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Across The Years

Eighteen years ago the first U.S. National Racquetball Singles Championships were established. That isn't very long ago, in the way historians measure time, however, when measuring the progress of racquetball, and the development of the U.S. Nationals, those years are of historical significance.

In 18 years the number of entrants rose from 30 men in 1968 to 850 men and women ranging from the ages of 19 to 72, in 1986. The mem-

ber states participating in the event dramatically increased from four to 50 tournament staff and volunteers expanded from approximately two to 15. 23 championship age divisions, including a men's wheelchair division, and two non-championship divisions, were run in 1986 for men and women, as compared to one men's division, in 1968. Media coverage in 1968 consisted of being listed as a footnote in "Ace", the official handball magazine. The cover-

age for the 1985 U.S. National Singles reached over 50,000,000 people through national television, print, and broadcasting coverage. (The estimated numbers for the 1986 National Singles are expected to far exceed those from 1985.)

In 1986 the International Olympic Committee recognized the sport of racquetball. This historical advancement lends even more importance to our U.S. National Singles, and our National Racquetball Team, for in the

future, this will be the team to represent the U.S. in Pan Am and Olympic Games.

Presently, new goals are being set and programs implemented. Futuristic dreams and visions are being sought. And tremendous opportunities are now beginning to emerge for our sport. These dreams, visions, and opportunities are what make history happen. So why the excitement? ... Imagine where racquetball will be in another 18 years!

Houston YMCA Hosts U.S. National Singles

By Cathie Frederickson
AARA Media Coordinator

1981 marked the first time that the top finishers in the mens and womens open divisions of the U.S. Nationals received an automatic berth on the U.S. National Racquetball Team.

The 1986 U.S. National Singles sponsored by D. P. and Penn again filled the downtown Hyatt Regency and the Houston YMCA for the 4th consecutive year. Play began daily (Thursday through Monday) at 8 a.m.. Evenings were scheduled with racquetball meetings and social functions for all participants. The weather, social activities, beautiful accommodations, and the two block distance between the club and the hotel, again lent unique atmosphere to this national event. This year's U.S. Nationals produced two four-time U.S. National Open Champions, and many two to sixteen time age divisional U.S. National Champions.

The Men's Open 1985 National Defending Champion, Ed Andrews from Huntington Beach, CA, captured his 4th U.S. National Open Title by defeating challenger Andy Roberts. Andy, the 1985 World Games Champion, from Memphis, TN, fell in two games, 15-12, 15-7. Jack Nolan of Tempe, AZ pushed Tom Montalbano,

of Brentwood, NY into three games, but came up short for the third place title. The first game was taken by Nolan, 15-12. Montalbano then came back and won 15-14, 11-4 for the mens open bronze medal.

In the Women's Open Division, another four time U.S. National Open Champion emerged. The 1985 Women's Open Defending Champion, Cindy Baxter, from Lewistown, PA, was awarded the four time title after battling successfully with Trina Rasmussen of Sacramento, CA in two tough games. The final scores of the match, 15-14, 15-12. Mona Mook, another strong contender from Sacramento, received the bronze medal. Fourth place went to Mirjam Wielheesen who defaulted due to an ankle injury suffered during her semi-finals match.

Chip Parmelly, of Diamond Bar, CA was awarded the gold medal and the championship title in the Men's Wheelchair Division. Chip upset the 1985 National Defending Champion Jim Leatherman of Baltimore, MD, 15-4, 15-3. Jim Golden of Lubbock, TX defeated John Foust from Aurora, CO to take the bronze medal.

Lance Gilliam from San Antonio,

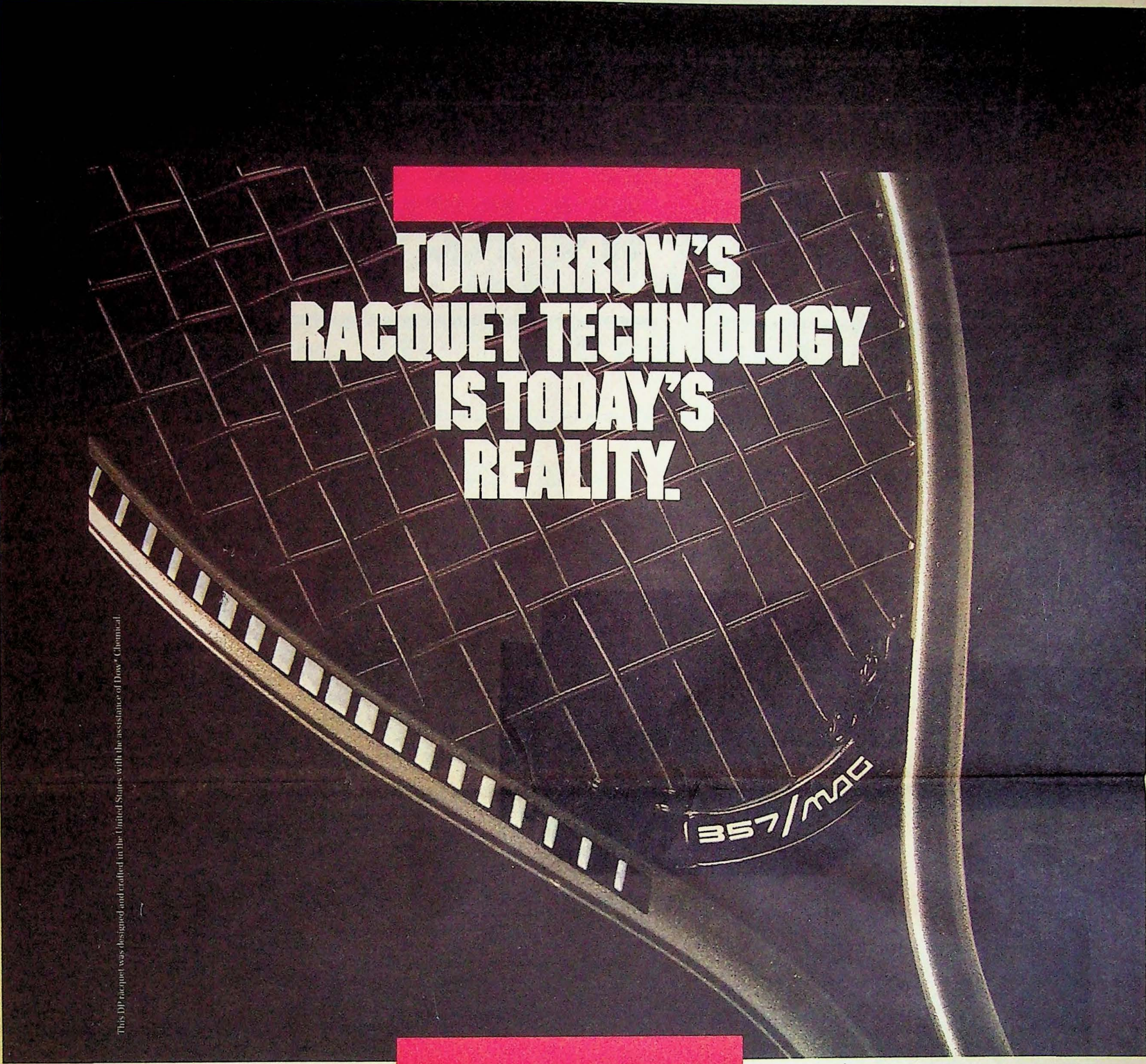
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The 1986 U.S. National Intercollegiate Championships Sponsored By D.P. and Penn

It was a close battle between University of California, Sacramento and Memphis State for the 1986 Intercollegiate Racquetball Championship. Both teams maintained equal team scores going into the finals round, but the strong women's team from Sacramento proved to be the determining factor, sweeping every possible women's division and breaking the ten year "Memphis Streak".

Sacramento's Crystal Fried, the #1 women's singles player, breezed through the quarterfinals and semifinals, but was given a run for her money during the finals round. Toni Bevelock, from Memphis State, and a member of the U.S. National Racquetball Team, jumped ahead of Fried winning the first game 15-10. During the second game, the tables turned and Fried beat Bevelock 15-1. The tiebreaker resulted in an 11-6 victory for Fried. For the second consecutive year, Fried captured the title of National Female Intercollegiate Champion.

In the #1 men's singles, Sacramento's Roger Harripersad, defeated Memphis State's three year National Male Intercollegiate Champion Andy Roberts, 15-12, 15-7. Last summer in the finals at the World Games II, Roberts beat Harripersad to win the title of World Games Champion.

Fried and Harripersad were recruited from Alberta, Canada by Sacramento's Team Coach and U.S. National Team Coach, Ed Martin. Both are members of the Canadian National Racquetball Team.

In the #2 women's singles division, Mona Mook of Sacramento defeated Dina Pritchett of Memphis State in three games. The first game was taken by Mook, 15-12. Pritchett came from behind and won the second game 15-13. The tiebreaker and match went to Mook, 11-5.

Trina Rasmussen, the #3 women's singles player for Sacramento, crushed Memphis State's Teresa Beresford 15-3, 15-2. Tracy Eagleson continued the trend of the Sacramento women by downing Memphis State's Kim Cooling, 15-4, 15-12.

During the #1 women's doubles, Sacramento's Mook and Rasmussen teamed up and relinquished any hopes of Bevelock and Pritchett stopping the Sacramento women's course of action, by defeating the #1 Memphis team, 15-4, 15-6. Also in the doubles, Sacramento's Fried and Eagleson pounded Memphis State's Cooling and Beresford, 15-2, 15-0.

Bobby Rodriguez of Sacramento defeated Scott Reid of Memphis, 15-5, 15-9, in the #2 men's singles. Jim Jeffers, Memphis's #3 single, stopped the Sacramento men's team from sweeping all four singles divisions. Jeffers defeated Shawn Fitzpatrick of Sacramento, 15-9, then lost 6-15,

finally taking the tiebreaker, 11-1.

Paul Marino, #4 men's singles player for Sacramento, carried on his teams winning streak by downing Memphis State's Todd O'Neil, 15-12, 13-15, 11-6.

The only division not totally dominated by Sacramento and Memphis was the #1 men's doubles. St. Paul's Hart Johnson and Todd Stead got by

Sacramento's team of Harripersad and Rodriguez in the semifinals, winning the first game 15-14, losing the second 7-15, and coming back in the tiebreaker to win 11-7. In the finals, Johnson and Stead gave it their best but were not successful in defeating the team of Roberts and Komistak from Memphis. The final score was 15-9 and 15-13.

Intercollegiate team standouts also include Purdue and University of Texas. Purdue showed a lot of potential by placing third in the women's standings, fifth in men's and third overall. University of Texas men's team placed third, the women's team fell to eleventh and ended up fourth overall.

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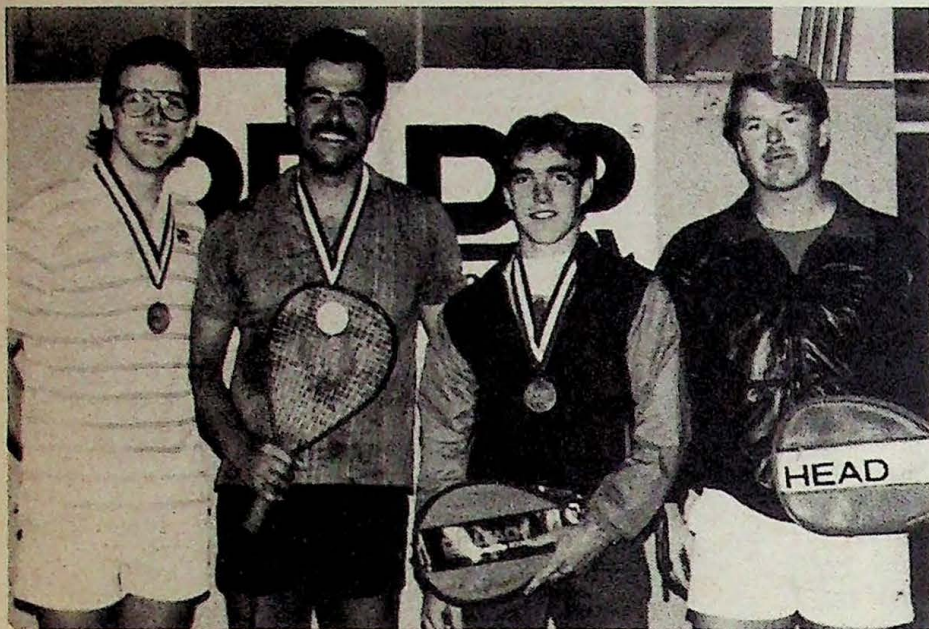
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National Singles



Men's Open winners (from left) are Andy Roberts, second place; Ed Andrews, first place; Tom Montalbano, third place; and Jack Nolan, fourth place.

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TX, received a gold medal by dominating the Men's 19+ Division. Lance beat Tim Hansen of Palm Beach, FL, 15-9, 15-8. Ron Digiacoia of Stony Brook NY, downed Jack Nolan for the bronze medal, 15-10, 15-10.

The Women's 19+ gold medal was awarded to Teresa Beresford of Arlington, VA. Teresa defeated Roz Olson of Sunderland, MA in three games. Roz jumped ahead and took the first game 15-11. Teresa battled back to win the next two games 15-9, 11-9. JoEtta Hastings from Flint, MI beat Momi Lee of Salem, OR for the bronze medal. JoEtta won the first game, 15-10. Momi took the second game 15-2. The tiebreaker and match went to JoEtta 11-1.

The gold medal in the Men's 25+ Division, was presented to Bill Land of Lafayette, LA. Bill turned the tables after losing the first game to Mark Morrison of Jacksonville, FL. The final scores were 14-15, 15-12, and 11-2. The bronze medal went to Larry Fox of MI and fourth place to Kelvin Van Trease from Chicago.

Diane Bullard and Mary Lyons, both from the State of Florida, met in the finals of the Women's 25+ Division. Diane defeated Mary 15-2, 15-8, to become the 1986 Women's 25+ National Champion and gold medalist. The 1985 Defending Champion, Kathy (Gluvna) Treadway, received the bronze medal by winning a difficult match against Chris Evon of Oak Park, IL. Chris won the first game 15-12. Kathy came back and won, 15-8 and 11-7.

Bobby Corcoran of Phoenix, AZ and Jim Doyle of Seaside, CA battled for the gold medal in the Mens 30+ division. Jim won the first games 15-14. Bobby took the next two games 15-13 and 11-7, to become the 1986 U.S. National Men's 30+ Champion. The bronze medal went to Robert O'Brien of Sacramento, CA. Robert beat Stu Hastings of Flint, MI 15-10, 15-7.

Gail Woods of Mentairie, LA took the gold medal in the Women's 30+

Division by defeating Connie Peterson of Gresham, OR. Connie won the first game 15-7 but Gail dominated the remaining two games 15-8, 11-3. Susan Morgan of Jacksonville, FL won a close match against Julia Pinnell from Winter Park, FL to receive the bronze medal. Julia won the first game 15-10, but fell short in the remaining two games 15-14, 11-9.

The Men's 35+ Division was far from predictable. Craig Kunkle, #2 seed from Concord, CA crushed every one of his opponents to take the gold medal and the 1986 Mens 35+ National Championship Title. Craig frustrated Dave Kovanda, from Columbus, OH, 15-2, 15-4 in the finals. Ed Remen, the 1985 35+ Defending Champion, was upset by Rick VanderLind, from Grand Rapids, MI. Rick was stopped in the semi's by Craig 15-5, 15-2. Rick went on to defeat Gary Mazaroff of Albuquerque, NM, 13-15, 15-5, and 11-3, to

The Women's 40+ gold medal went to Maite Utza from Bellevue, WA. Agatha Falso of Boca Raton, FL, pushed Maite into three games by taking the first game 15-13. Maite won the last two games 15-6, 11-6. The bronze medal was received by Mildred Gwinn of Matthews, NC, who downed #2 seed Joan Pearce from Oak Park, IL. Mildred won the first game 15-10. Lost the second 12-15, and then took control in the tiebreaker 11-4.

#1 seed and Men's 45+ U.S. National Defending Champion, Charlie Garfinkel, from Buffalo NY, defeated Jack Ross from Miami, 15-10, 15-8. Charlie, who is a 16 time National Champion, now holds the Men's 45+ championship title for the second consecutive year. Robert Galbreath, from New Wilmington, PA, and Bobby Sanders of Cleveland, OH, battled for the bronze medal. Robert won the first game 15-8, was



Pictured right is Ed Andrews (CA), Men's Open winner.

Pictured at left is Cindy Baxter (PA) who was also named Female Athlete of the Year.



receive the bronze medal.

Eileen Ehrlich of Lake Worth, FL, breezed through the Women's 35+ Division to receive the gold medal and the Championship Title. Eileen defeated Mary Murray of Miami, 15-2, 15-6. Terry Voboril of Wichita, KS, prevented Salem, Utah's, Toni Dever from taking the bronze medal. Terry won the first game 15-7, lost the second 15-8, came back in a tough tiebreaker and won 11-9.

Ed Remen from Sterling, VA, was successful in defending his 1985 Men's 40+ title. Ed came out on top in a close finals match against West Palm Beach, Florida's, Robert Riley. Ed took the match 15-6, 11-15, 11-8. The bronze medal went to Herb Grigg of Caledonia, IL. Herb took out Denis Lose of Palo Alto, CA, 15-5, 15-3.

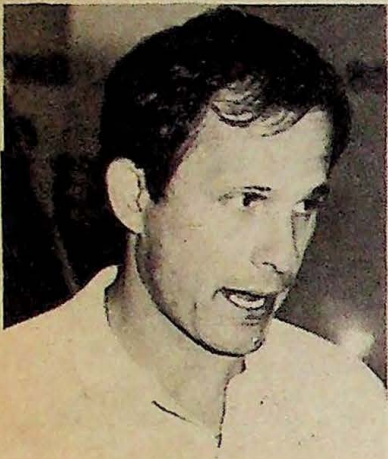
defeated 14-15, then took the third, 11-7.

Judy Schmidt, of Sarasota, FL, was awarded the title of 1986 Women's 45+ National Champion. Judy dominated Mildred Gwinn in the finals 15-7, 15-12. Marion Johnson of San Marcos, TX, downed Jean Tull of Annandale, Va, for the bronze medal. Marion won 15-13, lost 0-15, and won 11-10.

Charlie Wickham, of Charlotte, NC, remains the Men's 50+ U.S. National Champion for the second consecutive year. Charlie defeated Cleveland, Ohio's Otis Chapman in an exciting finals match. Otis won the first game 15-12, then dropped the remaining two games to Charlie 15-12, 11-8. The bronze medal was presented to Bob Wetzal of Costa Mesa, CA. Bob defeated Pat Colombo



Wheelchair finalists (above from left) are Jim Leatherman, second place; John Foust, fourth place; Chip Parmelly, first place; Jim Golden, third place; and AARA executive director Luke St. Onge. Pictured below are National Rules Commissioner Mike Arnolt and National Commissioner Cathie Fredrickson.



of Scarsdale, NY, 15-8, 15-14.

The Women's 50+ championship title went to Jo Kenyon of Ft. Lauderdale, FL. Jo defeated Shirley Elgaway, a hometown opponent, 15-4, 15-3. The bronze medal was awarded to Mary Walker from Canoga Park, CA. Mary trampled Julia Atherley of Lantana, FL, 15-0, 15-0.

Chuck Lake, from Virginia, defeated the 1985 Men's 55+ defending champion, Patrick Whitehill, of Cheney, WA. Chuck dominated the match and won, 15-4, 15-8, to take the gold medal and the 1986 Men's 55+ championship title. The bronze medal went to Jim Herron of Warren, OH, who defeated Barney Friesth of Sioux Falls, SD, 15-5, 15-4.

The Women's 55+ gold medal and championship title was awarded to Mary Lou Acuff of Blacksburg, VA. Receiving medals in U.S. Championships is nothing new to Mary. She has received three in past years and took home three medals this year! In the round robin division, Mary Lou came out on top, followed by silver medalist, Julie Atherly, and bronze medalist, Janet Kettman of Fairfield, CT.

In the Men's 60+ division, Victor Sacco of Norwood, NY, defeated Al Rossi from San Francisco, CA in three games to be awarded the gold medal and the Men's 60+ championship title. Victor won the first game 15-6, dropped the second to Al, 7-15, then won a difficult tiebreaker 11-9. Malcolm Roberts of Melbourne, FL, defeated Earl Acuff of Blacksburg, VA, 15-14, 15-10, to take the bronze medal.

Claire Gautreau from McAllen, TX, took the Women's 60+ championship title and gold medal in round robin play. The silver medal was awarded to Mary Lou Acuff, and

the bronze to Betty Stone from Houston, TX.

Luzell Wilde, now holds the Men's 65+ U.S. National Championship title for the second consecutive year. Luzell of Centerville, UT, defeated Earl Acuff 15-5, 15-12. Don Goddard of Glasgow, MT was awarded the bronze medal. Don crushed Nick Sans of W. Palm Beach, FL, 15-3, 15-5.

In one of the most exciting matches of the week, Allen Shepherd of Rockville, MD, stole the Men's 70+ Championship Title away from Louisville's 20 time National Champion, Ike Gumer. After five unsuccessful challenges in the Men's 65+ division, (1979-1984), and one attempt in 1985 in the Men's 70+ division, Allen finally broke Ike's spell. Allen was victorious by winning the first game 15-7, losing the second 15-4, and then winning the intense tiebreaker, 11-7. Norman Creamer of Clearwater, FL, received the bronze medal by overcoming threats from John Pearce of Waco, TX, 15-12, 12-15, 11-8.

James Grant from Rockland, MD, took first place in the Men's B division. Second place went to Mark Jenkinson, of Fanwood, NH.

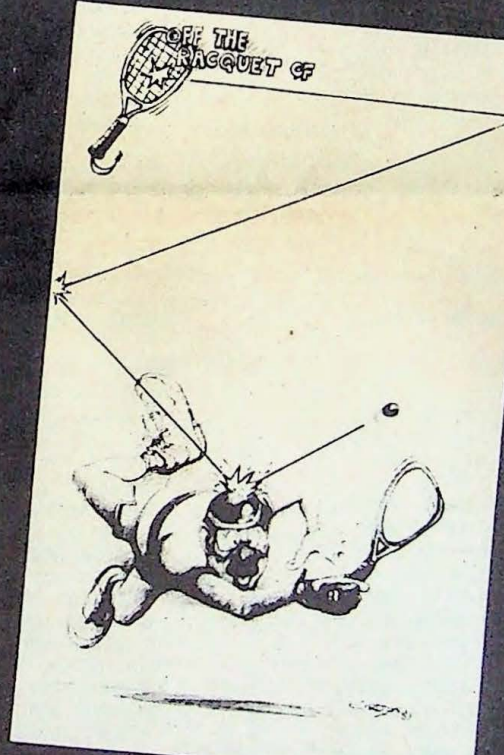
Women's B winner was Janet Burke from Newton Highlands, MA. Second place went to Chris Collins of Clearwater, FL.

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Women's Open winners (above from left) are Trina Rasmusen, second place; Cindy Baxter, first place; and Mona Mook, third place. Men's 55+ winners (below from left) are Chuck Lake, first place; and Pat Whitehill, second place.








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3	MUELLER, ERIC	OH
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6	OLIVER, VICKI	TX
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8	COPELAS, GEORGE	MA
9	WITTE, KEITH	SD
10	HAGEN, ROB	SD
11	ALONZI, DANNY	CO
12	LAPP, ERIC	PA
13	LARRY, DAVE	MI
14	HELLNER, DAVID	CO
15	BRADFORD, CHAD	OH
16	KERMAN, JEFF	NY
17	WAGGONER, JASON	FL
18	STUPINSKI, SCOTT	IL
19	PEPPER, TIM	IN
20	ARMSTRONG, TROY	MA

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7	KOVALSKI, BONNIE	OH
8	JENNINGS, PAT	IL
9	DREWHAK, JANE	MA
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11	WRIGHT, PAM	MA
12	AND, SCARLET	TX
13	HAMMON, EMILY	OH
14	RICE, AMY	NJ
15	SHAWALTER, SUSAN	OR
16	STEFELD, SUE	FL
17	YARNS, VICKI	FL
18	GLAZER, KAREN	OH
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20	MCDONOUGH, KARI	CA

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Rank	Name	St
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4	DURDOLSKY, BECKY	FL
5	HESKETT, KAY	OH
6	PALEZ, ALICIA	FL
7	TEER, LESLIE	OR
8	THIGPEN, DEBBIE	AL
9	LIGATO, PAM	NY
10	HYDE, JAMIE	OH
11	KIMNEY, ALICIA	AK
12	AMBROSE, CORINNE	FL
13	CULVERHOUSE, DANIELLE	AL
14	BAKER, BEVERLY	TN
15	MURKE, DOREEN	DE
16	CRAWLEY, KATHY	NY
17	CUMMINGS, ROBYN	PA
18	DIERKES, DIANA	OH
19	FURDONY, ARLENE	NY
20	HAMILTON, LINDA	OH

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Rank	Name	St
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4	PEPIN-DONET, CRAIG	NY
5	KUKETZ, STEVE	MA
6	KENNEDY, TOM	MA
7	CURTIS, MIKE	UT
8	CILLEN, JAMES	TX
9	LEONARD, TOM	NJ
10	FRANZER, STEVE	VA
11	KESTERSON, JIM	CA
12	BUTTERFIELD, JIM	OH
13	DOTSON, TIM	VA
14	GEDUNDAS, MIKE	AL
15	GEROUX, STEVE	IL
16	LOVERY, RAY	OH
17	ROTH, HARRY	OH
18	APP, MIKE	CA
19	WILKINS, TERRY	FL
20	LUZ, TONY	RI

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Rank	Name	St
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3	DEAN, FRANK	AL
4	XYNDIS, JON	FL
5	PARILL, TRAVIS	CO
6	DEAN JR, FRANK	AL
7	FRIEDMAN, JUDY	FL
8	ZIMMERMAN, BRENT	MI
9	ASHURST, JIM	AL
10	GROUMER, LEVI	MA
11	NEELY, CASEY	FL
12	PARKER, RYAN	CO
13	BENEDICT, GABRIEL	CO
14	PELLOWSKI, EVAN	VI
15	THOMPSON, ROBBIE	AL
16	D'ANDREA, RICHARD	FL
17	HERSCHKOWITZ, KEVIN	FL
18	ALVARO, BELTRAM	CA
19	WILKINS, TERRY	FL
20	BOVEE, BRIAN	MI

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Rank	Name	St
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3	EAGLE, DOUG	TX
4	MARTINEZ, GILBERT JR	TX
5	ECKLES, MATT	KS
6	HARE, ACE, JR.	KS
7	BEYMER, BRICK	KS
8	ADKINS, SCOTT	FL
9	BEAUBIEN, CHRIS	FL
10	BEAUBIEN, J.P.	FL
11	DONOVAN, MIKE	UY
12	ENDS, TONY	UY
13	ENGEL, ALAN	FL
14	KENNIS, JOHN	MT
15	LYONS, RICHARD	FL
16	LYONS, ROBERT	FL
17	MCFADDIN, BRIAN	MT
18	ROBE, BRETT	UY
19	SCHULTZ, JOHN	UY
20	SHUTE, MATT	UY

DIVISION - (15) MEN'S 17

Rank	Name	St
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3	BURT, ASHLEY	MI
4	ODDY, HUGH	CO
5	FUELER, ROB	MT
6	GARRON, ROB	MI
7	KEILER, DAN	CO
8	ACQUILUCCI, CHAD	PA
9	ALONZI, DANNY	CO
10	ECKHUSE, JEFF	MT
11	KUMMLER, JEFF	MI
12	OLIVER, RICH	CO
13	BOSCIA, TONY	CO
14	DIPIPPA, DANIAN	PA
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16	MCKAY, JOHN	MI
17	PARTEN, GARRET	CO
18	HAWKINS, BRUCE	CO
19	HECKATHORN, PAT	CO
20	STEVENS, DAN E	PA

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Rank	Name	St
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3	MIYAGAWA, GAYLE	VA
4	RIO, DERRA	MA
5	AMBERG, LISA	CA
6	ANDERSON, TANERA	TX
7	BACKER, JENNIFER	GA
8	BEANE, KELLY	MA
9	BROWNING, ANGIE	FL
10	MEISTERLING, TERRY	IL
11	GARRETT, EMMA	TX
12	KENCK, FRANK	IL
13	OWEN, BARRI	FL
14	BILLINGS, DORIS	NJ
15	DODSON, TALYA	CA
16	GIPSON, DEB	IL
17	HIGGINS, PAT	MA
18	HAMMON, EMILY	OH
19	IRUPY, DEB	OH
20	LEWIS, BECKY	AL

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Rank	Name	St
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4	BUEGEN, ANDREA	MA
5	O'DAY, KATI	FL
6	BUTLER, JILL	CA
7	JACOBS, STEPHANIE	TX
8	PECKLER, KIM	IL
9	MAY, HAYDEN	CA
10	DILLEY, TONYA	TX
11	NICKS, CARRIE	FL
12	BEUGEN, ANDRE	MA
13	BITTER, HEIDI	OR
14	BRUOKS, LISA	NY
15	DELLANINI, NIA	FL
16	PAINWATER, AMBER	FL
17	HASTILOU, ANGIE	FL
18	KATZ, WENDY	FL
19	MCGREGOR, MELISSA	FL

President's Column

by Van Dubolsky

As the newly appointed president of the AARA I would like to pledge myself to the ongoing promotion of racquetball at all levels.

The AARA is organized in all fifty states and we currently have around 35,000 active members. Upon reviewing the stated goals of the Association, it becomes obvious why it has emerged as the sport's national governing body, (as recognized by the United States Olympic Committee under the 1978 Amateur Sports Act). A list of these goals is included here in order to emphasize your association's complete involvement in racquetball. Please note that these goals are not necessarily listed in order of importance. Each goal, in its own way, is the most important. Some of these goals are underway; others are in the developmental stages; while others are on the future drawing board.

Goals of the AARA

1. Expand membership to 70,000 members, at least twice its

current membership.

2. Provide additional support to state and regional organizations to establish each organization as a strong promotional arm of the sport.
3. Support both RMA and WPRA in such a way as to maintain the amateur support for the professional game.
4. Establish advisory councils to the AARA in junior, inter-collegiate, adult, masters, military, court club owners, disabled, and racquetball manufacturers as a steering committee for each important section of the sport.
5. Establish a women's council under the Women's National Commissioner to identify problems, establish communication, encourage discussion, and recommend solutions to develop a strong National Women's program for our sport.
6. Expand current and develop new military, junior, and inter-

collegiate programs to make them a driving force in the promotion of our sport.

7. Expand media coverage of racquetball through increasing media awareness by establishing a National Media coordinator.
8. Expand and make more relevant the AARA/ARHS ranking system. Current system ranks 25,000 amateur players in the U.S. Target the serious sandbagging problem of racquetball.
9. Continue to review and adopt rules that are in the current spirit of the sport and continuously be responsive to evolutionary change in the sport.
10. Establish coaches, teaching, and court club manager certification.
11. Expand current referee certification programs.
12. Expand the U.S. National Team as a marketing tool for racquetball outside of our industry.

13. Expand the current involvement of the disabled in racquetball.
14. Place the AARA on a sound financial footing by establishing a National Foundation for the future of the AARA.
15. Create training and teaching films for racquetball.
16. Establish a Racquetball Library and Research Center that will house all articles, films, instructional articles, et cetera, for racquetball.
17. Encourage all manufacturers to take an active part in the development of the sport through AARA events.
18. Develop racquetball from a minor sport perception in America to a major sport identity.
19. Expand National Elite Training Camp from current 3-week program to year round status.
20. Establish an open forum through "Racquetball In Review" for change in racquetball.
21. Establish a grass roots recreational player program to attract and retain new players to racquetball.
22. Become Group A Member of the USOC.
23. Become a full sport on the program of the Pan Am Games.
24. Become a full sport on the program of the Olympic Games.
25. Participate as a sport in the National Sports Festival.
26. Develop and fund a National Racquetball Center that will house the U.S. National Championships, Museum, national offices, and Racquetball Hall of Fame. The U.S. National Racquetball Center would be patterned after the National Tennis Center in Flushing Meadows, New York.
27. Develop sponsors outside of the racquetball industry.

It is important to remember that our only paid personnel are the Executive Director and the Executive Secretary. We are a non-profit charitable organization and that means we rely on volunteers for the implementation of our programs. The key to our success is acquiring the services of competent volunteers at the state level so that each state association develops as a strong, independent, but nationally committed body.

If you are a person who has available time and the willingness to work, please contact your state director. All of the state director, regional director and board member addresses and phone numbers are listed in this publication. If you have any questions, please call or write to them or directly to me. Help your sport continue to grow by getting involved. Thanking you in advance for your support and future involvement.

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United States Olympic Committee Awards Grant To AARA

As part of the USOC's continued dedication to the development of sports not presently included in the Olympic and Pan Am Games, it has awarded a \$29,040.00 grant to the AARA towards defraying the costs of the U.S. National Team as it trains and participates in the 3rd World Championships of Racquetball. In awarding the AARA this grant, the USOC shows continued dedication to seeing racquetball gain the stature needed in order to be included in future Olympic and Pan Am Games.



Ed Remen Named Male Athlete Of The Year

Ed Remen of Sterling, VA, was named Male Athlete of the Year by the AARA at the U.S. National Singles Championships in Houston.

Ed captured every major title during 1985-86 including National titles in 35+ and 40+ in the U.S. National Singles, Ektelon Nationals, D. P. Nationals, 40+ in World Masters Games and 35+ in U.S. National Doubles with Johnny Hennon as his partner.

Ivan Bruner Receives John Halverson Award

Ivan Bruner of Madison, WI, was the recipient of the John Halverson Award, the highest award given by the AARA to the person who has contributed the most to the sport of racquetball during the 1985-86 season.

Ivan is president of the affluent and extremely active National Masters Council. Under Ivan's direction, added emphasis has been placed on including the higher age groups in sanctioned competitions. The National Masters Council has a membership of over 500 top masters players and runs the ever popular National Invitational Masters Singles and Doubles Championships.



Keith Calkins
New Board Member

Judi Schmidt
New Board Member

Three New Board Members Elected

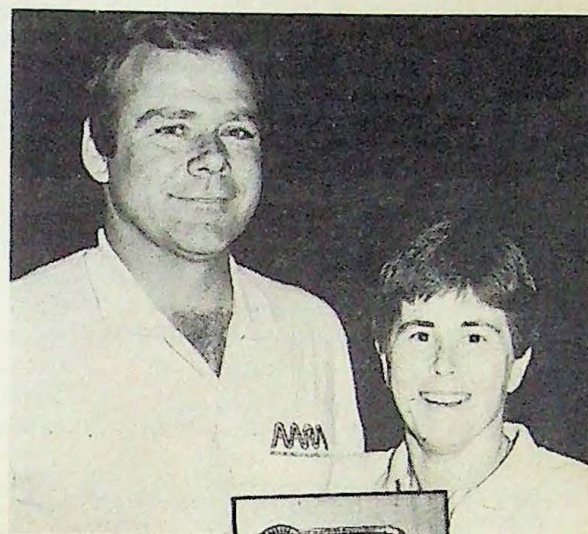
Al Seitelman, NY; Jon Denley, NJ; and Judi Schmidt, FL; were elected to three-year terms at the annual meeting of the AARA in Houston. Retiring from the Board were Paul Henrickson, MA; Jim Austin, TX; and Clint Koble, NV.

Keith Calkins, CA, was appointed to fulfill the unexpired term of Malia Kamahoahoa, VA, who resigned because of work commitments.

Cindy Baxter Named Female Athlete Of The Year

Cindy Baxter of Lewistown, PA, was named Female Athlete of the Year by the AARA at its bi-annual meeting in Houston.

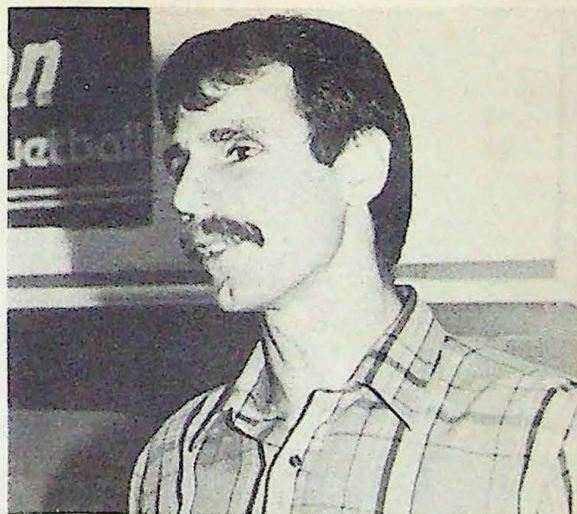
Cindy was named for an unprecedented third time for winning the 1986 U.S. National Singles open title and for defending the World Games title in London.



Presidential Award Presented To The Devers

The Presidential Award, given annually to the top state organization in the AARA, was awarded to the Utah Racquetball Association and to Toni and George Dever, who head up the Utah Racquetball Association.

The URA has gone from position 49 in membership in 1984 to breaking the top 20 in 1986. Utah also boasts one of the top referee certification programs in the United States.



Van Dubolsky Elected AARA President

Van Dubolsky of Gainesville, FL, was elected president of the AARA at the bi-annual meeting of its Board of Directors. Van has been a long-time member of the AARA and has served as State Director of Florida, Regional Commissioner for Region 4, as well as serving on the National Board as National Commissioner.

In addition to Van Dubolsky, Al Seitelman, Smithtown, NY, was elected Secretary; Mike Arnolt, Noblesville, IN, National Rules Commissioner; and Cathie Frederickson, Wayland, MI, National Commissioner.

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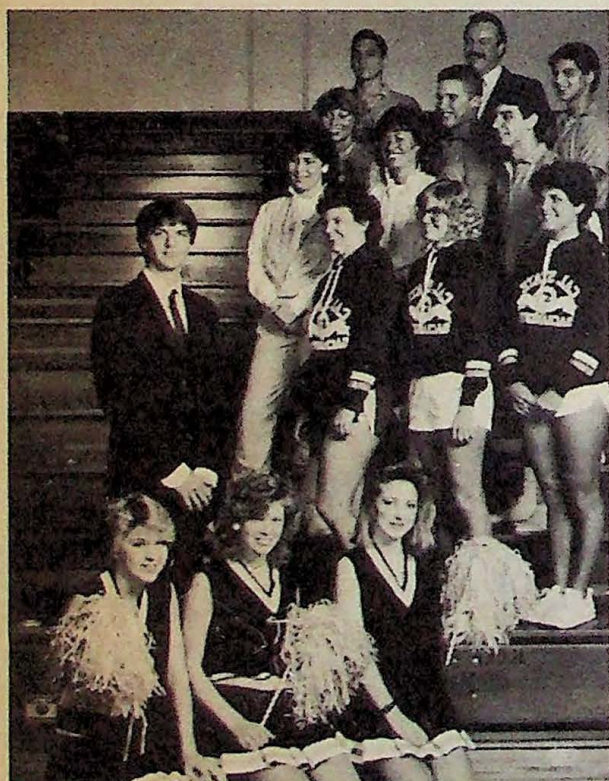
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3	New York
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36	Vermont
37	Delaware
38	Mississippi
39	Arkansas
40	Oregon
41	South Dakota
42	Missouri
43	West Virginia
44	Louisiana
45	Idaho
46	Iowa
47	Kentucky
48	Nebraska
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57	Virgin Islands

National Intercollegiate Championships



University of California, Sacramento 1986 Intercollegiate Racquetball Champions.

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Providence College, organizers and sponsors of this year's 1986 Intercollegiate, was headed by John Collantoni, who is a member of the American Collegiate Racquetball Association. Doreen Ateih, and Bill Dwyer, Providence students were efficient, prompt and dedicated to the very end. Much of the success and organization of the tournament was due to them.

Ferris State College from Michigan, was one of the most enthusiastic and "spirited" teams at the championships, they also won the most prizes in the raffle.

This year's National Intercollegiate boasted the inclusion of three countries, the United States, Canada and Mexico. The final count

of teams from participating colleges and universities was 41. The dramatic increase in the number of participants and the success of the tournament is greatly due to the formation of the American Collegiate Racquetball Association. This Council, headed by Neil Shapiro, is made up of a group of dedicated volunteers, whose direction is to develop and expand Intercollegiate Racquetball.

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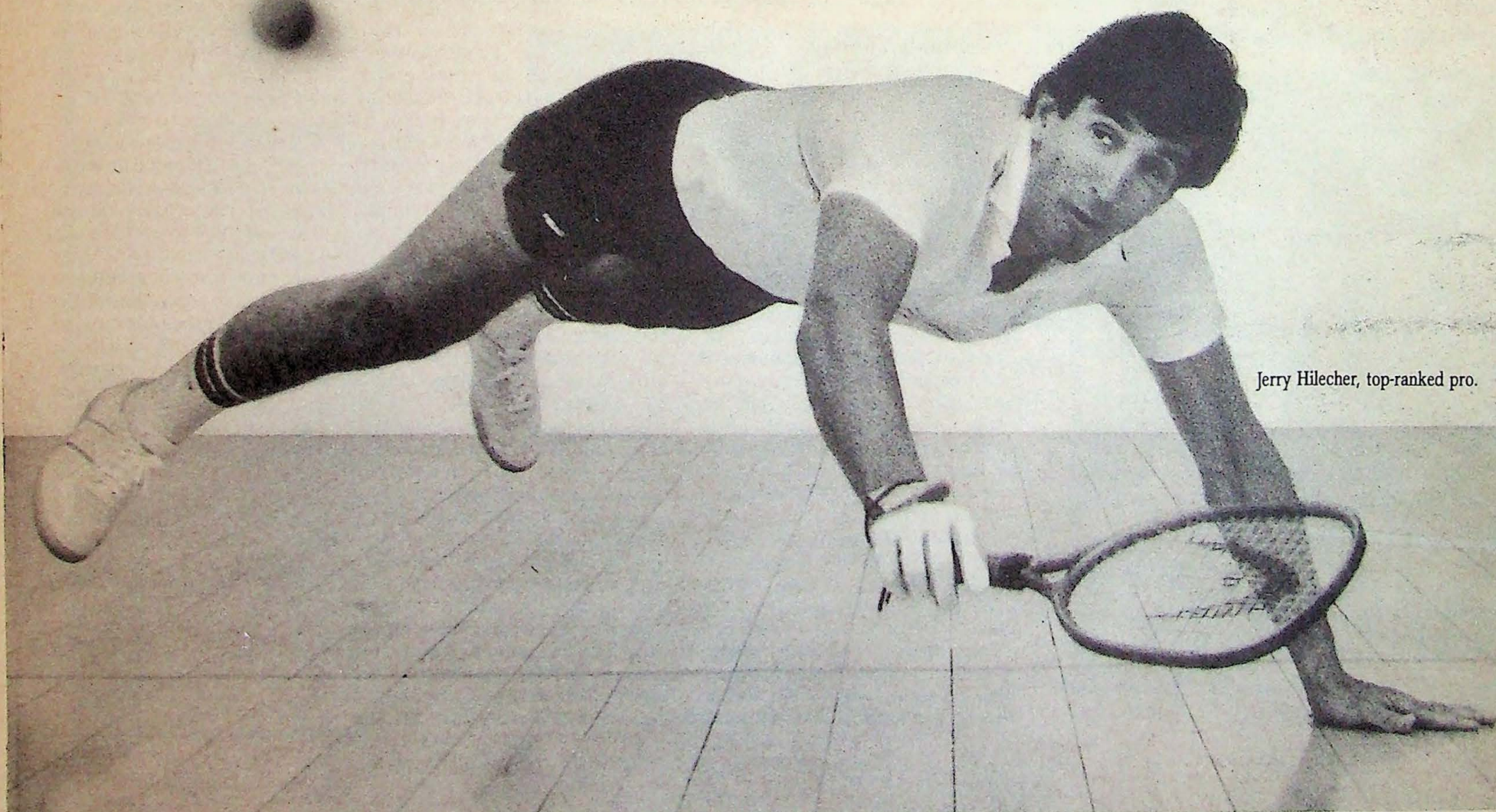
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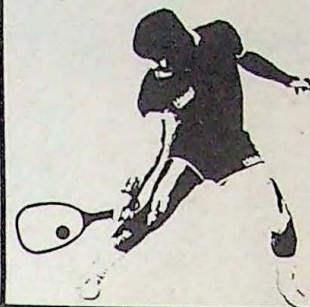
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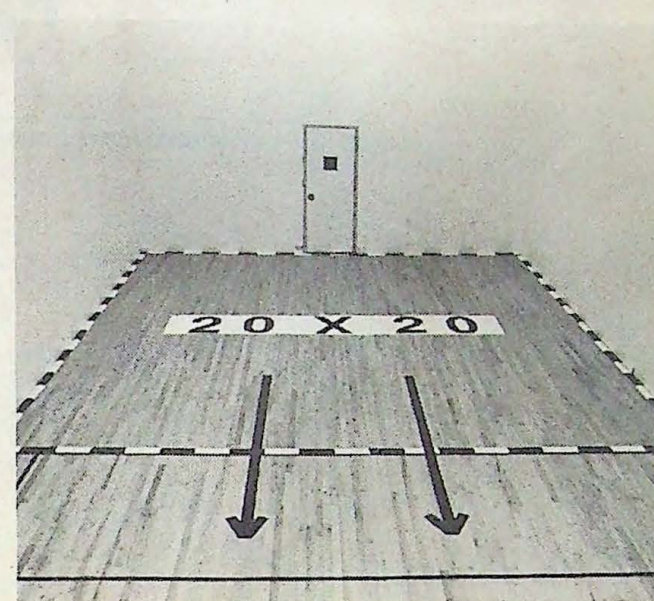
While researching racquetball, I charted tournament matches at every level of play, looking for statistical patterns, and I was amazed by one basic similarity; after the serve and service return, over 80 percent of the shots in a match — and often 90 percent — are taken from behind the service box. Agreed, this is a game of killshot attempts, but only rarely do we have time to actually move into the service box or closer to dig up those shots; the ball either dies in front of us or comes into the back half of the court. In other words, this game is played deeper far more often than we commonly think, and this dictates several basic premises for good play.

First, although the court is 40 feet long and 20 feet wide, your success is actually going to depend upon how effectively you learn to cover the entire back 20 by 20 foot area. What I term the "action zone." Eventually, you're going to need the ability to thrust forward to dig up shots in the service box, but day in and day out you'll prove yourself in the back 20 by 20 foot area as you cover and hit groundstrokes, volleys, ceiling balls, and other shots.

Second, to maximize your efficiency inside the action zone, in terms of both coverage and shot-making, you may find that you need to cover your opponent's offensive shots from a slightly deeper position than you may be presently playing. Your basic coverage position should fluctuate from 23 feet to 28 or 29 feet, depending upon your opponent's position and his ability to put away the shot you've given him.

Third, instead of worrying about being in a position to dig up your opponent's perfect winners in the front 15 foot area, be much more concerned about your readiness to cover the shots he leaves up, because nearly all of them will carry back to the action zone. Make that critical breakthrough by learning to cover your opponent's offensive shots with an attitude of "I'll concede you any shot that bounces twice inside of 15 feet, since this is basically an irretrievable area, and instead I'm going to play off all of your left-up shots." It's true, of course, that as your playing level moves up, your opponents will be hitting an increasing number of successful kills. However, the problem isn't going to be your positioning, but the fact that you're probably giving them far too many offensive opportunities. Keep the pressure on with accurate shot-making and even your toughest opponent will continually leave the ball up, giving you a chance to score again.

If your progress has leveled off, one major factor holding you back may be that you're trying to buck reality by constantly rushing up near the back service line as your opponent goes to hit, thinking you can add some pressure and also dig up more kill attempts. True, you may make the occasional spectacular rekill from up here, but



Over 80 to 90 percent of the shots in a rally are taken from the 20-by-20 foot area behind the service box. Good players are efficient at covering all parts of this "action zone" and, as the arrows indicate, have the ability to thrust and stretch forward into the service box to dig up potential kill shots.

far more of your opponent's shots are going to come back into the action zone and jam you or easily angle past you. You put too much pressure on yourself while giving your opponent greater leeway in his shot selection.

The reason nearly all shots are taken to the back half of the court once the rally begins is that the ball carries deeper than we tend to realize (and much more frequently). This is a game where inches on the front wall dictate feet on the court, and the slightest error in accuracy is magnified, especially when there's good pace on the ball. For example, if a skilled player varies his shots more than 12 inches up and down on the front wall and maintains the same velocity, it means the difference between a successful kill shot and a setup off the back wall. Even a straight-in kill attempt that hits just a foot high will actually take its first bounce near the front red line (15 feet) and then carry well into the action zone. If you're not convinced, get on a court and just drive balls hard into the front wall from about 25 to 30 feet and watch where they take their first bounce and the second bounce — in relation to how high they were hit. It helps to have a friend stand near the front wall and mark the spot where each shot hits. Look for the same relationships the next time you watch a match.

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