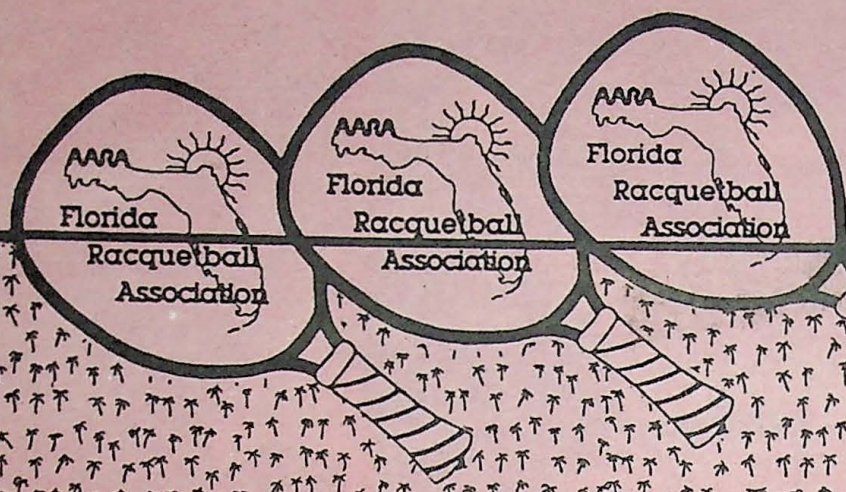


FRA NEWS



WAGGONER SELECTED FOR US TEAM

When Jason Waggoner won the 1989 US National High School Championships in Indianapolis back in March, he earned a trip to the AARA US National Team Trials in Colorado Springs, and a chance to try out for the US National Racquetball Team. After making that important trip to the Olympic Training Center November 8-12, Waggoner returned to Florida with a dream come true — a spot on the team and an expense-paid trip to Mexico as one of seven US representatives on the US/Mexican Challenge goodwill tour.



The November team trials were held at the Lynmar Racquet and Health Club in Colorado Springs, and consisted of four days of drills, competition and observation by the five-member US Team coaching staff. During that time, Jason logged some court time with some of the very finest amateur players in the country — and held his own. In singles matches of three games to eleven, Waggoner took games from both Andy Roberts and Mike Bronfeld in early round tiebreakers, and later lost a doubles match (teamed with Mike Guidry) to Doug Ganim/Dan Obremski, 15-6, 15-6.

Three weeks later, Waggoner joined Doyle, Floyd and Guidry "on the road" to Mexico, along with Cindy Doyle, Michelle Gilman and Kaye Kuhfeld. At their first stop at the Lomas Racquet Club in San Luis Potosi on November 30, Jason defeated Ricardo Torres 15-6, 15-8, then followed-up with a win over Felipe Bremer 15-13, 15-0 at Club Deportivo Potoino on December 1st. Waggoner also teamed with Jim Floyd during this stop and defeated Raul Torres/Jorge Aguilar 15-14, 15-7.

A freshman at Santa Fe Community College this year, Waggoner is not eligible to defend his National High School title in 1990, but will have several other opportunities to re-qualify for the team over the coming months — most notably the AARA/ACRA National Intercollegiate Championships at UC/Berkeley in April, and National Singles in Houston in May.



Suited up in this year's uniform and posing for the Men's Team photo, Waggoner is shown with teammates Dan Obremski, Doug Ganim, Mike Guidry, Jim Floyd (front row), Andy Roberts, Tim Doyle and Mike Bronfeld (back row). Team photos: John Foust.

RACQUETPOWER TO RING IN NEW DECADE

Over the first few months of 1990, the RacquetPower Health & Fitness Club in Jacksonville will be the most active court club facility in Florida, hosting a series of state, regional and international events in quick succession. Relying on the expertise and distinguished track record of racquetball director Mary Lyons, the club made successful bids for the Florida State Singles (February 22-26), the Region Four Singles Championships (March 22-26), and the Tournament of the Americas (April 7-14).

One of the most colorful characters on the Florida playing circuit, Mary Lyons is as adept behind the tournament desk as she is on the court. Her events run on time, the players are well-fed, and she never misses an opportunity to pull a fast practical joke on any unwitting guest. At the same time, she is well known for her ability to concentrate and "switch gears" from running a tournament to winning one.

A player for ten years, Mary has distinguished herself at the national level with outstanding doubles performances with long-time partner Susan Morgan-Pfahler. Among their national titles: 1st in Women's 25+, 2nd in Open (1985); 2nd in 25+ (1986); 1st in 30+ (1988); 1st in 30+, 3rd in Open and a WPRA pro stop win (1989). In singles, Lyons also reached the finals of her age divisions in 1986, 1988, and 1989 national championships; currently holds the #3 national ranking in Women's 30+; and remains top ranked in Women's Open in Florida.

With this type of tournament experience, it's no wonder that RacquetPower conducts between six and eight well-attended FRA sanctioned tournaments per year, and often bids on major regional and national events. In 1986 the AARA held its National Doubles Championships at the facility, and the FRA State Doubles were played there last August. General manager Tim Williamson is responsible for the overall operation of the ten-court facility, and is "very pleased and excited" about seeing the club put to such good use in 1990. It seems that Florida players — and the US National Team — couldn't be in better hands.

CASH DRAWS TOP PLAYERS TO ORLANDO

by Linda Mojer

In another "signature series" event, Mike Mojer and the Orlando Tennis and Racquet Club teamed up to host the "Holiday Cash Classic" December 01-03. Over \$1,500 in cash and prizes was awarded to winners in the Men's and Women's Open and A divisions, plus to lucky ticket-holders in the Saturday night drawing.

Twelve top-ranked Men's Open players from around the state braved holiday traffic to attend, including Charlie Nichols, Scott Reiff, Curtis Winter, Steve Chapman, Mark Morrison, Aaron Metcalf, Derek Lee and Brent Huber. Local talent from the club and around town filled out the draw with Terry Fluharty, Charlie Krestul, Gordon Kirkland and Rick Taylor. Vinnie Ganley was sidelined on Friday with food poisoning, but recovered enough to join an injured Morrison on Sunday as a spectator at the finals.

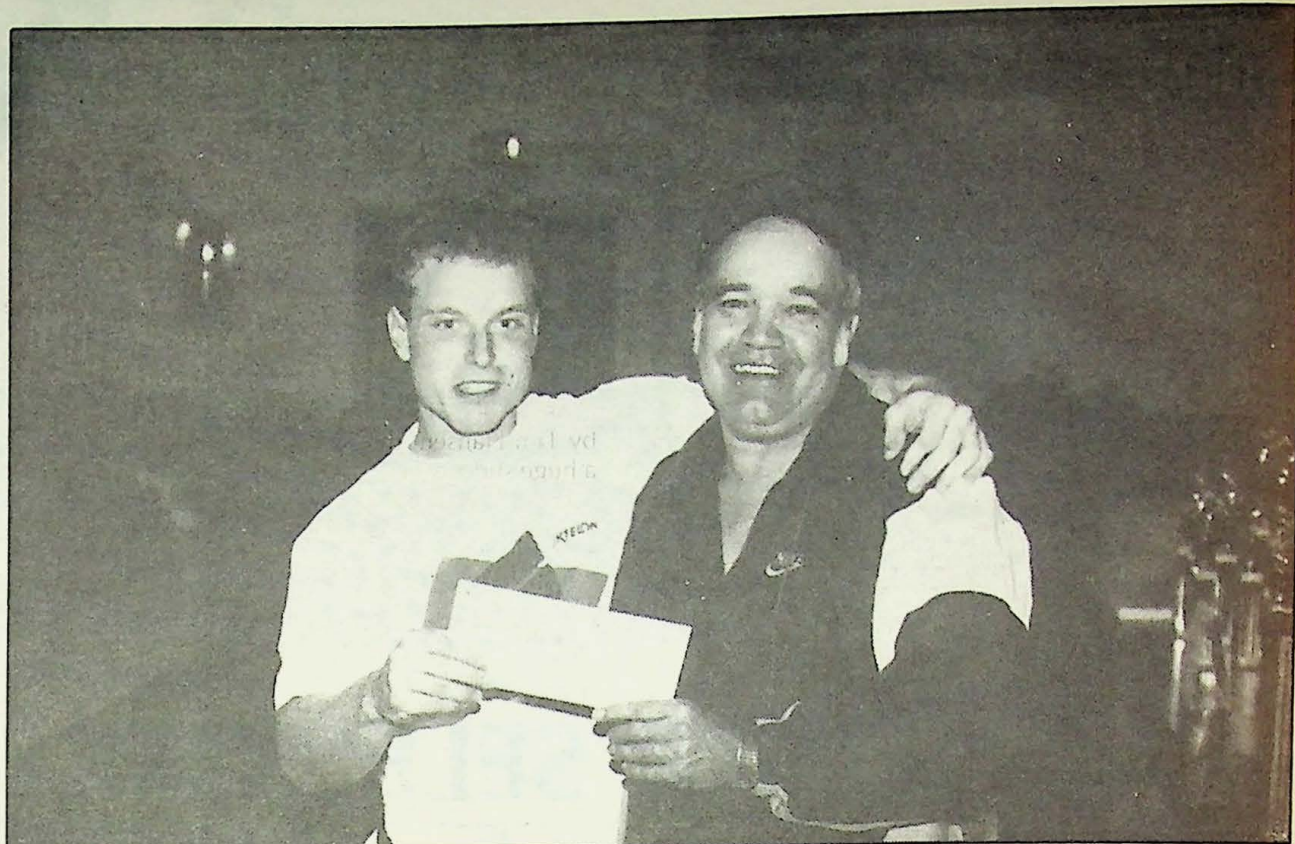
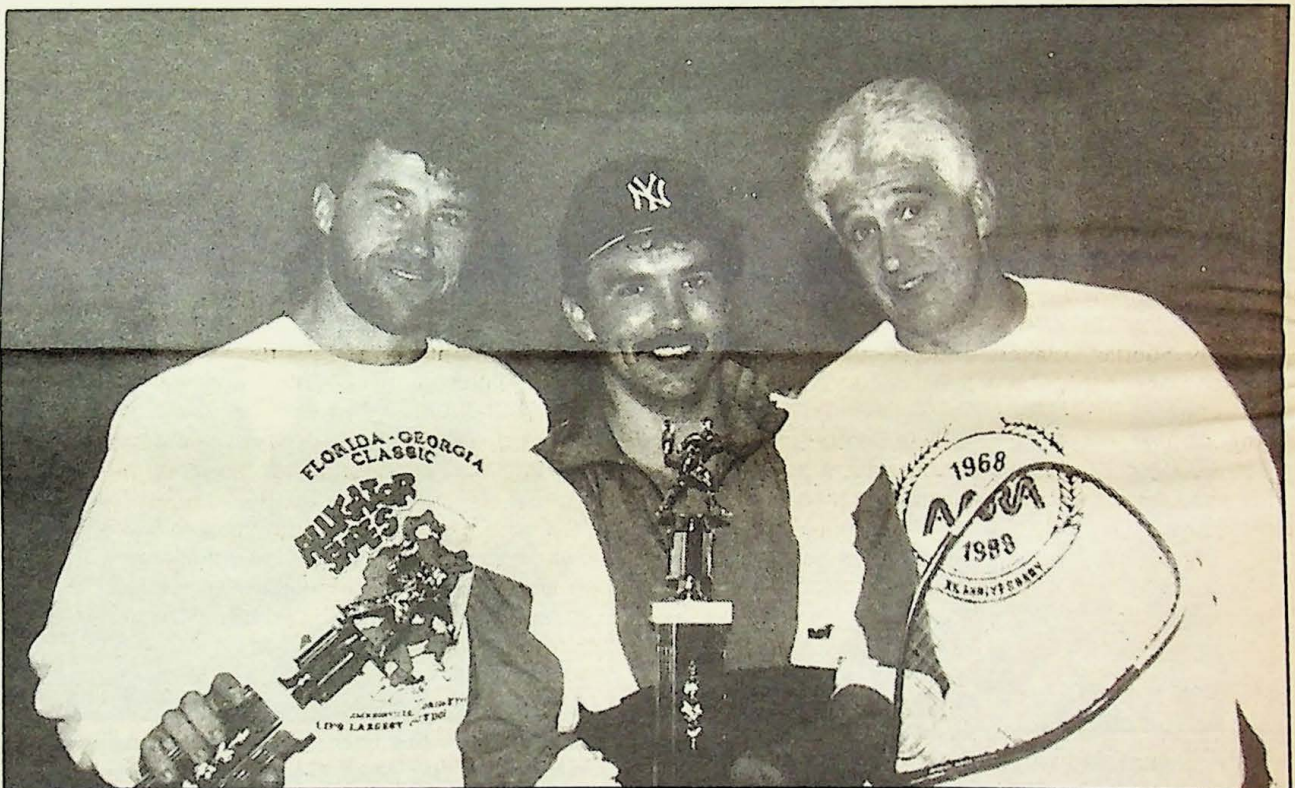
Number one seeded Nichols didn't see a tiebreaker all weekend, as he advanced past first round opponent Derek Lee 15-5, 15-10 to reach the semi-final against Curtis Winter, who fell to the lefty 15-9, 15-10. On the lower half of the draw, #2 seeded Scott Reiff had his hands full early on with Gainesville's Brent Huber, who took the first game of their match 15-10. Reiff recovered to win the second 15-12, and the tiebreaker 11-4. Aaron Metcalf was next in line, after receiving a quarter-final forfeit from Mark Morrison who sustained a severe sprained ankle in game two of their match. Against Metcalf in the semi-final, Reiff advanced with a 15-4, 15-2 win over the Jacksonville native. In a Sunday repeat of a RacquetPower final two weeks prior, Nichols kept his racquet intact to defeat Reiff in straight games of 15-9, 15-8, and took home \$200.00 for his trouble.

In Women's Open, the player roster forced an "Orlando vs. Jacksonville" draw, with Mary Lyons and Kersten Hallander in the #1 and #3 seed positions and local players Lori Basch, Diane Fields-Arnold, Linda Diamond and Linda Mojer filling in the blanks. In the semi-final rounds, Lyons defeated newlywed Diane Fields-Arnold in straight games of 15-6, 15-13 and Hallander advanced in two over Lori Basch 15-4, 15-11. The Jax final went to a tiebreaker after Kersten took the first game 15-13 and Mary responded 15-11 in the second. Very close play in the final ended up in Mary's favor, ending with an 11-6 score and \$125.00 in cash for the Lyons holidays.

The Men's A division drew twenty-one entrants for a cash award of \$125.00, and John Collison of Orlando defeated Claude Stokes, John Welton, Larry Malesky and Frank Catarelli to earn his holiday spending spree. In Women's A, former Ohio competitor Jean Trimble defeated Maria Silva de Ruiz, Wanda Mar and Teresa Chaffin for her share of a pro-rated cash award.

Nettie Rand of Sunrise was the big winner in the prize drawing on Saturday night. Her purchased tickets were lucky ones, winning her the grand prize of \$200.00, tickets to Orlando Magic games, and an assortment of equipment. Even later, the big-screen TV was rolled out for the Florida/Florida State game and players kicked back for a relaxing evening of football, chicken wings and good company.

Top: Charlie Nichols receives first place cash from tournament director Mike Mojer. Center: (L to R) Jimmy Webb and Terry Fluharty pick up their trophies from Mike Smith. Bottom: Linda Mojer and Lori Basch look on as Dan McKinley takes home a pair of awards. Photos: Mike Smith & Mike Mojer.



HANSEN'S THREE WALL CHILLER A SUCCESS

by Tim Hansen

The "Three-Wall Chiller" at the Santaluces High School outdoor court facility lived up to its name early in December, with morning temperatures dipping into the 50s throughout the weekend. Even though it took players a bit longer to warm up, it still turned out to be a sizzler of a tournament!

Over 150 players entered the outdoor showdown, which quickly became an excellent first opportunity for outdoor players to be treated to a high-quality AARA sanctioned event. In keeping with the "great outdoors," a huge Saturday night buffet was laid out under the stars by Dino's, followed by a prize raffle conducted by Geri Goldfine.

The Men's Open singles division attracted some of Florida's finest outdoor players, including number one seeded Dennis Rivard who had little trouble reaching the final. In the semi-final round, he met the always-tough James Wells of Miami, and the two began what seemed to be more of a "war of the words" than a racquetball match. After two exciting games, Rivard's perfect passes edged Wells out of the final with an 11-9 tiebreaker finish.

On the other side of the draw, number two seeded Jimmy Alvarado was pitted against indoor doubles partner Oscar Alvarez in the semi-final. Although Jimmy's outdoor experience was clearly an advantage over Alvarez, it still took him three games to squeak into the final against Rivard.

Early Sunday, players and spectators gathered to watch both the Men's Open singles and doubles finals. In singles, Dennis Rivard came on strong against Jimmy Alvarado, logging a 6-0 lead before Jimmy warmed up, closed the gap and took the first game. Dennis struggled to win the second game, and kept on fighting for every point in the tiebreaker while Jimmy moved faster than anyone has ever seen him do indoors. Jimmy finally ended the long match with an 11-6 tiebreaker win and first place.

The Men's Open doubles was another chiller in itself. In early rounds, a surprise upset of second-seeded Henry Athersey/David Aloï by unseeded Oscar Alvarez/Fabian Balmori put Alvarez/Balmori up against Jimmy Alvarado/James Wells in the semifinal. What a match! Both teams could be heard around the complex, shouting each other on as the match progressed and Alvarez/Balmori moved into the final. On the upper half of the draw, #1 seeded Armando Alonso/Jim Watson met the #4 team of Tim Hansen/Keith Ellison in the semi, and both teams played to each others strengths and weaknesses before Hansen/Ellison pulled away with the victory.

The final pitted a new outdoor team against an experienced indoor team, and Hansen/Ellison quickly took advantage of their opponents inexperience and came back from a 14-9 slump to take the first game 15-14. The second game was more of the same, with Alvarez/Balmori coming on strong to gain a big lead, only to lose in the long run with a duplicate score of 15-14.

Special high school divisions were offered in the tournament, and entrants from six area high schools showed up to compete for the first place award of an Ektelon bag. The Women's B division also had a good turnout with Barbara Maxwell winning the three-wall title over Anita Sanders. The Men's A division was extremely tough, with some players referring to it as "the other open draw." In it, newcomer Fabian Balmori defeated Kenny McLeod in the final.

As the first of a series of outdoor tournaments hosted by Tim Hansen, the Three-Wall Chiller proved to be a huge success in bringing outdoor and indoor players together and in introducing up-and-coming high schoolers to the game and the AARA.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS AROUND THE STATE

AMERICAN FITNESS

Summer Sizzler: Aug. 04-06
Jones Intercable: Sept. 08-10
Fall Tourney: Nov. 17-19
Reported by Evelio Hernandez

Sorry players, but points earned in these tournaments cannot be entered into either the state or national ranking systems until we receive complete results from the site.

BLUEWATER RACQUET & FITNESS

Mullet Festival: Sept. 29—Oct. 01
Reported by Bob Hurst

Eighty entrants from Alabama, Mississippi and Florida participated in this event, including Maurice Sweet (Niceville) and Fernando Gambirazio (Mobile), who reached the final in men's open. Many spectators viewed this match as Florida vs. Alabama, but still others saw it as the Air Force vs. the Marines. No matter the reason, the gallery was spirited as Sweet took the first game 15-14, followed by a second game win by Gambirazio 15-5. The tiebreaker also went to Alabama's Gambirazio 11-8, with the third place trophy going to Eric Breese of Panama City.

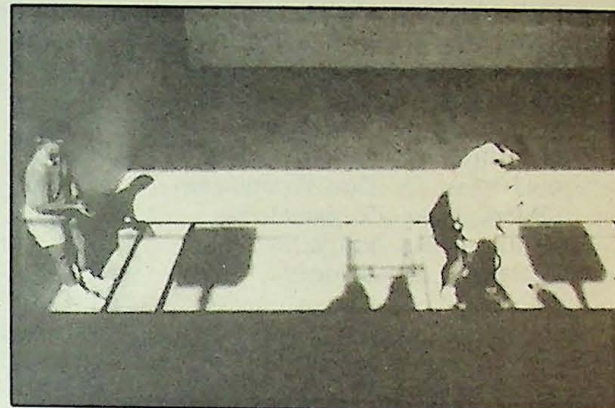
MO: Fernando Gambirazio def. Maurice Sweet
MA: Tim Sheppard def. Ernie Mathews
MB: Robert Maddox def. Terry Wilson
MC: Jimmy Bay def. Ruth Moss
MD: Benny Arocan def. Dave Kearney
MN: Rob Talley def. Benny Arocan
25: Frank Medeiros def. Robert Smith
35: Cedric Smith def. Richard Calano
50: Gerald Daussen def. John McCumbers
WC: Claire Calano def. Joanne Groome
B18: Adam Kendig def. Cy Hurst

NATIONWIDE FITNESS & RACQUETBALL CLUB

2nd Annual Indian Summer Classic: Oct. 13-15
Reported by Bob Hurst

Fifty entrants from Alabama, Florida, Georgia and Mississippi traveled to Panama City for this cash tournament, including national Men's 30+ champion Mark Morrison. A surprise competitor in the panhandle, Morrison easily advanced through the field of 14 open players to take first place.

MO: Mark Morrison def. Frank Medeiros
MA: Mark Holdaway def. Tim Sheppard
MB: Allan Berard def. Ron Cekot
MC: Benny Arocan def. Ed Eubanks
25: Tom Cowher def. Bill Walker
30: Bob Talley def. Jim Gillhouse
40: Mike Brooks def. Jim Davis
45: Spence King def. Ron Cekot
MXD: T.Jobson/Hurst def. C.Jobson/Chizmar



In Auburndale calling a short serve at certain times of the day was near impossible, and never mind trying to follow the ball off the back wall from mid-court!

AUBURNDALE RECREATION DEPARTMENT

State Outdoor 4-Wall: Nov. 03-05
Reported by Chris Shelton

MO: Vinnie Ganley def. Scott Reiff
MA: Kenny McLeod def. Larry Maleskey
MB: David Orne def. Steve Rojo
MC: Carl Watson def. Craig Wolfe
19: Mike Reynolds def. Brent Huber
30: Vinnie Ganley def. Paul Owens
35: Randy Hines def. Ken Arrowsmith
40: Tom Rumsey def. Bob Christ
WA: Wanda Mar def. Linda Mojer

MOD: Reynolds/Farrand def. Owens/Peterson
MAD: Patterson/Moore def. Alderman/Dale
MBD: Miller/Zinser def. Smith/Black



Four-time state outdoor champion Vinnie Ganley and Mike Reynolds give "sunshine" tips to Dave Petterson.

NEW MEMBERS

Jason Agresti
Hank-Albertson
Thomas Ale
Eddie Alemon
Pablo Alemon
David Aloï
Jaime Alvarado
Manny Anero
Rick Arnold
Judy Arnold
Steven Arzapalo
Steven Barham
Aaron Barham
Joel Barnes
Marcus Barnes
Kay Barone
David Black
Stephen Blackford
Marsha Bladel
Kurt Bomar
Jon Boykin
Robert Brandon
Robert Brown
Phil Buchanan
Eddie Burdick
Gary Burdick
Wes Burquet
Chuck Call
Jose Canizares
Frank Canarelli
Karen Clifford
Scot Consolet
Anita Cooney
Tim Corlew
Frank Cress
David Crouch
Michael Czerwinski
Charlie Davenport
David Davidson
Thomas DePiro
Juan Diaz
Michael Drews
George Estornell
Pablo Faïre
Charles Faist
Rick Fort
John Fraley
Bill Greaney
Scott Hagerty
Aaron Harries
Frank Heavlin
M. Hejilmanesai
Michael Hoan
William Hogue
Greg Huffstiller
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Gregg Irwin
James Kane
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Robert Lyons
Mike Maharas
Roe Marchman
Len Marero
Gino Martinez
Armando Maura
Barbara Maxwell
Frank Medeiros
Luis Mejias
Donald Messier
Maxine Michael
Sid Miller
David Mills
Martin Moore
Joe Morello
Donnie Morrow
Christine Newcomer
Danny Newell
Tom Overdorf
Wayne Paggeot
Greg Pember
Robert Pena
Alan Perez
Cassie Pierce
Victor Powell
Jay Rand
Donald Robinson
Tom Ross
Bryan Rucks
Tom Ruffing

SARASOTA YMCA

Kiwanis Tournament: Nov. 10-12
Reported by Barbara Simmons

MO: Charlie Nichols def. Allen Engel
MA: Craig Czyz def. Kersten Hallendar
MB: Todd Peterson def. Steve Rojo
MC: Tim Colew def. Phil Harris
MD: Bob Devine def. Rob Brown
19: Jimmy Smith unchallenged
25: Dana Levy def. John Scargle
30: Randy Godwin def. Gary Trapp
40: Gary Trapp def. Michael Wolf
45: Tony Conti def. Jerry Rand
50: Gene Landrum def. Tom Vann
55: Tom Vann def. Don Woodington
60: Ed Busigo def. George Hume
65: Ed Busigo def. Bob Wise
70: Bob Wise unchallenged

WA: Jane Fontaine def. Marshal Gladel
WB: Sue Giliberti def. Gloria Case
WC: Diedra Landrum def. Maxine Michael
WD: Cassie Pierce def. Christine Newcomer
35: Jane Fontaine def. Mary Gryczka
40: Gloria Case unchallenged
45: Mary Gryczka unchallenged

B18: Paul Haines unchallenged
16: Allen Engel def. Jay Hamilton
14: Craig Czyz def. Jay Hamilton
12: Trevor Looby def. Gator Wooten
10: Gator Wooten def. Rusty Moulton
08: Mathew McElhiney def. Michael Harmon
G16: Amanda Simmons def. Teresa Gross
10: Melissa Harmon unchallenged
08: Leslie Wooten unchallenged

MOD: Nichols/Warren def. Engel/Hodgkinson
MAD: Warren/Hallendar def. Czyz/Wolf
MCD: Smud/Smud def. Bomar/Schuster
M30: Godwin/Weinzierl def. Newcomb/Drews
M40: Conti/Woodington def. Harmon/Olivieri
MXA: Hodgkinson/Olivieri def. Harmon/Simmons
MXB: Hamilton/Hart def. Rogers/Gryczka

RACQUETPOWER

First Coast Classic: Nov. 17-19
Reported by Mary Lyons

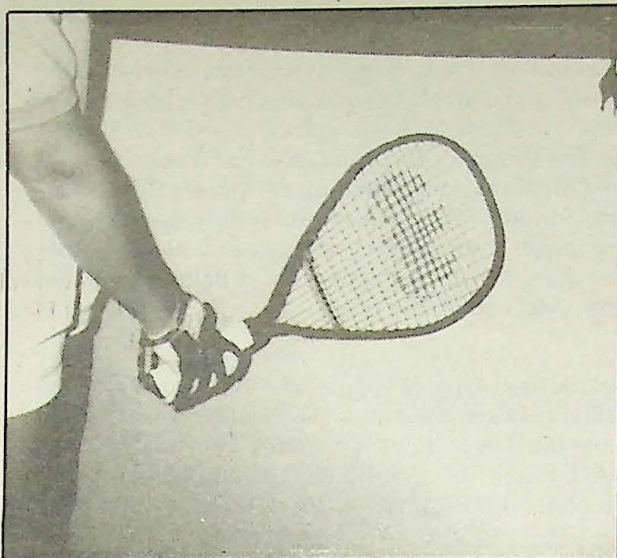
MO: Charlie Nichols def. Scott Reiff
MA: Rito Rodriguez def. Mark Warren
MB: Gary Blawn def. Larry Smith
MC: Frances Mucciolo def. Tim Williamson
MD: Andy Reiff def. Edward Sowder
MN: Steve Heller def. Danny Barrett
19: Claude Stokes def. Charlie Krestul
40: Bob Heller def. Alan Miller

WA: Susan Cox def. Ruth Moss
WB: Lydia DuBose def. Kathy Daber
WC: Debra Derr def. Jackie Smith
19: Susan Cox def. Martha LaFata

B16: Matt Hawkins def. Peter Cleyman
12: Shawn LaFata def. Cory Barrett
08: Ian Hawkins def. Jimmy Lyons
G12: Debra Derr def. Lyndsi Patton
10: Jennifer Hayes unchallenged

NEW MEMBERS

Lisa Schram
Manuel Shaw
Arthur Siebrecht
Amanda Simmons
Steve Sloan
Larry Smith
Janis Smith
Michael Smith
Felix Smud
Victor Solar
Richard Spector
Bob Talley
Ivan Tanenbaum
David Uribe
Luis Vasquez
Pepe Varquez
Rudi Vukovic
Robert Warren
Carl Watson
Gary Weinzierl
Paul Welch
Danny Welling
Robert Westcott
Ron Wight
Kevin Wyckoff
Mark Yee
Juan Zamora



Ektelon's customized "Bat-Racquet" on display in Jacksonville (guess whose).

MOD: Winter/Layton def. Metcalf/Lee
MBD: Gassaway/Macaluso def. Hawkins/Johnson
MCD: Bush/Rein def. Balsavage/Rodriguez
MXO: Lyons/Metcalf def. Pfahler/Morgan-Pfahler
MXA: Ira/Ripley def. Johnson/Silva deRuiz
MXC: Hamilton/Hart def. Osterman/Phillips

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ORLANDO TENNIS & RACQUET CLUB

Holiday Cash Classic: Dec. 01-03
Reported by Linda Mojer

MO: Charlie Nichols def. Scott Reiff
MA: John Collison def. Frank Catarelli
MB: John Linde def. Tony Landry
MC: Bryan Rucks def. Ray Ward
MN: Jason Infinger def. William Henningson
M25: Rick Taylor def. Dan McKinley
M40: Bob Heller def. Steve Chapman
M45: Bob Christ def. Tony Conti

WO: Mary Lyons def. Kersten Hallendar
WA: Jean Trimble def. Teresa Chaffin
WB: Rena Baer def. Carla Alford
W30: Diane Fields-Arnold def. Janis Smith

MOD: Nichols/Huber def. Fluharty/Webb
MAD: Bernick/Smith def. Collison/Sass
MBD: Gassaway/Macaluso def. Linde/Royal
M35: Ruffing/Handley def. Mojer/Smith
MXD: Hallendar/Welton def. Fields-Arnold/McKinley

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SANTALUCES HIGH SCHOOL

Tim Hansen 3-Wall Chiller: Dec. 01-03
Reported by Tim Hansen

MO: Jimmy Alvarado def. Dennis Rivard
MA: Fabian Balmori def. Kenny McLeod
MB: Juan Zamora def. Tom Ale
MC: Freddie Varner def. Wayne Pageott
WB: Barbara Maxwell def. Anita Sanders
MOD: Hansen/Alvarez def. Ellison/Balmori
MAD: Diaz/Nystrom def. Alvarez/Sander
MBD: Barnes/Martinez def. Russell/Pina
MCD: Burton/Arzapalo def. Westcott Armando

High School Divisions

Singles: Donny Robinson def. Marcus Barnes
Doubles: Pablo Alemon/Albert Coucelo def. Juan Diaz/George Estorrell



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JUNIOR TEAM FLORIDA SUITS UP

Thanks to the hard work of Dan Derr of Ormond Beach, and generous support from corporate sponsors in that coastal area, young Florida competitors at the 1989 Junior Orange Bowl stood out from the crowd in awesome orange neon team t-shirts. The FRA would like to thank those donors who made this special "uniform" a reality for our hard-working youngsters:

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NATIONALLY RANKED JUNIORS

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|-----|------------------------|-----|--------------------|
| B8: | Rusty Moulton, #2 | 10: | Gator Wooten, #1 |
| | Toby St.Pierre, #3 | 12: | Mark Hurst, #1 |
| | Clem Reid, #4 | | John Stanford, #6 |
| | Matthew McElhiney, #15 | 14: | Craig Czyz, #1 |
| NB: | Toby St.Pierre, #1 | | Matt Hawkins, #6 |
| | Matthew McElhiney, #3 | | Allan Engel, #7 |
| | Rusty Moulton, #5 | 16: | Robby Walden, #1 |
| | Clem Reid, #6 | | Scott Reiff, #8 |
| | | | Chris Conway, #9 |
| | | 18: | Robby Walden, #3 |
| | | | Jason Waggoner, #5 |
| G8: | Leslie Wooten, #2 | | |
| NB: | Leslie Wooten, #2 | | |
| 10: | Kim O'Connor, #1 | | |
| | Debra Derr, #3 | | |
| | Karen Breneman, #11 | | |
| 12: | Debra Derr, #1 | | |
| | Kim O'Connor, #3 | | |
| | Cassie Pierce, #14 | | |
| 14: | Britt Engel, #2 | | |
| | Amanda Simmons, #12 | | |
| 16: | Amanda Simmons, #14 | | |



JUNIOR TEAM FLORIDA BOWLS THEM OVER IN MIAMI

Brian Rankin was one lucky late entrant to the Junior Orange Bowl at the Miami Lakes Athletic Club just before Christmas! An unseeded substitute into a slot in the Boys 18 and under division, Rankin took advantage of his opportunity by sweeping the tough division for the World title. On his way to the top he defeated Mark Spangenberg (California) 15-7, 15-8, Buz Sawyer (North Carolina) 15-5, 15-11, and Fabian Balmori (Venezuela) 15-4, 13-15, 11-8. This string of wins put him into the final against Nolan Glantz of New York, a match which he took to a tiebreaker before winning and heading back to Lakeland for the holidays!

Here are the quarterfinal, and above, finishes of "Junior Team Florida" at the Junior Orange Bowl in Miami last month:

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|------|---------------------------------------|
| B18: | Brian Rankin = GOLD medalist |
| B16: | Fabian Balmori = GOLD (for Venezuela) |
| | Scott Reiff = Silver medalist |
| | Alan Engel = Quarterfinalist |
| B14: | Craig Czyz = Silver medalist |
| | Matt Hawkins = Quarterfinalist |
| B12: | Mark Hurst = Quarterfinalist |
| B8: | Matthew McElhiney = Quarterfinalist |
| 8MB: | Matthew McElhiney = Bronze medalist |
| | Jimmy Lyons = Fourth |
| G18: | Susan Cox = Quarterfinalist |
| G16: | Dania Medina = Quarterfinalist |
| G14: | Britt Engel = Silver medalist |
| G12: | Debra Derr = Bronze medalist |
| | Kim O'Connor = Quarterfinalist |
| G10: | Kim O'Connor = Quarterfinalist |
| G8: | Leslie Wooten = Quarterfinalist |
| 8MB: | Leslie Wooten = Silver medalist |

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| B18D: | Derek Lee/Aaron Metcalf = Qtrs |
| B16D: | Alan Engel/Scott Reiff = GOLD |
| B14D: | Craig Czyz/B.Hansen = GOLD |
| | Matt Isenhower/A.J. Witt = Fourth |
| M12D: | Mark Hurst/J.Steburcki = Qtrs |

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|-------|------------------------------|
| G18D: | Susan Cox/A.Kilbane = Fourth |
| G12D: | Debra Derr/S.Feaster = GOLD |

Congratulations to all of "Junior Team Florida" for a job well done —

Ron Alsheimer • Cory Barrett • Drew Barrett • Peter Cleyman • Susan Cox • Craig Czyz • Debra Derr • George Dewiliby • Steve Eichenberger • Britt Engel • Alan Engel • Theresa Gross • Matt Hawkins • Matthew Isenhower • Shawn Lafata • Derek Lee • Trevor Looby • Jimmy Lyons • Matthew McElhiney • Dania Medina • Aaron Metcalf • Kim O'Connor • Lyndsi Patton • Brian Rankin • Scott Reiff • Andy Reiff • Chris Robertson • Morgan Silver • Ed Sowder • Aaron Stanger • Andrew Witt • Gator Wooten • Leslie Wooten.

FLORIDA STA

MEN'S DIVISIONS

MEN'S OPEN

1	NICHOLS C	692
2	CALABRESE F	610
3	REIFF S	462
4	HANSEN T	430
5	MORRISON M	312
6	ENGEL A	300
7	WALDEN R	275
8	GANLEY V	260
9	WINTER C	212
10	WAGGONER J	210

MEN'S "A"

1	MCLEOD K	330*
2	FANNING J	300*
3	MALESKY L	255*
4	CALL C	250*
	HULL S	250*
5	DIAZ G	227
6	AGUILAR J	197
7	SANCHEZ J	191
8	WELCH P	190
9	FONTANA M	180
10	AMAT A	177

MEN'S "B"

1	WELTON J	280*
2	REVUELTA B	250*
3	ROJO S	238*
4	SULLIVAN G	215*
5	ORNE D	194
6	SHAW M	157
7	CAETANO J	150
	LEWIS J	150
8	FOX K	125
9	LINDE J	110
	RIVARD D	110
10	JUNKI J	105

MEN'S "C"

1	REVUELTA B	300*
2	COLON M	170*
3	HIRVELA L	150*
	WATSON C	150*
4	WAYNE D	150*
5	WOLFE C	145
6	LANDRY T	125
7	SOLIVEN M	120

8	GARCIA J	110
	ISENHOWER M	110
	ORNE D	110
9	REDDING D	105
10	DIAZ S	100
	RITZI S	100
	SHAHIN G	100

MEN'S "D"

1	BRAVO B	250*
2	MCDONALD J	215*
3	CARR G	200*
4	FRYE D	150*
	GONZALEZ J	150*
	METLIN P	150*
5	RICCI E	130*
6	NALLEY J	120*
7	CUESTA R	100*
	MORAN J	100*
	REIFF A	100*
	WATTS W	100*
	WIDMAN M	100*
8	FERNANDEZ P	80
9	ROJO A	77
10	CLEYMAN P	75

MEN'S 19 +

1	NICHOLS C	850
2	WINTER C	650
3	WARREN G	367
4	FANNING J	250
	REYNOLDS M	250
5	ALONSO A	225
6	ENGEL M	100
	HUBER B	100
	MCNUTT N	100
7	PETERSON D	92
8	BINNEX R	75
	WAGGONER J	75
9	SANCHEZ J	72
10	KRESTUL C	70

MEN'S 25 +

1	GANLEY V	350
2	HUBER B	325
3	GONZALEZ S	300
4	HANSEN T	250

5	LEVY D	235
6	SCARGLE J	230
7	TAYLOR R	209
8	ALONSO A	175
9	OWENS P	150
10	HODGKINSON M	115

MEN'S 30 +

1	MORRISON M	1000
2	KRISTIANSEN J	322
3	LAYTON M	250
4	MCKINLEY D	192
	OWENS P	192
5	PFÄHLER R	167
6	GANLEY V	150
7	SNIPES A	127
8	SIMON B	100
9	KIRKLAND G	80
10	BLACK T	75
	GODWIN R	75

MEN'S 35 +

1	LAYTON M	510
2	GODWIN R	200
3	DISTEFANO M	185
4	HINES R	175
5	CHRIST B	152
6	CHAPMAN S	150
	SCHWARTZ J	150
7	SIMON B	150
8	BECK D	145
9	BORGES R	142
10	OWEN G	135

MEN'S 40 +

1	CHAPMAN S	455
2	CHRIST B	415
3	WINSLOW M	380
4	RUMSEY T	297
5	HELLER B	280
6	SCHWARTZ J	250
7	MILLER B	217
8	FORESMAN B	210
9	RILEY B	150
	ROSS J	150
10	SERABIA J	135

MEN'S 45 +

1	RUMSEY T	400
2	CONTI T	289
3	RAND J	254
4	ROSS J	225
5	DAVIS T	185
6	THOMAS T	150
7	SHAAK G	142
8	CHERASIA O	107
	WOODINGTON D	107
9	BLAESS F	100
10	OLIVIERI N	90

MEN'S 50 +

1	RUMSEY T	600
2	SHUMER F	315
3	LANDRUM G	275
4	SCHAFER D	150
5	VARONE J	115
6	BLAESS F	100
	HENDRICKSON D	100
7	NUZNOFF K	75
8	MURGUIA T	65
9	MAHARAS B	50
	MCMAHON J	50
	SOLIO J	50

MEN'S 55 +

1	ALT D	375
2	ROBERTS M	300
3	MOJER M	205
4	VANN T	200
5	HARPER B	150
6	NUZNOFF K	100
7	SOLIO J	80
8	HURRELL L	75
	WOODINGTON D	75
9	HARPER R	50
	NATHAN H	50
10	LONDON S	35

MEN'S 60 +

1	ROBERTS M	550
2	BUSIGO E	300

3	GORMAN P	125
4	SANS N	100
5	SENA C	75
6	KRAUTHEIM B	50
7	HOME G	30
8	WALDROP R	25
	ZETROUER T	25
9	WISE B	20
	WOLSCHLAG D	20

MEN'S 65 +

1	SANS N	400
2	BUSIGO E	350
3	WAGNER B	112
4	SENA C	100
5	PICARD R	82
6	WISE B	50
7	DUCKWORTH B	30
8	ELLIOT G	30
	WALDROP R	25

MEN'S 70 +

1	DUCKWORTH B	250
2	MURPHY J	250
3	WISE B	100

JUNIOR DIVISIONS

BOYS 18-

1	WALDEN R	500
2	WAGGONER J	350
3	METCALF A	250
4	LORELLO J	200
5	HUNDLEY J	192
6	MCLEOD K	180
7	REIFF S	150
8	LEE D	125
9	KENDIG A	75
	RANKIN B	75
10	BOLMARI F	50
	CARR G	50

BOY'S 16-

1	WALDEN R	750
2	ENGEL A	700
3	REIFF S	325
4	CONWAY C	255
5	CZYZ C	175

6	XYNIDIS N	150
7	OATHOUT J	145
8	AGRIESTI J	90
9	BLAWN G	85
	DEWILIBY G	85
10	EICHENBERGER S	60

BOY'S 14-

1	CZYZ C	880
2	ENGEL A	700
3	HAWKINS M	400
4	HAMILTON J	245
5	ISENHOWER M	210
6	CLEYMAN P	155
7	WITT A	145
8	NEWCOMER D	125
9	REIFF A	110
10	QUINLAN S	75
	SILVER M	75

BOY'S 12-

1	HURST M	500
2	STANFORD J	300
3	LOOBY T	222
4	COTTER S	150
	KEZAR P	150
	QUINLAN S	150
5	LAFATA S	132
6	HODGSON T	110
7	PATRAY M	100
8	WOOTEN G	97
9	GYSELINCK J	90
10	LAWHORN M	80

BOY'S 10-

1	WOOTEN G	450
2	STANFORD M	400
3	BRIGGS B	225
4	HURST M	200
5	MOULTON R	160

6	FRIEDMAN J	110
7	METLIN S	100
8	GYSELINCK A	85
9	QUINLAN F	80
10	MILLER J	50

BOY'S 8-

1	ST. PIERRE T	1250
2	REID C	835
3	MOULTON R	630
4	MCELHINEY M	460
5	WOOTEN L	120
6	WUBNETH D	100
7	HARMON M	50
	HAWKINS I	50
	MCELHINEY M	50
8	CLARKE S	40
9	LYONS J	30
10	WEINER J	25

GIRL'S 18-

1	COX S	160
2	SIMMONS A	100
3	ENGLE B	20
4	PIERCE C	15
5	CASSIDY K	10
	MCCREGOR M	10

GIRL'S 16-

1	SIMMONS A	550
2	ENGLE B	230
3	SIMONETTA A	150
4	CASSIDY K	85
5	COX S	75
6	GROSS T	47
7	DERR D	30
8	O'TOOLE R	20
9	PIERCE C	17
10	WOOTEN L	10

TE RANKINGS

WOMEN'S DIVISIONS

WOMEN'S OPEN

1	MORGAN S	750
2	LYONS M	440
3	SIMMONS B	400
4	BASCH L	254
5	TUCKMAN E	230
6	MOJER L	170
7	FIELDS D	165
8	COX S	160
9	GROSSNICKLE B	122
10	HALLANDER K	122
	MURRAY M	110

WOMEN'S "B"

1	ENGLE B	350*
2	KENYON J	285*
3	BEDNAR S	235
4	MAR W	209
5	BALTHAZOR L	200
6	MOSS R	200
7	ANDRADE C	190
8	BUFFUM M	167
9	BRENNEMAN L	150
10	BURSON L	150
	KRESA C	125
	SIMMONS A	115

WOMEN'S "A"

1	GARCIA P	400*
2	MAR W	288*

3	SANDERS A	230*
4	SMITH R	225*
5	VISORIA Z	214*
6	BAER R	207*
7	TAROREH M	200*
8	YEDINAK K	200*
9	GILBERTI S	147
10	DUBOSE L	140

WOMEN'S "C"

1	DUBOSE L	250*
2	LANDRUM D	190*
3	GOLDFINE G	175*
4	CASE G	170*
5	AARONSON S	160*
6	KNIGHT M	150*
7	SANDERS A	150*
8	COLLEGE C	135
9	SIMPSON D	130
10	MAR W	120
	DERR D	117

WOMEN'S "D"

1	DERR D	275*
2	AARONSON S	180*
3	SARDZINSKI K	175*
4	BERRY C	150*
5	BRESLOW W	150*
6	PIERCE C	112*
7	ALFORD C	100*
8	COLLEGE C	75
9	QUEVEDO B	75
	HANCOCK S	67
	YAHRAUS D	65

WOMEN'S 19 +

1	HALLANDER K	525
2	BASCH L	250
3	SPROUT L	150
4	COX S	100
5	SCOTT M	50
6	YEDINAK K	50
7	WAKIN M	30
8	TRIMBLE J	17
9	HURTADO V	15
	ALFORD C	10
	CHAFFIN T	10
	MAR W	10

WOMEN'S 25 +

1	LYONS M	400
2	SCOTT M	350
3	CLARK C	250
4	FORREST K	100
5	BEDNAR S	95
6	WAKIN M	92
7	KISNER C	75
8	ROSCIA S	50
9	CARTER D	10
	JACKSON T	10

WOMEN'S 30 +

1	MORGAN-PFAHLER S	1550
2	LYONS M	700
3	SIMMONS B	425

4	FIELDS D	175
5	BURSON L	100
6	MURRAY M	100
7	MOJER L	84
8	LAFATA M	80
9	SILVA M	75
10	POTTER L	72
	KRESA C	60

WOMEN'S 35 +

1	TUCKMAN E	800
2	FALSO A	525
3	SMITH J	425
4	MURRAY M	100
5	MCMANAMON C	95
6	CASE G	90
7	FONTAINE J	75
8	JENKINS M	75
9	BRENNEMAN L	55
10	BONILLA R	50

WOMEN'S 40 +

1	FALSO A	1250
2	SMITH J	650
3	KENYON J	275
4	GILBERTI S	142
5	MCMANAMON C	130
6	CHAFFIN T	125
7	BONILLA R	115
8	SCHMIDT J	100
9	CASE G	87
10	REIFF S	55

WOMEN'S 45 +

1	KENYON J	150
2	ALT P	100
3	MCNUTT M	100
4	SERABIA J	50
	TAROREH M	30

WOMEN'S 50 +

1	KENYON J	1700
2	ELGAWAY S	200
3	SERABIA J	100

WOMEN'S 55 +

1	KENYON J	1200
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AMERICAN AMATEUR RACQUETBALL ASSOCIATION

RANKING INFORMATION:

*All individuals marked with an asterisk within the skill divisions are no longer eligible to compete in that division, and must be placed in the next higher skill draw in Florida tournament play. This notation is made to help tournament directors eliminate sandbagging, and as an incentive to players to "move up" in ability by competing in the next skill level.

The "cut-off" levels are: "A" = 250 & up, "B" = 200 & up, "C" = 150 & up, "D" = 100 & up. Once a player has reached the maximum point designation in the listed skill divisions, he/she must play at the next higher level. For details on the "cut-off" list policy and procedures, please contact any Florida Racquetball Association Board Member.

Ranking positions are based upon total points earned by reaching the quarterfinals or higher at AARA/FRA sanctioned events over a constant twelve month period. Point awards are based upon the following schedule:

Event Level =	1	2	3	4	5	6
1st place	30	50	150	250	300	600
2nd place	20	30	100	150	200	400
3rd place	15	20	75	100	150	300
4th place	10	15	50	75	100	200
5-8 place	5	10	25	50	75	100

- Level 1 = Closed State Tournament
- Level 2 = Open Tournament
- Level 3 = State Championship
- Level 4 = Regional Championship
- Level 5 = National Invitational
- Level 6 = National Championship

Current rankings reflect those points earned by singles players over a constant 12-month period, up to and including the events which are either featured in this issue or appear in the "Tournament Results Around the State" section. So, if the results of a tournament you played in are listed anywhere in the FRA NEWS, your points have also been calculated here. Congratulations!

GIRL'S 14-

1	ENGLE B	450
2	CASSIDY K	100

GIRL'S 12-

1	DERR D	1100
2	O'CONNOR K	225
3	PIERCE C	165
4	MCGREGOR M	125
5	JOHNSON T	100
6	PATTON L	100
7	CASSIDY K	60
8	SIMMONS S	50
9	OLIVERI C	15
	BRENNEMAN K	10
	HARMON M	10

GIRL'S 10-

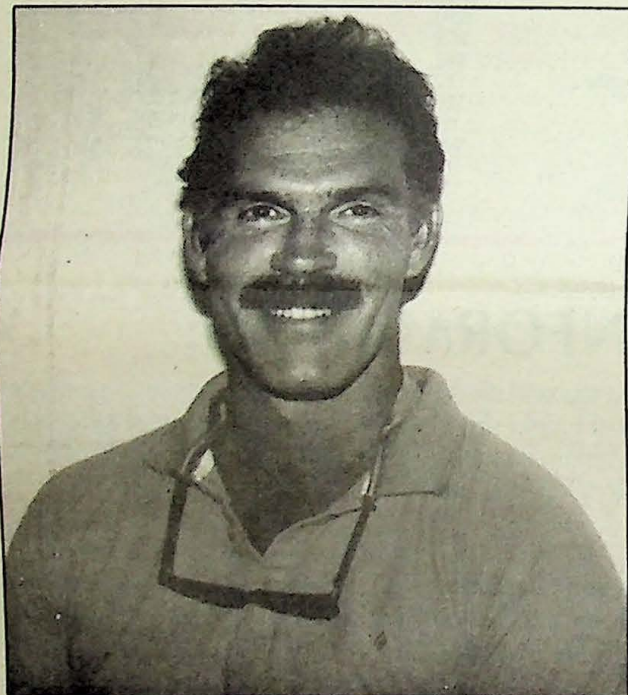
1	O'CONNOR K	650
2	DERR D	600
3	BRENNEMAN K	150
4	WOOTEN L	75
5	HARMON M	30
6	OLIVERI C	20

GIRL'S 8-

1	WOOTEN L	300
2	XYNIDIS C	50

NATIONALLY RANKED IN DECEMBER

MO: Fred Calabrese, #7	25B: Glen Lillycrop, #2	60: Mal Roberts, #6	Barbie Quevedo, #10
Tim Hansen, #8	Paul Hanley, #5	Ed Busigo, #12	Stacey Aaronson, #15
Charlie Nichols, #13	Mitch Cofman, #9	65: Ed Busigo, #4	25: Ceil Clark, #10
MA: Jimmy Fanning, #11	30: Mark Morrison, #2	70: Jack Murphy, #5	Michelle Scott, #12
MB: John Welton, #6	Jeff Kristjansen, #10	Bill Duckworth, #14	30: Susan Morgan-Pfahler, #1
MC: Robert Bravo, #3	30B: Sid Bird, #2	75: Bill Duckworth, #2	Mary Lyons, #3
Barney Revuelta, #10	Pedro Gomez, #3	Robert Wise, #4	30B: Pam Garcia, #1
MD: Greg Carr, #14	Sal Perconti, #6		Anita Sanders, #3
J.J. Gonzalez #15	35: Mitt Layton, #11	WO: Susan Morgan-Pfahler, #5	Meg Ripley, #8
MN: Mark Nisbett, #9	35B: Mike Gainer, #11	WA: Britt Engel, #9	Shirley Elgaway, #13
19: Charlie Nichols, #1	40: Steve Chapman, #7	WB: Pam Garcia, #4	Mary Seiler, #15
Curtis Winter, #3	Mike Winslow, #10	WC: Lydia Dubose, #3	35: Eileen Tuckman, #2
Glenn Warren, #15	40B: Jerry Rand, #1	Geri Goldfine, #15	Janis Smith, #13
19B: William Zajic, #4	Jim Clark, #2	WD: Debra Derr, #4	40: Agatha Falso, #2
Jorge Caetano, #5	Fred Stallworth, #5	Stacey Aaronson, #12	Janis Smith, #3
Francois Rioux, #9	Orrie Cherasia, #7	WN: Stacey Aaronson, #5	40B: Roxanne Bonilla, #2
Steve DeSalvo, #10	50: Tom Rumsey, #13	19: Lori Basch, #7	Shirley Elgaway, #6
John Collison, #14	45B: Jim Clark, #4	19B: Laura Kleimeyer, #2	Gloria Case, #8
25: Brent Huber, #4	50: Tom Rumsey, #7	Rachel Smith, #4	Cindy McManamon, #14
Sergio Gonzalez, #11	Frank Shumer, #15	Geri Goldfine, #5	45: Jo Kenyon, #13
Tim Hansen, #15	55: Don Alt, #11	Anita Sanders, #9	50: Jo Kenyon, #2
			Shirley Elgaway, #11
			55: Jo Kenyon, #3



PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

by Gene Owen

Since you are reading this message, you are probably already a member of the AARA — the national organization that is bringing racquetball to the Olympics. If you are not a member, please send your \$10.00 today to support the programs here in Florida, and to assist the AARA in continuing to provide its many services to the national membership. Indeed, the information in this paper would not be available without the AARA and its affiliate state groups, such as the FRA.

If you are a member, why not give memberships as gifts to your friends and relatives? This would help our membership grow and receive greater sponsor and media recognition. The \$10.00 fee supports our Olympic efforts as the money flows out to grassroots tournaments and instruction to developing players. What better time than Christmas to show your seriousness about the growth of your favorite sport? By the way, Merry Christmas, Happy Hannukah and Happy New Year to all!

By the time you read this, several important December events will have occurred. Outdoor events continue to gain popularity in both Palm Beach and Hillsborough counties thanks to Tim Hansen and Dave Segal. If you missed these tournaments, please try the next one. You will meet an entirely new group of enthusiasts that love to play and talk racquetball. Anyone else interested in hosting or directing an outdoor tournament, please contact an FRA board member now. Thanks to Ruth Mills expressing just this type of interest, a short three-wall event will be held at Fleishman Park in Naples, January 19-21. All Gainesville, Lakeland and Tampa short-wall specialists should plan to attend!

Greg and Martha (knee permitting) McDonald, take notice! And where are you, Jorge Maceo? Watch for an announcement of the Florida Long Three-Wall State Championships sometime this spring.

In my last column, I thanked Mary Lyons for her work in bringing big events to RacquetPower in Jacksonville. Now she's really done it, with three consecutive, major events scheduled for the spring. The FRA State Singles will be held there February 22-25, followed in short order by the Region Four Championships March 23-25 and the Tournament of the Americas April 8-12 (a Pan Am Games qualifier featuring the US National Team against Canadian and South American teams). While board members are duty-bound to help out with these events, I am certain that your help will be needed as well. Any FRA members seeking experience as tournament workers and "gophers" may call Mary at 904/268-8888 to volunteer. Also, anyone with contacts that could result in tournament sponsorship, please let us know. Maximum exposure is guaranteed.

Incidentally, the FRA Board needs new blood due to expired terms, resignations and relocations. Anyone who would like to serve a term as an FRA board member should send a written request and racquetball resume to the FRA NEWS as soon as possible. We need active individuals who understand the demands of volunteer work. Thanks.

To close, let me say again that we welcome criticisms about tournaments or any other racquetball activity, and that we always welcome suggestions on new ways to promote the sport, and ways to successfully raise funds so we can do even more. Our budget income is made up exclusively from our 50% of AARA membership fees and net state championship proceeds.

From that we produce six issues of this paper, support our members at national events, and provide continuing education and program development. To do all this, we need everyone's help — so wear your tournament shirts, use more court time, introduce a co-worker to the game, call your Congressman, give some AARA memberships, and, of course, always watch the ball!

WINTER CLASSIC TOURNAMENT

JANUARY 26-28

Ft. Myers Athletic Club
813/275-1990

DIVISIONS:

Singles	M/W Open/A/B/C/D
Doubles	M/W Open/B/C MXD Open/B/C
Juniors	B/G 16-/14

ENTRY FEES:

Adults	1st event 20.00 2nd event 15.00 3rd event 12.00
Juniors*	1st event 15.00 2nd event 10.00

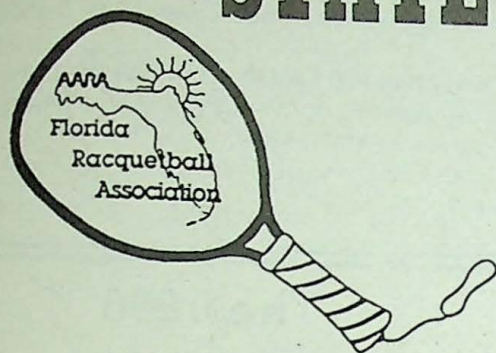
* Reduced fees for junior divisions only.

DEADLINE: January 22nd

TO ENTER:

Ask for tournament director
Monica Perrigo. Phone-ins with
valid MC/Visa only.

1990 FLORIDA RACQUETBALL ASSOCIATION STATE SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS



FEBRUARY 22-25

RacquetPower Health & Fitness

3390 Kori Road
Jacksonville, Florida 32257

904/268-8888



TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS: Mary Lyons, on-site 904/268-8888
Gene Owen, 813/646-8901
Linda Mojer, 407/647-4298

ENTRY DEADLINE: FRIDAY, February 16th, 6:00 PM

ENTRY NOTES:

A LIMITED NUMBER of entries will be accepted, so it is strongly suggested that you enter early.

MAILED Entries will be processed first.

All FEES must accompany entry blank.

NO entries will be accepted after the deadline.

NO refunds will be made after the deadline.

PHONE-IN applications will be accepted ONLY with a valid Visa or MasterCard. To finalize your entry, you must bring your credit card to the check-in desk for imprint. (No-shows will be charged for entry)

[PHONE TIP: Make a note of the name of the person who takes your phone entry.]

A free Bi-Rak-It division will be offered on Saturday and Sunday. Sign-up at the check-in desk.

ENTRY FEES: Fees include a \$5.00 per event referee fee. Do not add referee fees separately.

Adults = \$45.00 first event
\$20.00 second event

Juniors = \$25.00 first event*
\$15.00 second event

* Juniors entered in adult events must calculate fees at: ADULT first event [\$45.00] + JUNIOR second event [\$15.00] = \$60.00.

STARTING TIMES: Available after 9 AM on Tuesday the 20th.

RULES:

- AARA rules will apply. Matches will be two games to 15, tie-breaker to 11. No consolation rounds. Entry limited to Florida residents only.
- The tournament is restricted to AARA members in good standing ONLY. Membership may be purchased at the check-in desk for \$10.00.
- Tournament directors reserve the right to reclassify or deny entry to any participant.
- Players may NOT enter two skill divisions.
- AARA-approved eyeguards are MANDATORY for all players.
- ROUND-ROBIN rules: Matches are two games to 15, tie-breaker to 11. Each game won will earn the player 1 point. Each match won will earn the player one bonus point. [EX: In straight games, the winner will be given 3 points, the loser will receive 0. In a tie-breaker, the winner still gets 3 points, but the loser gets 1 for winning a game.] Ties will be determined by head to head match results, or "points scored against."

REFEREES: Referees will be paid \$5.00 per match.

AWARDS: Trophies will be presented to the top three finishers in all divisions with at least six entrants, and to the top two in round-robin divisions.

SOUVENIRS: FRA logo souvenir to all participants Saturday Night Equipment & Prize Giveaway

ACCOMODATIONS:

Holiday Inn Baymeadows (I-95 & Baymeadows Road)
\$39.00 for up to four persons - 904/737-1700. You must confirm your reservations by Friday, February 16th to be eligible for these rates, plus mention that you are with the racquetball tournament.

EARLY DEADLINE • NO DUAL SKILL ENTRIES • PLAY BEGINS THURS/9AM

ENTRY APPLICATION:

Players may NOT enter two skill divisions (left column). Juniors may enter one adult skill division as a FIRST event.

Men's Divisions			Women's Divisions			Junior Boys Divisions			Junior Girls Divisions		
Open	19+	19+B	Open	19+	19+B	Boys 8-NB		Girls 8-NB			
A	25+	25+B	A	25+	25+B	Boys 10-		Girls 10-			
B	30+	30+B	B	30+	30+B	Boys 12-		Girls 12-			
C	35+	35+B	C	35+	35+B	Boys 14-		Girls 14-			
D	40+	40+B	D	40+	40+B	Boys 16-		Girls 16-			
Novice	45+	45+B	Novice	45+	45+B	Boys 18-		Girls 18-			
	50+			50+							
	55+			55+							
	60+			60+							
	65+			65+							
	70+			70+							
Wheelchair			Wheelchair								

Name _____ Birthdate _____

Address _____ City/Zip _____

Telephone: (day) _____ (night) _____

Waiver: I hereby waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the Florida Racquetball Association and RacquetPower Health & Fitness for any injuries I may suffer in connection with my participation in this tournament.

Signature _____ Date _____
(parent or guardian if under 18 years of age)

ENCLOSED ENTRY FEES:

Adult 1st entry fee	\$45.00
Adult 2nd entry fee	\$20.00
Junior Div. 1st entry fee	\$25.00
Junior Div. 2nd entry fee	\$15.00

Make checks payable to
RACQUETPOWER

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Date Rec'd:	_____
How Paid:	_____
Amt. due:	_____
Amt. paid:	_____
Bal. due:	_____

FLORIDA RACQUETBALL ASSOCIATION RANKING GUIDELINES

In order to comply with Item 6.c. of the FRA Sanctioning Guidelines, official FRA rankings must be used to determine seedings in sanctioned tournament draws. To assist you in interpreting the ranking data and using it effectively, the following guidelines have been established:

In preparing skill and age division draws, each entrant's standing must be determined by referring to either:

- 1) The most recent official published rankings (printed bi-monthly in the FRA News), or
- 2) The most recent computerized edition of FRA rankings.

Skill Divisions

In the A, B, C and D skill division draws, eligibility is determined on the basis of the entrant's earned point standing in the current rankings. Players whose accumulated point totals reach or exceed a maximum "cut-off" must play in the next higher skill division. Revised (August 1989) limits are:

Level	Maximum Points
A	At 250 points, must compete in "Open"
B	At 200 points, must compete in "A"
C	At 150 points, must compete in "B"
D	At 100 points, must compete in "C"

In the event that a player is ranked in two skill divisions, common sense should weigh the respective positions reported. For example: An individual ranked #3 in "A" and #9 in "B" is clearly not eligible to play in "B." On the other hand, it can be assumed that a player ranked #2 in "B" and #15 in "A" is in the process of "moving up" in the rankings, and should still be allowed to compete in the lower bracket UNTIL he/she reaches or exceeds the cut-off level.

Once a player is "bumped" from a division, he/she has two options.

- 1) Compete in the higher division until all points in the lower drop off (a one-year process), or
- 2) Petition to have all points removed from the lower division record (thereby sacrificing any seeding consideration). Such petitions must be approved by the board.

Age Divisions

Seeding and placement of age division entrants must also be based upon a combination of published rankings and common sense. Tournament directors must check three reference points when seeding players in age divisions:

- 1) The ranking list of the division entered, or
- 2) The age division rankings immediately preceeding the division entered, or
- 3) The age division rankings immediately following the division entered.

For example: The player enters the 30+ division, but does not appear in the rankings for that division. The tournament director can assume that the player has only just turned 30 and might have points accumulated in the 25+ rankings — or that the entrant is "playing down" from the 35+ division (and might have points listed there). All age division ranking points earned by a player should be considered.

When an entrant is moving into a new age division, common sense should be employed to fairly seed the player. The #1 ranked 25+ player cannot be ignored in the seeding of a 30+ draw simply because he/she has no points in the 30s. The same consideration should be given to the entrant "playing down" from the 35s.

Combined Age Divisions

If age divisions are combined to form full draws, seedings must be determined according to the procedures outlined above. An overall view of player standings should take into account the respective rankings of players in the affected divisions.

In the reporting of combined age division results, players may request that their earned points be applied to their ranking record in the division entered. This means that a 40+ player whose division is combined with the 30s may ask that he/she receive points in the 40+ division.

For example: In a combined 30/35/40 draw of eight, three players entered the 30s, three entered the 35s and two entered the 40s. The final results —

Finish	Entered	Points Recorded (Level 2)
1st	35s	1st in 35+ = 50
2nd	40s	2nd in 40+ = 30
3rd	30s	3rd in 30+ = 20
4th	35s	4th in 35+ = 15
5th	40s	Qtrs in 40s = 10
6th	35s	Qtrs in 35s = 10
7th	30s	Qtrs in 30s = 10
8th	30s	Qtrs in 30s = 10

FRA NEWSFlash

Answering Machine Captures Lost Verse. After weeks of hard-fought match play, OTRC league records showed that a single playoff was needed to crown a club winner. On the day of the match, one of the players received the following message from his opponent:

Daytona is far,
Orlando is near.
Don't wear those shorts again, though,
They really look queer.

The match it will come,
The match it will go.
I'm not very smart,
But this much I know . . .

We'll play and we'll play,
Till the crowd gives a cheer.
Then, I'll win the mug,
But you can buy the beer.

Unfortunately, the author lost the match in a tiebreaker, and has since had to live down to his reputation as a racquetball poet.

Correction/National Doubles. The successful gold medal defense of the National Women's 30+ title made by Mary Lyons and Susan Morgan-Pfahler was omitted from the "Team Florida Results" in the last issue. The two managed an excellent win record in a tough draw, defeating Minnesotans Margaret Hill/Kathy Huben in the first round, the Colorado team of Debra Gridley/Joanne Slater 15-9, 15-4 in the second, followed by a semi-final win over Chris Evon/Pat Tarzon 15-7, 15-11 and a victory over Cindy Baxter and Diane Green in straight games of 15-2, 15-12 for the title.

Correction/State Doubles. The winning team of the Women's 35+ round-robin was Jacksonville's Meg Ripley/Dorothy Ross, not Jo Kenyon/Mary McNutt as reported. A re-check of the record correctly shows that Ripley/Ross were undefeated in the division, winning against Nancy Thoerner/Marie Yoho 15-4, 15-13 and Kenyon/McNutt in a tiebreaker 15-9, 0-15, 11-4.

Correction/Pro Switch. Curtis Winter is the racquetball pro at the Park Avenue Racquet & Fitness Club in Jacksonville. Mark Morrison is the pro at the ATA Beaches Club, also in Jacksonville. Not the other way around. . .

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AARA UPDATE

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); Malia 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 Guidry 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. The following teams were chosen:

Mexican/American Challenge

Cindy Doyle (Williamsville, N.Y.)
Tim Doyle (Columbus, Ohio)
Jimmy Floyd (Davison, Mich.)
Michelle Gilman (Ontario, Ore.)
Michael Guidry (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 —

Malia 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 Poitoino on December 1st.

11/30/89 Results:

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

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 15-5, 15-6.

ANNUAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE SET. The AARA has reserved January 17-21 for its 4th annual AARA leadership conference at the Olympic Training Center. In addition to travel-time on Wednesday and Sunday, the conference includes a full three days of seminars, round-table discussions and special interest sessions for all phases of AARA project leadership. Invitations are issued to state and regional directors from the national office, and reservations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

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.

UNITED AIRLINES DISCOUNTS TO NATIONAL EVENTS. When making your airline reservations for travel to national events in 1990, don't forget about the 5% discount from the official AARA airline — United. To get the reduced rate, follow these steps:

1. Call 1-800-521-4041 (in Hawaii or Alaska, call 1-800-722-5243) between 8:30 AM and 8:00 PM (Eastern Standard Time).
2. Give the agent the AARA account number = 447 DP.

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.

RACQUETBALL "SPECIAL EDITION". As many of you have already noted, the "AARA in Review" section of National Racquetball has not appeared since the September issue. This is in response to the AARA decision to resume publication of its own bi-monthly magazine in 1990.

A "special edition" of the official AARA publication will be produced in the spring to preview the new format and carry the AARA Board of Directors ballot. A sizable section of state and regional reports will cover the results of sanctioned tournaments from across the country, as well as player profiles and club highlights. For more information about the publication, please contact editor Linda Mojer.

BOARD REVIEWS RULE CHANGE PROPOSALS.

National Rules Commissioner Otto Dietrich presented the AARA Board of Directors with a total of 16 rule change proposals submitted by players throughout the year. After review of supporting documentation, the board approved 5 of them for further consideration by the general membership. In 1990, players will be asked to decide whether or not to:

- 1) Restore the term "avoidable hinder."
- 2) Change the qualifying date for Junior age competition from January 1 to December 31.
- 3) Impose a two-year moratorium on rule changes.
- 4) Make court hinders appealable.
- 5) Allow servers to step on but not over the front line without penalty.

Among the changes considered and rejected by the board were to:

Deduct one point per minute for any "delay of game"; Reduce the number of timeouts; Set a 12-foot height limit on back wall play; Extend the readiness period from ten seconds to sixteen seconds; Stipulate clothing suitability; Do away with the second serve altogether; Make any serve that hits the front wall below 3 feet illegal; Institute quadrant serving to alternate sides of the court; Scoring points on every rally; and Making match play consist of the best of five games to 15.

A separate proposal to adopt a code of ethics for racquetball was disallowed as an actual rule change, but still considered to be a project worthy of additional development.

SUBSCRIPTION OFFER ENDS. Special National Racquetball subscription offers cited on AARA membership forms are no longer being processed through the national office. Please inform your local membership that subscriptions to the magazine 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.

"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.

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.

DALLAS CHOSEN FOR JUNIOR OLYMPICS. The Downtown Dallas YMCA has been selected as the site of the 1990 Junior Olympic Racquetball Championships, on the basis of an outstanding bid from the Metroplex Racquetball Association and local support from pro tour competitors Aaron Katz and Drew Kachtik.

Noted as one of the finest YMCA's in the country, the Dallas facility boasts 19 courts, of which 7 have full glass back walls and 2 are "exhibition ready" with carpeted bleacher seating for spectators.

A strong parent support group was also cited as a factor in the proposal to host the Junior Olympics in Dallas, and the centralized location of the state promises to attract record numbers of Juniors to the 1990 event.

1990 AARA SCHEDULE OF EVENTS. Barring any last minute changes, here is the official calendar of AARA national and international events for the coming year:

Central American Games
JAN 04-10 Honduras

4th Annual Leadership Conference
JAN 18-21 Colorado Springs, CO

National Masters Invitational
FEB 07-10 Las Vegas, NV

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

Natl. 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

Natl. 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

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FRA/AARA TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

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Date	City & Club	Level & Comments
JANUARY		
19-21	Naples — Fleishman Park 813/649-5157	2 Eight-Court Outdoor TD/Dave Lykins, Ruth Mills
26-28	Ft. Myers Athletic Club 813/275-1990	2 Winter Classic Tournament TD/Monica Perrigo
FEBRUARY		
02-04	SPECIAL EVENT — Regional preliminary of the \$210,000 National Handicap Racquetball Championship, at the Orlando Tennis & Racquet Club.	
02-04	Tampa — Northwest YMCA 813/962-3220	2 RacquetBusters TD/Ken Arrowsmith
09-11	Jacksonville — Park Avenue 904/269-8000	2 Singles Warm-Up TD/Curtis Winter
22-25	Jacksonville — RacquetPower 904/268-8888	3 STATE SINGLES TD/FRA, Mary Lyons
MARCH		
02-04	AARA US NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIPS	6 St. Louis, Missouri TD/AARA: 719/635-5396
02-04	Ft. Lauderdale Courtrooms 305/565-8030	2 Bash for Cash II Contact: Eugene Melton
02-04	Tampa — Rowlette Park 813/253-3782	2 Three-Wall Outdoor TD/Dave Segal
09-11	Lakeland YMCA 813/644-3528	2 Ned Gordon TD/Grace Page
09-11	West Palm Beach — Santaluces HS 407/433-5566	2 Outdoor 3-Wall TD/Tim Hansen
16-18	TBA — Regional Intercollegiates 407/291-9181	4 ACRA REGIONAL Contact: Lori Basch
22-25	Jacksonville — RacquetPower 904/268-8888	4 REGIONAL SINGLES TD/Mary Lyons
29-01	AARA/ACRA US NATIONAL INTERCOLLEGIATE CHAMPIONSHIPS	6 UC/Berkeley, California TD/AARA: 719/635-5396
APRIL		
08-15	TOURNAMENT OF THE AMERICAS — The US National Team will compete against Canada and the South American countries at RacquetPower.	
MAY		
04-06	Sarasota YMCA 813/955-8194	4 JUNIOR REGIONALS TD/Barbara Simmons
18-20	Lakeland YMCA 813/644-3528	2 Onomatopoeia TD/Grace Page
23-28	AARA US NATIONAL SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS	6 Houston, Texas TD/AARA: 719/635-5396
JUNE		
23-27	AARA US JUNIOR OLYMPIC RACQUETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS	6 Dallas, Texas TD/AARA: 719/635-5396
JULY		
06-15	US OLYMPIC FESTIVAL — US Team members, plus qualifying national semi- and quarter-finalists will compete in Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota. Florida participants will include the doubles teams of Tim Hansen/Sergio Gonzalez and Mary Lyons/Susan Morgan-Pfahler.	
AUGUST		
10-12	Lakeland YMCA 813/644-3528	2 Doubles Warm-Up TD/Grace Page
17-19	TBA — FRA STATE DOUBLES 813/647-3456	3 STATE DOUBLES Contact: Gene Owen
SEPTEMBER		
21-23	TBA — Region Four Doubles 904/395-5356	4 REGIONAL DOUBLES Contact: Van Dubolsky
OCTOBER		
05-07	Lakeland YMCA 813/644-3528	2 Cool Cucumber TD/Grace Page
25-28	AARA US NATIONAL DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIPS	6 Salt Lake City, Utah TD/AARA: 719/635-5396
NOVEMBER		
09-11	Sarasota YMCA 813/957-0770	2 11th Annual Kiwanis TD/Barbara Simmons