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## **2017 USA TABLE TENNIS OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP**

### **Premier 97 Event International Competition**

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**USPA NEWS** - 2017 USA Table Tennis Open commenced on December 17th with the North American Youth Olympic Games Qualification Championships, in which participated 16 boys (8 from the USA and 8 from Canada) and girls (8 from the USA and 8 from Canada) table tennis players under 18 years of age. The US OPEN proceeded with playing qualification and proper matches for US Open Singles and Doubles Championships and other totally 97 events of the international competition.

Among the array of international table tennis stars, we could see the highest USATT rated player in the Men's Singles Championship (2764) — Lucian Blaszczyk from Poland, who is 4-time Olympian and 11-time Polish National Champion, Jun Han Wu from China (2762), Damien Eloi a 4-time Olympian from France, Three-time Olympian Yadira Silva of Mexico, Tomislav Pucar of Croatia, Jeremy Hasin from Canada, Tao Wenzhang from China, Wang Jinxin, Kanak Jha, Lily Zhang and Yue Wu from the USA, just to name a few.

After the play-off stages, in the Final Open Men's Singles match there met Kohei Morimoto and Taimo Arinobu and in the Open Women's Singles Final — Yuki Shoji and Chiaki Kato, all four from Japan.

In the Women's Final, Yuki Shoji was able to overplay her team-mate Chiaki Kato in a very impressive 7-game match with the games-score 4:3. In the Men's Final Taimo Arinobu, with a little higher current World Ranking, in an even match with ups and downs from both players, finally, pulled over the victory on his side -- 4:3 in games.

US Table Tennis Open Championships are ITTF Events and Premier Table Tennis Events in North America.

The 2017 US Open Table Tennis Championships brought together table tennis players from around the World and offered them opportunities to compete for prestigious 2017 US Open Awards and prize money. The 2017 US Open gave competing athletes unforgettable time of sportive competitions and to spectators treasured time of a pleasure watching beautiful table tennis matches.

Congratulations to all participated athletes and to winners of the 2017 US TABLE TENNIS OPEN!

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