

Jon P. Rydberg

Born: October 7th, 1977

Resides: Oakdale, Minnesota

Started Wheelchair Tennis: 1992

Current World Ranking: 14

Hobbies/Interests: Boating, hockey, basketball, architecture, friends and family.



Tournaments(best finish):

Cajun Classic Appearances: 2000-04, 2006-08 (Finalist)

US Open Appearances: 2006-07 (Semi-Finalist)

Paralympic Games: Athens 2004, Beijing 2008 (Round of 16)

US World Team Cup Appearances: 2000-04, 2006-08 (Silver)

ParaPan American games: 2007 (Gold)

Jon has been limited to walking with crutches or in a wheelchair since the age of 1. What would be viewed as a hindrance by many, Rydberg has made the most of his situation by becoming one of the elite wheelchair athletes in the world in two different sports. A former collegiate wheelchair basketball player at national power Texas-Arlington, where he earned a full scholarship, the Oakdale, Minn., resident then shifted his focus to tennis where he has taken the world by storm. He started playing tennis at 11 with a racquet welded onto one of his crutches. He then moved over to playing on the wheelchair tour at age 15.