

RHODE ISLAND SENIOR GAMES - TABLE TENNIS 2026

RI Table Tennis Association, Manville, RI

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FINAL REPORT

The Rhode Island Table Tennis Association recently wrapped up another spectacular edition of the Rhode Island Senior Games, highlighting the immense health benefits this sport offers to older adults. This year's Table Tennis tournament featured over 30 dynamic men and women competitors, ages 41 to 85, hailing from five New England states.

While the event perfectly blended high-level skills and sportsmanship with a welcoming atmosphere, it also served as a powerful showcase for lifelong health. Table Tennis provides an exceptional low-impact workout that is gentle on senior joints while simultaneously sharpening hand-eye coordination, boosting reflexes, and stimulating brain function to help combat cognitive decline.

Ultimately, the tournament was a true celebration of friendship (old and new), active longevity, and the profound physical and mental wellness gained from playing. Everyone is looking forward to 2027!

RESULTS

WOMENS SINGLES

60-64

Gold: Qin Zhang (CT)

75-79

Gold: Joanne Duperron (NH)

MENS SINGLES

40-44

Gold: Mike Chagnon (RI)

Silver: Beshoy Ibrahim (MA)

Bronze: Sergii Sementsov (NH)

45-49

Gold: Krishnendu Daripa (NH), Steve Vongsiri (RI) (Shared)



50-54

Gold: Dan Vogt (CT)

55-59

Gold: Amr Elfass (MA)

Silver: Carlos Rivera (RI)

Bronze: Greg Russell (RI)

60-64

Gold: Kurt Douty (MA)

Silver: Paul Coupland (RI)

65-69

Gold: Chris Kalagher (MA)

Silver: Roy Roach (MA)

Bronze: Dennis Hopper (RI)

RI State Qualifiers:

Gold: Dennis Hopper (RI)

Silver: Marty Wencek (RI)

Bronze: Jesse Diroma (RI)

70-74

Gold: Bruce Ahern (RI)

Silver: Robert Duperron (NH)

Bronze: Chuck Cavicchio (RI), Dan DAmore (NH) (Shared)

RI State Qualifiers:

Gold: Bruce Ahern (RI)

Silver: Chuck Cavicchio (RI)

Bronze: John Shunney (RI)

75-79

Gold: Leonid Sukher (MA)

Silver: Bill Swift (NH)

Bronze: Jim Cavaretta (MA)

85-89

Gold: Joel Singer (MA)

WOMENS DOUBLES

65-69

Gold: Qin Zhang (CT)/ Joanne Duperron (NH)



MIXED DOUBLES

65-69

Gold: Qin Zhang (CT) / Dennis Hopper (RI)

70-74

Gold: Joanne Duperron (NH) / Robert Duperron (NH)

MENS DOUBLES

40-44

Gold: Dan Vogt (CT) / Mike Chagnon (RI)

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Silver: Chuck Cavicchio (RI) / Dennis Hopper (RI)

RI State Qualifiers:

Gold: Chuck Cavicchio (RI) / Dennis Hopper (RI)

70-74

Gold: Bill Swift (NH) / Robert Duperron (NH)

Silver: Dan DAmore (NH) / Joel Singer (MA)

Bronze: Thomas Lynch (MA) / Sam Porter (MA)

MEDALS AWARDED

Gold medals: 32

Silver medals: 16

Bronze medals: 10

Total medals: 58

