

President's Message January, 2024

A Very Happy New Year to all! Recapping 2023:

...We held ten events over the calendar year; including the disciplines of racquetball, handball, squash racquets, paddleball, & squash 57.

...ENMU Roswell Rec Center embarked on a reconstruction; keeping it closed for more than a year. ETA on reopening is spring of 2024.

...NMSW changed its business plan and elected to pull out of the IRF World Senior Racquetball Championships after 37 years. A replacement player came on board!

...Thank you to the city of Las Vegas, NM; which stepped up and offered its venues and support. Montoya Rec Center, Wilson Complex at NMHU, and the Rec Center at the Armand Hammer United World College of the American West were hosts for play.

...NM Racquetball contributed over \$5,000 from the WSRC to worthy organizations.

...The International Racquetball Federation hosted the Junior World Championships in the southern Bolivian City of Tarija. Over 300 players from 12 countries participated.

...The National Paddleball Championships were hosted again in December at Midtown.

...Many thanks to those who participated in the fundraiser for the Kelly Anders family.

Direct contributions, proceeds from raffles, and in-kind brought in a significant return.

Kelly suffered a debilitating stroke this past June.

UPCOMING

January	13	Randy Kahn Midtown Squash; Midtown Sports & Wellness, Albuquerque
	26-28	M & M Classic; Zachs Club, Lubbock, Texas (Texas Rball Assoc; R2sports.com)
February	15-18	Durango Championships; Durango Recreation Center; Colorado
March	1-3	NM State Racquetball/Handball; Midtown, Albuquerque (R2sports.com)

Quote of the month

'Macho; I have no idea what it means; yet, if anyone is it, it is me'

Robert Conrad