***IPRO Director’s Message April, 2021***

***With the onset of 2021, we have entered our 25th calendar year of operation (1997-2021) under the current leadership. Please follow below some highlights and anecdotes:***

***…Started as an employee under USA Racquetball ownership***

***…USAR relinquished control six years later due to financial losses***

***…Ampro added the IPRO name to grow activity around the globe***

***…Presentations made at three consecutive IHRSA Conventions—LV, SD, SF***

***…Aligned with the Racquetball Manufacturers Association***

***…USAR started guerilla marketing campaign by launching USAR-IP***

***…Efforts for us to join forces with them to no avail under Ex. Dir. Steve Czarnicki***

***…A cadre of professional clinicians appointed around the globe***

***…Our membership base represents over 30 countries & most US States***

***…We remain a conduit between the public and venues across the USA***

***…Have working relationships with Paddleball, Squash 57, & WOR***

***…Insurance coverage for court sports & pickleball through Loomis & Lapann***

***…We are teaching and coaching arms of International Racquetball Federation***

***UPCOMING***

***Certification courses (teaching, coaching, officiating):***

***Gustavo Farell (Guatemala City), Karen Key (Phoenix),***

***Gary Mazaroff (Albuquerque), Alex Purcell (Boise), David Stob (Seattle)***

***Quote of the month…***

***‘If you want to lift yourself up; lift up someone else’ Booker T. Washington***