

President's Message—September, 2022

On behalf of New Mexico Racquetball, the IRF, and the City of Albuquerque, I want to thank all of you for your dedication to our cause—providing the best in Racquetball and other court sport events!

We are a base of almost fifty strong; working at the clubs and hotel, providing transportation for a select group of athletes/spectators, and performing other important tasks behind the scenes.

The 37th edition of the IRF World Senior Racquetball Championships is in the books. Founders John Koller and Ralph Waddington would be proud of our efforts. We anticipate #38 in 2023; yet, we cannot nor should not take anything for granted. We must work hard with ALL parties to make sure it comes to fruition.

One main objective is to pay expenses and have seed monies for the following year. We have succeeded! Since 1989, when the event was placed under the IRF banner, our contributions to worthy recipients have exceeded \$500,000. We are pleased to announce that a total of \$5,000 has been provided collectively to the IRF Development Fund and other organizations (Alzheimer's, American Cancer Society, Boy Scouts, Brothers of the Good Shepherd, Jelso Scholarship, New Mexico Sports, and USA Racquetball).

New Mexico Racquetball continues to be active with programming and with giving back to the community. WSRC is its starship annual event and we are privileged to have each of you share in the effort. Anticipate next year's event:

August 29-September 2, 2023.

All be well,

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