

California Racquetball

A newsletter for the members of the California Amateur Racquetball Association

Fall 1996

Californians "Gear Up" for Phoenix

Find a partner or two, make those airline and hotel reservations, lose those few extra pounds and *get ready now* for the USRA National Doubles Championships to be held in Phoenix October 16-20, 1996.

This premier national event allows Californians to participate in a first-rate tournament and view some of the best racquetball in the country with a minimal amount of travel.

Hosted by City Square Athletic Club and the Lexington Hotel, this club features twelve glass-backed courts, an in-house sports bar (where it always seems to be happy hour!) and

top-class facilities.

As usual, Margo Daniels forms a professional team that makes this tournament known for its efficient scheduling and great hospitality.

Divisions for age groups from 24/under through 80+ (in five-year increments) are offered, as well as Mens and Womens Open & A divisions.

There is a one-hour time adjustment needed for Californians (Phoenix is on Central Standard Time). Phoenix is mild and warm in October with pleasant evenings.

Hope to see you there!

Racquetball History in The Making...

Witness the first "Grand Slam" of racquetball, the Promus Hotels U.S. OPEN Racquetball Championships presented by American Express November 13-17, 1996. The tournament will feature the top male and female professionals in the world competing for the largest prize money purse in the history of the sport--\$50,000+! This event will be nationally televised on ESPN and will debut the "made-for-TV" portable racquetball court. In addition, hundreds of amateur players will compete in age and skill divisions for every level. Special events include "PARTY WITH THE PROS", an industry trade show, Hospitality Village complete with concessions, live entertainment, and fan fair

activities. The event will benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

The professional matches will be held at the Racquet Club of Memphis. The Racquet Club is a world class health club and dining facility featuring indoor and outdoor tennis courts, racquetball courts, elegant banquet and meeting rooms, locker rooms with all the amenities, state of the art fitness center, executive health club, four star restaurant, pub with dance floor, outdoor swimming pool, and much, much more.

Amateur divisions will be played at the University of Memphis Recreation Center and Wimbeldon Sportsplex. Complimentary shuttle service between all three facilities will be provided on a regular basis.

Contact the USRA (formerly AARA) for more information at (719) 635-5396.

Entry Forms Inside

Ralph's/Food 4 Less Splat Shot

The Tournament House
Riverside (909) 682-7511
Sept. 26-29, 1996

Thunderbolt Open

Dan Gamel's Racquet Time
Fresno (209) 227-8405
Oct. 18-20, 1996

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CALENDAR

New Southern California Tournament - All Valley Open - Reseda

September 20-22, 1996

9th Annual Apple Open, Spa Fitness Center, Watsonville (408) 722-3895

September 26-29, 1996 (Entry in this Newsletter)

Ralph's/Food 4 Less Splat Shot ProAm, Tournament House Riverside (909) 682-7511

September 27-29, 1996

Fall Valley Championships, Merced Spots Club, Merced (209) 722-3988

October 4-6, 1996

9th Annual Solano Open, Solano A.C., Fairfield (707) 429-4363

October 4-6, 1996

Tournament of Terror, Racquetball World, Canoga Park (818) 884-5035

October 11-13, 1996

Clayton Valley Open, Concord Athletic Club, Concord (510) 682-1060

October 18-20, 1996 (Entry in this Newsletter)

Thunderbolt Open, Dan Gamel's Racquet Time, Fresno (209) 227-8405

October 18-20, 1996

Oktoberfest, Auburn Court House, Auburn (916) 885-1964

October 25-27, 1996

Great Pumpkin Open, Midtown Athletic Club, Sacramento (916) 441-2977

November 1-3, 1996

Baystar Open, Royal Athletic Club, Burlingame (415) 697-9162

November 8-10, 1996

Cross Court Open, Cross Court A.C., Woodland (916) 666-1319

November 15-17, 1996

All Valley Open, Mid Valley A.C., Reseda (818) 705-6500

November 22-24, 1996

Pro Kennex Grand Prix #2, Courtesy Sports/Schoebers San Jose (415) 968-7970

November 29-December 1, 1996

Turkey Shoot, The Racquet Centre, Hollywood (310) 861-6028

December 6-8, 1996

Craig McCoy Memorial, Tournament House, Riverside (909) 682-7511

New Ranking System Update

1996 Marks One-Year Anniversary for New System

September 1996 marks the first anniversary of the new ranking system developed by Jack Hughes. The Rules for Player Rankings in Singles and the ranking point system are as follows:

1. Player must hold a current U.S.R.A. Competitive License and be an active member in the C.A.R.A. to be eligible to accumulate ranking points.
2. Points will be awarded only for play in tournaments sanctioned by C.A.R.A.

Player feedback has been positive and enthusiastic

3. A player must win at least one (1) match in the division in order to be awarded points.
4. If a player enters an age division that is canceled and plays in another age division, any points earned may be assigned to the division entered at the player's request.
5. Player is ineligible to enter the novice division if points have already been earned in the novice division.
6. If a player is ranked in Open, AA, A, B, C, or D division, he/she is ineligible to play in a lower division.
7. A player may not accumulate points in any division in which he/she is not eligible.
8. It is the responsibility of each player to enter only a division in which he/she is eligible. Disregard of this rule may lead to disciplinary action by the Board of Directors of C.A.R.A., including suspension of eligibility to play in tournaments sanctioned by the C.A.R.A.
9. A player ranked in Open, A, AA, B, C, or D division that wishes to play in a lower division due to injury must petition the Board of Directors of the C.A.R.A. in writing for a waiver of Rule #6.
10. The rankings will be maintained on a continuous twelve-month system.
11. No points will be awarded until the second round in drop down format (you must win a round

to earn points).

12. Points will be awarded in Round Robin format for first and second place only.
13. A player may petition the Board of Directors to be allowed to play in the next lower division if he/she has earned 15 or fewer points in the last five tournaments played.
14. When a player has been ranked in any division, but earns no points in that division or a higher division for one full year, he/she may again play in the next lower division.
15. The Board of Directors reserves the right to reclassify a player for due cause.
16. C.A.R.A. members will earn points in accordance with the following program:

	Winner	Second	Semi	Quarter
Round Robin	25	10	n/a	n/a
Group 1 (up to 8)	30	20	10	05
Group 2 (9-16)	40	25	15	10
Group 3 (17-32)	60	40	20	13
Group 4 (33 up)	100	50	25	15

A player/team will be automatically moved to a higher division when 1) the player/team accumulates 200 points, including 2 wins; 2) the

Only members of C.A.R.A. U.S.R.A. are eligible to earn points. Those knowingly participating without membership will be disqualified with no refund of entry fees!

player accumulates 250 points, including 1 win; 3) the player accumulates 300 points; 4) the player accumulates 200 points - including 1 win, and is one of the top three players in division (except AA).



4774 N. Blackstone Ave. Fresno, CA 93726 Attention Darlene ATRA
 CARA Sanctioned Racquetball Tournament

DAN GAMEL'S THUNDERBOLT OPEN

October 18 - 19 - 20 1996

Men's Singles

- | | 1st | 2nd |
|---------------------------------|-------|-------|
| ☐ OPEN | \$400 | \$200 |
| ☐ AA | \$150 | \$75 |
| ☐ A | \$100 | \$50 |
| ☐ B | | |
| ☐ C | | |
| ☐ D | | |
| ☐ NOVICE | | |
| ☐ 35 + | | |
| ☐ 45+ | | |

Women's Singles

- | | 1st | 2nd |
|---------------------------------|-------|-------|
| ☐ OPEN | \$200 | \$100 |
| ☐ A | \$75 | \$40 |
| ☐ B | | |
| ☐ C | | |
| ☐ D | | |
| ☐ NOVICE | | |

Doubles

- | MEN'S | | WOMENS | |
|-------------------------------|-------|--------|--|
| 1st | 2nd | 1st | 2nd |
| ☐ OPEN | \$200 | \$100 | ☐ OPEN/A \$100 \$50 |
| ☐ A | \$100 | \$ 50 | ☐ B/C |
| ☐ B | | | |
| ☐ C | | | |

Jr. Events will be held Sat, 3pm - 7pm .
Sign-up at tournament desk Sat. morning.
\$20 entry fee.

MIXED DOUBLES

- | | 1st | 2nd |
|-------------------------------------|-------|------|
| ☐ MIXED OPEN | \$100 | \$50 |
| ☐ MIXED A/B | | |

ENTRY FEE: Open \$35.00 2ND Cash Event \$20.00, 1ST Non cash event \$25, 2nd event \$15

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (home) _____ Club Affiliation _____

Partner's Name _____ Phone (home) _____

Amount Enclosed _____ Men's Shirt Size ☐ XXL ☐ XL ☐ L

Guest Waiver: I, hereby for myself, executors, and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the Dan Gamel's health and Racquet Club and/or their respective agents, or any facility used for this tournament, for any and all injuries which may be suffered by me in connection with my competition in said tournament.

Signature _____

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Date _____

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Hello Bruce, Bonjour I don't know if you know about this Bruce Metras looks like somebody is using your name or !!!!!

C.A.R.A. RANKINGS - As of August 30, 1996

MENS OPEN		
1.	Jeff Mayorga	220
2.	Joey Paraiso	165
3.	Michael Bronfeld	150
4.	Mike Grandstaff	143
5.	Brian Londo	140
6.	Adam Karp	135
7.	Steve Lerner	135
8.	Franco Palmer	128
9.	Rocky Carson	125
10.	Brad Carter	125

MENS AA		
1.	Louis Reba	105
2.	Ed Jaramillo	90
3.	Kevin Watson	90
4.	Jim Maldonado	80
5.	Oscar Carrasco	75
6.	Jorge Prieto	75
7.	Dana Cornelius	70
8.	Armando Villa	70
9.	Gil Cepeda	50
10.	Chris Crowther	50

MENS A		
1.	B Groombridge	270
2.	Andy Weisz	260
3.	Bert Castelan	120
4.	Scott Foster	120
5.	Aaron Rambach	90
6.	Jonathon Dunn	85
7.	John Lee	81
8.	Joe Bihar	80
9.	Dana Cornelius	80
10.	John Nigro	77

MENS B		
1.	Ted Pistoresi	150
2.	Aiman Matta	115
3.	Warren Courtney	110
4.	Jesse Coleman	85
5.	Albert Flores	85
6.	Jerry Thurston	85
7.	Ron Adams	80
8.	Faizakim	79
9.	Steve O'Neill	75
10.	Bob Thompson	75

MENS C		
1.	Raymond Horn	187
2.	Ed Collantes	100
3.	Zack Miller	92
4.	Fred Medina	80
5.	Al Muranaga	80
6.	Lee Park	80
7.	Matthew Yim	80
8.	Steve Aresenault	73
9.	Jim Goodman	70
10.	Eric Palmer	70

MENS D		
1.	Bill O'Neil	155
2.	Terry Durham	125
3.	Derek Taylor	125
4.	Gerald Lumpkin	100
5.	Lee Halvorsen	90
6.	Joe Perez Sr.	80
7.	Lewis Todchney	80
8.	Mike Mangagnini	70
9.	Bret Cook	55
10.	Pedro Diaz	50

MENS 19+		
1.	Franco Palmer	130
2.	Greg Solis	60
3.	Rocky Carson	40

4.	Matt Hawkins	35
5.	Nate Osborne	20
6.	Bill West	20
7.	Eric Mora	10
8.	Jason Tillery	10

MENS 25+		
1.	Brian Londo	240
2.	John Ivers	60
3.	Dale Milhollin	60
4.	Jim Bannelos	40
5.	Chris Hardwick	40
6.	Curtis Lezama	35
7.	Ryan Silacci	35
8.	J. Huot	30
9.	Mark Nomura	25
10.	Craig Turner	25

MENS 30+		
1.	Steve Wattz	100
2.	John Wong	90
3.	Bill Sell	75
4.	Oscar Carrasco	60
5.	Steve Ducich	60
6.	Ken Fichthorn	60
7.	Dave Genevay	60
8.	John Ivers	60
9.	Bill Groombridge	55
10.	Ken Stone	45

MENS 35+		
1.	Mike Martinez	190
2.	Jim Durham	145
3.	Dana Cornelius	60
4.	Bill Sell	60
5.	Gary Buzzell	55
6.	Brad Carter	55
7.	Darryl Keene	55
9.	John Mack	55
10.	Gil Cepeda	40

MENS 40+		
1.	Gary Buzzell	180
2.	Manuel Hernandez	180
3.	Darryl Warren	170
4.	Alan Brint	120
5.	Rick Ramirez	65
6.	Leo Gurnoe	60
7.	Gene Pare	60
8.	Tom Weniger	50
9.	Mickey Bellah	43
10.	Greg Sheffield	40

MENS 45+		
1.	Bruce Metras	285
2.	Leo Gurnoe	160
3.	Garrett Parks	145
4.	Pepe Berasain	110
5.	Archie Lee	105
6.	Brad Parra	100
7.	Micah Brown	80
8.	Ismael Aldana	65
9.	Bert Castelanelli	65
10.	Bruce Goldstone	65

MENS 50+		
1.	Jack Howard	90
2.	Mike Pawka	80
3.	Terry Brown	60
4.	R.O. Carson	60
5.	ordon Larkin	60
6.	Brad Parra	60
7.	Tim Scott	60
8.	Tom Butler	58
9.	Ron Benson	50
10.	Stan McGinnis	50

MENS 55+		
1.	Jerry Holly	105
2.	Harold Price	75
3.	Gary McAuley	70
4.	Jack Howard	55
5.	Ron Adams	50
6.	Russ Bates	50
7.	Pete Buchanan	40
8.	Dave Guerra	40
9.	Jay Jayson	30
10.	Terry Preister	30

MENS 60+		
1.	Jerry Holly	135
2.	Ron Dorst	70
3.	Vance Lerner	45
4.	Jack Hoffa	40
5.	Roger McEachen	30
6.	Jay Streim	30
7.	Fred Pourroy	28
8.	Ken Moore	25
9.	V. Caramagno	20

MENS 65+		
1.	John Reid	50
2.	Vinnie Caramagno	40
3.	Bob Henley	30
4.	Bill Gencarella	25
5.	Jack Nixon	15
6.	Herb Sampson	15
7.	Carlton Appleby	10

MENS 70+		
1.	Ben Gencarella	50
2.	Bob Nedd	50
3.	Mike Bugel	20
4.	Phil Hillinger	20

WOMENS OPEN		
1.	Lisa Hjelm	305
2.	Mary Tessier	235
3.	Debbie Tisinger	180
4.	Karen Holden	165
5.	Sandra Cabrera	138
6.	Dina Moreland	130
7.	Cheryl Ford	95
8.	Raymie Roland	70
9.	Nancy Giosa	60
10.	Louise Winter	40

WOMENS AA		
1.	Michele Kinaan	120
2.	Rose Cornelius	60
3.	Mary Rossi	55
4.	Jill Crouse	45
5.	Chau Phan	40
6.	Kim Cameron	35
7.	Nicole Saring	30
8.	Dionna Brown	25
9.	Emma Jackson	25
10.	Ramie Roland	25

WOMENS A		
1.	Cherron Boyea	85
2.	Sandra Maxwell	80
3.	Theresa Barroso	50
4.	Cheryl Henderson	40
5.	Sue Felix	30
6.	Diana Gonzales	30
7.	Sherry Knecht	30
8.	Joyce Schafer	30
9.	Barbara Tibbens	30
10.	Diana Torres	30

WOMENS B		
1.	Ruby Braxton	123
2.	Elaine Wilkinson	110
3.	Kathy Barserian	100
4.	Chopi Masada	70
5.	Sandra Maxwell	70
6.	Linda Demro	55
7.	Anita Miller	55
8.	Alyse Cori	50
9.	Mandy York	50
10.	Flo Broughton	45

WOMENS C		
1.	Mariah Cameron	55
2.	Linda Davis	50
3.	Laura Gonzales	50
4.	Darcy Janowicz	50
5.	Diana Compton	45
6.	Velma DeLaGarga	45
7.	Daunce Sunahara	45
8.	Charlene Cotroneo	40
9.	Tammy Card	25
10.	Andrea Crebassa	25

WOMENS D		
1.	Christine Riley	55
2.	Julie Bauman	50
3.	Andrea Miller	40
4.	Terry Hoffman	35
5.	Janice Payne	35
6.	Stella Atienza	30
7.	Jeana Barrett	30
8.	Kari Goldberg	30
9.	Espe Gunheim	30
10.	Jany Orgill	30

WOMENS 25+		
1.	Pat Chesterman	25
2.	Peggin Callahan	10

WOMENS 30+		
1.	Mary Tessier	75
2.	Peggin Callahan	60
3.	Debbie Tisinger	60
4.	Vicky Aguilar	40
5.	Connie Fall	40
6.	Jill Crouse	30
7.	Tisa Mylar	30
8.	Loretta Anderson	25
9.	Lisa Hjelm	25
10.	Elaine Dexter	15

WOMENS 35+		
1.	Debbie Tisinger	120
2.	Sandra Maxwell	100
3.	Cherron Boyea	85
4.	Rose Cornelius	65
5.	Bev Supanick	40
6.	Christine Daniele	30
7.	Paula Campbell	25
8.	Karen Holden	25
9.	Tracey Riley	25
10.	Kim Cameron	20

WOMENS 40+		
1.	Karen Holden	120
2.	Elaine Dexter	80
3.	Raymie Roland	74
4.	Leslie Pawka	25
5.	Cheryl Henderson	20

WOMENS 45+		
1.	Terry Ann Rogers	200
2.	Loretta Anderson	49
3.	Nidia Funes	30

4.	Jeanette Williams	30
5.	Carol Clements	10
6.	Dawn Kerrigan	10

WOMENS 50+		
1.	Merjean Kelley	130
2.	Sue Embry	80
3.	Jeanette Williams	60
4.	Mary Walker	30
5.	Letha Sundstrom	30
6.	Nidia Funes	20
7.	Marquitta Molina	15

WOMENS 55+		
1.	Nancy Martin	30

WOMENS 60+		
1.	Mary Walker	20

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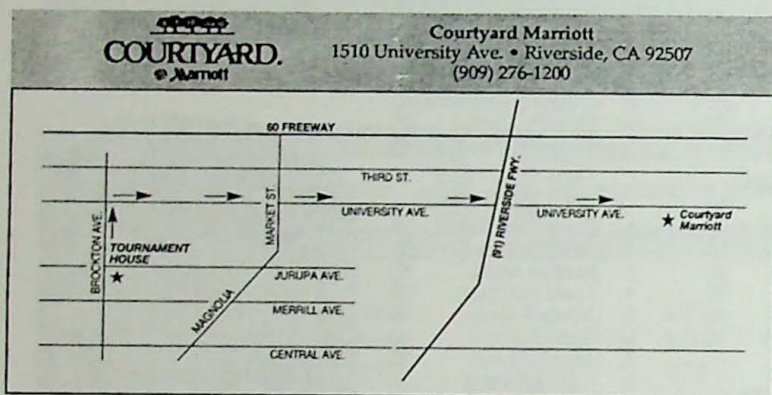
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OPEN	40+	A	45+
AA	45+	B	50+
A	50+	C	55+
B	55+	D	60+
C	60+	30+	65+
D	65+	35+	70+
	70+		

MEN'S DOUBLES		WOMEN'S DOUBLES	
OPEN		Advanced	
A		Intermediate	
B		MIXED DOUBLES	
C		Upper Mixed	
35+		Lower Mixed	

(Age groups will be combined if there are insufficient entries.)
 (All divisions will be limited to 32 player draw - Please enter early!)

WAIVER

I hereby release myself, heirs, executors, and administrators waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the Tournament House Racquetball & Fitness Club or their respective agents, for any and all injuries which may be suffered by me in connection with my competition in the 1996 Eighth Annual Ralph's/Food 4 Less Splat Shot Pro-Am Tournament.

Signature _____ Date _____
 Partner's Signature _____ Date _____

CARA All members must be CARA members.
 SANCTIONED Members must show membership card or receipt.

Tournament Hotels: **COURTYARD MARRIOTT**
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Tournament Information: Call (909) 682-7511

PRIZE MONEY & AWARDS

All First and Second Place Finishers
will receive quality prizes.

Pro Purse - \$\$\$\$\$

Men's Open Singles 1st - \$700.00 2nd - \$300.00 Semis - \$100.00	Women's Open Singles 1st - \$300.00 2nd - \$150.00	Men's Open Doubles 1st - \$500.00 2nd - \$200.00
Men's AA Singles 1st - \$100.00 2nd - \$50.00		

PLAY STARTS: Thursday - 5 p.m.; Friday - 3 p.m. (only if necessary); Saturday - 8 a.m.; Sunday - 8 a.m.
 For information on tickets for professional viewing, please call (909) 682-7511.
 All players will receive a Quality tournament shirt.
 Phone entries will be charged on VISA or Mastercard and will be charged an additional \$5.00.
 For full cash award - 16 member draw is necessary.

Tournament Directors: Vance Lerner, Rich Wagner, Robin Di
 Tournament Ball: F
 Rules: MEN'S OPEN - PRO SERVE RULE IN EFFECT (SINGLES ON
 First two games to 15, tiebreaker to 11; everybody refer
 lensed eyeguards are mandatory, CA
 Entry Deadline: Monday, September 23rd, 1996 (6 p
 Starting Times: Wednesday, September 25th, after 5 p
 Towel Deposit: \$2.00 or bring your own, bring a l
 Dates: September 26th - September 29th, 1
 Pro Qualifying on Wednesday, September 2
 Location: Tournament House Racquetball & Fitness C
 6250 Brockton Avenue, Riverside, CA 92506 - (909) 682-7
 Hospitality: All weekend. Our usual great stuff will be serv
 Entry Fee: Pro Event -
 Money Events - 1st Event Open -
 2nd Event Open -
 ALL OTHER EVENTS - 1st Event - \$35; 2nd Event -

PENN - C.A.R.A. PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Vote NOW for Your Favorite Player!

Penn, the official ball and glove of the C.A.R.A., has joined up with the C.A.R.A. to recognize the 1996 Player of the Year. What's the criteria? Besides being a current member of the C.A.R.A., look for someone who has accomplished a lot in the last year; a great sport; competitor; club pro or instructor; or average "C" level player. Nominate the player of your choice with a brief explanation of why you think this player should qualify. Awards are granted in the Male and Female Senior, Junior, and Player of the year divisions. Nominate and cast your ballots today!

Male Senior Player of the Year: _____

Because _____

Female Senior Player of the Year: _____

Because _____

Male Junior Player of the Year: _____

Because _____

Female Junior Player of the Year: _____

Because _____

Male Player of the Year: _____

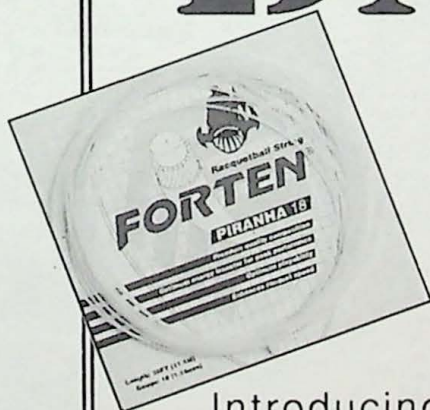
Because _____

Female Player of the Year: _____

Because _____

Return your completed ballots to C.A.R.A., 1961 Main St., #133, Watsonville, CA 95076 by 10/10/96

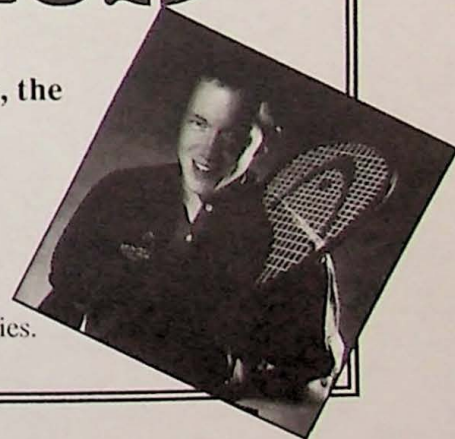
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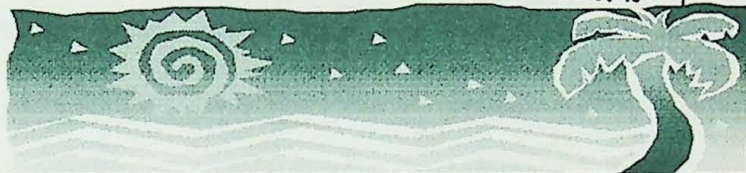
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