

NEW HAMPSHIRE RACQUETBALL ASSOCIATION

MEMBERSHIP INCREASE

Below is a copy of a memo that was submitted to us concerning A.A.R.A. membership benefits and how the decision for the increase was made.

I. Increased A.A.R.A. membership benefits effective January 1, 1991.

- 1 The A.A.R.A. Membership Card will be changed to A.A.R.A. Competitive License and be completely redesigned to reflect a competitive player versus a recreational player
- 2 Six issues of Racquetball U.S.A. and as soon as possible, frequency increased to ten issues per year.
- 3 Liability Insurance up to \$1,000,000 per incident that protects all state organizations, sponsors, facilities, state board of directors and spectators in all A.A.R.A. sanctioned events.
- 4 Accidental secondary insurance for all members of the A.A.R.A. which covers players up to \$25,000 per incident at any A.A.R.A. sanctioned event. Insurance covers all members not only at the competition site, but also to and from the site. The insurance becomes primary if no other accidental insurance is in place. There is a \$250 deductible. Players become eligible upon becoming a member of the A.A.R.A.
- 5 Cost increase in dues effective January 1, 1991, is \$5.00 to \$15.00 per year with the state organization to receive \$1.00 additional rebate to \$6.00 per membership. Two-year, five-year and family plans will be increased to cover the cost of these items. The A.A.R.A. will not retain any of the dues increase.

REASONS for the INCREASE:

- 1 The A.A.R.A. and its state organizations has become stable thereby, attractive for lawsuits, since becoming a Group A member of the U.S.O.C.
- 2 Only two state organizations currently have liability insurance for their organizations during sanctioned events leaving the individual board members open to lawsuits and loss of individual assets.
- 3 Increased pressure from facilities hosting A.A.R.A. sanctioned events for certificates of insurance (liability) for hosting the event.
- 4 Pressure from the U.S.O.C. for the A.A.R.A. to increase its benefits to its state and individual members to bring the A.A.R.A. in line with other member organizations of the U.S.O.C.
- 5 An increased awareness of its (A.A.R.A.) responsibility to the competitive racquetball player and to offer protection to its members during A.A.R.A. events
- 6 Increase its benefit package to club owners for sanctioned events.

N. H. RACQUETBALL ASSOC., INC. 1990 - 1991 TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

DATES	TOURNAMENT	DIRECTOR	TELEPHONE
1990			
SEPT. 28 - 30	5th ANNUAL BOB GOULET OPEN Manchester Court Club Manchester, NH	Pam Wright Allen Wright	(603) 668-8375
OCT. 5 - 7			
OCT. 12 - 14	REGIONAL DOUBLES T-B-A	Paul Hendrickson Reg. Commissioner	c/o N.E.R.A. (508) 832-3236
OCT. 19 - 21	TOM O'DWYER MEMORIAL OPEN Salem Athletic Club Salem, NH	Al Parchuck	(603) 893-8612
OCT. 26 - 28	NATIONAL DOUBLES SPORTS MALL SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH	Luke St. Onge	(801) 261-3426
NOV. 2 - 4	7th ANNUAL TURKEY SHOOT OUT Executive Health & Fitness Londonderry, NH	Claude Benjamin	(603) 668-4753
NOV. 9 - 11	2nd N. HAMPSHIRE SEACOAST OPEN The CLUB at Greenleaf Woods Portsmouth, NH	George Vierra	(603) 436-6664
NOV. 16 - 18	BOB HALE - CANCER SOCIETY OPEN The Works Somersworth, NH	Keryn Kriegl	(603) 742-2163
NOV. 23 - 25	*** THANKSGIVING ***		
NOV. 30 - DEC. 2			
DEC. 7 - 9	NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE DOUBLES Executive Health & Fitness Londonderry, NH	Claude Benjamin	(603) 668-4753
DEC. 14 - 16			
DEC. 21 - 23	*** CHRISTMAS ***		
DEC. 28 - 30	*** NEW YEARS ***		



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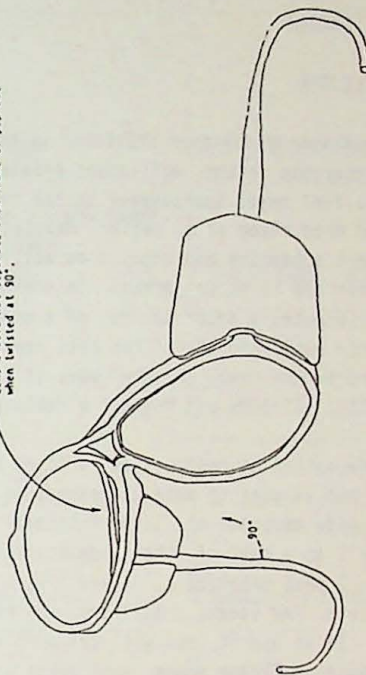
EKTELON ALERTS CONSUMERS OF POTENTIAL PRODUCT

DEFECT IN INTERCEPTOR RACQUETBALL EYEWEAR

SAN DIEGO -- April 5, 1990 -- Ektelon, the leading manufacturer of racquetball and squash equipment, has discovered the potential of a product defect in a small percentage of its Interceptor protective eyewear.

In a limited number of pieces, the lenses were installed improperly. Consequently, on these specific pieces, when the lens is impacted, it could dislodge and pop inward. Below is a detailed description of how the Interceptor eyewear with defective lenses can be identified.

Lens should not separate from frame or pop out when tilted at 90°.



Ektelon will accept all returns of Interceptor eyewear with defective lenses and replace them immediately. Consumers can return the defective product direct to Ektelon, Customer Service, 8929 Aero Drive, San Diego, California 92123.

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1990/91 A.A.R.A. RULE CHANGES

The A.A.R.A. Board of Directors approved the following rule changes to be effective September 1, 1990.

- 1 The foot fault rule on the serve has been changed to allow the front foot to move over the service line as long as it does not go all the way over. Your front foot may now be on the line but not completely over the line.
- 2 Court hinders are now appealable. A court hinder is defined in Rule 4.15 (a) (1) and has not been appealable in the past.
- 3 Racquet length may extend to 21-1/2" from the present 21". The racquet size waiver is for test purposes and expires June 1, 1991 unless approved as a permanent rule change. This test racquet cannot be used in the Regional or National Championships.
- 4 New age bracket of 80+ approved for both Men's and Women's division.
- 5 Mixed doubles approved for all age divisions except 19+.
- 6 Point hinder has been changed back to avoidable hinder.

TO: ALL NHRA/AARA MEMBERS
FROM: BILL GARGAN
SUBJECT: NEWSLETTER

Lenny and Gayann Bloom have initiated several measures which are expected, over time, to broaden the involvement of the membership in the activities related to **making racquetball happen** here in New Hampshire. One of the areas that they feel needs improvement is the newsletter. They have asked me to take the lead in coordinating the development and production of a 'better' newsletter. The old format had, as it's primary purpose, the job of providing tournament schedules and results as well as point results and standings. We feel that is appropriate to broaden that coverage to other areas. On one hand, the demise of National Racquetball magazine seems to be final... That eliminates a major source of a great variety of broad coverage information. On the other hand, the AARA has recently published its' first real newsletter/magazine. I was personally impressed with the first effort and look forward to the next. By the way, if you are a current member of the AARA and didn't receive your copy, call them at (719) 635-5396 and request a replacement.

Back to the matter at hand! I am writing to each of you to solicit your help... We have lots of ideas for the newsletter but we want to make it responsive to your needs and expectations. We want it to be YOUR newsletter. It needs to provide coverage of local information and issues. It should also cover regional and national amateur issues... as well as a host of other possibilities. I need suggestions... What do you want included? What do you want excluded? I need material... If you have an idea, let me know. I can use finished or semi-finished material. I can use outlines, raw ideas... anything! To repeat, I would be very happy to receive material or ideas in virtually any form. If we use it, you will get credit (unless you prefer anonymity) no matter whether a raw idea or a finished submission. Please share your ideas with your fellow members. We all stand to gain! We all want to know!

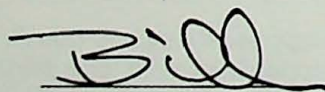
Write letters... to me, Lenny, Gayann or whoever... About rules, tournaments, equipment, people, clothes... Whatever! We'll have column for letters... Perhaps we'll call it "GRIPES-N-GRINS". We will not publish anonymous letters but we will withhold your name if you wish. Speak up so we can hear you!!!

Send me news... Births, deaths, marriages, special trips, special events, pictures, whatever! Your friends want to know. You know that when we do get together, it is difficult to remember or to have the time to fill in all the blanks with those you would like to inform of something. Well, tell me... Perhaps we'll have a 'gossip column... Perhaps it's name could be "AROUND THE STATE". Maybe "BITS-N-PIECES" would be better?

We are going to need a name for the newsletter. You folks can come up with something for your newsletter that is better than "GRANITE STATE RACQUETBALLER" can't you? How about "NHRA TODAY"? Send me your ideas!

Please... don't hesitate. Please... don't delay. I/WE need you! The first issue is planned for around November. The input cutoff will be about 3 to 4 weeks before publication initially. We may be able to shorten that for subsequent issues. Please write. Please write often. Please write lots and lots.

See you soon and thanks for your time.



William D. (Bill) Gargan
Editor, Publisher, Gopher, Etc.
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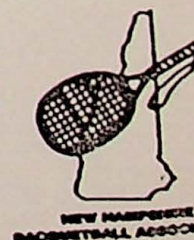
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1991			
JAN. 4 - 6	BUD LIGHT OPEN Salem Athletic Club Salem, NH	Al Parchuck	(603) 893 - 8612
JAN. 11 - 13	GAIL SINGER MEMORIAL OPEN Manchester Court Club Manchester, NH	Leo & Mary Dee Jolly Pam Wright & Allan Wright	(603) 668 - 8375
JAN. 18 - 20			
JAN. 25 - 27			
FEB. 1 - 3			
FEB. 8 - 10	SALEM ATHLETIC CLUB OPEN Salem Athletic Club Salem, NH	Al Parchuck	(603) 893 - 8612
FEB. 15 - 17	4th ANNUAL TURKEY SHOOT OUT Executive Health & Fitness Londonderry, NH	Claude Benjamin	(603) 668 - 4753
FEB. 22 - 24			
MAR. 1 - 3	N. H. STATE SINGLES & JUNIORS Salem Athletic Club Salem, NH	Al Parchuck	(603) 893 - 8612
MAR. 8 - 9	GOOD BYE WINTER OPEN The CLUB at Greenleaf Woods Portsmouth, NH	George Vierra	(603) 435 - 6664
MAR 15 - 17			
MAR. 22 - 24	SPRING - SHOOT OUT OPEN The Works Somersworth, NH	Keryn Kriegl	(603) 742-2163
MAR. 29 - 31	GRANITE STATE CHALLENGE CUP Executive Hlth. & Fitness Club Londonderry, NH	Claude Benjamin	(603) 668 - 4753
APR. 6	3rd ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET		
TO BE ANNOUNCED	NEW ENG. ADULT REG'L CHAMPIONSHIPS		

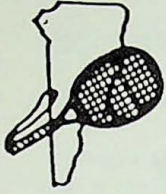


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WELL... HERE WE GO AGAIN!

Welcome back. Summer is almost over... about a month or so as this is being written. The infamaous New England weather has performed as might be expected. STRANGE!! Hopefully you found a way to enjoy the season during it's more pleasant times. Hopefully, you stayed in shape because here comes tournament season again.

Those of you who chose to were able to have a busy racquetball summer. Five tournaments were held in Massachusetts. Three at the Fitness Club of Cape Cod, one (the infamous "free for all") at Auburn and the Summer Smash at New England Health and Racquet in Burlington. Great times all!!

The rumors of club failures continues to be just that... RUMORS. Whew!!! Some faces have left or moved. Some management changes have been made. Times change, but generally speaking... all is well.

This issue contains the annual calendar of the upcoming years' festivities. As usual, a rather full deck. The season is starting off with the usual season blastoff at the Manchester Health and Racquet Club's annual Bob Goulet Open. We are including a copy of the application in this issue. You'll be there... RIGHT? In any case, we are all happy to be back and look forward to seeing you soon... and frequently.