick Facts

- Winthrop's Disc Golf Course has been the site of the U.S. Championship since its inception in 1999. Volunteers travel from around the country to help put on the championship.
- In addition to the U.S. Championship title, there also is a race for the Disc Golf World Tour Points title, which is given at the end of what has been a year of globe-trotting for disc golf professionals.



ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA — Some of the top disc golfers in the world will compete Oct. 4-7 at the Winthrop Recreation area in the **2017 United States Disc Golf Championship (USDGC)**.

In addition to the **U.S. Championship title**, there also is a race for the **Disc Golf World Tour Points title**, which is given at the end of what has been a year of globe-trotting for disc golf professionals. Several players are in contention this year to be at the top of the USDGC leaderboard and the World Points standings.

Paul McBeth is the current leader, followed by **Ricky Wysocki** and **Eagle McMahon**.

Organizers said the weather shouldn't be a factor this week. Last year Hurricane Matthew forced the event to end after three rounds as **Jeremy Koling** of North Carolina took home the title. Here is the [event schedule](#) and a [photo gallery](#).

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Although the course has seen minor changes each year, organizers said the course always presents a combination of narrow fairways, lots of out-of-bounds area, elevated baskets and plenty of water. Known to be physically, emotionally and mentally challenging, the Winthrop course allows for creativity in shot making and a unique focus on shot placement, rather than on pure distance alone.

Spectators can watch for **Winthrop's Disc Golf Team** whose members will participate in the Dean's Cup Collegiate Invitational on Oct. 6-7. Another related event is the **Throw Pink Rock Hill Ladies Event** at Fewell Park on Oct. 7.

Follow the tournament on social media through the **USDGC Facebook**, **DGWT Facebook** and **Innova Facebook**. All three groups are also on **Instagram** and **Twitter**. The official hashtags for this year's event are **#USDGC2017** and **#DGWT**.

Single day tickets are priced at \$10 and a VIP ticket for the four days is \$25.

For more information about the upcoming championship, check out USDGC.com or e-mail **Jonathan Poole**, event director, at jonathan.poole@innovadiscgolf.com.

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