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HELEN SHIELDS of Missoula (foreground) bids for a fifth straight women's state Open title in Bozeman over the weekend of March 30-April 1.

Canadian cashes at Missoula

MISSOULA — Canadian Sherman Greenfeld turned back Jeff Evans of Seattle to take the top prize-money in the 1989 Court House Winter Racquetball Pro-Am over the weekend of Dec. 1-3.

Greenfeld, one of the top five-ranked Canadian professionals, bounced Evans, a top 20-ranked U.S. pro, 15-9 and 15-6 in the final.

Evans, however, teamed with Greg Boland of Seattle for a tough 15-14, 10-15, 11-10 victory over Canada's No. 2-rated doubles team of Rob Pratt and Harry Fornefett.

In the women's pro singles final, four-time defending Montana Open champion

Helen Shields of Helena held off Jill Corrado of Calgary, Alberta, 15-9, 15-13.

Shields partnered with Sid Whitesell of Missoula for top money in the women's pro doubles play, defeating Corrado and Tina Denton of Calgary, 15-6, 15-11.

The tournament attracted nearly 200 competitors. Some \$600 was paid to the men's pro singles champ and \$300 to the women's winner.

Here are the tournament results. No scores were reported.

MEN SINGLES PRO

1. Sherman Greenfeld (Winnipeg, Manitoba), 2. Jeff

See MISSOULA

Where have the women gone

BILLINGS — Where have all the women gone?

The notable lack of women in our tournaments this year has caused many of us to ask this question.

Most tournaments have had to combine women's divisions and very few have been able to run any type of women's doubles events.



Dan West

MRA
President

I've always thought that one of the unique things about a racquetball tournament is that men and women have a sporting event together — in the same building, at the same time — what other sport does that?

I really would hate to see racquetball become like some other sports where the men play and the women just sit and watch.

So come on ladies, let's dust off the racquets and get on the court. I'd like to see every division in doubles and singles have a state champion this year!

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At the board of directors' meeting during the state singles tournament in Bozeman, we will be discussing many important items. Among them will be next year's tournament ball and calendar.

If you have any comments or concerns please express them to any of those on the list below:

Don Goddard, Glasgow; Jan Shelton, Shigeo Banks and Tom Thompson, Great Falls; Mike and Sharon Hotchkiss, Cut Bank; Rod and Debbie Morse, Rita Hamilton, Havre; Helen Shields and Ralph Hargas, Missoula; Russ Noonan and Janet Church, Helena; Sharon Dusenberry-Tank and Steve Kiffe of Bozeman; John Taylor of Miles City; LeAnne West and Steve Pinnow of Billings; Rob Gunderson and Mark Rule of Butte; Stan Watkins and Sue Corrigan of Kalispell; and Jack and Wanda Rouhe of Anaconda.

Meet a MRA member



Helen Shields

The breakfast of champions at the Helen Shields residence could very well be a tuna sandwich.

Shields currently reigns supreme among the state Open women, as the four-time defending champion. She won her first title as an A player in 1984 and has dominated since 1986.

She is also a four-time mixed Open doubles state champ and the 1989 state women's Open doubles winner.

The 27-year-old right-hander plays 4-5 times a week on the Ektelon Mirada racquet and says long arms help her pick up "cheap" gets.

A marketing and customer service consultant for Sun Mountain Sports, Shields is active in skiing, golf, tennis, weight training, aerobics, needlepoint, snowboarding, reading, shopping, quilting, cooking and shuffleboard.



Teresa Burke

Two years ago, Teresa Burke of Missoula captured the state A women's singles championship and since has moved into the Open ranks.

The 30-year-old right-hander is a six-year veteran of Montana Racquetball Association tournament play and started the game seven years ago.

Serving is the main strength of her game and she plays 3-4 times a week on the Pro Kennex Micro-Shadow racquet.

The "Big H," Linda Richter, her husband Dan and Chris Hoff provide Burke with regular practice foes. Annie Blaz is her doubles partner.

Burke works out at the Court House and also enjoys skiing and shuffleboard.

She is presently a student at the University of Montana majoring in physical therapy and works parttime as a title examiner.



Tyler Hangan

Last spring, Tyler Hangan played his way to the semifinal round of the men's Open singles at the state MRA finals on his home Court House courts.

The 20-year-old University of Montana first picked up a racquet at the age of 11 and also started tournament play that same year.

The powerful Hangan is right-handed and uses a Hogan Shadow racquet to challenge the likes of Mike Richter, Carl Thompson, Bucky Lindstrand and Helen Shields on a regular basis.

Mark McQuirk shares the court in doubles play with the 6-foot-2, 245-pound backup center for the Grizzly football team.

But his real hero in racquetball and life is longtime associate, and sometimes babysitter, Herb Thornby of Bozeman.



Dennis Humphries

Dennis Humphries of Glasgow is a familiar face to the men's Seniors players.

In 1987, the Burlington Northern engineer finished runnerup in the state Senior B singles and in 1988, he won Senior A consolation honors at state.

Partners like Milt "He's Ugly" Hallock, plus Havre railroaders Perry Jacobson and Darryl Ness keep Humphries on his toes at the Glasgow Civic Center courts.

Humphries has played the game for eight years and tournaments for six. He is a southpaw and shoots on the Ektelon Mirada.

Two or three times a week, Humphries blasts a solid forehand at opponents.

The 40-year-old Humphries' wife, Donna, and son, Wade, are also involved in racquetball.

Tournament racquetball heads into home stretch

HAVRE — Racquetball is heading into its home stretch with seven Montana Racquetball Association-sanctioned events left on the 1989-90 schedule.

Of course, players are gearing for the two biggest tournaments of the year — state doubles, Feb. 23-25 in Helena and state singles.

Up for discussion at those two tournaments among MRA members and directors should be the 1990 U.S. National Doubles Championships to be hosted in Salt Lake City in mid-October.

At the early-December pro-am in Missoula, Helen Shields of Missoula and Mark Rule of Butte indicated interest in helping to organize a chartered bus trip to the doubles championships.

Last fall, Shields, along with Rick Rios of Bozeman and Don Goddard of Glasgow, played the national doubles in Burnsville, Minn.

At that tournament, Goddard picked up a highlight sheet from the American Amateur Racquetball Association's board of directors' meeting in early-October.

Those who subscribe to **National Racquetball** magazine will notice the elimination of AARA news. The AARA has decided to publish its own bi-monthly publication

starting in September. A preview issue is planned for spring.

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Canadian professional Sherman Greenfeld has fared well in Montana pro-am play the past two months.

Greenfeld won the men's Pro singles at both Missoula and Billings, defeating Seat-



Rita Balock-Hamilton

Center Court
Editor

tle pro Jeff Evans in both matches.

Greenfeld pocketed \$600 first place prize money in Missoula and another \$800 from Billings. Not bad for a couple weekends of fun, eh?

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The women's doubles play at the state tournament should prove interesting. While low women's draws have hurt singles play, doubles has been even worse off.

At many of the tournaments, Open players have been bracketed with B-C teams or players.

But the mixed doubles should be improv-

ed. More tournaments wound up offering that division due to a lack of numbers for true women's brackets.

And it might not be surprising to find a coed team in the men's doubles play at state. Carlie Ridgeley of Great Falls has entered a couple of tournaments as Jeff Monaco's doubles partner.

One doubles team that will be sorely missed at state is Clay Morse and Lance Reithmeier of Havre. Morse is a reserve power forward for the Havre High boys' basketball team and will be down the road in Bozeman at the Central A divisional during state doubles.

A year ago, Morse and Reithmeier finished second in Open play to Lloyd Marsh of Billings and Rios.

Morse, however, will be back to challenge for a state Open singles title, along with John Kennis of Helena, Rios, Marsh, Matt Parriman of Helena, Mike Richter of Missoula and Herb Thornby of Bozeman.

Shields' quest for a fifth consecutive women's Open singles crown will be another to watch. The return of Havre's Karen Jacobson could make it tougher and Shields' Billings nemesis, Sherri Strandberg, can't ever be counted out.

Rios collects runnerup national Plus-40 hardware

By RITA HAMILTON
Center Court Editor

MISSOULA — A power server, Rick Rios favors racquetball games to 11.

"I like it because your concentration span doesn't have to be as long," he said during a break at the December Missoula Pro-Am. "You can focus greater for shorter periods of time. You can focus on your serve."

That short-game format benefitted the Bozeman player at the 1989 National Seniors championships conducted in Columbus, Ohio, last July.

Round robin playoffs determined the top four semifinalists in each age division which started at 30. Rios put together a 5-1 record in the Plus-40 bracket to gain a semifinal playoff.

In the semi, Rios stopped Jim Bailey of Virginia, 11-8, 11-8, 11-9, in the best of five-game match. But top-ranked Dave Kovanda of Columbus held off Rios, 11-7, 7-11, 11-3, 11-3, in the championship match.

"My thought was that training in Bozeman at 5,000 feet (in altitude) would give me an advantage because we would be playing at sea level," Rios said. "I thought I'd better be in shape and I wore everyone down. My advantage going in was I trained really, really hard. I knew physical conditioning could be a factor."

Conditioning, however, is nothing new for the 6-foot, 200-pound insurance salesman who has been playing racquetball for 10 years. As a prep and collegiate athlete, Rios excelled on the football field.

A 230-pound linebacker, he played at Eastern Washington University and later 4½ years of semiprofessional football in Green Bay, Wisc., Chicago and Spokane.

Now, his workout routine includes aerobics three times a week, work on a stair climbing machine and weight training. He averages three racquetball matches a week.

Rios, despite four elbow and three knee surgeries, was in peak shape at the national seniors play. "Aerobics was the key," he said. "You'd do 50 to 60 minutes of continuous exercise. I didn't lose any weight, but dropped body fat."

One of Montana's top Open singles players, Rios is also an adept doubles player.

In October, he partnered with Jim Peters of Lewiston, Idaho, at the Ektelon/U.S. National doubles tournament in Minnesota. Playing backhand, Rios helped his team to a fourth place finish in the Plus-40 bracket.

Rios and Peters reached the semifinals with a 11-10 come-from-behind victory. The two trailed 10-3 in that decisive game and each side served for match point five times.

Rios' play at the national tournament, especially the seniors event, "shocked" the field. "The best part of the entire tournament was telling everyone I'm from Montana," He said. The thing that really



Photo by RITA HAMILTON

RICK RIOS of Bozeman (left) should be nationally ranked among the top Plus-40 age division players.

upsets me is no one travels out of state. The level of play in Montana is as good as anywhere else, but there aren't the numbers."

Rios, however, hopes to change that. "Racquetball keeps me competitive," he said. "Eventually, I believe they will have a

U.S. national seniors team because it's a world-wide game."

And should that become a reality, Rios wants to be ready to challenge for a spot on that team. , March 30-April 1 in Bozeman.



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SID WHITESELL of Missoula serves.

1989-90 tournaments

FEBRUARY

9-11: Winternationals, at YMCA Family Fitness Center in Butte.

23-25: State Doubles, at Crossroads Health and Fitness Center in Helena.

MARCH

9-11: Goosetown Classic, at Goosetown Racquet and Health Club in Anaconda.

9-11: Kalispell Open, at Kalispell Athletic Club in Kalispell.

16-18: Shamrock Shootout, at Cut Bank Civic Center in Cut Bank.

30 April 1: State Singles, at Universal Sports and Courts in Bozeman.

APRIL

20-22: AARA Regional 13, at Billings Athletic Club in Billings.



Photo by RITA HAMILTON

CHUCK GARTEN of Glasgow blasts a forehand down the wall at the annual Don Goddard tournament. Glasgow was at one time Montana's racquetball hotbed.

Goddard, Jacobson top doubles

GLASGOW — Don Goddard of Glasgow paired with Karen Jacobson of Havre to earn the men's B doubles title at the annual Don Goddard Racquetball Tournament in early November at the Civic Center here.

Goddard and Jacobson outlasted Buck Archambeault of Glasgow and Jim Heath of Billings, 15-14, 15-13, in the closest of finals at the 50-player event.

Top money in the men's Open singles was earned by Clay Morse of Havre with a 15-8, 15-9 victory over Lance Reithmeier of Havre.

The men's Open doubles champs via round robin play were Dennis Humphries of Glasgow and Heath.

Here are the tournament results.

MEN SINGLES OPEN

Championship: Clay Morse (Havre) def. Lance Reithmeier (Havre) 15-8, 15-9. Third: Chuck Garten (Glasgow) def. Jim Heath (Billings) 15-0, 15-0. Consolation: Perry Jacobson (Havre).

A

Round robin: 1. Dennis Humphries (Glasgow), 2. Buck Archambeault (Glas), 3. Karen Jacobson (Hav), 4. Ed Hopfauf (Glendive).

B

1. M. Knierim won by injury default over R. Lehr. Third: Gary Stevenson (Hav). Consolation: D. Irving (Glas).

C

Round robin: 1. D. Irving (Glas), 2. Jamey Cariveau (Hav), 3. C. Hallock (Glas), 4. M. Graham.

DOUBLES OPEN

Round robin: 1. Dennis Humphries (Glas)-Jim Heath (Blgs), 2. Clay Morse-Lance Reithmeier (Hav), 3. Chuck Garten-Milt Hallock (Glas), 4. Perry Jacobson-Darryl Ness (Hav).

B

Championship: Don Goddard (Glas)-Karen Jacobson (Hav) def. Buck Archambeault (Glas)-Jim Heath (Blgs) 15-14, 15-13. Third: Ed Hopfauf (Glen)-Shelly Pehlke (Glas) won by forfeit.

WOMEN SINGLES

B

Championship: Berte Heath (Blgs) def. Rita Hamilton (Hav), 15-3, 15-5. 3. Marcy Stewart (Glas), Consolation: Kelly Veis (Wolf Point).

C

Championship: Vicki Ness (Hav) def. Connie Johnson (Glas) 15-1, 15-10. 3. Colbrese (Glas), Consolation: Irving (Glas).

DOUBLES B-C

Round robin: 1. Kelly Veis (WP)-Rita Hamilton (Hav), 2. Marcy Stewart-Connie Johnson (Glas), 3. Colbrese-Jennifer Helland (Glas), 4. Vicki Ness-Sam James (Hav).

MIXED DOUBLES

1. Karen Jacobson-Perry Jacobson (Hav), 2. Clay Morse (Hav)-Kelly Veis (WP), Consolation: Colbrese (Glas)-Heath (Blgs).

Kennis wins twice at home

HELENA — John Kennis of Helena proved to be a double-winner at the annual Helena Broadwater Classic racquetball tournament in mid-January.

Kennis defeated Matt Parriman of Helena for the men's Open singles championship, then teamed with Parriman to stop Rob Gunderson and Ron Roesti of Butte in the Open doubles finale.

Karen Jacobson of Havre earned women's Open singles honors in round robin play. Denise Moerkerke of Hamilton finished second, followed by Linda Richter of Missoula.

In men's A singles, Steve Pinnow of Billings defeated Darren Retz of Helena.

Tom Thompson and Larry McAfee of Great Falls won the men's A-B doubles.

Here are the Broadwater Classic results. No match scores were reported and some hometowns are unavailable.

WOMEN SINGLES OPEN

Round robin: 1. Karen Jacobson (Havre), 2. Denise Moerkerke (Hamilton), 3. Linda Richter (Missoula).

B

Round robin: 1. Sharon Rosling (Helena), 2. Cindy Otter (Hel), 3. Lisa Phillips (Butte).

SENIOR B

Round robin: 1. Turkiewicz, 2. Mary Thompson (Great Falls), 3. Mary Allaman (Billings).

C

1. Vi Schurman (Hel), 2. York, 3. Fischer, 4. George, 5. Keri Routzahn (Hel).

DOUBLES

1. Mary Thompson-Charlene Dalbec (GF), 2. Janet Church-Turkiewicz (Hel), 3. Mary Allaman (Blgs)-Matt Thompson (GF), 4. Jodi DiFranzo-Lisa Phillips (Butte), Consolation: Sharon Rosling-Keri Routzahn (Hel).

MEN SINGLES OPEN

1. John Kennis (Hel), 2. Matt Parriman (Hel), 3. Herb Thornby (Bozeman), 4. Mike Richter (Msla), Consolation: Tim Hergett (Blgs).

A

1. Steve Pinnow (Blgs), 2. Darren Retz (Hel), 3. Tom Thompson (GF), 4. Jim Anderson (Msla), Consolation: Buck Tripp (Hel).

B

1. Wayne Surratt (GF), 2. Jim Halberg (Boz), 3. Roger Rowsey (Boz), 4. Pat DiFranzo (Butte), Consolation: Scott Swink (Hel).

SENIOR B

1. Frank Moreni (Anaconda), 2. Don Clark (Ana), 3. Worthington, 4. Don Schiller (Butte), Consolation: Tim Nolan (Msla).

DOUBLES OPEN

1. John Kennis-Matt Parriman (Hel), 2. Rob Gunderson-Ron Roesti (Butte), 3. Tim Hergett-Alan Mader (Blgs), 4. Steve Kiffe-Herb Thornby (Boz), Consolation: Russ Noonan-Mike Dalton (Hel).

A-B

1. Larry McAfee-Tom Thompson (GF), 2. Anderson-Hoff (Msla), 3. McCracken-Nickel (Hel), 4. Doran-Osborne (Butte), Consolation: White-Wood (Lewistown).

Trivia test

What longtime MRA members are honored with sportsmanship trophies presented annually in their names?

What year did 424 players participate in the state single tournament in Billings?

What player won a national junior championship for girls ages 10-under in 1986?

What is the name of the Sagebrush Athletic Club's resident feline?

Answers: 1982. Alyssa Boland, Club Cat alias C.C. Don Goddard, Jan Shelton.

Miller works in Cut Bank

CUT BANK — Bob Miller of Great Falls worked for the men's A championship title at the Hawaiian Festival Racquetball Tournament at the Civic Center here in mid-December.

Miller battled for a 15-14, 12-15, 11-10 decision over Rod Cline of Cut Bank.

Miller also topped the men's A-B doubles bracket, paired with Ross Hannon of Lethbridge, Alberta.

The tournament drew 50 players from Northcentral Montana and Canada.

Plans are under way for the annual Shamrock Shootout March 16-18.

Here are the tournament results. Scores were not reported.

MEN SINGLES

1. Bob Miller (Great Falls), 2. Rod Cline (Cut Bank), 3. Miles Lewis (CB), 4. Dave Kuglin (GF).

B

1. Mark Daniels (Shelby), 2. Tom Russell (Shel), 3. Mike Streeter (Whitefish), 4. Gary Cassel (CB).

C

1. Scott Babowicz (CB), 2. Larry Brown (CB), 3. Byron Purkett (Havre), 4. Neil Roush (CB).

NOVICE

1. Brian Barnard (CB), 2. Sharon Hotchkiss (CB), 3. Maynard Nygaard (CB), 4. Gary Salway (CB).

DOUBLES

A-B

1. Bob Miller (GF)-Ross Hannon (Lethbridge), 2. Dave Kuglin (GF)-Don Babowicz (CB), 3. Rick Eggars-Gary Cassel (CB), 4. Rand Weaver (CB)-Joe Sisk (Galatta).

C

1. Scott Babowicz-Larry Brown (CB), 2. Todd Bailensky (CB)-Byron Purkett (Havre), 3. Mike Burns-Neil Roush (CB), 4. Dave Cooper-Dan Short (CB).

WOMEN

NOVICE

1. Tara Murphy (CB), 2. Laurie Olson (CB), 3. Katrina Ruppold (Valier), 4. Lorrie Remsen (CB).

DOUBLES

1. Kathy Ake (Kalispell)-Lorrie Remsen (CB), 2. Sharon Hotchkiss-Laurie Olson (CB), 3. Jean Cline-Cindy Askelson (CB).

Referee's corner

By SHIGEO BANKS

GREAT FALLS — Here is the latest ruling.

In doubles, only the offensive team may verbally communicate to each other. Example: Mine, yours, I got it, partner's name.

Premature shouts of joy, agony and compliments can be distracting to the opponent.

Rule 4.16 — Point hinder (formerly an avoidable hinder): A point hinder results in the loss of a rally. A point hinder does not necessarily have to be an intentional act and is the result of any of the following:

- Intentional distractions — deliberate shouting, stomping of feet, waving of racquet or any other manner of disrupting one's opponent. (See page 16 in the official AARA rulebook, "What's The Call.")

When rule 4.16 was questioned. Mike Arnot in the January 1988 edition of *National Racquetball* ruled that the offensive team may verbally communicate, but the defensive team can not.

Greenfield bests Evans in Billings

BILLINGS — Top-ranked Canadian racquetball professional Sherman Greenfield of Winnipeg, Manitoba, captured the men's pro singles title at the Cellular One Pro-Am at the Billings Athletic Club in late-January.

Greenfield defeated Jeff Evans of Seattle in a tie-breaker to claim the \$800 first prize. Evans pocketed \$400.

Derek Robinson of Kennewick, Wash., stymied John Kennis of Helena in the third place pro division match, while Matt Shute of Powell, Wyo., picked up consolation honors.

Shute also won the men's Open-A singles title over Alan Lich of Billings.

Evans and Robinson copped the \$200 pro doubles first place award over Lloyd Marsh of Billings and Rick Rios of Bozeman.

Kennis and Matt Parriman of Helena cashed for third place over Don Skadeland of N.D. and Dan West of Billings. The consolation side was topped by Lance Reithmeier of Havre and Paul Patek of Billings.

The women's A-B singles title belonged to Linda Richter of Missoula over Connie Ryals of Billings.

The field numbered 99 with just 15 women.

Here are the tournament results. No scores were reported.

MEN SINGLES

PRO

1. Sherman Greenfield (Winnipeg, Manitoba), 2. Jeff Evans (Seattle), 3. Derek Robinson (Kennewick, Wash.), 4. John Kennis (Helena), Consolation: Matt Shute (Powell, Wyo.).

OPEN-A

1. Shute (Powell), 2. Alan Lich (Billings), 3. Rod Morse (Havre), 4. Chuck Smith (Blgs), Consolation: Rob Starz (Hel).

B

1. Buck Tripp (Bozeman), 2. Gary Stevenson (Hav), 3. Kent Coe (Hel), 4. Rod Hessler (Blgs), Consolation: Jeff Boyd (Blgs).

C

1. Hank Mellgren (Blgs), 2. Lee Walth (Colstrip), 3. Spencer Kanning (Plentywood), 4. Jon Shortridge (Blgs), Consolation: David Surdock (Blgs).

MASTERS PLUS-45

1. Gary Richards (Blgs), 2. Denton Buss (Riverton, Wyo.), 3. John Taylor (Miles City), 4. Tim Keating (Blgs), Consolation: Joe Luckman (GF).

Missoula

from FRONT

Evans (Seattle), 3. Greg Boland (Seattle), 4. Roger Harpersad (Calgary, Alberta), Consolation: Rick Rios (Bozeman).

A

1. Chris Aasen (Calgary), 2. Perry Jacobson (Havre), Consolation: Larry Kallenbrunner (Calgary).

B

1. Tom Henderson (Hamilton), 2. Mark Rule (Butte), Consolation: Keith Fortman (Missoula).

C

1. Mike Schrapps (Butte), 2. Craig Price (Missoula), Consolation: Joel Norgaard (Msla).

SENIOR B

1. Robert French (Kalispell), 2. Randy Olson, Consolation: Tom Hirst (Helena).

SENIOR C

1. Norm Minor (Calgary), 2. Jim Johnson, Consolation: Jim McKinney.

MASTERS

1. Fred Briscoe (Calgary), 2. Frank Moreni (Anaconda), 3. Ken Colbo (Msla).

DOUBLES

PRO

1. Greg Boland-Jeff Evans (Seattle), 2. Rob Pratt-Harry Fornefelt (Calgary), 3. Bill Shepley-Jason Ulley (Calgary), Consolation: Lloyd Marsh (Billings)-Paul Shanks (Calgary).

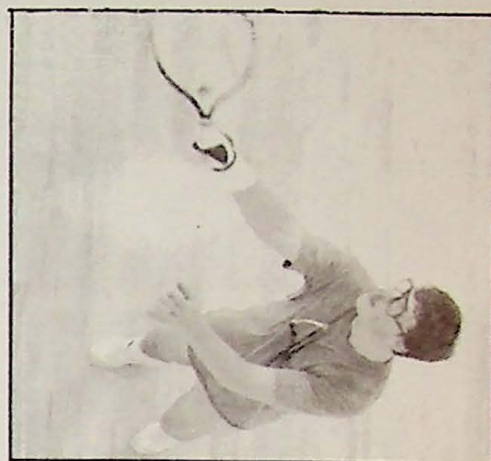


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TIM HERGETT of Billings backhands a shot off the back wall in Billings Pro-Am play.

SENIOR A

1. Bill McLain (Lewistown), 2. David Weber (Blgs), 3. Dennis Wolff (Blgs), 4. Mike Richter (Missoula).

SENIOR B

1. Tom King (Blgs), 2. John Dupuis (Blgs), 3. Don Jensen (Pwood), 4. Bob Crowe (Hav), Consolation: Jim Pickings (Blgs).

DOUBLES

PRO

1. Jeff Evans-Derek Robinson (Wash.), 2. Lloyd Marsh (Blgs)-Rick Rios (Boz), 3. John Kennis-Matt Parriman (Hel), 4. Don Skadeland (N.D.)-Dan West (Blgs), Consolation: Lance Reithmeier (Hav)-Paul Patek (Blgs).

A

1. Gary Richards-Jim Brown, 2. Darren Retz-Rob Starz (Hel), 3. Tom Hagen-Dennis Wolff (Blgs), 4. Rick Egger-Alan Lich (Blgs), Consolation: John Weber-Gary Greenle (Blgs).

B

1. Gordon Tripp (Hel)-Buck Tripp (Boz), 2. Fred Wood-Ray White, 3. Scott Swick-David Surdock, 4. Spencer-Kanning.

WOMEN SINGLES

A-B-C

1. Linda Richter (Msla), 2. Connie Ryals (Blgs), 3. Rita Hamilton (Hav), 4. Jolee Ferriter (Butte), Consolation: Suze Eades (Blgs).

SENIORS PLUS-35

Round robin: 1. Charlene Dalbec (GF), 2. Mary Allaman (Blgs), 3. Marge Johnston (Sheridan, Wyo.), 4. Molly Steel (Sheridan).

MIXED DOUBLES

1. Joe Luckman-Charlene Dalbec (GF), 2. Ron Brenna-Rita Hamilton (Hav), Consolation: Jim Johnson-Diane Johnson (Butte).

A-B

1. Usher Barnhoff-Larry Kaltenbrunner (Calgary), 2. Rob Starz-Russ Noonan (Helena), Consolation: Tim Nolan-Ric Wilcomb (Msla).

WOMEN SINGLES

PRO

1. Helen Shields (Msla), 2. Jill Corrado (Calgary), 3. Sid Whitesell (Msla), Consolation: Tina Denton (Cal).

A

1. Denise Moerkerke (Hamilton), 2. Rita Hamilton (Havre), Consolation: Barb Karst (Msla).

B

1. Elaine McDonald (Calgary), 2. Dianna McKinley, Consolation: Jolee Ferriter (Butte).

C

1. Rose Spear (Butte), 2. Sherry Leavens (Hamilton), Consolation: Susan Galenzoski (Calgary).

DOUBLES

PRO

1. Helen Shields-Sid Whitesell (Msla), 2. Jill Corrado-Tina Denton (Calgary).

A-B

1. Bernadette Holes-K.C. Corette (Msla), 2. Rhonda Melton-Denise Moerkerke (Hamilton), Consolation: Lyn Windmuller-Lini Reading (Kalispell).

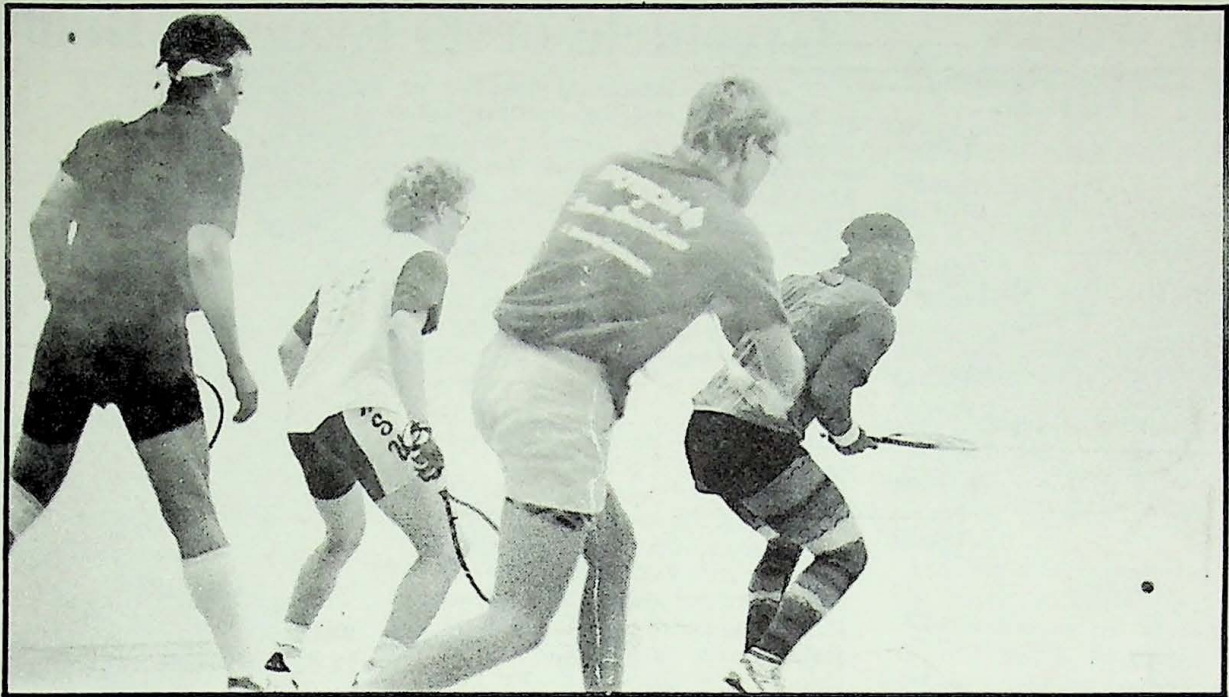


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State doubles play nears

HAVRE TEENAGERS Clay Morse and Lance Reithmeier (second and third from left) battled Rick Rios of Bozeman (far left) and Lloyd Marsh of Billings (far right) for the state Open doubles champion-

ship in 1989. But the Havre team won't be at the 1990 doubles finals Feb. 23-25 in Helena at the Crossroads Fitness Center. Rios and Marsh's top challengers could be John Kennis and Matt Parriman of Helena.



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