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NEW DIRECTIONS

by Luke St. Onge

It is my sincere pleasure to have the opportunity to address you on this historic moment -- the preview of an official AARA publication after twelve years!

In 1978, the AARA (then the IRA) was in terrible financial shape, had a major lawsuit pending and felt that the only option was to sell its only asset -- the magazine -- to a private publisher in Memphis, Tennessee. Over the next eleven years, the AARA lost total control of the publication and has since been working steadily to replace that very crucial loss.

Today, I am most happy to start the new year with the official announcement that, beginning in September of this year, the AARA's own publication will once again be mailed free of cost to every member of the AARA.

We feel that the magazine will be self-sustaining and we do not anticipate an increase in membership dues. Issues will be published on a bi-monthly basis, and go to monthly as soon as is practical. We are also happy to have Linda Mojer as our Editor. Her expertise in publishing, design, writing and as the AARA Media Director promises to bring a bright new freshness to our sport.

It's great to have our magazine back. It's great to finally represent our sport and members properly after 12 years. It's great to face a new year and a new decade with such potential. And it's great to share it all with you!



PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

by Van Dubolsky

For the past seven years I have been lucky enough to serve as a member of AARA's Board of Directors, and for the last four of those years, as the President of our association. During this period I have witnessed a remarkable trend of growth in our sport on both the national and international levels.

One of the proudest moments of my life came just last February, when racquetball became a Group-A member of the U.S. Olympic Committee and I was asked to accept the official credentials on behalf of the AARA at the House of Delegates meeting in Tacoma, Washington. It was an occasion that marked the coming of age of our young sport, as well as a period of renewal for us all. Our development is ongoing and hopefully it will never stop.

State associations, the national governing body and the International Racquetball Federation are all associations "staffed" by people who love this sport and who share a commitment to see it continue to pursue its highest potential. Without the coordinated efforts of all the volunteers, the players, the club owners, and especially the national staff, goals as lofty as ours would never be fulfilled. I am truly proud to have played a small part in this ongoing evolutionary process and, as my term of office

expires, I would like to thank those who have, and continue to, dedicate themselves to making our racquetball dreams come true. It has been a privilege and an honor to serve you all.

RECORD SETTING RACQUETBALL

by Linda Mojer

A record-breaking heat wave in Minneapolis during late October set the stage for record-setting performances at the Ektelon/US National Doubles Championships by the teams of Doug Ganim/Dan Obremski and Michelle Gilman/Cindy Doyle. After four days of intense competition at the Burnsville Racquet, Swim and Health Club, Ganim and Obremski were the proud owners of a third national doubles title, while Michelle Gilman became the first athlete to secure five national titles in a single year, with thanks to her frequent opponent and doubles partner Cindy Doyle. Doyle set an independent record of her own for reaching the finals of four national events, winning the 1989 Intercollegiate National title, and coming in a close second to Gilman at National Singles, the Junior Olympics and the Olympic Festival.

Welcome Back

By recapturing their doubles title this year, Doug Ganim and Dan Obremski make a welcome and triumphant return to the US National Racquetball Team, ending a year-long hiatus which began two days into the 1988 championship in Baltimore. There, the reigning World Champions forfeited their spots on the team, and narrowly missed qualifying for the Olympic Festival, with a quarter-final loss to Tim Doyle and Jeff Evans.

Far on the opposite side of this year's draw, Doyle (who is the current National Singles champion) paired with power-hitter Egan Inoue to pose another threat to the Ganim/Obremski bid for team reinstatement. A steady advance from their #4 seeding position placed Doyle and Inoue up against defending champions Brian Hawkes and Bill Sell of California in the semi-final, where injury was added to insult. Over the course of the close three-game match, each player (with the exception of Doyle) was hit by the ball on a blazing return of serve, or shot taken during the rally. "I'm the blocker" said Inoue, whose own serve has been clocked at over 180 miles per hour, "but Tim had some close calls." Characteristic of a match between athletes who play a power game, nine balls were broken during the match (plus one during the warm-up) simply by the hammering impact of each stroke.

In their semi-final tiebreaker, Ganim and Obremski personified "grace under pressure" against the tenacious Florida team of Tim Hansen and Serglo Gonzalez. Playing to an enthusiastic crowd of hometown supporters, Hansen and Gonzalez inched to a slim 8-6 lead in the eleven point tiebreaker before Hansen dove for a shot to make point nine. While the crowd noise died down, Obremski deliberately turned his attention inward as his opponents congratulated themselves on the important point. Later, he credited that exercise for his composure as they went about regaining service, where Ganim promptly ran up five points -- including big ace serves at point 10 and 11 to take the match.

In the final, it was all power vs. finesse, with Ganim and Obremski playing high-percentage, strategic racquetball for the



wins, taking the first game in twenty-five minutes with a score of 15-4. According to Ganim, their game plan was simply that "I make the shots and Dan covers the court." Nonetheless, Obremski did his share of shot-making, and Ganim continued to head up the ace-serving department.



Photo: Steve Lerner

When Ganim's serve did get into play, the dark glass along the left sidewall kept Inoue on the defensive and often kept him guessing on the cross court pass. At one point, Egan misread a shot and prepared a forceful backhand that went astray -- and tagged Ganim on the left jawline below the ear. When play resumed, both left-side players seemed a bit more cautious and intent on correctly playing out each shot along the glass. On the forehand side, Doyle had no trouble seeing the ball, but did lose his footing in both games, once turning his right ankle and the second time twisting his left knee beneath him. With no real damage done, well-controlled action marked the remainder of the second game, which ended with a failsafe down-the-line forehand winner by Obremski for the match at 15-12.

All the Marbles

From the outset, #3 seeded Michelle Gilman and Cindy Doyle were heavily favored to reach the finals of this championship. On the line for Gilman was a "grand slam" sweep of the 1989 AARA national championships, and for Doyle a second gold medal and a "four for four" appearance record at national finals this year. Both players have shown marked individual improvement since their semi-final defeat at last year's championship, and neither player disappointed their supporters as they began a Halloween winning-streak in Minnesota.

Gaining momentum early on, the two took straight game wins over Aimee Melville/Sheryl Warfield of Minneapolis 15-3, 15-0; Californians Lisa Hjelm/Karl McDonough 15-6, 15-11; and Jackie Paraiso (California)/Robin Whitmire (Georgia) 15-13, 15-10. On the

upper half of the draw, top-seeded defending champions Malla Bailey (Virginia) and Toni Bevelock (Arizona) also made steady advances over Helen Shields (Montana)/Lynn Skadeland (North Dakota) 15-3, 15-8; and two Florida pairs in a row -- Kersten Hallander/Claudia McCarthy 15-12, 15-2; followed by Mary Lyons/Susan Morgan-Pfahler 15-9, 9-15, 11-5.

Michelle and Cindy were intent as the final began, taking the first game 15-11 with a combination of strong serves and hard-fought backhand rallies between Gilman and Bevelock. In the second game, Malla and Toni ran the score to 6-0, stalled, then regained control by slowing the pace of the match with a low passing game. Bailey's half-lob z-serves to Doyle were working like a charm until Cindy got a bead on one and drove an overhand cross-court return into the back of Malla's right leg. Without so much as a whimper, Bailey modified the serve and continued to win points outright or by forcing a weak return. Bevelock also switched to a backhand serve midway in the second game, and managed another six-point drive to push the score to 12-8. Three more set-ups, shared between Malla and Toni, forced the match into a tiebreaker.

In the eleven-point third game, both teams played it safe for the first few rallies, keeping the score even or within a single point margin to 3-3. Then, in a remarkable display of "going into overdrive," Cindy Doyle lost all trace of jitters and calmly delivered a series of winning pinch and down-the-line shots on the forehand side, nudging the score to 8-4 before Michelle even knew what had overcome her partner. In response, Bevelock resumed the backhand serve and aced two in a row before Cindy skipped her first shot of the game and closed the gap to 8-7. Solid play by Gilman gave them back the serve and earned another point, followed by a swing-and-miss by Bailey to put the game at match point. Another forehand pinch by Cindy put the youngsters over the top, and onto the 1990 US National Racquetball Team.



Photo: Steve Lerner

With this title, Michelle Gilman becomes the only woman to make a clean sweep of the AARA National Championships in a single year. All told, her 1989 record includes gold medal wins in: the High School Nationals, the Adult National Singles, the Junior Olympics, the National Doubles, plus the Olympic Festival. By qualifying for the US Team in each AARA event, she will also begin a fifth consecutive year of team membership in 1990 at the ripe old age of 19.

With her half of this title, Cindy Doyle also sets a corresponding record for reaching the same number of finals, plus earning the 1989 Intercollegiate National title. She holds silver medals, thanks to Gilman, from National Singles, Junior Olympics and the Olympic Festival. The individual and combined achievements of this championship pair-up over the past year sets the tone for continued doubles success, and friendly singles rivalry in 1990.

Olympic Festival Teams Named

Along with the teams featured in the finals, the remaining semi-finalists in the Open divisions also qualified for the 1990 Olympic Festival. The third and fourth place teams will be added to the roster of elite athletes who will compete in Minneapolis/St. Paul next July 6-15. For the men, that roster will include bronze medalists Tim Hansen (Boca Raton, Fla.) and Sergio Gonzalez (St. Petersburg, Fla.), and former champions Brian Hawkes (Santa Ana, Calif.)/Bill Sell (Huntington Beach, Calif.). The women's bronze medalists, Mary Lyons and Susan Morgan-Plahler (Jacksonville, Fla.) will also be added to the list, along with Jackie Paraiso (El Cajon, Calif.) and Robin Whitmire (Lilburn, Ga.). The Ektelon/US National Singles Championships will serve as the next qualifying event for the Festival, and will be held in Houston, May 23-28.

Just let me Win this one little Title. . .

In other championship action, the Men's 30+ team of Stan Wright and Steve Trent of Fremont, California overcame a minor distraction to take their division title. During their match on Friday, Wright received a long-distance call from his wife Gael, who asked to leave an important request for a return call as soon as possible. After winning his quarterfinal, Stan retrieved his message and called to find out that she might, possibly be in labor. Since it was their first, Gael couldn't be certain that it wasn't a false alarm -- but thought Stan ought to know, just the same.

Undaunted, but perhaps a bit pre-occupied, Trent and Wright took the next day's match against Gary Mazaroff/Tom Neill (New Mexico) in close games of 15-14, 15-14, then defeated John Peterson (New York) and Jimmy Young (Pennsylvania) 15-2, 15-13 in the Sunday final. Hopping on a plane with medal in hand, Wright made it back to California just in time to catch the "real thing" at 8:30 Sunday evening. Six hours later, he and Gael were the proud parents of an 8lb., 8oz. bouncing baby son, Brian Kyle.

Practicing What They Preach

Four of five US National Team coaches logged some court time, sharpened their skills, and earned some medals in this year's Doubles

championship. Assistant coaches Fran Davis (New Jersey) and Stu Hastings (Michigan) teamed up to win the Mixed 35+ division, while colleague Gary Mazaroff took third place awards in the Men's 30+ division with partner Tom Neill of New Mexico and in the Men's 25+ with Floridian Randy Pfahler. Hastings and Rick Vanderlind (Michigan) also defeated Head Coach Larry Liles of Memphis, Tennessee and Jim Bailey of Norfolk, Virginia for third place in the Men's 35+.

AARA Board and national staff members couldn't stay away from the action either, and competed in a number of divisions. AARA President Van Dubolsky of Gainesville, Florida won the Men's 40+ division with Leo Marsocci of Tampa, and national office staffer Rose Mooney secured a gold medal in the Women's 55+ with Jo Kenyon of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. Remaining staffers Luke St. Onge, Jim Hiser, John Mooney and Linda Mojer were excused from duty long enough to play one or two matches, and tournament directors Pat Gerity and Paul Henrickson let experienced replacements manage the crowd as they took to the courts.

Minnesota Hospitality

In an Olympic Festival preview, the Minnesota State Racquetball Association [MSRA] played a major role in the success of this year's National Doubles Championship. Outgoing President Marta Groess and AARA Regional Director Les Dittich organized a highly efficient and knowledgeable volunteer team that spent the entire weekend making the players feel welcome and at home. Among those volunteers were MSRA board members Lois Anderson, Mike Beugen, Darryl Chastain, Peggy Clark, Greg Hayenga, Hart Johnson, Dee Lichty, Al Olson, Helen Peterson and Linda Samaria.

The Burnsville Racquet, Swim and Health Club is one of a chain of Northwest fitness facilities which rely on the expertise of racquetball director Ron Strom and Promotions/Publicity Director Cort Larson to successfully host events of this calibre. Their combined efforts, plus those of host site manager Kitty Holten, made this year's National Doubles Championship one of the most outstanding events in recent memory.

1989 EKTELON/US NATIONAL DOUBLES RESULTS:

MEN'S OPEN

#6 Doug Ganim (Columbus, Ohio)/Dan Obremski (Pittsburgh, Pa.) def. #4 Tim Doyle (Columbus, Ohio)/Egan Inoue (Honolulu, Hawaii) 15-4, 15-12.

WOMEN'S OPEN

#3 Michelle Gilman (Ontario, Ore.)/Cindy Doyle (Williamsville, NY) def. #1 Malia Bailey (Norfolk, Va.)/Toni Bevelock (Phoenix, AZ) 15-11, 9-15, 11-7.

NOTE: Videotapes of the Men's and Women's Open Finals are available from the national office. See ad elsewhere in this issue.

MIXED OPEN

Dottie Fischl (Allentown, Pa.)/Aaron Katz (Garland, Texas) def. Jackie Paraiso/Joe Paraiso (El Cajon, Calif.) 15-9, 5-15, 11-6.

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MEN'S DIVISIONS

- A:** #1 Chris Eagle/Doug Eagle (Raleigh, N.C.) def. Brett Beugen (Golden Valley, Minn.)/Brian Fredenberg (Sun Prairie, Wis.) 15-1, 15-12
- 19+:** Rob McKinney (Lansdale, Pa.)/Todd Stead (Eden Prairie, Minn.) def. #1 Chris Eagle (Raleigh, N.C.)/Drew Kachtik (Garland, Texas) 15-11, 15-13
- 25+:** John Peterson (Huntington Station, N.Y.)/Jimmy Young (Pittsburgh, Pa.) def. #1 Gus Farrell (El Paso, Texas)/Hart Johnson (Minneapolis, Minn.) 15-7, 15-14
- 30+:** #1 Steve Trent/Stan Wright (Fremont, Calif.) def. #3 John Peterson (Huntington Station, N.Y.)/Jimmy Young (Pittsburgh, Pa.) 15-2, 15-13
- 35+:** #3 Dave Kovanda/Ron Woolard (Columbus, Ohio) def. #4 George Deluca (Lafayette, Calif.)/Craig Kunkel (Pleasant Hill, Calif.) 15-8, 15-6
- 40+:** Van Dubolsky/Len Marsocci (Gainesville, Fla.) def. Bob Lindsey (Denton, Texas)/Tom McKie (Garland, Texas) 15-9, 15-3
- 45+:** #2 Bob Lindsey (Denton, Texas)/Tom McKie (Garland, Texas) def. #1 Craig Shaak (Gainesville, Fla.)/Roger Wehrle (Marietta, Ga.) 4-15, 15-4, 11-5
- 50+:** Monte McCunniff (Cedar Falls, Iowa)/Bob Shekkin (Waterloo, Iowa) def. #3 Ron Hutchinson (Warsaw, Ind.)/Rex Lawler (Terre Haute, Ind.) 15-14, 10-15, 11-4
- 55+:** #2 Paul Bonales (Phoenix, Ariz.)/Pat Colombo (Scarsdale, N.Y.) def. #1 Don Ali (Fl. Myers, Fla.)/Otis Chapman (Cleveland, Ohio) 15-13, 7-15, 11-4
- 60+:** Fred Briscoe (Alberta, Canada)/Al Rossi (San Rafael, Calif.) def. #3 Fintan Kilbride (Ontario, Canada)/Saul Lesser (Mt. Vernon, N.Y.) 15-6, 15-6
- 65+:** #1 Earl Acuff (Blacksburg, Va.)/Luzell Wilde (Centerville, Utah) def. #3 Saul Lesser (Mount Vernon, N.Y.)/Lex Skelton (Carsen, Calif.)
- 70+:** #1 Earl Acuff (Blacksburg, Va.)/Luzell Wilde (Centerville, Utah) def. #3 G. Robert Mowerson/Stephen Ordos (Minneapolis, Minn.) 15-6, 15-3
- 75+:** G. Robert Mowerson/Stephen Ordos (Minneapolis, Minn.) unchallenged

WOMEN'S DIVISIONS

- A:** #1 Joleen Price (Mound, Minn.)/Deanna Montang (Plymouth, Minn.) def. Jan Porterfield (Heber Springs, Ariz.)/Stacy Sour (Littleton, Colo.) 15-11, 15-12
- 19+:** #1 Kersten Hallander/Claudia McCarthy (Jacksonville, Fla.) def. Julie Campbell (Fairfield, Conn.)/Kim Meyer (Stratford, Conn.) 15-13, 11-15, 11-0
- 25+:** Lynn Cardwell (St. Paul, Minn.)/Gina Waldron (White Bear Lake, Minn.) def. #1 Lisa Hjelm/Karl McDonough (Sacramento, Calif.) 15-13, 15-13
- 30+:** #1 Mary Lyons/Susan Morgan-Plahler (Jacksonville, Fla.) def. #2 Cindy Baxter (Reedsville, Pa.)/Diane Green (Orlando, Fla.) 15-2, 15-12

- 35+:** #3 Julie Jacobsen (Madison, Wis.)/Patricia Schmidt (Waukesha, Wis.) def. Ann Dalager/Carol Stromberg (Cedar, Minn.) 15-4, 15-0
- 40+:** #2 Barts Tennessen (Elk River, Minn.)/Eve Dillin (Minneapolis, Minn.) def. #4 Linda Siau (Tucson, Ariz.)/Bridgette Hartz (Lambertville, Mich.) by default
- 45+:** #3 Linda Siau (Tucson, Ariz.)/Bridgette Hartz (Lambertville, Mich.) def. #5 Carol Remen (Sterling, Va.)/Jan Mahoney (Shorewood, Minn.) 15-2, 15-9
- 50+:** #3 Annabelle Kovar/Margaret Ogden (Lincoln, Neb.) def. Susan Embry (Escondido, Calif.)/Kathy Mueller (St. Cloud, Minn.) 4-15, 15-4, 11-4
- 55+:** #1 Jo Kenyon (FL, Lauderdale, Fla.)/Rose Mooney (Colorado Springs, Colo.) def. Mary Low Acuff (Blacksburg, Va.)/Phyllis Melvey (Fargo, N.D.) 15-2, 15-3
- 60+:** #1 Mary Low Acuff (Blacksburg, Va.)/Phyllis Melvey (Fargo, N.D.) unchallenged

MIXED DIVISIONS

- 25+:** #1 Linda Wright-Moore (Lincoln, Neb.)/Bret Olesen (Omaha, Neb.) def. Ansula Liu (Brooklyn Park, Minn.)/Jon Calder (Plymouth) 15-5, 15-7
- 30+:** DeeDee Wolcott (Livermore, Calif.)/Mike Weum (Minneapolis, Minn.) def. #2 Barbara Benda (Wahpeton, N.D.)/Greg Hayenga (St. Cloud, Minn.) 10-15, 15-10, 11-9
- 35+:** #1 Fran Davis (Middlesex, N.J.)/Stu Hastings (Clarkston, Mich.) def. #2 Brian McDermott (Stratford, Conn.)/Kathy St. Juste (Greenwich, Conn.) 10-15, 15-11, 11-9



Photo: Steve Lerner

WORLD SENIOR RACQUETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS



by Jo Kenyon

The 1989 World Senior Racquetball Championships were held at the Academy Court Club in Albuquerque, New Mexico, September 6-9. Of the 320 participants representing Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Cuba, Germany, Ireland, Mexico, Norway, Panama, Puerto Rico and the US, 68 (21%) were women. The excellent turnout included players from 35 states who self-officiated their own matches in a round-robin format.

There were over 1500 matches played, running from 7:30 AM until well after midnight each day. In most divisions, 3 matches (of 3 games to 11) were played back to back Wednesday through Friday. Total points were tallied for each player, plus a point for each game won, and seven bonus points for each match won. The top four players in each age division were then placed in a single elimination (best of 3 to 15), Championship medal round played on Saturday.

Medals were awarded to the top four finishers in divisions with eight or more participants, with no playoffs for third place (both 3rd and 4th received a bronze). Medals were awarded at a banquet on Saturday night, followed by a raffle for the players and an auction to benefit the US National Racquetball Team. An enthusiastic crowd raised approximately \$4500.00 for the team, and each player was given a beautiful tournament jacket for participating in the event.

Final Results:

M35:	Gary Mazaroff (NM) def. Jose C. Flores (Mexico)
M40:	Jerry Feldman (CA) def. Dave Kovanda (OH)
M45:	Ed Remen (VA) def. Jeff Leon (Panama)
M50:	Dario Mas (DE) def. Jerry Northwood (AZ)
M55:	Paul Banales (AZ) def. Vance Lerner (CA)
M60:	Philip Dziuk (IL) def. Pierre Miller (IN)
M65:	Art Goss (CO) def. Tony Duarte (CA)
M70:	Luzell Wilde (UT) def. Earl Acuff (VA)
M75:	John Pearce (TX) def. Joe Sawbridge (AZ)
M80:	Howard Cole (NM)
W35:	Eileen Tuckman (FL) def. Gail Woods (LA)
W40:	Agatha Falso (FL) def. Terry Ann Rogers (CA)
W45:	Linda Siau (AZ) def. Brigitte Hartz (MI)
W50:	Kathy Mueller (MN) def. Marlon Crawford (NY)
W55:	Jo Kenyon (FL) def. Cleata Ching (PA)
W60:	Mary Low Acuff (VA) def. Phyllis Melvey (ND)
W65:	Eleanor Quackenbush (OR)
W70:	Mary Low Acuff (VA)
W75:	Zelda Friedland (NM)

JUNIORS COMPETE FOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TITLES

by Scott Winters

Nearly 300 juniors travelled to Miami, Florida to compete in the 1989 World Junior Racquetball Championships December 18-21 at the Miami Lakes Athletic Club. Held in conjunction with the 41st Annual Junior Orange Bowl (JOB) which is the "world's largest youth sports festival," the racquetball competition was one of 17 different sports events played throughout the month of December. Participants from ten countries filled the 24 event divisions, including players from: Colombia, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Honduras, Haiti, Venezuela, Canada and the U.S.A.

Several representatives from different countries were in attendance to supervise their players, most notably: Mr. Ed Mala from Costa Rica who has been bringing a team to the JOB for five consecutive years; Mr. Arturo Martin from Mexico; Mr. David Hinton, with a contingent of over 40 Canadian participants; and Mr. Alex Saloman, who is single-handedly organizing the growth of racquetball in Haiti.

This particular tournament marked the end of an era for long-time junior competitor Michelle Gilman. Ending her "junior days" on a high note, she once again dominated the Girls 18 and under divisions by easily defeating Jenny Spangenberg (Calif.) in singles and teaming with Aimee Melville (Minn.) to win the doubles. Michelle began competing in Junior National tournaments at the age of 10 and concluded her junior career with ten National and four World titles to her credit.

The Boys 18 and under singles championship went to native Floridian Brian Rankin, home on break from Memphis State University. Brian, a late entry, was not seeded in the draw. He had to reach the top the hard way, working through a tough field of competitors to face Nolan Glantz (NY) in the final. That Nolan reached the final at all was a feat in itself, as he is only now returning to the tournament scene following a two-year layoff to recover from back surgery.

Another tournament highlight was the performance of Fabian Balmori from Venezuela. Virtually unknown to many players and tournament officials, Fabian was the surprise of the championship. He made it through a very tough Boys 16 and under singles field and defeated Scott Reiff (Fla.) in the finals. He also made an impressive showing in the Boys 18 and under singles division and ended up with fourth place in that event. Not only were his playing skills outstanding, but his overall attitude and demeanor earned him the Boys Sportsmanship Award. The Girls Sportsmanship Award went to Dawn Gates from Illinois, who also won the Girl's 10 and under singles and doubles (with partner Vanessa Tulao of Tennessee).

The Junior Orange Bowl committee, headed by Arnold Perry, awarded JOB medals and plaques to the top four finishers in each division, and Jim Clancey organized daily hospitality and a semi-formal banquet and dance. The tournament desk was supervised by Jim Hiser of the AARA, and plans are already underway to expand and improve next year's championship.

Junior Orange Bowl World Titlists:

- B1B: Brian Rankin (Fla.) def. Nolan Glantz (N.Y.)
 B16: Fabian Balmori (Venezuela) def. Scott Reiff (Fla.)
 B14: Andy Thompson (Wisc.) def. Craiz Czyz (Fla.)
 B12: Jaron Icenogle (Calif.) def. Shane Wood (Mass.)
 B10: Hal Spangenberg (Calif.) def. Tyler Siggins (Calif.)
 B8: Gabriel Gose (N.M.) def. Shane Vanderson (Ohio)
 8MB: Shane Vanderson (Ohio) def. Lane Mershon (Ga.)
 G18: Michelle Gilman (Ore.) def. Jenny Spangenberg (Calif.)
 G16: Elkova Icenogle (Calif.) def. Jenny Spangenberg (Calif.)
 G14: Aimee Roehler (Pa.) def. Britt Engel (Fla.)
 G12: Shannon Feaster (Va.) def. Christie Van Hees (Canada)
 G10: Dawn Gates (Ill.) def. Vanessa Tulao (Tenn.)
 G8: Riva Wig (Canada) def. Suzette Solomon (Ind.)
 8NB: Lynn Hansen (Iowa) def. Leslie Wooten (Fla.)
 B18D: B.J. Gruber/Mike Sekul def. Tony Jelso/Buz Sawyer
 B16D: Alan Engel/Scott Reiff def. Richard Maggard/Eric Muller
 B14D: Craig Czyz/Hansen def. Kelly Kerr/Michael Stoller
 M12D: Chris George/Paul Apilado def. Eric Storey/Jason Retzlaff
 M10D: Hal Spangenberg/Tyler Siggins def. Stevie Apilado/
 Blake Hansen
 G18D: Michelle Gilman/Aimee Melville def. Rhonda Holt/
 Lori-Jane Powell
 G16D: Heather Dunn/Aimee Roehler def. Alicia Kinney/Nikki Sloan
 G14D: Sheila Finch/Terra Head def. Andrea Beugen/Amber Frisch
 G12D: Debra Derr/Shannon Feaster def. Roxanne Marchand/
 Christie VanHees
 G10D: Dawn Gates/Vanessa Tulao def. Katie Thompson/
 Colleen Maginn

1990 AARA Board of Directors Election

Four persons are to be elected to the AARA's Board of Directors for 3-year terms. There are seven candidates for these four positions—five of whom were nominated by the Board of Directors and two who were nominated by membership petitions. All AARA members are requested to read the following statements, which are reprinted exactly as they were submitted by the candidates.

Members should then vote for NO MORE THAN FOUR of them by putting an "X" in the box preceding their name on the ballot. To be considered valid, the ballot MUST have been clipped from this magazine (no copies accepted), signed by the member, and sent along with the mailing label from this magazine (needed to verify membership) to:

AARA
 Attention: Board Election
 815 North Weber,
 Colorado Springs, CO 80903.

Ballots must be received May 15th.



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(Nominated by
Membership Petition)

Qualifications to be a Director:

It has been my pleasure to represent the American Amateur Racquetball Association by serving as director for over 10 years for the state of New Hampshire. We are known to operate a very tight ship. I am a firm believer that the racquetball members of one state reflect upon the states directorship. New Hampshire is known to be a strong racquetball state with hospitality and competition.

Why I Want To Be on the Board of Directors:

When you serve a state for a long period of time, you have to be creative in order to keep the adrenaline moving. New Ideas have to be implemented. Therefore, New Hampshire formed an Advisory Board comprised of two people from each club. These people who were chosen to be on the Advisory Board are competitors, supporters, and club owners/managers. New Hampshire also had their 1st Annual Banquet, which was a huge success. The monies were raised by 50/50 raffles along with donations and personal volunteered time from our members.

I firmly believe that honesty and fairness are extremely important factors. All the members are treated equally and they are always supportive of the organization.

If elected, I promise to give the time and effort needed to better the great sport of racquetball. As a State Director, I've gladly given my time and effort to the sport. I plan to continue to do the same, whether or not I'm successful in being elected to the Board.

Thank you for your consideration.



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(Nominated by
Board of Directors)

Qualifications to be a Director:

I have been a member of the A.A.R.A and I.R.A. since 1968.

I served on the A.A.R.A. Board of Directors for 3 years.

Luke has had me act as an A.A.R.A. Representative for the Masters Group for 3 years.

For 14 years I have arranged dates, times and clubs to host 3 National Masters Invitational Tournaments each year. We have 890 men who participate. More players want to be involved so we are trying to find larger clubs to host the events and are extending the days of the tournaments so we can accommodate more participants.

I agreed to host a National Tournament for women 35+ during 1990. This should be the beginning of an event that will be fun, develop friendships and camaraderie that has not been developed to its fullest.

I have played paddle-ball and racquetball for 30 years. I have been a part of a team that has won 9 National titles.

I served 6 years on a Y.M.C.A. Board. I have served on corporate Boards for the past 15 years.

I have owned 4 racquetball clubs in 3 different states.

I was presented the John Halverson Award in 1986 for my contribution to racquetball.

I have owned businesses for 34 years in land development, construction, property ownership, property management and insurance claims.

Why I Want To Be on the Board of Directors:

I have organized and conducted National Tournaments, served on the National Board of Directors, served as commissioner, owned and managed clubs, served on corporate boards, owned my own businesses and I trust that qualifies me to serve.

If elected I would like to expand the A.A.R.A. membership of the players 35+.

I would try to direct and promote these women and men into a strong force for A.A.R.A. economically and for leadership. They constitute a wealth of knowledge, energy and ability that has not been utilized completely.

I will work toward involving the Masters into the Olympics. I would work toward acquiring more National sponsors for our sport.

I will assume whatever responsibilities the A.A.R.A. Board directs me to do.

I will try my best to complete my assignments professionally.

I have my own business and it allows me the time to serve the A.A.R.A. I have used my employees to help keep the Masters programs functioning and I will utilize these resources as needed if I am elected.



MARGO DANIELS

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(Nominated by
Board of Directors)

Qualifications to be a Director:

In 1979 I began playing racquetball in Monterey, CA. I played in sanctioned events within one year. One memorable accomplishment occurred in 1984. I was 8 months pregnant and won Women's C Singles at the Earthquake Open in Salinas, CA. I currently play Women's A Singles, Women's 35+ and Mixed Open/A.

I've worked in nearly ALL areas of the club, except Manager, and been Activities Director for 9 years. The promotion of participation to all ages and levels of racquetball has kept my leagues, programs, and tournaments the best in our area.

I became a Board member of the California state association in 1984 and served as President during 1988 and 1989. California was ranked #1 in membership during my term as President. I now serve as the state's Executive Director and Treasurer.

I ran the State Junior Program for 1988-89. Being a parent of three, racquetball has become a family sport. We went to Indiana for the 1989 National Junior Olympics where California won first in the state competition. California has held this title now for 3 consecutive years.

In 1989 the AARA President appointed me to the Board to finish the term of a director who resigned. I feel being appointed to the National Board shows that those currently on the Board see me as a qualified candidate in assisting in the development of racquetball.

Why I Want To Be on the Board of Directors:

As one can see by my qualifications and history, racquetball is and has been a big part of my life. To be able to assist in the growth and organization of this sport has been vital in the many personal accomplishments I have achieved in the last ten years. The friendships I have made from coast to coast show how important this sport is to me.

This year racquetball for the first time was a participant in the Olympic Festival. Each day we work towards making the dreams of many about the "gold" a reality.

With all the many ways I have been associated with the sport, I have been able to provide help and opinions to all; from the grassroots amateur recreational player, to the tournament player, to the National Champion. I believe my education, experience and commitment to the sport of racquetball, as well as willingness to serve, will cause you to cast your vote on my behalf at election time.



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(Nominated by
Board of Directors)

Qualifications to be a Director:

In 1968, I played racquetball for the first time, but didn't realize how much I would enjoy it or the depth of my future involvement.

In 1973, I became organizationally involved, serving the Colorado Racquetball Association since 1975, in various positions including President. I'm currently on the state Board of Directors, although my involvement at the state level is mostly advisory.

I've been the Regional Director for Region 12 (Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico, Utah) since 1980. I'm on the National Board of Directors and serve as National Commissioner for Disabled Athletes and on the publication committee.

I was the team manager for the U.S. Team at the Tournament of the Americas in Santa Cruz, Bolivia. This allowed me to better understand the international aspects of our sport.

As a player I've viewed the game from two perspectives. In 1983 I was 25+ Regional Champion in able bodied competition and I'm still a competitive "A" player. In wheelchair competition I maintain a strong National ranking and once placed second at the National Championships.

I can use the knowledge gained as a director of a major athletic club in Denver and from nine years in the athletic business to better the A.A.R.A.

My varied background and 20 years of experience proves that I am a capable candidate for the National Board of Directors.

Why I Want To Be on the Board of Directors:

My background clearly shows my dedication for racquetball which has provided many hours of enjoyment and helped to maintain my physical well being.

I believe everyone should create their own niche in team or Board situations. As a player and administrator I can provide a unique perspective because I compete not only as an able bodied player but also in the wheelchair division. I'm proud that our sport has had the vision to allow our wheelchair and blind athletes to participate in our National Championships. Few other sports do this. I want to continue to develop and expand this important aspect of racquetball.

Because racquetball is a young sport we sometimes forget the importance of documenting events that are currently shaping our future. As a professional photographer with a journalism and

advertising background I can make a positive contribution. It's going to become increasingly more important to preserve a record of racquetball's overall development. I'll work hard as a member of the publication committee to insure future generations share in the memories we are now living.

I'm firmly committed to racquetball and would like to continue to work on a national level to ensure it's future success in all areas. Your consideration on my behalf in the national voting would be sincerely appreciated.



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(Nominated by
Board of Directors)

Qualifications to be a Director:

I will bring to the Board many qualities which will be an asset to guide the development of racquetball into the 1990's.

By profession I am a professional engineer and land surveyor, 18 years as president of my own business, 11 years experience teaching at Ferris State University.

I am involved in development of collegiate racquetball, being a member of the American Collegiate Racquetball Association since its inception in 1985, with 2 years as Assistant National Commissioner, 3 years as National Collegiate tournament director, and 4 years as midwest collegiate regional director. In October 1989 I instructed at the first collegiate coaches clinic, at the O.T.C. Colorado Springs.

I have scheduled meetings with universities to establish the first state collegiate racquetball conference in the nation in Michigan.

As coach of the Ferris State University team I have guided them to national prominence, having finished in the top ten, 4 of the past 5 years. In 1988 I was awarded the Outstanding Contribution Award by the Michigan Racquetball Association, for teaching, coaching, playing and promoting the sport of racquetball.

Why I Want To Be on the Board of Directors:

I see a lot of potential for recreational and competitive racquetball among the juniors, high schools, collegiate, seniors and masters. We have only scratched the surface of the potential of this sport. Racquetball is still very young as compared to other sports. To guide this sport into the 1990's I feel we must look to the other sports in the development of programs, training, teaching, nutrition, etc.

Collegiate and high school racquetball has the potential to be one of the largest segments of the A.A.R.A. I feel very strongly the A.C.R.A. should have representation on the A.A.R.A. Board of Directors to enhance the development, organization and potential of collegiate racquetball.

I feel Luke St. Onge and past Board of Directors have done a excellent job. The addition of John Mooney and now Jim Hiser to the A A R A staff, racquetball will only get better.

My years of experience in private business, teaching, coaching and development of collegiate racquetball qualifies me for a position on the Board. I want to bring this experience to the Board to help elevate the sport to new levels in the 1990's.



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(Nominated by
Membership Petition)

Qualifications to be a Director:

Having been involved with the AARA for the last two years, it is now my goal to expand my efforts beyond the state of Ohio. I have served as Vice President and Treasurer of the Ohio Racquetball Association and also, most significantly, as the Editor of the "Racquetball Around Ohio" newsletter, arguably the finest state publication in the country. Within my duties to the ORA, I have attended the last two State Director's Seminar and I act as the Project Director for Ohio's Grassroots Membership Drive which was awarded a full share of the State Grant Program funding. Last summer I served as an AARA staff volunteer at the Olympic Festival in Oklahoma City.

Professionally, I own an advertising agency and marketing firm with clients in the racquetball industry as well as sports medicine, etc. I have assisted in the direction of the Coors Light Racquetball Series for the past four years and have managed professional racquetball players for the past three years. My professional experience, years of active volunteer support to the AARA and ORA, and a strong love for the sport of racquetball will allow me to offer a great deal of input and energy to the Board of Directors.

Why I Want To Be on the Board of Directors:

As a member of the Board of Directors I will take a very active role in the support of each state association by the AARA. The particular areas of my expertise, which will help both the AARA and the states, are the development of better state newsletters, including both production and advertising support, and the direction of larger and stronger tournaments. I will take a strong role in the promotion of the sport of racquetball at the club (grassroots) level to increase the membership of the state associations. My experience in advertising and marketing will be of great value to the AARA to create programs to reach the non-tournament player in their own club. With very strong personal ties to the U.S. National Team, I will take great interest in the Team's activities to insure their continued success and leading role in racquetball's Olympic movement.

With your vote I can serve to support the state associations in membership development, communications, and tournament operations. I can serve the AARA in marketing the sport of racquetball and in keeping the U.S. as the leading force in world competition and development of the sport around the world.



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(Nominated by
Board of Directors)

Qualifications to be a Director:

Carlton Vass has held an interest in racquetball since the mid seventies, when he first learned to play. Since then he has become an integral part of the game. Dedicating his free time to the sport, he holds memberships in numerous athletic and fitness clubs in the Charleston, S.C. area. His fierce sense of competitiveness led him to the tournament level five years ago where he has excelled. He has played an important part in the development of racquetball on the local level and has begun to pursue this interest on the national level. Carlton has recently been appointed as the Rules Director for Region 17 (N.C. and S.C.), he certifies referees in both states, he has been appointed as the Regional Director for (N.C., S.C., GA., FL, TN., and AL.), for the Outreach/Development Council of Racquetball, and was an official referee at the 1989 U.S. Olympic Festival held in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. He is also a member of PARI (The Professional Association of Racquetball Instructors).

In addition to his racquetball expertise, he holds a degree in business which will aid him in the performance of Board duties.

Why I Want To Be on the Board of Directors:

I have a great deal of expertise to bring to the Board. I am a successful entrepreneur in my own business and plan to dedicate the same inexhaustible amount of time and energy while serving on the Board. I am an active player both at the local and national levels which allows me to participate and interact with other players. This is a valuable asset because I will listen to the player's concerns and insights and voice them to the Board.

One goal I will pursue if elected to the Board will be to focus on the quality of referees. It is imperative that our players have confidence in the referee and/or line judges assigned to their matches. When I refereed at the 1989 U.S. Olympic Festival, I was praised by the players (winners and losers), the coaches and the Executive Director of AARA for my refereeing competency.

Racquetball is on the verge of being recognized by the International Olympic Committee and that is a movement I want and need.

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to be a part of. I will bring to the Board keen interest, abilities and experience that needs to be present during this transition period. If you want to have positive input during this growth period of racquetball, a vote for me will insure this.

AARA BOARD OF DIRECTORS BALLOT

OFFICIAL AARA BALLOT (ONLY AARA MEMBERS MAY VOTE)

Vote for NO MORE THAN 4 of the following persons by placing an "X" in the box preceding their name. Clip this ballot from the magazine (no copies, please), sign it, and then send it, along with the mailing label from this magazine (needed to verify membership), to AARA, Attention: Board Election, 815 North Weber, Colorado Springs, CO 80903 so that it will be received by May 15, 1989.

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| ☐ GAYANN BLOOM | ☐ GERALD GRAY |
| ☐ IVAN BRUNER | ☐ STEVE LERNER |
| ☐ MARGO DANIEL | ☐ CARLTON VASS |
| ☐ JOHN FOUST | |

Signature: _____

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AARA SEEKS OPINIONS ON PROPOSED RULE CHANGES

Five rule changes are being considered for adoption this year. In accordance with the procedures described on page 5 of the Official 1989-90 Rulebook, opinions now being solicited. Opinions received by May 1st will be provided to the Board of Directors at their May meeting where the Directors will vote whether to adopt these rules. If adopted, the revised rules would go into effect on September 1, 1990. We ask that you read about these proposed changes, and then express your opinion by marking the accompanying ballot. Additional written comments are also welcome, as are any other rule changes that you think should be considered during the next rule change cycle. All ballots and comments should be sent to the AARA, Attention: Rule Changes, 815 North Weber, Colorado Springs, CO 80903 and mailed so that they are received by May 1st.

PROPOSED CHANGE # 1

1. Current Rule:

The correct term for what was previously called an "avoidable hinder" is now "point hinder" See Rule 4.16 on page 16 of the 1989-90 Official Rulebook.

2. Reason for Change:

About 2 years ago, the term "avoidable hinder" was changed to "point hinder." However, the change in terminology has not been widely accepted, probably because the term "avoidable hinder" had become so firmly ingrained in the vocabulary of the sport. Furthermore, the term "point hinder" is not really accurate since "point" is not always awarded when such a hinder occurs; some times the penalty is a "sideout."

3. Proposed Change:

Restore the use of the term "avoidable hinder" instead of the current term "point hinder" (Note: this change would not change anything but the term itself.)

PROPOSED CHANGE # 2

1. Current Rule:

For competition in junior divisions, a player's age is determined as of January 1st of the current year. See Rule 4.21(c) on page 20 of the 1989-90 Official Rulebook.

2. Reason for Change:

In many youth sports programs, a participant's eligibility to play in a certain age division is determined by age that player was on December 1st of the preceding year. Racquetball, however, uses the player's age as of January 1st of the current year. It was recommended that racquetball's junior age determination be changed to coincide with other youth sports programs.

3. Proposed Change:

Change the first sentence of Rule 4.21(c) to read: "Eligibility is determined by the person's age as of December 1st of the preceding year."

PROPOSED CHANGE # 3

1. Current Rule:

Rule changes can be made annually. See RULE CHANGE PROCEDURES on page 5 of the 1989-90 Official Rulebook.

2. Reason for Change:

Allowing rule changes to be made at 2 year (rather than 1 year) intervals would give the organization more time to contemplate, experiment, and evaluate such changes and, hopefully, eliminate some of the instability that can result from yearly changes.

3. Proposed Change:

Beginning in 1990, a 2 year cycle will be established for all rule changes. Following those rule changes that would go into effect on September 1, 1990, future changes would be made no more frequently than 2-year intervals (for example, on the first of September in 1992, 1994, etc.)

PROPOSED CHANGE # 4

1. Current Rule:

Court hinders are NOT appealable. See Rule 3.7(a) on page 9 of the 1989-90 Official Rulebook

2. Reason for Change:

Court hinders are sometimes missed, even by the very best referees, because referees are primarily concerned with assessing other aspects of the game. Also, line judges are often in a better position to see such occurrences. Adding court hinders to the list of appealable "calls" and "non calls" would not result in a significant increase in the number of appeals since that number is already limited by rule 3.7(d) on page 9.

3. Proposed Change:

Add the following to Rule 3.7(a): "—; court hinders."

PROPOSED CHANGE # 5

1. Current Rule:

A foot fault occurs if the player does not remain on or within the lines of the service zone from the time the service motion begins until the ball crosses the short line. See Rule 4.2 on page 10 and Rule 4.10(a) on page 12 of the 1989-90 Official Rulebook

2. Reason for Change:

Minor foot faults (part, but not all, of a player's foot) over the short line at the start of a serve or over the service (front) line at the end of the serve seem to be a common practice. Experience has shown that many of the people who are guilty of this infraction aren't aware that what they are doing is illegal. Such foot faults don't give these players any significant advantage. Furthermore, a lot of players who know about the rule don't seem to care if their opponent breaks it as long as it is not too blatant. While we can't be sure why the size of the service zone was established as 5-feet, it's apparent that the average player height has been steadily increasing over the years which has, in turn, made it increasingly difficult for those taller to stay within the confines of the lines. Revising the foot fault rule to declare that a foot fault occurs only if a server's entire foot is outside of the service zone—that is, no part of the foot is on or inside of the lines of the service zone—would (A) legitimize what seems to be a common practice, (B) in effect, enlarge the service zone to accommodate taller persons without requiring any repainting of the court, and (C) make the violation much easier for the referee and line judges to detect. This proposed change would NOT affect rule 4.11(k) which provides that once the service has begun, stepping over the short line before the ball passes it results in the loss of serve.

3. Proposed Change:

Revise rules 4.2 and 4.10(a) to read:

Rule 4.2 START

The serve is started from any place within the service zone. (For exceptions, see Rule 4.6.) It is acceptable for part of the foot to extend beyond either line of the service zone provided that some part of both feet is on or inside the lines from the moment the service motion begins until the served ball passes the short line. See Rules 4.10(a) and 4.11(k) for penalties for violations. The server may not

start any service motion until the referee has called the score or "second serve"

Rule 4.10 FAULT SERVES

The following serves are faults and any two in succession result in an out:

(a) Foot Faults. A foot fault results when:

- (1) The server does not begin the service motion with some part of both feet in the service zone
- (2) The server steps completely over the service line (no part touching the line) before the served ball crosses the short line
- (3) In doubles, the server's partner is not in the service box with both feet on the floor and back to the wall from the time the server begins the service motion until the ball passes the short line. (See Rule 4.7(b).)

RULE CHANGE BALLOT

Should the Board of Directors vote to put the following proposed rule changes into effect on September 1, 1990?

1. Proposed change # 1. (Avoidable hinder vs point hinder)

☐ YES

☐ NO

2. Proposed change # 2. (Junior age determination)

☐ YES

☐ NO

3. Proposed change # 3. (2 year rule change cycle)

☐ YES

☐ NO

4. Proposed change # 4. (Make court hinders appealable)

☐ YES

☐ NO

5. Proposed change # 5. (Foot fault definition)

☐ YES

☐ NO

Name (please print): _____

Signature: _____

Send this ballot, along with any additional comments you may have about the proposed changes, to: AARA, Attention Rule Changes, #15 North Weber, Colorado Springs, CO 80903. Ballots and comments should be mailed early enough to ensure they are received by May 1st.



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2500 Burton
Grand Rapids, MI
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Idaho State Singles
Court House
7211 Colonial
Boise, ID 83709
208/377-0040

01-04
Island Classic Open
Mariner Square
Athletic Club
2377 Mariner
Square Loop
Alameda, CA 94501
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01-03
Rocky Mountain
Intercollegiate
Regional
Brigham Young
University
Provo, Utah 84602

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Washington State
Singles
Valley Athletic Club
4833 Tumwater
Valley Drive
Tumwater, WA
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02-04
Coors Light Open
The Royal Court of
Kearney
1214 First Avenue
Kearney, NE 68847
308/236-1110

02-04
Cub Foods Pro Am
River Valley Athletic
Club
1826 Northwestern
Avenue
Stillwater, MN
55082
612/439-7611

02-04
Ektelon Region 5
Championships
Memphis Supreme Courts
2611 South Mendenhall
Memphis, TN 38118
901/794-2288

02-04
Lincoln YMCA Open
Lincoln Downtown YMCA
1039 "P" Street
Lincoln, NE 68508
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New Hampshire St. Singles
Manchester Court 1 Club
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Manchester, NH 03101

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North Carolina St. Singles
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PO Box 1052
Greensboro, NC 27404
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02-04
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Roswell Spa & Racquet C
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PO Box 404
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07-10
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Club Invitational
Denver Sporting
Club
5151 DTC
Parkway

Englewood, CO
80111
303/779-0700

09-11
R & B Spring Open
Racquetball & More
St. Louis, MO
314/664-6114

09-11
AVAC Winter
Open

Amader Valley
Athletic Club
7090 Johnson Drive
Pleasanton, CA
94566
415/463-2822

09-11
Camp Confidence
Ultimate
Tournament
Ultimate Health &
Racquetball Club

960 Highland
Avenue Drive
Brainerd, MN
56401
218/829-6453

09-11
Coors Light Rac-
quetball Series
Hall of Fame Fitness
Center
2700 Robert
Canton, OH 44705
614/548-4111

09-11
Dakota Sports
Supreme Courts
4020 Jackson Blvd
Rapid City, SD 57702
605/348-5448

09-11
Ektelon Region 10
Championships
Greenbriar
1277 West 80th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46260
317/926-2766

09-11
Good Bye Winter Open
Club at Greenleaf Woods
Greenleaf Avenue
Portsmouth, NH 03801 603/438-6664

09-11
Goosetown Classic
Goosetown Racquet
Health Club
909 East Front, Box 1
Anacanda, MT 59711

09-11
Ides of March Tourney
VIP Health Club
Route 4
Sanford, ME 04073
207/352-1154

09-11
Kalspell Open
Kalspell Athletic Club
770 West Main
Kalspell, MT 59901

13-17
Utah State
Singles
Sports Mall
5445 South 900 E
Murray, UT 84117
261-3426

13-17
ARA State Singles
La Motta
Racquet Club

8-21 North 23rd
Ave
Phoenix, AZ

12-18
Grand Rapids City
Championship
Riverview Racquet
Club
4940 Plainfield NE
Grand Rapids, MI
49505
616/363-7366

13-18
St. Patrick's
Festival
Eastern NM
University
Clovis, NM

13-18
St. Patrick's Day
Open
Alaska Athletic Club
630 East Tudor
Anchorage, AK 99503

16-18
Cabin Fever Open
South Tahoe Fitness
Center
PO Box 15130
2595
South Lake Tahoe
Blvd
South Lake Tahoe,
CA 95702
916/544-6225

16-18
Cancer Society Open
Off the Wall
596 West Hollis Street
Nashua, NH 03060
603/889-5520

16-18
California State Seniors
Championship
Tournament House Hlth & Fit
6250 Brockton Avenue
Riverside, CA 92506
714/682-7511

16-18
Cancer Society Open
Off the Wall
596 West Hollis Street
Nashua, NH 03060
603/889-5520

16-18
Delaware State Singles
Branmar Racquet & Fitness
181 Marsh Road
Wilmington, DE 19811
302/478-7917

16-18
Georgia State Singles
Atlanta Falcons Health Club
185 Suwanee Road
Suwanee, GA 30174
404/945-1077

16-18
Hastings Sports Open
Nautilus Sports & Fitness
109 Granville Court
Rocky Mount, NC 27801
919/443-2275

16-18
Nautilus Sports Open
Nautilus Sports & Fitness
109 Granville Court
Rocky Mount, NC 27801
919/443-2276

21-25
Alaska State
Doubles
Alaska Athletic
Club
630 East Tudor
Anchorage, AK
99503

23-25
Ektelon Region 4
Championships
Racquetpower
3390 Kori Road
Jacksonville, FL
32217
904/268-8888

23-25
New Mexico State
Singles
Academy Court
Club
5555 McLeod NE
Albuquerque, NM
87109

23-25
The John
Ventimiglia Open
Lynmar Racquet &
Health Club
2660 Vickers Drive
Colorado Springs,
CO 80918
719/598-4069

25-25
Captain Crunch Classic
Montgomery Athletic Club
1765 Carmichael Parkway
Montgomery, AL 36117

25-25
Coors Light Racquetball
Series
The Creek Sports Center
1188 Rodenbeck Drive
Dayton, OH 45424
614/548-4188

25-25
Ektelon Region 14
Championships
Carmichael Racquet & Health Club
2000 Carmichael Road
Monterey, CA 93940
408/244-1550

27-31
Tri City Athletic
Club Open
Tri City Athletic
Club
531 East State St.
American Fork, UT
84403
206-5224

28-01
Colorado State
Singles
Lakewood Athletic
Club
3333 Wadsworth
Lakewood, CO
80227
303/898-5543

29-01
EKTOLON US
NATIONAL/
WORLD
INTERCOLLEGIATE
CHAMPIONSHIPS
University of
California Berkeley

Berkeley, CA 94720
AARA
719/615-396

29-31
Women's 25+ National
Invitational
Supreme Health & Fitness
Club
1333 Odana Road
Madison, WI 53719
608/274-5080

30-01
Ektelon Region 2
Championships
Sportset System & Inter
Club
142 Landing Avenue
Smithtown, NY 11787
516/360-3333

30-01
Flag City Open
Findlay Health & Racquet
Club
1719 West Main
Findlay, OH 45840
419/436-1978

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RACQUETBALL CALENDAR

SATURDAY

02 04
Racquetball Classic
Athletic Club
30 Eagle Street
Fairbanks, AK 99701

02 04
Spring Rollout Invitational
Incline Court House
PO Box 4107 880
Northwood Blvd Incline
Village, NV 89450
702/411-4212

02 04
Spring Shoot Out
LA Fitness - Westminster
13741 Golden West Street
Westminster, CA 92683
714/793-4460

02 04
Rowlette Park Open
109 Arbor Pointe Circle
Tampa, FL 33617
813/251-3782

02 04
TRFC Winter Classic
Tucker Racquet & Fitness
3281 Tucker Norcross Road
Tucker, GA 30084
404/491-1111

02 04
EKTOLON US NATIONAL
H. J. CHAMPIONSHIPS
South Minneapolis Rac Club
6777 Lafayette
St. Louis, MO 63113
AARA: 719/613-3396

SUNDAY

02 04
Vermont State Singles
Racquets Edge
Flake Junction, VT 05452
802/878-8371

02 04
Watertown Open
Watertown Comm Rec Ctr
200 NE 9th Street
Watertown, SD 57201
605/886-7711

02 04
Wyoming State Doubles
Wyoming Racquet Club
455 Thelma Drive
Casper, WY 82609
307/6928

02 04
7th Annual Sierra Slam
Incline Court House
PO Box 4107, 880
Northwood Blvd. Incline
Village, NV 89450
702/831-4212

03 04
State Jr Championships
Merryweather Health &
Fitness
126 Main Street
Lisbon, ME 04086
207/729-0123

04 05
ACRA Region II
Intercollegiate
What a Racquet Club
2943 Bonanza Court Blvd
Colma, CA 94015
415/964-8980

09 11
Vegas City Championships
Las Vegas Athletic Club-West
1111 Spring Mountain Road
Las Vegas, NV 89103
702/362-1720

09 11
Lincoln City Champions
hips
Cottonwood Club
190 W. P Street
Lincoln, NE 68502
402/375-1886

09 11
Michigan Super Seven #6
Backwall Hlth & Rac Club
7 Ajax Drive
Madison Heights, MI
313/441-9631

09 11
Ned Gordon
Lakeland YMCA
Lakeland, FL
813/641-1438

09 11
New Mexico State Juniors
Tom Yount's Athletic Club
2250 Wyoming Blvd
Albuquerque, NM 87112
505/261-7141

09 11
New Jersey State Singles
Elmwood Park Athletic Club
690 River Road
Elmwood Park, NJ 07407
201/471-1888

09 11
Rocket City Classic
Sportsplus
1641 Sparkman Drive
Huntsville, AL 35816
205/261-1100

09 11
Santa Lucas HS Open
Santa Lucas High School
West Palm Beach, FL
407/411-5588

09 11
Spring Open
Casper YMCA

09 11
Triple Crown of Racquetball
The Landmark Club
1740 Merit Drive
Dallas, TX 75201
214/392-1500

09 11
12th Ann. Lucky Leprechaun
Sundown Liverpool
7433 Morgan Road
Liverpool, NY 13090
315/451-5050

09 11
Maryland State Singles
Merritt Athletic Club Security
3076 Lord Baltimore Drive
Baltimore, MD 21207
301/984-8000

09 11
5th Annual Glen Falls
Championships
Sports Mall
3443 South Wood Glen
Murray, UT 84111
801/3428

16 18
Northwest Open
Wellington Athletic Club
191 Guide Meridian
Wellington, WA 98406
206/876-1800

16 18
Attack '90
San Francisco Family Sports &
Recreation Center
100 North Blackstone
San Francisco, CA 94110
415/224-8686

16 18
Shamrock Shootout
Cut Bank Civic Center
800 East Railroad Street
Cut Bank, MT 59827
406/231-1111

16 18
Shamrock Shootout
Court South Center
701 Main Street
Murfreesboro, TN 37130
615/896-1121

16 18
St. Paddy's Day Open
Riverview Racquet Club
35000 Melinz Parkway
Cleveland, OH 44081
216/742-3611

16 18
St. Pat's Festival
Eastern N. Mexico
Cincinnati
Clovie, NM
761/4658

16 18
St. Patrick's Day Open
Glass Court Swim & Fitness
830 E. Roosevelt
Lombard, IL 60148
312/629-1300

16 18
The Buckeye Classic Pro-Am
Westerville Athletic Club
910 South State Street
Columbus, OH 43081
614/882-7231

16 18
Waterbury Open
Nehr at Waterbury
880 Lakewood Road
Waterbury, CT 06704
203/381-4911

16 18
Maine State Doubles
Racquetball International
PO Box 925
Windham, ME 04061
207/892-1211

16 18
7th Annual United
Cerebral Palsy
Suburban RB & Swim Club
Route 3, Highway 23 West
St. Cloud, MN 56341
612/721-1900

16 19
New York State
BCI Racquet & RB Club
26-30 86th Street
Woodbury, NY 11797
716/728-4141

21 23
McCall Tournament
Sports Club
1619 Davis Avenue
Accall, ID 83418
208/344-7013

21 23
Omni 41 Open
Omni 41
221 South Route 41
Schererville, IN 46173
317/893-6969

21 23
Spring Shoot Out Open
The Works
Star Route #1
Swarthmore, NH 03870
603/423-1162

21 23
The Spring Classic
Lifecenter Plus
1111 Darrow Road
Hudson, OH 44138
216/659-3377

21 23
Wyoming State Junior
Sheridan YMC A
417 North Jefferson
Sheridan, WY 82801
307/478

21 23
11th Annual *ZIQ Pro Am
The Coast Guard
825 East Superior Street
Duluth, MN 55802
218/728-4441

30 01
Bools Day Open
City Court Club
350 AN Grant Street
Barnesville, WA 99318
509/734-5661

30 01
Montana State Singles

Universal Sports & Racquets
305 Haggerty Lane
Bozeman, MT 59715
30 01
Spring Classic '90
Schoenber's Athletic Club
1341 Owens Court
Pleasanton, CA 94566
415/481-0950

30 01
Maine State Doubles
Holiday Health & Racquet
Club
424 Odlin Road
Brunswick, ME 04401
207/947-0711

30 01
Wilson Doubles
Championships
Roseville Racquet Club
2400 West Country Road
Roseville, MI 48151
616/267-9881

30 01
Winter Wrap-Up
MD Farms Racquet &
Country Club
1101 Maryland Way
Brentwood, TN 37027
615/871-2900

30 01
Vermont State Juniors
Woodstock RB & Fitness
Rd 1, Box 611
Montpelier, VT 05601
802/243-6111

LIMITED EDITION TEAM PHOTOS AVAILABLE

The formal 1989 US National Racquetball Team photo shown below is available from the AARA in two sizes, as long as supplies last. An 8 x 10" print, mounted in a card stock frame/folder is \$16.00, and a 20 x 24" mounted poster with player names added is \$115.00.

Prices include shipping and handling, and a portion of the proceeds will be used to support the US Team in 1990. To order, contact John Foust, AARA Board of Directors, 4633B South Frazer, Aurora, CO 80015 -- (303) 699-8121



Photo John Foust

US TEAM SELECTION

The US National Racquetball Team represents the AARA and the entire US racquetball community in all International events and goodwill tours. Among those events in the coming year will be the Tournament of the Americas (Jacksonville, Florida), the World Championships (Caracas, Venezuela) and the US Olympic Festival (Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota).

To qualify for the team an athlete must reach the following levels in national championships:

- 1) Semi-finalists (top four men and women) of the annual US National Singles Championships, held in May in Houston.
- 2) Champions (male and female) of the annual US National High School Championships, held in March
- 3) Champions (male and female) of the annual World Inter-collegiate Championships, held in April
- 4) Champions (male and female) of the annual Junior Olympic Championships, held in June
- 5) Championship teams (male and female) of the annual US National Doubles Championship, held in October

Once players qualify for the team for the performances outlined above, they must then participate in an extensive training and development program directed by the US Team coaching staff. Team training sessions are also held at the US Olympic Festivals.

Since more individuals qualify for the team than can compete in each international event, a number of additional selection criteria are used to select participants for specific events. The growing number of international events guarantees that each team member has an opportunity to compete in at least one international tournament per year.

HIGH ALTITUDE TEAM TRIALS FAVOR ROBERTS

At the US National Team Trials held in Colorado Springs November 8-12, Andy Roberts came off a season slump against Tim Doyle to win the final round 6-15, 15-9, 11-6. Other winners at the trials included Jim Floyd (over Mike Bronfeld, 15-9, 15-15, 11-10); Mallia Bailey (over Toni Bevelock, 6-15, 15-10, 11-3); and Kaye Kuhfeld (over Michelle Gilman, 15-13, 15-10.) In the final round of doubles action, Doug Ganim and Dan Obremski defeated Jason Waggoner and Mike Guldry 15-6, 15-6.

The trials were held to select special teams for international competition at the Mexican/American Challenge in December and the Tournament of the Americas in April. These teams were chosen:

Mexican/American Challenge

Cindy Doyle	(Williamsville, N.Y.)
Tim Doyle	(Columbus, Ohio)
Jimmy Floyd	(Davison, Mich.)
Michelle Gilman	(Ontario, Ore.)
Michael Guldry	(Odessa, Texas)
Kaye Kuhfeld	(Indianapolis, Ind.)
Jason Waggoner	(Gainesville, Fla.)

Tournament of the Americas

Singles:	Mike Bronfeld	(Carmel Valley, CA)
	Cindy Doyle	(Williamsville, N.Y.)
	Tim Doyle	(Columbus, Ohio)
	Michelle Gilman	(Ontario, Ore.)
	Kaye Kuhfeld	(Indianapolis, Ind.)
	Andy Roberts	(Memphis, Tenn.)

Doubles:	Mallia Bailey	(Norfolk, Va.)
	Toni Bevelock	(Phoenix, Ariz.)
	Doug Ganim	(Cleveland, Ohio)
	Dan Obremski	(Pittsburgh, Pa.)

US SWEEPS MEXICAN/AMERICAN CHALLENGE

On a good will tour of several Mexican cities, US Team members inspired our southern neighbors with one match demonstration after another.

Setting the pace for the entire trip, the team won all but one doubles match in its first stop at the Lomas Racquet Club in San Luis Potosi on November 30, then went undefeated across town at Club Deportivo Potosino on December 1st.

11/30/89 Results:

Tim Doyle def. Raul Torres 15-3, 15-7.
Mike Guldry def. Alejandro Mendoza 15-5, 15-8.
Jason Waggoner def. Ricardo Torres 15-6, 15-8.
Raul Torres/Sergio Torres def. Mike Guldry/Tim Doyle 15-13, 15-14.

COACHING STAFF SHRINKS, TRAINING STAFF GROWS

In October of 1990, the number of US National Team coaches will be reduced by two. Along with voting to approve a total of three coaches to work with the team, the AARA Board also named official consultants to the training staff.

Diane McNab was appointed as the team Sport Psychologist; Alan Salmoni as the Team Physiologist; and Dan Obremski as the Team Conditioning Advisor.



Kaye Kuhfeld def. Hilda Rodriguez 15-11, 15-1.

Cindy Doyle def. Paty Hernandez 15-12, 15-13.

Michelle Gilman/Kaye Kuhfeld def. Hilda Rodriguez/Paty Hernandez 15-2, 15-1.

12/01/89 Results:

Jason Waggoner def. Felipe Bremer 15-13, 15-0.

Tim Doyle def. Ariel Alvarez 15-5, 15-9.

Jim Floyd def. Raul Torres 15-9, 15-2.

Jim Floyd/Jason Waggoner def. Raul Torres/Jorge Aguilar 15-14, 15-7.

Michelle Gilman def. Hilda Rodriguez 15-4, 15-3.

Cindy Doyle def. Paty Hernandez 15-1, 15-0.

Michelle Gilman/Cindy Doyle def. Hilda Rodriguez/Paty Hernandez 15-3, 15-6.



Photo: John Fouda

"Athlete of the Year" Nominees Chosen

At its meeting in October, the Board of Directors selected Tim Doyle and Michelle Gilman as the AARA nominees for "Athlete of the Year" honors from the USOC and the Amateur Athletic Union. Both champions have been nominated for AARA recognition, USOC review, and consideration by the AAU for its annual James E. Sullivan Memorial Award for 1989.



Photo: John Fouda

AARA/USOC DRUG TESTING POLICIES

The AARA has adopted the following USOC policies regarding mandatory drug testing, infraction penalties and due process procedures:

Testing

1. The AARA may request testing of participants at any competition or training session for which it has administrative responsibility.
2. Any individual who qualifies as a member of the US National Team agrees to abide by the AARA/USOC Drug Control Program.
3. All individuals who participate in national events where drug testing will be performed will be notified of the possibility of testing at least 24 hours prior to the testing date.
4. All individuals who register in events where drug testing is applicable will sign an AARA/USOC drug testing agreement form prior to participating in the event.
5. The AARA will follow the guidelines for drug testing as specified in the USOC Doping Control Program manual.

Penalties

1. The AARA adopts the following USOC guidelines for penalties:
 - (a) Inadvertant use —
 - 1st offense — a minimum 6 month suspension
 - 2nd offense — two year suspension
 - 3rd offense — life ban
 - (b) steroids, amphetamine-related and other stimulants, caffeine, diuretic, beta-blockers, narcotic analgesics and designer drugs —
 - 1st offense — two year suspension
 - 2nd offense — life ban

Failure to submit to testing is cause for penalties equal to those imposed against players found to have used a banned substance.

Due Process

All athletes will be afforded a fair notice and opportunity for a hearing. The AARA will follow proper procedure as outlined under the By-laws of the AARA, Article III "Disciplinary Proceedings and Appeals."

OLYMPIC FESTIVAL QUALIFIERS

At its October meeting, the AARA Board of Directors approved the following qualifying procedures for 32 roster positions (16 men, 16 women) in the 1990 US Olympic Festival:

1. *The top four doubles teams (men's and women's Open semi-finalists) from National Doubles will be invited to the Festival. (Total: 16)*
2. *The top six finishers (men's and women's semi-finalists, plus play-off winners for 5th and 6th position) from National Singles. (Total: 12)*

NOTE: At National Singles, the remaining quarterfinalists (5th-8th) will receive the top four seeding positions. The remaining players (9th-16th) will be reseeded in the playoff draw. Once the draw is played out, the finalists will be considered the 5th and 6th place finishers of the tournament, and be invited to the Festival.

In the event of duplicate qualification by players, open Festival slots will be filled from the pool of 7th-16th place finishers at National Singles, in position order.

3. *The male and female Intercollegiate Champions. (Total: 2)*
4. *The male and female Junior Olympic Champions. (Total: 2)*

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM INITIATED

Acting on a proposal submitted by Assistant Executive Director of Membership Services John Mooney, the AARA Board of Directors approved the creation of a scholarship program which will provide higher education funds for racquetball athletes.

Depending upon the success of fund-raising efforts in the early part of the year, the AARA expects to make its first scholarship award in the fall of 1990. All donations to the fund will be tax deductible.

COACHES CLINIC A SUCCESS

The AARA conducted a three-day clinic for twenty high school and college coaches at the Olympic Training Center in early October. Assistant Executive Director for Special Programs Jim Hiser coordinated the seminar, and provided an overview of current high school and intercollegiate programs.

Among the group in attendance were six representatives from Missouri, including George Baker of Southwest Missouri State University and five high school coaches from the St. Louis area. The large number of high school racquetball players from the St. Louis area make the city an excellent choice for the 1990 High School Championships, scheduled for March 02-04.

RMA and AARA Collaborate on Video Production

The Racquetball Manufacturers Association (RMA) and the AARA will soon release the first in a series of instructional videos, entitled "Championship Racquetball: Part I - The Basics." The video features US National Team coaches Stu Hastings and Fran Davis, along with commentary by sports psychologist Diana McNab and weight training specialist Dan Obremski.

The premiere video covers basic shots, forehand and backhand strokes, court coverage, strategy, the serve and service return. Future videos will feature advanced strategies, physical training and conditioning, nutrition, sports psychology and motivation.

The half-hour video is available to AARA members for \$19.95 (non-members \$29.95) through the national office. To place an order, please call the AARA at 719/633-3396.

Enter the Great American Racquetball Photo Contest It's Easy ...

1. Submit any original racquetball photograph, in one of two categories: Action or Off-Court. Photos must feature an amateur player or players. Limit one photograph per category, per person. Only mounted 8 x 10" photographs will be accepted for judging.
2. On the back of the mounted photo, submit a caption of 50 words or less that gives the year, name of player(s), tournament and club (if possible). Your name, address and telephone number should also accompany the entry.
3. \$50.00 will be awarded for first place, \$25.00 for second (in each category).
4. Entry deadline is MAY 5th.
5. Contest is not open to working professional photographers, AARA staff, or the National Board of Directors.
6. All photos submitted become the property of the AARA and cannot be returned.
7. All photos will be displayed and judged at the 1990 Fektel US National Singles in Houston. Winning photos will be reprinted in the premiere issue of "Racquetball USA" in September.
8. Photos will be judged on subject matter, technical quality, composition and visual impact. The decision of the judges is final.

Submit Entries to:

PHOTO CONTEST - AARA
815 North Weber
Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Available ...

AARA CHAMPIONSHIPS ON VIDEO

A complete set of telecasts of AARA national finals from the past two seasons is now available on VHS cassette. Individual tapes are \$35.00, discounted to \$11.50 each for 2-4 and \$28.00 each for 5 or more. Just complete the handy order form below, or order by phone, 719-635-5396, with your Visa or Mastercard.

Select from these exciting games!

- ☐ 1988 Ektelon/US National Singles (134 mins.)
Toni Bevelock vs. Michelle Gilman in Women's Open Final
Andy Roberts vs. Jim Cascio in Men's Open Final
Roger Wehrle vs. Ron Galbreath in Men's 45+ Final
- ☐ 1988 Ektelon/US National Doubles (120 mins.)
Malia Bailey/Toni Bevelock vs. Trina Raamussen/Diane Green
Brian Hawkes/Bill Sell vs. Tim Hansen/Sergio Gonzalez
- ☐ 1989 Ektelon/US National Singles (121 mins.)
Michelle Gilman vs. Cindy Doyle in Women's Open Final
Tim Doyle vs. Andy Roberts in Men's Open Final
Visually Impaired Exhibition
- ☐ 1989 Ektelon Junior Olympic Championships (152 mins.)
Michelle Gilman vs. Cindy Doyle in Girls 18 and under Final
Mike Guldry vs. Joey Paralso in Boys 18 and under Final
- ☐ 1989 Ektelon/US National Doubles (150 mins.)
Cindy Doyle/Michelle Gilman vs. Malia Bailey/Toni Bevelock
Doug Ganim/Dan Obremski vs. Tim Doyle/Egan Inoue
- ☐ International Racquetball Federation (IRF) Highlights
(30 mins.) Special Price: \$10.00

Send the selections checked above to:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ St _____ Zip _____

Check enclosed for \$ _____ or charge my:

☐ MC ☐ Visa Exp. date _____

Acct. # _____

Signature _____

Mail to: AARA (719) 635-5396
815 North Weber, Colorado Springs, CO 80903

DISABLED COUNCIL MEETS

The AARA Disabled Council met during National Doubles to elect officers, organize the US Open Disabled Championships, design a newsletter and discuss upcoming international competitions. Gary Baker was elected as the President of the National Wheelchair Racquetball Association (NWRA) and Robert Hatcher as President of the Visually Impaired athletes association.

NWRA SETS TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

In addition to ranking its top players, the National Wheelchair Racquetball Association (NWRA) has set the following season schedule for competition among the finest wheelchair athletes in the country:

- March 2-4 LA Fitness Annual Racquetball Classic**
Contact: Chip Parmelly, 714/861-7312
- March 30 US Open Singles Championships, Berkeley, CA**
April 1 Contact: Chip Parmelly, 714/861-7312 or Gary Baker, 412/744-3320
- April 6-8 Wisconsin State Singles Championships**
Contact: Carol Pellowski, 414/231-1420 or John Foust, 303/699-8121
- April 14-15 St. Louis, Missouri**
Contact: Geno Bonetti, 412/828-1300 (Ext. 234) or Gary Baker, 412/744-3320
- May 11-13 Omaha, Nebraska**
Contact: Penny Missirlian, 402/339-0410
- May 25-28 US National Singles - Houston, Texas**
Contact: Gary Baker, 412/744-3320 or John Foust, 303/699-8121
- June 16-17 Santa Barbara Wheelchair Sports Festival**
Contact: Bill Hamilton, 805/962-1472

At its kick-off event of the season, held at the Racquet Club of Pittsburg in January, the NWRA conducted an auction that netted the team a grand total of \$1,100.00. Marty Hogan started the ball rolling by donating a racquet and the bidding wars began!

As of January, the 1990 Rankings for the top sixteen US Wheelchair racquetball competitors

Open Division

- | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Chip Parmelly | 9. Jim Leatherman |
| 2. Gary Baker | 10. Donny Contreras |
| 3. John Foust | 11. David Kiley |
| 4. Les Gorsline | 12. Dan Osburn |
| 5. Rick Benevides | 13. Bob Welch |
| 6. Rick Slaughter | 14. Steve Jared |
| 7. James Golden | 15. Richard Jensen |
| 8. Mark Jenkinson | 16. Mike Golondzinier |

The council also established criteria for the selection of a four-person US Team of disabled athletes, and reviewed resumes for coaching staff. Special guest Dave Hinton, of the Canadian Racquetball Association, shared a number of the programs used in Canada to promote competitive opportunities for the disabled. The group also discussed the design of a new logo and stationery, the development of an instructional video and a wheelchair exhibition at the upcoming World Games in August.

1990 AARA SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

National High School Championships

MAR 02-04 St. Louis, MO

ACRA National Intercollegiates

MAR 29-APR 1 UC/Berkeley, CA

Tournament of the Americas

APR 07-14 Jacksonville, FL

National Golden Masters Invitational

APR 19-22 Monroeville, PA

US National Singles Championships

MAY 23-28 Houston, TX

US Junior Olympic Championships

JUN 23-27 Dallas, TX

US Olympic Festival

JUL 06-15 Minneapolis, MN

World Championships

AUG 05-12 Caracas, Venezuela

National Golden Masters Championships

AUG 22-24 Milwaukee, WI

World Seniors Championships

SEP 05-09 Albuquerque, NM

US National Doubles Championships

OCT 25-28 Salt Lake City, UT

Women's Council Committed to Growth in the New Decade

With the AARA national membership roster currently boasting just under 40% women, the Women's Council of the AARA has the potential of becoming one of the most influential forces behind the growth of racquetball in the 1990s.

Nationwide, of the 46 states with designated directors, just under 30% (15) have named women to those positions. Of the 50 participants at last year's AARA Leadership Conference, women made up 40% of those who play pivotal roles in administering AARA programs in their states.

In 1989, the AARA Board of Directors exceeded its 20% minimum membership requirement with the appointment of a third woman, Margo Daniels of California, to this very important decision making group. Board Vice-President Carol Pellowski (Wisconsin) and Renee Carnahan (Ohio) complete the cadre of women directors, and will be working closely with the Women's Council to organize seminars and special events throughout the year.

Marta Groess (Minnesota), Mary Walker (California), Jo Kenyon (Florida), and Linda Mojer (AARA staff liaison) will also be involved in the development of the Women's Council in the coming decade.

For more information about how you can become more involved, please contact your state director, or any one of the Women's Council members in your area:

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SUBSCRIPTION OFFERS END

Special National Racquetball subscription offers cited on AARA membership forms are no longer processed through the national office. Please inform your local membership that magazine subscriptions are available only by direct request to National Racquetball.

Tournament directors should destroy old membership forms and replace them with the new version, which has been out since September and is currently sent to each sanctioned event.

RULEBOOKS RELEASED

The official 1989-90 rulebook rolled off the presses just before National Doubles at the end of October. In addition to being sent to sanctioned events and included in each new membership kit generated from the national office, the rulebooks are also available in bulk for special programs, at the following rates:

1-10	\$2.00/per
10-100	\$1.00/per
over 100	\$0.75/per

To order additional copies of the new rulebook, please contact John Mooney at 719/635-1396.

Junior Council Meets In Colorado Springs

The AARA Junior Council recently met in Colorado Springs to prepare guidelines for 1990. Some of their recommendations for the coming year are:

1. Development of a Junior regional information packet to aid in promoting and organizing Junior Regional tournaments nationwide
2. Revision of the current Junior Handbook
3. Establishing state and regional scholarship programs
4. Addition of non-championship events at the regional, and possibly national, levels.
5. Enforcing chaperone requirements and code of conduct guidelines at national events

A number of grants have already been awarded to selected states that plan to develop junior programs in 1990.

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4TH ANNUAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE A SUCCESS

The AARA held its 4th annual AARA leadership conference at the Olympic Training Center, January 17-21, offering a full three days of seminars, round-table discussions and special interest sessions for all phases of AARA project leadership. Invitations were issued to state and regional directors from the national office, and over seventy responses were received.

The first formal leadership conference was held at the Olympic Training Center in 1987, in response to a successful pilot program the previous year. State and regional directors found it extremely useful to exchange ideas and discuss common problems among themselves, then implement changes at the local level.

Over the years the conference has grown to include selected board members and officers from incorporated state boards, and the "brainstorming" has resulted in many new state, regional and national programs.

PUBLICATION NOTES

The Idaho Racquetball Association (IRA) went into the publishing business in August, with the premiere issue of the "Safety Zone" edited by local graphic designer Dan McKee, the newsletter is computer generated on 8 1/2 x 11" stock and is an excellent first effort by the state association. State Director Gloria Eggers made an excellent choice in Dan; both deserve applause for their good work!

The California Amateur Racquetball Association (CARA) also produced its first newsletter in September, edited by President and National Board Member Margo Daniels. Also on 8 1/2 x 11" stock, the first issue included a "What's the Call" column by Mickey Bellah and a poem by Lucy Kupish.

Edna Acton took over the editorship of the Nebraska State Racquetball Association (NSRA) publication "Off the Court" earlier in the fall, and has kept the publication on schedule and filled with interesting Nebraska news.

Sadly, Jim Easterling recently announced that he would no longer edit the "Racquetball Reporter" for the Racquetball Association of Michigan (RAM). Sandy Conlen will take up where Jim left off.

Tag-team editors Lance & Gayann Bloom have consistently produced the New Hampshire Racquetball Association (NHRA) News in 1989, on time and filled with tournament results and articles.

NEWSLETTER DIRECTORY

The AARA Newsletter Directory lists all AARA state publications, their editors and circulation numbers, and is provided to regional and national advertisers on request. The 1990 version is available by request through the AARA Media Office, 913 North Kentucky Avenue, Winter Park, Florida 32789-4736, TEL: 407/647-4298, FAX: 407/647-1743.

NEW STATE DIRECTORS NAMED

Recent state board elections have named several new directors, now added to the roster of AARA administrative "heads of state."

In Vermont, Glenn Morrisseau relieves Brent Whitney. In Minnesota, Peggy Clark takes over for a thankful Marta Groess; In New Jersey, Lisa Gaertner moves into Nuala Murphy's slot; In Maryland/DC, Mary Linkous takes over for Robin Doble; In Alabama, Judy Willingham replaces Jim Gillhouse; In Texas, Al Williams of the Downtown Houston YMCA accepted the reins from Barbara Schaefer. In Illinois, Mike Melline gives Bill Roberts a break; In Kentucky, Frank Robinson knocks out Rocky DeToma; In North Dakota Steve Carlson steps in for Roger Mazurek. In northwest Region 15 Yvonne Calavan takes over for Sid Williams. In Washington, Hank Marcus replaces Jim Davidson in Oregon (plus becomes the Region 15 adult commissioner), and Rod Rodriguez moves into Ben Cuaresma's spot. In Alaska, Gloria Eggers becomes the "old hand" in the region by remaining the director of Idaho.



Mike Melline (Illinois)



Tammy Smith (Hawaii)



Yvonne Calavan (Wash.)



Dave George (Calif.)

In Oklahoma, Gary Hinkle has accepted appointment as the state director and Tammy Smith is the new state director of Hawaii.

An entirely new region (#17) was devised for North and South Carolina in 1989, with Mike Dimoff as its commissioner.

Of the special-interest councils, only the Juniors were affected by commissioner changes this year. A career switch for Scott Winters of California made way for Iowa's Jeanne Hanson to become the new Junior Council Commissioner, and George Baker (Missouri) has been named the interim director of the High School Commission.

REGION FOUR: Florida and Georgia

YOUTH PROGRAM STARTS AT ATLANTA CLUB

by Jeri Lambert, Editor "GSRA News"

The Southern Athletic Club in Lilburn sent a team of twelve juniors and two adult chaperones to the Miami Junior Orange Bowl to compete in the World Junior Championships December 17-21. Vicki Luque, organizer of the trip, estimated that \$4200 would be needed to cover the team's expenses and by early November the group had already raised \$3800.

The juniors (ranging in age between 8-16) and their parents did much of the fundraising, which included car washes, bake sales, a Pledge-Benefit involving the club's open players, and a VCR raffle. Other donations came from private and corporate sponsors, and the GSRA Board approved a \$1000 cash grant to the group at its October meeting.

Vicki suggests that if you would like to see a successful juniors program at your club, try to get the entire membership and club management involved. Many of the Southern Athletic Club's members were solicited to help with many of the fundraising activities. Many more members, even those without children of their own, frequently offered to help with instruction, organizing and identifying potential sponsors.

Some of the most successful junior development plans instituted at the club, and across the state, have been:

1. Group junior clinics taught in the evening, dividing students between two instructors according to age and skill level.
2. "Juniors Only" leagues during the summer months, using court time on weekday mornings.
3. Encouraging juniors to play in all leagues, making sure they know the rules, safety precautions and are placed in the correct skill level.
4. Junior divisions are offered in every tournament. Entry fees for juniors are always half of adult fees, even if entering an adult division.
5. After school training sessions held twice weekly before a tournament.

Anyone interested in starting or expanding their own junior program is welcome to consult Vicki Luque at the Southern Athletic Club, 404/923-5400, for ideas and information.

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- Region 3: Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia
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- Region 6: Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma
- Region 7: Louisiana and Texas
- Region 8: Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin
- Region 9: Michigan, Ohio, West Virginia
- Region 10: Indiana and Kentucky
- Region 11: Minnesota, Nebraska, North and South Dakota
- Region 12: Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Utah
- Region 13: Montana and Wyoming
- Region 14: California, Hawaii and Nevada
- Region 15: Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Washington
- Region 16: Europe
- Region 17: North and South Carolina

REGION EIGHT:

**Illinois, Iowa,
Wisconsin**

SPORTS PSYCHOLOGY AT OTC

by Andrea Schwartz
M.S. ISRA Newsletter

** Before every match, No. 1 ranked women's player Caryn McKInney mentally rehearses her game strategy again and again, focusing on specific shot selection.

** While sidelined with injury, Men's National Coach Stu Hastings watched taped matches of himself playing well, mentally preparing to win the US title.

** Pro Dan Obremski creates mental images, putting himself in touch with the excitement of the crowd as he envisions winning

These are all examples of elite players using visualization techniques to achieve high levels of performance—one of the main topics of the AARA Elite Training camp held at the Olympic Training Center last summer.

The program theme of performance preparation, visualization and goal-setting was summarized by keynote speaker Dr. Diane

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McNab, sports psychologist for the Canadian Ski Team. Dr. McNab defined the triad of sports psychology; successful playing depends on good nutrition, mental rehearsal and physical conditioning.

Along with the sports psychology theme, Dr. Alan Salmoni directed a program in which participants underwent rigorous testing to correlate a number of skill aptitudes according to ability level. These included a timed 1.5 mile run, a vertical jump, plus flexibility and agility tests. Dr. Salmoni also conducted studies among elite players to assess energy systems (anaerobic vs. aerobic), with the intent of answering questions regarding the development of specific conditioning techniques.

Planned activities ran until 8:30 pm, breaking only for meals. First, a two mile run, followed by a stretching routine on a soggy soccer field. Next came a sprint or endurance drill. One of Jim Hiser's favorites was a sprint drill, timed to an actual pro match, with forty participants sprinting on the whistle, then resting on the whistle (end of rally), then sprinting again. After breakfast, we hastened off for lectures or drill sessions on positioning, strategy, footwork, charting or videotaping. Evenings were spent listening to speakers on physiology, nutrition, and mental rehearsal. Topics ranged from pre-competition meal selection, to how to use imagery to develop a better backhand.

Hiser wasn't boasting when he claimed to have selected the country's top teaching staff, which included Caryn McKinney, Dan Obremski, and national team coaches Fran Davis and Stu Hastings. Hastings is considered by many to be the absolute best in video analysis, with no errors in anticipation, position, or mechanics going unnoticed!

By the end of the week we were emotionally exhausted, and overwhelmed by the concentration of instruction. Nevertheless, the opportunity to work with instructors of this caliber made it all worth it. A learning experience such as the QTC can be inspirational to any level player. It develops a greater appreciation of the scope of the game, and opens the door to increased enjoyment.

REGION NINE:

**Michigan, Ohio,
West Virginia**

JUNIOR PROFILES

by Renee Carnahan

"Racquetball Around Ohio"

David Hamilton

At age 11, David Hamilton is one of Ohio's top junior racquetball players. From Mansfield, David has been playing racquetball at the Park Avenue Racquetball Club for about six years. He plays in both the singles and doubles leagues at the club, and Mansfield is proud to claim such an outstanding young athlete.

David is currently ranked #2 in the nation in Boys 12 and under and #1 in Boys 14 and under. Not only do all of the Ohio junior players know his name, but his reputation is out among Men's C players as well. He's "hot and on the rise in racquetball, so watch out because he's jammin'!"

David also participates in club soccer, summer baseball leagues and school basketball. This young, multi-talented athlete is someone you should know, and someone Ohio is proud to support! Keep it up, David!

Ashley Crouse

Ashley Crouse, age 10, has been playing racquetball for half her lifetime, and competing in tournaments since the age of six. Ashley plays at the Tallmadge Wellness and Fitness Center in the Akron area. She is also sponsored by the club's pro shop and by Marty Hogan Racquetball.

This young lady keeps fit by running two miles daily — a routine that helps her keep up with opponents who are twice her size (and age) in the Women's Novice division. Ashley's abilities surpass her years, enabling her to accomplish anything she sets out to do. At the 1987 Ohio State Singles, she took second place in the Boys 8 and under division, and currently holds two gold medals from the Junior Orange Bowl World Championships, held in Florida each year.

As if this weren't enough, Ashley is also an A student. Keep up the good work Ashley — on and off the court! We're proud of you!

REGION TEN:

Indiana, Kentucky

\$3,000 GRANT TO ASSURE GOOD YEAR

*by Mike LaBonne, Editor
"Hoosier Racquetball"*

1990 will be a bountiful year for Indiana juniors, thanks to a \$3,000 grant from the AARA. According to Sarah Kercheval, chairman of the INSRA Juniors Committee and the grant's project director, the grant gives INSRA the go-ahead for an important January start-up.

"Indiana has suffered a dearth of junior participation in racquetball, but we know from experience that Indiana has a youth population sufficient to provide a base from which to establish a successful junior development program" said Kercheval. "Without a steady infusion of new, young players, our sport cannot survive, nor can INSRA continue to grow."

Under the grant, INSRA will conduct 12 junior clinics annually — ideally one a month — at clubs throughout the state. Eyeguards, racquets, balls, court time and qualified player-coaches will be provided through the grant. Coaches will be paid \$7 per hour to conduct clinics. Juniors who attend clinics will be awarded passes that allow them free entry into INSRA sanctioned tournaments during the year, excluding State Singles, Doubles and AARA Regionals. Clinic attendees will also be invited to play in a full scale, regulation tournament where they will have the opportunity to be videotaped and critiqued on the spot for immediate feedback.

"If the program is successful," said Region 10 Director, Mike Arnolt, "INSRA will have provided the mechanism for ensuring the continued growth and development of racquetball. The future of this sport lies in our juniors. By instituting and promoting programs such as our Junior Development Program, the future of the sport will be assured for decades to come."

REGION FIFTEEN: *Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Washington*

IDAHO TAKES OFF

by Dea Draper

In January of 1989, the Idaho Racquetball Association (IRA) reorganized and began to increase its visibility and activity. After incorporating as a non profit organization and drafting its bylaws, the IRA sponsored an educational seminar entitled "Racquetball in Idaho" for club owners, managers and tournament directors. Since then, AARA memberships in the state have doubled, annual State Singles and Doubles Championships have grown, and players have become more active in expressing their views through tournament evaluations.

These evaluations emphasized a problem the IRA was already aware of, and is shared by other states: refereeing. Referees either do not know the rules, or do not enforce them, and refereeing in general is inconsistent between matches and tournament. John Atwater, Chairman of the Rules/Referee Committee has conducted refereeing clinics prior to tournaments and Steve Neighbors is a certified referee who makes himself available to certify others.

Another major problem in Idaho is the lack of new opponents and tournament players under 30 years old. The level of play is excellent in Idaho and many of the older players compete and travel to out of state tournaments. However, the lack of new and younger faces is of great concern. To address the problem, the IRA applied for, and received, an AARA grant of \$3,000 to develop junior racquetball programs in clubs throughout Idaho. In her capacity as Program Director of the Court House in Boise, IRA State Director Gloria Eggers has conducted several successful junior clinics. The grant program will be under her direction and will involve traveling to clubs to promote interest among junior players. The IRA is committed to the belief that sponsoring juniors is the way to encourage racquetball growth in Idaho.

The IRA newsletter, the "Safety Zone," is our main source of communication and editor Dan McKee publishes issues every other month. In its pages, emphasis is on promoting racquetball through Junior Updates, tournament results, calendar information and articles featuring injury prevention, nutrition and instruction.

Local media have also been helpful in promoting racquetball throughout the state. In Boise, a local television crew covered the Men's Open final of the Lion's Club tournament at the ParkCenter Club, and newspaper coverage has included tournament results as well as feature articles about top players.

The IRA has problems common to other state associations: the organization is still small in numbers, has limited funds, and has unification problems due to distances which tend to isolate clubs. However, due to the energetic efforts of IRA President Gloria Eggers and an active board, Idaho is anticipating a refreshing upsurge of racquetball in the 90s.



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Dated: January 25, 1990

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MEN'S OPEN

- 1 Tim Doyle, NY
- 2 Doug Ganim, OH
- 3 Mike Bronfeld, CA
- 4 Fred Cajabrese, FL
- 5 Tim Sweeney, IL
- 6 Tim Hansen, FL
- 7 Charlie Nichols, FL
- 8 Tony Boscia, CO
- 9 Drew Kachtik, TX
- 10 Bobby Corcoran, AZ

MEN'S A

- 1 Todd Felicia, NY
- 2 Keith Chambers, MS
- 3 Doug Eagle, NC
- 4 Chanin Kleuabthong, WA
- 5 Dave Mielnicki, PA
- 6 Imad Sahtout, CA
- 7 Kenny McLeod, FL
- 8 Jason Thoerner, NH
- 9 Jimmy Fanning, FL
- 10 Dave Kuhns, MT

MEN'S B

- 1 Gavin Higgins, TN
- 2 Frank Phillips, MA
- 3 Bill Cowley, IN
- 4 Mark Lugge, WA
- 5 Chris Hall, VT
- 6 Mike McPherson, MI
- 7 Scott Hale, IL
- 8 Paul Richards, MI
- 9 Bill Turner, TN
- 10 Glen Bell, TX

MEN'S C

- 1 Mark Kingery, IN
- 2 Robert Bravo, FL
- 3 Barney Revuelta, FL
- 4 David Wayne, GA
- 5 Willy Zapata, WA
- 6 Richard Woodcox, MI
- 7 Tony Barra, MI
- 8 Steve Arnold, TX
- 9 Duane Delger, MT
- 10 Jim Laskero, IL

MEN'S D

- 1 Joey Smith, AL
- 2 Eric Gough, WA
- 3 Don Smit, NV
- 4 R.O. Blackwood, CA
- 5 Alex Dagles, RI
- 6 Johnny Hall, OK
- 7 Randy Helm, IL
- 8 Art Robinson, IN
- 9 Nicholas Wantuck, MI
- 10 Malcomb Williamson, TX

MEN'S NOVICE

- 1 Dave Poulin, NH
- 2 Carter Buckholder, TX
- 3 A. Castellano, NY
- 4 Brad Dudley, WA
- 5 Mark Nisbett, FL
- 6 Joe Bacchi, OH
- 7 Ron Calloway, DE
- 8 Tom Wilson, TX
- 9 Rick Rogers, NH
- 10 Timothy Alvarez, NY

MEN'S 19+

- 1 Charlie Nichols, FL
- 2 Curtis Winter, FL
- 3 Rick Bezousek, TN
- 4 John Negrete, IL
- 5 Mike Openbrier, PA
- 6 Joey Paralso, CA
- 7 Jim Hamilton, MI
- 8 Tim LaBonne, IN
- 9 Jim Jeffers, IL
- 10 John Kleinschmidt, MO

MEN'S 25+

- 1 Ron DiGiacomo, NY
- 2 Bill Lyman, IL
- 3 Bill Kelley, NY
- 4 Hart Johnson, MN
- 5 Joe Nassey, AZ
- 6 Byron Williams, TX
- 7 Dave Negrete, IL
- 8 Jim Gillhouse, AL
- 9 Brent Huber, FL
- 10 Sergio Gonzalez, FL

MEN'S 30+

- 1 Bobby Corcoran, AZ
- 2 Mark Morrison, FL
- 3 Ron Babkoff, OH
- 4 Dave Kovanda, OH
- 5 Jeff Kristjansen, FL
- 6 Tony Gabriel, IN
- 7 Gary Tanko, WI
- 8 Dan Hardan, WA
- 9 Randy Olson, ME
- 10 Al Plummer, PA

MEN'S 35+

- 1 Stu Hastings, MI
- 2 Dave Kovanda, OH
- 3 Craig Kunkel, CA
- 4 Gary Mazaroff, NM
- 5 Herb Grigg, IL
- 6 Tom Travers, OH
- 7 Paul Redelheim, TN
- 8 Charles Laury, WA
- 9 Jim Allen, MS
- 10 Tim Lavol, MN

MEN'S 40+

- 1 Johnny Northern, MI
- 2 Jim Bailey, VA
- 3 Dave Kovanda, OH
- 4 Bruce Shafer, NY
- 5 Tim Lavol, MN
- 6 Herb Grigg, IL
- 7 Ed Remen, VA
- 8 Frank Ciociola, NY
- 9 Matti Lavikka, OH
- 10 Fred Beckwith, CT

MEN'S 45+

- 1 Roger Wehrle, GA
- 2 Bob Lindsay, TX
- 3 Howard Peelle, MA
- 4 Jerry Davis, OH
- 5 Ron Hutcherson, IN
- 6 Brad Parra, CA
- 7 Ron Galbreath, PA
- 8 Ron Johnson, IL
- 9 Bill Turner, TN
- 10 Ray Huss, OH

MEN'S 50+

- 1 Bobby Sanders, OH
- 2 Dario Mas, DE
- 3 Jerry Northwood, AZ
- 4 Charlie Garfinkel, NY
- 5 Barry Holt, IL
- 6 Sid Williams, WA
- 7 Tom Rumsey, FL
- 8 Jess Madden, MI
- 9 Bill Schram, IL
- 10 Joe Simon, IL

MEN'S 55+

- 1 Otis Chapman, OH
- 2 Vance Lerner, CA
- 3 Charlie Gunn, IN
- 4 Lynn Hahn, MI
- 5 Fintan Kilbride, CN
- 6 John Fay, TX
- 7 David Weinberg, NY
- 8 Don Alt, FL
- 9 Bob Kleinschmidt, MN
- 10 Gib Kurtz, IL

MEN'S 60+

- 1 Pierre Miller, IN
- 2 Joe Lambert, TX
- 3 Fintan Kilbride, CN
- 4 Hugh Grover, AZ
- 5 Malcolm Roberts, FL
- 6 Carl Bushner, MA
- 7 Jack Gushue, MA
- 8 Glenn Melvey, ND
- 9 Dick Kincade, CO
- 10 Jerry Lutton, CA

MEN'S 65+

- 1 John Bareilles, VA
- 2 Nick Sans, CA
- 3 Earl Acuff, VA
- 4 Art Goss, CO
- 5 Saal Lesser, NY
- 6 Ed Busigo, FL
- 7 Tony Duarte, CA
- 8 John Becker, GA
- 9 Luzell Wilde, UT
- 10 Kevin Jones, CT

MEN'S 70+

- 1 Luzell Wilde, UT
- 2 Earl Acuff, VA
- 3 Charles Russell, CA
- 4 Allen Shepherd, MC
- 5 Jack Murphy, FL
- 6 Joe Sawbridge, AZ
- 7 Ralph Greco, CA
- 8 George Spear, NY
- 9 John Brown, NY
- 10 Glen McDougall, SD

MEN'S 75+

- 1 John Pearce, TX
- 2 Ike Gumer, KY
- 3 Bill Duckworth, FL
- 4 Howard Cole, NM
- 5 Robert Wise, FL
- 6 Joe Sawbridge, AZ
- 7 Howard Hesse, AZ

MEN'S 80+

- 1 Howard Cole, NM

WOMEN'S DIVISIONS

WOMEN'S OPEN

- 1 Michelle Gilman, OR
- 2 Cindy Doyle, NY
- 3 Brenda Young, AZ
- 4 Susan Morgan-Pfahler, FL
- 5 Joetta Hastings, MI
- 6 Mallia Bailey, VA
- 7 Dana Sibell, MN
- 8 Cheryl Gudinas, IL
- 9 Robin Levine, CA
- 10 Chris Evon, IL

WOMEN'S A

- 1 Kim Allen, LA
- 2 Sharon Huczek, MI
- 3 Joanne Pomodoro, MA
- 4 Heather Dunn, MA
- 5 Mary Lakatos, TN
- 6 Debbie Schmidt, IL
- 7 Lorraine Feeney, MA
- 8 Jean Halahan, NY
- 9 Britt Engel, FL
- 10 Lisa Gaertner, NJ

WOMEN'S B

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- 2 Pam Garcia, FL
- 3 Janelle Bulle, NJ
- 4 Darlene Schaffer, CO
- 5 Claire Kruse, MI
- 6 Mary McIntosh, CO
- 7 Leslie Matheson, TX
- 8 Kimberly Perry, CA
- 9 Marta Rubcich, OH
- 10 Rhonda Quigley, AL

WOMEN'S C

- 1 Mary Harring, IL
- 2 Diane McCauley, MI
- 3 Janet Chester, WA
- 4 Sandy Cochran, TX
- 5 Lydia Dubose, FL
- 6 Kathy Gillette, IN
- 7 Janie Lampo, MO
- 8 Jean Schlegel, NY
- 9 Felicia Shashinka, MA
- 10 Denise Smeltzer, CA

WOMEN'S D

- 1 Linda Hamilton, OH
- 2 Jo Nixon, IL
- 3 Debra Derr, FL
- 4 Noel Bloom, NH
- 5 Terry Elsrade, NV
- 6 Julie Glard, RI
- 7 Joanne Hall, CA
- 8 Jennifer Jeter, TX
- 9 Sue Finney, WA
- 10 Rochelle Quillen, IN

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- 2 Lorene Hayes, NY
- 3 Stacey Aaronson, FL
- 4 Tammy Brockbank, ID
- 5 Jennifer Jeter, TX
- 6 Nancy Vanhoose, MI
- 7 Cheryl Stroh, WA
- 8 Heidi Hamilton, WV
- 9 Beth Adastic, MI
- 10 Angela Arnett, AL

WOMEN'S 19+

- 1 Cheryl Gudinas, IL
- 2 Jackie Paraiso, CA
- 3 Robin Levine, CA
- 4 Leigh Ann Coutu, DE
- 5 Lori Troszak, MI
- 6 Lori Basch, FL
- 7 Michelle LaBonne, IN
- 8 Terry Newport, MO
- 9 Theresa Parrott, AZ
- 10 Lorraine Ridgeway, MA

WOMEN'S 25+

- 1 Joyce Pochilly, NH
- 2 Robin Petrini, IL
- 3 Lucy Kupish, CA
- 4 Karen Saunders, LA
- 5 Pam Goddard, GA
- 6 Linda Screeton, IN
- 7 Melanie Britton, NY
- 8 Sheila Collins, TN
- 9 Michelle Scott, FL
- 10 Geri Grigsby, KY

WOMEN'S 30+

- 1 Susan Morgan Pfahler, FL
- 2 Mary Lyons, FL
- 3 Malia Bailey, VA
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- 5 Linda Prochilo, NY
- 6 Mary Bickley, PA
- 7 Vicky King, TN
- 8 Tina Petrucy, NY
- 9 Jennifer Risch, TX
- 10 Joetta Hastings, MI

WOMEN'S 35+

- 1 Eileen Tuckman, FL
- 2 Janell Marriott, RI
- 3 Karen Sanfilippo, NJ
- 4 Fredina Iffert, PA
- 5 Deb Gridley, CO
- 6 Elaine Barch, MI
- 7 Gail Woods, LA
- 8 Lynne Farmer, IL
- 9 Janet Myers, NC
- 10 Kara Childs, TX

WOMEN'S 40+

- 1 Agatha Falso, FL
- 2 Carole French, VA
- 3 Janis Smith, FL
- 4 Merilean Kelley, CA
- 5 Linda Miller, IN
- 6 Linda Siau, AZ
- 7 Bev Powell, IL
- 8 Mary Benson, WY
- 9 Gayann Bloom, NH
- 10 Dina Brady, ND

WOMEN'S 45+

- 1 Linda Siau, AZ
- 2 Sue Carow, IL
- 3 Pat Tarzon, IL
- 4 Brigitte Hartz, MI
- 5 Sylvia Sawyer, UT
- 6 Mildred Gwinn, NC
- 7 Jean Tull, VA
- 8 Marilyn Perna, OH
- 9 Sharon Welty, OR
- 10 Gayann Bloom, NH

WOMEN'S 50+

- 1 Jo Kenyon, FL
- 2 Marion Crawford, NY
- 3 Joanna Ralda, PA
- 4 Jean Tull, VA
- 5 Kathy Mueller, MN
- 6 Susan Embry, CA
- 7 Maria Hagain, GA
- 8 Mary Walker, CA
- 9 Mary Low Acuff, VA
- 10 Joann Jones, NY

WOMEN'S 55+

- 1 Jo Kenyon, FL
- 2 Rose Mooney, CO
- 3 Mary Walker, CA
- 4 Cleata Ching, PA
- 5 Sue Graham, CA
- 6 Maria Hagain, GA
- 7 Joan Beck, AZ

WOMEN'S 60+

- 1 Mary Low Acuff, VA
- 2 Phyllis Melvey, ND
- 3 Claire Gautreau, TX
- 4 Eleanor Quackenbush, OR
- 5 Joann Jones, CT
- 6 Rox Cowle, NY
- 7 Betty Mowery, NM
- 8 Zelda Friedland, NM

WOMEN'S 65+

- 1 Mary Low Acuff, VA
- 2 Joann Jones, CT
- 3 Eleanor Quackenbush, OR

WOMEN'S 70+

- 1 Mary Low Acuff, VA

WOMEN'S 75+

- 1 Zelda Friedland, NM

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- 2 Shane Vanderson, OH
- 3 Rusty Moulton, FL
- 4 Matthew McElhiney, FL
- 5 Eric Voscopoulos, NY
- 6 Clem Reid, FL
- 7 Dan Thompson, WI
- 8 Gabriel Gose, NM
- 9 Rashid Neighbors, MI
- 10 Toby St. Pierre, FL

BOYS 8 AND UNDER (MULTI-BOUNCE)

- 1 Matthew McElhiney, FL
- 2 Toby St. Pierre, FL
- 3 Shane Vanderson, OH
- 4 Gabe Gose, NM
- 5 Lane Mershon, AL
- 6 Rusty Moulton, FL
- 7 Clem Reid, FL
- 8 Jason Williams, NE
- 9 Phillip Law, CO
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BOYS 10 AND UNDER

- 1 Hal Spangenberg, CA
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- 3 Jed Bhuta, AL
- 4 Tyler Siggins, CA
- 5 Blake Hansen, IA
- 6 Eric Storey, UT
- 7 Robbie Thompson, AL
- 8 Willie Tilton, CO
- 9 Nicholas Dorda, MI
- 10 Chris Gabe, NM

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- 1 Mark Hurst, FL
- 2 Jaron Icenogle, CA
- 3 Tony Puggioni, NY
- 4 Eric Storey, UT
- 5 Chris Voscopoulos, NY
- 6 Chris George, PA
- 7 David Hamilton, OH
- 8 Evan Pellowski, WI
- 9 John Stanford, FL
- 10 Brent Zimmerman, MI

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- 1 Craig Crys, FL
- 2 Andy Thompson, WI
- 3 Jamie Hopkins, NY
- 4 Jason Mannino, NY
- 5 Mat Kelly, CO
- 6 Chris Pfaff, OH
- 7 Matt Hawkins, FL
- 8 Jason Armbricht, NC
- 9 Allan Engle, FL
- 10 Toby Lepera, IN

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- 3 Todd Sabatini, NY
- 4 Doug Eagle, NC
- 5 Ryan Covell, MI
- 6 Pat Donovan, IN
- 7 Jamie Falkowitz, NY
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- 9 Mike Pettoruto, MA
- 10 Jim Ellenberger, WI

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- 1 Brian Jorgenson, PA
- 2 Tony Molinaro, WI
- 3 Robby Walden, FL
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- 8 Jason Waggoner, FL
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- 10 Mike Guldry, TX

GIRLS 8 AND UNDER

- 1 Lynn Hansen, IA
- 2 Elizabeth Smith, OH
- 3 Leslie Wooten, FL
- 4 Riva Wig, CN
- 5 Ricci Belden, CO
- 6 Sara Borland, IA
- 7 Emily Daniels, CA
- 8 Lani Weisbart, IL
- 9 Suzette Solomon, IN
- 10 Lindsey Hudson, IN

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- 1 Lynn Hansen, IA
- 2 Leslie Wooten, FL
- 3 Sara Borland, IA
- 4 Ricci Belden, CO
- 5 Allison Redelheim, TN
- 6 Elizabeth Smith, OH
- 7 Lani Weisbart, IL
- 8 Jolene Jorgenson, CO
- 9 Nicole Kois, CO
- 10 Karine Odegard, CN

GIRLS 10 AND UNDER

- 1 Kimberly O'Connor, FL
- 2 Kelly Ruhl, CO
- 3 Colleen Maginn, WI
- 4 Debra Derr, FL
- 5 Dawn Gates, IL
- 6 Katie Thompson, WI
- 7 Erica Daniels, CA
- 8 Meggin Donovan, IN
- 9 Bath Knitter, WI
- 10 Boole Markus, OR

GIRLS 12 AND UNDER

- 1 Debra Derr, FL
- 2 Amy Meyer, CO
- 3 Kimberly O'Connor, FL
- 4 Andrea Beugen, MN
- 5 Shannon Feaster, VA
- 6 Nikki Gardelli, CO
- 7 Vanessa Tulao, AL
- 8 Dawn Gates, IL
- 9 Mandi Hubble, OR
- 10 Stacie Mattioli, MA

GIRLS 14 AND UNDER

- 1 Aimee Roehler, PA
- 2 Britt Engel, FL
- 3 Hayden May, CA
- 4 Jenny Meyer, CO
- 5 Jenny Baun, OR
- 6 Amy Crocker, CO
- 7 Dawn Gates, IL
- 8 Cara Hansen, IA
- 9 Elkova Icenogle, CA

GIRLS 16 AND UNDER

- 1 Elkova Icenogle, CA
- 2 Heather Dunn, MA
- 3 Jenny Spangenberg, CA
- 4 Tina Alonzo, CO
- 5 Martha Gates, IL
- 6 Alicia Kinney, WA
- 7 Leslie Reeder, TN
- 8 Aimee Roehler, PA
- 9 Kristene Scott, CN
- 10 Nikki Sloan, IN

GIRLS 18 AND UNDER

- 1 Michelle Gilman, OR
- 2 Holly Gray, VA
- 3 Heather Dunn, MA
- 4 Heather Flory, IA
- 5 Martha Gates, IL
- 6 Rachel Gellman, NM
- 7 Holly Gray, TN
- 8 Amy Kibane, OH
- 9 Cara Pellowski, WI
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