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12th Annual Pro-Am Continues Success

The 1989 Davison Pro-Am drew over 400 entrants proving itself a continued success. As usual, this 12th annual event attracted the nation's top players including four-time tournament winner, Bret Harnett, Ruben Gonzalez, Jack Newman and Mike Ray.

This year's edition of the tournament carried a new brand of excitement as hometown boy Jim Floyd made an appearance in the Pro final. To do this, Floyd defeated top seeded players, Gonzalez and Newman. Although Floyd was defeated in three straight games of 11-5, 11-6 and 11-2, the Pro-Am proved to be a true career milestone for the 19 year old Davison native.

Living up to past years, the

tournament again provided entertainment as well as competition. The annual banquet and dance at the Davison Country Club provided a forum for presentation of the Racquetball Association of Michigan's Player Awards (See related story on pages 6-7). The banquet was also highlighted by a surprise appearance by Jim Hiser, winner of this year's Outstanding Contribution Award.

Hiser, who left Michigan in June, is now the Assistant Executive Director of Programs for the AARA. Throughout his years spent in Michigan, he donated much of his time, ingenuity and effort into racquetball by holding

positions on the RAM board and creating the longest running tournament series,

just to name a few. The influence Hiser has had on the sport still remains tangible as his students, Jim Floyd, Chris Cole and Mike Johnston prove themselves constant winners.

In its twelfth year, the event has depended on the support of many sponsors to make it a continued success. The tournament would like to thank its major sponsors, The Fourmidable Group, Jiffy Lube, Footjoy and Head Sports, Inc.

Besides Harnett, other tournament winners were: Chris Cole, Men's Open; Darin Bryce, Men's A; Elan

Raffael, Men's B and C; Dave Halvorson, Men's D; Bob Denam, Men's Novice; Mike Anderson, Men's 30A; Don Hlavaty, Men's 30B; Stu Hastings, Men's 35A; Fred Hartman, Men's 35B; Wayne Gunkle, Men's 35C; Ken Bonnett, Men's 40A; Ron Rusch, Men's 40B; Gary Phipps, Men's 45A; Charles Wheelihan, Men's 45B; Lynn Hahn, Men's 50; Albert May, Men's 55B; Joetta Hastings, Women's Open; Sharon Huczek, Women's A; Valerie Springer, Women's B and C; Nicole Zigala, Women's Novice; Lori Troszak, Women's Ages A; Lorraine Jarvis, Women's Ages B; Brian Garrow, Junior Boys 14A; Gavin Tanner, Junior Boys 14B and Rashid Neighbors, Junior Boys 10 & under. Congratulations to all.

For Seniors/Masters Only

Michigan Holds First Regional

by Jim Easterling

The 1989 AARA Region 9 Seniors/Masters Open was held on October 7-8 at the Coliseum II Racquet Club in Taylor, Michigan. As a first of its kind in Michigan, the tournament had over 50 players in age divisions of 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60 and was a huge success. The tournament was a round-robin format where players competed against everyone in their division, guaranteeing five matches during the weekend.

The tournament drew three of the 1989 AARA National Champions: Bob Sanders,

(OH) in Men's 50, Otis Chapman (OH) in Men's 55 and Fintan Kilbribe (CAN) in Men's 60. Also in the draw were such players as Lynn Hahn (MI), Duane Russell (MI), Ross Stevenson (CAN) and Jerry Davis (OH). Needless to say, their was excellent competition available for all.

Each player received a collared shirt, an Ektelon gym bag and a pair of socks, as well as a banquet Saturday night at the Holiday Inn. The chicken and ribs banquet also featured an auction to support the United States National Team. Chris Cole, acting auctioneer, did an

excellent job with cups, sweatshirts, racquets and many other miscellaneous articles donated by AARA. Chris, with the support of the tournament players, raised a total of \$502.52 for the team.

I would like to thank the management of the Coliseum II Racquetball Club and the sponsors, PENN and Sports Plus, for their support. Without such backing, tournaments such as this would not be possible. I would also like to thank the players who came from Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Canada to support the event. Plans are

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View of the President

by W I. Blakeslee

Welcome back to the racquetball season and "Merry Christmas."

The first two major tournaments of the season were very exciting. Jimmy Floyd was in the Pro Final at Davison. Chris Cole won Men's Open, and National Champion Stu Hastings won the Seniors. Randy Minto did a fine job without Jim Hiser, who made a surprise appearance.

In the Backwall Super Seven, Chris Cole, Jim Floyd, Joel Bonnett, and Nick Rallis made the semi-finals. All are former #1 Junior players and the best four players in the State. Chris showed the boys he still has what it takes. Stu won again, but our other National Champion, Johnny Northern decided to return to

action.

Our Adult Regional Director, Jim Easterling, had a Seniors/Masters Regional Tournament. His 45-plus entry was as good as any national tournament could hope. The tournament was very successful and hope next year's will be even better.

The AARA Board has accepted our grant proposals and will provide almost \$4,000 of funding. The funds will be used to promote Juniors and membership expansion, specifically YMCA, and membership drives in Michigan's top ten clubs. If you have any questions contact a board member.

One final note; one of Michigan's finest clubs, the MAC, is planning a sister club in Lansing, just a rumor, but great news.

Annual Season Opener Provides Competitive Fun

by Jim Skinner

The 1989 Fall Head Start Tournament was a great start for Michigan Racquetball Women. The women's only tournament sponsored annually by Head Racquet Sports, Inc. was held at The Court House Club in Flint, and was again a huge success.

This year's Open division saw Beth Gutowski, last year's second place finalist defeat Elaine Barch, last year's "A" champion. Backwall players, Mary Gisslander and Sandy White took third and fourth.

The "A" division champion was last year's 2nd place "B" winner, Diane Kerr, from Windsor, Ontario. Second place went to Claire Kruse who has been consecutively moving up to higher divisions each of the last four years. Third and fourth place went to Laurie Eller and Paula Saad respectively.

In 1988, "B" was dominated by Canadians, but this year the Michigan women re-

gained control. Champion Paula Harkleroad, last year's "C" winner, defeated Karen Visgar while third went to this year's RAM's Most Improved Female Player, Stacey Barbas. Lorraine Jarvis, a new comer to the event, from Hamilton, Ontario took fourth.

Canton's Sarah Wolodkiewicz defeated Ontario's Lynn Bryce in the "C" division finals. Both women were new to this tournament and proved tough competition for challengers. Third and fourth place went to Denise McConnelee of Davison and last year's "D" finalist Carol Rogers from The Court House Club.

Competition in "D" was the best ever this year. Jean St. John of Mt. Clemens defeated Peggy Wood of Canton for the top spot. Joann Kastle from Canton captured third while Court House Club favorite, Donella Rak, took fourth.

The junior girl's competition



Above, Women's 40/45 winner Brigitte Hartz (MI) and her opponent, second place winner Marilyn Perna at the Region 9 Seniors/Masters tournament.

Region 9 Tourney Successful

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underway to host this event next season and we hope to

see everyone back. Listed below are the winners in the different age groups.

MEN'S 35
1st John Molinero
2nd John Gervase

MEN'S 55
1st Otis Chapman
2nd Lynn Hahn

MEN'S 40
1st Wayne Holman
2nd Preston James

MEN'S 60
1st Ross Stevenson
2nd Duane Russell

MEN'S 45
1st Jerry Davis
2nd Ron Hutcherson

WOMEN'S 35
1st Lesly Kishigan
2nd Elaine Barch

MEN'S 50
1st Bob Sanders
2nd Paul Becker

WOMEN'S 40/45
1st Brigitte Hartz
2nd Marilyn Perna

had double playoffs with Lori Cockram defeating Ashley Eudy. Hamilton's Mandy Jarvis took third while Eva Barch followed in fourth.

This year was a first for doubles competition with twelve teams entered. In the "A" doubles, Elaine Barch and Shirley Vanderbrook teamed up to defeat Laurie Eller and Carla Teare. Lynn

Bryce and Lorraine Jarvis were "B" doubles champs with Claire Kruse and Rae McIntyre taking second.

If you missed this special tournament, you missed the best women's event in the Michigan. Put it on your calendar for next Fall. A special thanks to Head Racquet Sports, Inc. for making the tournament a continued success.

A Racquetball First

Michigan's Own Captures Olympic Gold

by Christopher Cole

The Summer of 1989 will long be remembered by racquetball players and fans as the beginning of Big Time status for the sport. After being given Group A membership with the U.S. Olympic Committee, racquetball was included for the first time in the U.S. Olympic Festival, a competition staged during non-Olympic Games years in a large metropolitan city pitting the best amateur athletes in the country against each other to get them ready for international competitions like the Pan-American Games and the Olympic Games.

The 1989 edition of the Festival took place in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and will be long remembered for the incredible level of racquetball played at this Festival as no less than five 11-10 tie-breakers were played. Four matches that went only

two games ended up at an unbelievable 15-14, 15-14. All told, 48 matches were played amongst the four squads and half went to a deciding third game.

Jim Floyd was Michigan's representative and he did the state proud anchoring the North team's Gold Medal victory celebration. Jim played number one singles and went up against the nation's best in his division.

Stu Hastings coached the North squad giving Michigan even more representation in the event. Many of the North players noted that without Stu's help, the Gold Medal surely would have wound up someplace else.

The rosters for all four squads (each participant qualified at one of two tournaments, the Adult Amateur Nationals or the Amateur National Doubles) are listed below along with their place of residence.



Jim Floyd shares his Olympic moment with his personal cheering section. Surrounding Floyd, from left, Jim-His and Terri Floyd, Heather Masters and Tracy Floyd.

NORTH-GOLD MEDAL

M#1-Jim Floyd, MI
M#2-Tim Sweeney, IL
MDoubles-Tim Hansen, FL
Sergio Gonzalez, FL
W#1-Michelle Gilman, OR
W#2-Robin Levine, CA
WDoubles-Peggy Ludwig, KY
Jackie Paraiso, CA

WEST-SILVER MEDAL

M#1-Michael Bronfeld, CA
M#2-Drew Kachtik, TX
MDoubles-Bill Sell, CA
Brian Hawkes, CA
W#1-Malia Bailey, VA
W#2-Cindy Doyle, TN
WDoubles-Lisa Anthony, CA
Chris Evon, IL

EAST-BRONZE MEDAL

M#1-Andy Roberts, TN
M#2-Jeff Evans, OR
MDoubles-Bruce Erickson, MN
Rick Bezousek, TN
W#1-Toni Bevelock, AZ
W#2-Cindy Baxter, PA
WDoubles-Dot Fischl, PA
Cheryl Gudinas, IL

SOUTH-FOURTH PLACE

M#1-Tim Doyle, OH
M#2-Lance Gilliam, TX
MDoubles-B. Rodriguez, NV
Jack Nolan, AZ
W#1-Kaye Kuhfeld, IN
W#2-Susan Morgan, FL
WDoubles-Diane Green, FL
Trina Rasmussen, FL



GOLD MEDAL COMBINATION: Above, Floyd shares his victory with long time coach and friend, Jim-His (left) and U.S. National Team coach, Stu Hastings.

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National Doubles Results

Hartz, Hastings Take Top Honors

by Duane Russell

The United States National Doubles Championships were held at the Burnsville Racquet and Swim Club near Minneapolis, Minnesota on October 26-29. Michigan participants were: Chris Cole and Troy Hall, Jimmy Floyd and Mike Locker, Mike Johnston and Dave Wershay in Men's Open, Stu Hastings and Rick Vanderlind in Men's 35+, Paula Saad and Stacy Barbas in Women's 25+ and Women's 30+, Duane Russell and Jack Gushue in Men's 55/60+. Mike Stephens teamed with former Michigander Jim Hiser in Men's 40+ while Hastings teamed with New Jersey's Fran Davis in mixed competition. Floyd also teamed with Illinois' Cheryl Gudinas in the Mixed Open division while Bridgette Hartz joined another Illinois player, I. Liau, in two divisions, Women's 40+ and Women's 45+.

The Michigan contingent

played hard but went down to defeat in first round competition with the following exceptions: The Hastings/Davis team captured the gold medal while the Hastings/Vanderlind team took third. Johnston/Wershay were eliminated in first round Men's Open. Despite first round loss, Cole and Hall went on to win first place in Men's Open Consolation. Hartz and Liau finished first in 45+ and second in 40+.

Play was intense and featured most of the best racquetball doubles teams in the United States. It is an eye opener to see the excellent doubles played at various skill divisions where power, speed, agility, endurance, skill and experience come into play. To win requires lifting your game to new heights and reducing mistakes since the difference in talent and skill is very slight. In the past few years with new technology in racquet

construction, the emphasis has turned to the power game. The Open players tend to hit almost every shot as hard as they can leaving little time for finesse. This type of play requires strength and endurance especially in later rounds.

The experience gained by the Michigan players certainly will be beneficial as the knowledge of what it takes to win at the national level is transferred into playing skills and mental toughness.

Mental toughness is the key when you get to the national level of competition. Billie Jean King said that basically "you have to ask yourself whether you're willing to pay the price. It always comes down to that. As you get older, age becomes inflation - the price you have to pay goes up." (Christopher Cole contributed to this report.)

Flint Canusa Team Dominates

by Jim Skinner

Flint athletes competed August 11-13 in the 32nd Annual Canusa games held in Hamilton, Ontario. The Flint Racquetballers maintained their overall advantage over the Canadians with a 23-12 victory. The Flint players have won five of the eight

years of racquetball competition.

Team members qualified by playing in a city wide competition in July. The top three players from each division were invited to play on the International Traveling Canusa Team.

Athletes represent Flint in 19

sport areas. Hamilton won the first competition over Flint with the running total for all sports is Flint 15 and Hamilton 14, along with 3 ties.

The athletes left Flint via buses where they were housed with a Canadian host family. Over 2,000 players were involved and everybody had a great time.

1989 CANUSA TEAM

BOYS	#1 Position	#2 Position	#3 Position
12 & Under	Scottie McConnelee	Nathan Walker	Brent Oskey
13 & Under	Matt Burger	Robby Thompson	Peter Glomson
15 & Under	Brian Garrow	Jeff Cox	Kirk Skinner
17 & Under	Marv Riley Jr.	Aaron Johnson	Chris Panoff
18 & Over	Troy Altenberg	Gerald Tucker	Dwayne Parkhurst
35 & Over	Lenny Chaltraw	Shanti Shartaram	Bob Rhodes
GIRLS			
12 & Under	Michele Palid	Ashley Eudy	Lori Cockram
13 & Under	Stacy McConnelee	Lorna Klein	Julie Colthrop
15 & Under	Angie Gardner	Nicole Palid	Christine Skinner
17 & Under	Tera Flowers	Anoopa Shantaram	
18 & Over	Pam Harkleroad	Kay Wright	Debra Winaris
35 & Over	Carol Rogers	Linda Taylor	Kathy Caverly

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Lynn Hahn	1984
Fred Lewerenz	
Tom Brownlee	1985
Jim Hiser	
Jim Easterling	1986
Stu Hastings	1987
Bob Wilhelm	
Denny Wood	1988

Super Seven Series Shines

Backwall Hosts Season Opener

by Lou Ellen Fecher

The Backwall Fitness and Racquet Club was the host for this season's first Michigan Super Seven tournament on October 20-22. There were 189 participants with 289 entries in 23 divisions. A large draw considering only seven courts were available.

The tournament began Friday with a full round of play scheduled through midnight. Most players were on the court by 12:30 with one or two beginning a little later. Of course, several went to tiebreaker which resulted in the club not closing until 2:30. Good morning!

Saturday's play, although early, was for the most part, on schedule. Though there was not a court for the Stu Hastings clinic, arrangements were made for a question and answer session in the membership office. Hopefully, everyone was able to go out and immediately use the information to their advantage.

A few weekend highlights: Pete Ruhala and Todd Luthjohann (two players rarely seen at tournaments) beat Jim Floyd and Dave Wershay in the Men's Pro/Open doubles. The Men's "D" division had 35 participants with Michael

Ryan from Warren coming from a rat-tail to win the bracket. Although the women's brackets on the whole are down from last year, it was great to see 12 players in the Women's "A" division and 10 in Women's "B".

The Men's 35A match between Stu Hastings and Dale Marshall was excellent to watch. At the Davison Pro-Am, Hastings defeated Marshall in two games. Here, however, their match went to an 11-4 tiebreaker with Hastings again the winner.

Jim Floyd and Chris Cole were in the Pro finals and

also went to an 11-4 tiebreaker with Cole capturing first. Unfortunately both felt the crowd was very quiet and small. No matter if these two play or meet at almost every tournament, they are excellent players and deserve some spectatorship.

Overall the tournament was very successful. I hope everyone is looking forward to returning in March to Backwall when nine courts will be available. Special thanks to the Super Seven sponsor, The Fourmidable Group and also to Head Sports and Penn

Michigan's Youth Competes for Top Spot

by Christopher Cole

This season's tournament schedule is about halfway completed and if the first half is any indication the race for the best player is still up for grabs. Coming into this season few would have suspected such a tight race for number one. However, already this year we have seen the emergence and maturity of a number of players near the top.

Jim Floyd followed up his Men's Open State Championship last April with a 4th place finish at the Adult Amateur Nationals in Houston during June. At Houston Jim also qualified for the U.S. Olympic Festival and helped his North squad win the Gold Medal as the team's number one player. With this kind of finish to the 1988-89 year Jim was hard-pressed to do better in 1989-90. True to his racquetball career, Jim showed right away he was ready to pick up where he left off in the summer by reaching the finals of the Men's Pro division at the annual Davison Pro-Am. Along the way Jim

played outstanding ball defeating 1988 World Professional National Champion Ruben Gonzalez in three quick games, and Jack Newman, the #9 ranked professional on the Men's Professional Racquetball Association in a thrilling 11-9 tiebreaker.

Another youngster making waves this season is Nick Rallis. Already this season Nick has won his first Super Seven Men's Pro division, defeating Chris Cole in barnburner 11-10 tie-breaker at Saginaw. He also took out Joel Bonnett in an 11-9 tie-breaker at the October Sports Plus Singles before losing to Canadian Mike Ceresia in the final.

Cole, despite losing to Rallis, has made some waves of his own. At Davison he captured the Men's Open division and defeated Floyd in the final of the Backwall Super Seven. He also won the Riverview Grand Rapids Patrons Tournament over hometown favorite Joel Bonnett.

Other players to watch out for this year will be Bonnett,

Dave Wershay, Troy Hall, Mike Johnston, and Larry Meeusen. Though not faring well in the first half Bonnett cannot be overlooked because of his great athletic and the very nature of his photon serve and splat game style. The only thing that might be able to stop Joel in the second half will be the onset of baseball season in March. He is an All-State candidate at third base and pitcher. Wershay is a Minnesota export attending Ferris State and is currently challenging Floyd for the number one position on the team. He has reached the semi-finals at Saginaw, (losing to Rallis 11-10), and has stretched Floyd to the limit of an 11-9 tie-breaker at a recent Ferris exhibition tournament. He has, without a doubt, the most incredible drive serve in the state. Hall, Johnston, and Meeusen are looking for that Big win to explode into prominence. Of the three, Hall has come the closest, almost pulling the upset of the year at last April's States. Troy had Floyd down 10-4 in the quarter-finals and could not get that

final point. Despite that gut-wrenching loss he has continued to improve and is beginning to challenge boys at the top.

It is interesting to note that none of the players mentioned is above 22. Cole, Floyd, Meeusen, Wershay, Johnston, and Rallis are all in college. Bonnett is a senior in high school and Hall works for Will H. Hall Builders in Flint and is the elder statesman of the group over Cole by a mere eight days. The youthfulness coupled with the immense talents bodes well for Michigan racquetball in the years to come. Look for an exciting second half of rivalries as these players beat up on each other vying for number one. Don't be surprised though if some of the older guys like Mike Anderson, Stu Hastings, and recent ex-retiree Johnny Northern make life at the top altogether unpleasant. These crafty veterans have more tricks in their magic bags than Michigan has trees. Watch for one of these fine gentlemen to have a say in who reaches the summit.

RAM Honors Michigan'

Joetta Hastings

by Christopher Cole

Joetta Hastings is the Racquetball Association of Michigan's 1989 Outstanding Female Player.

Jo, one of the long standing players of Michigan Racquetball history, completed one of her best seasons in 1988-89 winning an incredible three state titles and two regional titles. At the States she captured Women's Open, Women's 19+, and Women's Open Doubles finishing a clean sweep of the three toughest women's divisions this state has to offer. At the Adult Regionals Jo continued

her winning ways by taking the Women's Open and Women's 30+ crowns, stamping her as one of the best players in the surrounding three state area. Jo also competed at the AARA Adult Nationals and was a quarter-finalist in the Women's 30+ division going head-to-head with the toughest competition in the world.

Her game is a reflection of consistency, Jo continues to sparkle despite a game-style not suited for the highlight films on ESPN. She lacks the power of fellow Pro players Nathalie Bernard and Lisa

Ecker, and is not known around racquetball circles as the Road Runner of court coverage. What she does have is incredible tenacity and a mind-game capability equal to that of her accomplished husband Stu Hastings, known throughout the U.S. as a perfect mind-game player. What also keeps Jo one step ahead of the other ladies snapping at her heels is her fantastic attitude on and off the court. Known as one of the fairest players in the State, Jo has found, and exhibits, that it is possible to be successful without cheating.



Joetta Hastings



FRIENDS MAKE THE BEST WINNERS: 1989 Outstanding Male Player of the year, Jim Floyd (left) poses along with former award winner Chris Cole (right) after coaching Mike Johnston, Most Improved Male Player to his third place win at the Junior Nationals.

Mike Johnston

by Christopher Cole

Mike Johnston is the Racquetball Association of Michigan's 1989 Most Improved Male Player.

Mike reached this award despite a two-year layoff from the game and achieved more in six months than a lot of players in six years. Beginning in December of 1988, Mike practiced and worked his way from Men's A (1st place finish in his second A tournament) up to Men's Open (2nd place at Super Seven Finale). He ended the Michigan season ranked third in Men's Open for the Super Seven series. From here Mike

took off like an albatross and played unbelievable racquetball at the AARA Junior Nationals in Indianapolis. Unseeded, Mike proceeded to be the talk of the tournament quickly taking out the number three seeded John Gillooly and the number sixth seeded Robbie Walden. Both Gillooly and Walden are former junior national champions so neither win came cheaply. Mike ended up losing to the eventual runner-up Joey Paraiso in the semi-finals. Though disappointed, Mike displayed excellent demeanor after the match was over and had enough

by Christopher Cole

Gold Medalist Jim Floyd is the Racquetball Association of Michigan's Outstanding Male Player of the Year for 1989.

Jim, who is an eleven year racquetball veteran, had his most successful season in 1989. In early April he won the Men's #1 singles at the World Intercollegiate Championships while also taking fourth in Men's #1 doubles with teammate Chris Cole. At the Adult Amateur Nationals, Jim took fourth place, earning himself a spot on the United States National Racquetball Team. As a member of the team, Jim also captured a gold medal at the United States Olympic Festival this past summer becoming the

first player in Michigan to bring home the gold.

Locally, Jim earned his first ever Men's Open State Championship last April. He also won two Men's Pro Super Seven divisions during 1988-89. Three months ago at the Davison Pro-Am, Jim perhaps had his finest hour defeating 1988 World Professional Champion Ruben Gonzalez in three quick games and Jack Newman, the #9 ranked pro on the M.P.R.A. tour, in an 11-9 tie-breaker.

Currently, Jim is a sophomore at Ferris State University on a racquetball scholarship and the schools' number one player. He also is a member of the U.S. National Team and just finished an exhibition tour of four Mexican cities promoting our sport of racquetball.

mental toughness left to take the third place Bronze medal defeating Kelly Gelhaus in a hard fought contest. (Gelhaus had beaten Michigan's other 18-under hopeful Joel Bonnett in the quarter-finals so Michigan gained a measure of revenge.)

During the summer, Mike attended the AARA National

Elite Training Camp and was given the prestigious award as Person Most Likely to Succeed in his/her racquetball dreams. Following the camp, Mike began his freshman year at Ferris State University and has begun to be a consistent quarter-final finisher in the Men's Pro division of the Super Seven tournaments.

Best Players of 1989

Stacey Barbas

by Christopher Cole

Stacey Barbas is the Racquetball Association of Michigan's 1989 Most Improved Female Player

Stacey, a member of Team Hastings, began the 1989 season as a low Women's B player and steadily made the climb to the top. Her tournament highlights include a Women's B victory at the Backwall Super Seven, Women's B finalist at the AARA Adult Regionals, and a finalist at the State Championships in Women's 30B. Through her hard work and diligence, Stacey finished the season as the number one ranked Women's B player and was already making headway in Women's A with 25 points accumulated.

Stacey has continued her drive to be the best this season. She recently competed in the AARA National Doubles Championships in Burnsville, Minnesota with former Most Improved Female and fellow Team Hastings player, Paula Saad. Though they did not win either division they played, the two earned in-



Stacey Barbas

valuable experience going up against the best teams in the country. This experience will go along way for both when they come back to the Michigan ranks and get in those tough, gut-wrenching matches. It is all part of the learning process and Stacey will continue to get better and improve on her 1989 Most Improved success.

Join Now!

Travel Leagues Underway

by Jim Skinner

Men's Tri-County Travel League competition began December 3 with a few new teams added to the competition. The following teams are expected to participate: Crescent Lake (Pontiac), Court House Club (Flint), University (Pontiac), Waterford Hills (Clarkston), Fern Hill (Sterling Heights), Gateway (Sterling Heights), Backwall (Madison Heights) and Meadowbrook (Rochester).

New teams are invited to join the league. All individuals or teams who might be

interested should contact one of the following people:

Bryan Turner, 313/624-4162, Rufus Gage, 313/673-1725 or Jim Skinner, 313/743-4510.

Level of play includes players who have not won an "A" division in a level three sanctioned tournament or above in the last two years.

The players had a great time last year with The Meadowbrook Racquet Club winning the overall championship. It is hoped that the league will expand during the season. Come join us!

Joel Bonnett

by W. I. Blakeslee

Seventeen year old Joel Bonnett was the 1989 Racquetball Association of Michigan Junior Scholarship Award winner. The scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 is funded by Ron Slavik, Rick Vanderlind and the RAM Board.

A senior at Forest Hills Central High School in Grand Rapids, Joel plays racquetball most weekends from September until March, then devotes his Spring to varsity baseball. As a junior, Joel was an All-Conference, All-Area and All-Region third baseman for Forest Hills Central. During this time Joel has been able to hold down a 3.4 GPA and plans on attending MSU next fall to pursue a degree in either Landscape Design or Mechanical Engineering.

Joel plans to continue playing racquetball while in college pending any decisions that may be made with baseball. Joel had his best year in racquetball this past season, starting out with a fine showing at the Bud Light Open, qualifying for the Pro Division and then defeating #9 Gerry Price. During the Fall and Winter, Joel was a semi-finalist or better in 17 of the 18 tournaments he played in, winning nine open events and finishing second three times.

At the World Juniors in Miami, Florida, he lost in the semi's in singles, and lost with his partner in the



Joel Bonnett

double's championship in an 11-10 tiebreaker. This past summer, Joel was a quarter-finalist in the 18 and under division of the Junior Nationals.

This season Joel plans to participate in most of the Super Seven tournaments and as many other large tournaments as possible, including the Junior Orange Bowl and the Junior Nationals. When he is not playing racquetball, Joel helps his dad work with the junior players at the Michigan Athletic Club. He also enjoys attending school functions and working on his truck. Congratulations Joel!

Note: If anyone is interested in becoming apart of the scholarship program, please contact W. I. Blakeslee

From the Rule Book

by W. I. Blakeslee

All racquetball players should be aware of the new rule changes effective September 1, 1989. Rule number 4.11(c) was changed to read: **Missed Serve Attempt.** Any attempt to strike the ball that results in a total miss or in the ball touching any part of the server's body. Also, allowing the ball to bounce more than once during a service motion

Rule 4.16(a) was also changed to read: **Failure to Move.** A player does not move sufficiently to allow an opponent a shot straight to the front wall as well as a cross-court shot which is shot directly to the front wall at an angle that would cause the ball to rebound directly to the rear corner farthest from the Continued on page 11

Reflections made as Super Seven Series Continues

by Lou Ellen Fecher

Though Jim Hiser is no longer residing in Michigan, his presence is still felt at the Super Seven tournaments. If everyone has not noticed their is a new ruling for the tournaments this year regarding the backwall of the court. If the ball goes out of the court it is either a point or sideout. For years Hiser has used the Super Seven tournaments as a testing ground for new rules and several have gone on to become part of the AARA rules.

With Jim's help the Michigan Super Seven series has a new sponsor in Ron Slavik and The Fourmidable Group. He also lined up Head Sports and Penn sponsorship as well. I think Hiser will be around quite awhile "spiritually".

Everyone may have noticed that we had tee-shirts for the first tournament and collared shirts for the second. Thanks to Slavik, collared shirts will be continued. Extra shirts should be available at every tournament and can be purchased for \$10.

Though the tournaments for the first of the year have yet to be planned, we are trying to establish special events for each tournament. Hopefully, the December juniors event will be successful and set the tone for the rest of the season.

Although I feel that Julian and I do a good job at running the tournaments I realize that we are not perfect. We have been able to move matches when necessary and have also listened to many complaints and have solved several. However, one problem that occurred at the Saginaw Super Seven regarded the double elimination brackets. In this particular case, the player taking second place felt it unfair that only a first place plaque was awarded. He felt that since he played four matches, including the finals, that second place also

deserved an award. However, there was only five people total in the bracket and our policy has always been to give only a first place plaque when there is a division with eight players or less. Before I make a final decision regarding this situation, I would appreciate input from both readers and players. Please call 313/742-9531 and leave your comments and suggestions. I feel that people come to tournaments on the basic premise to play racquetball—no matter what. In double elimination a player may naturally play a few more matches than they would normally play in a single elimination event.

A second problem also arose at the Saginaw Super Seven when only three participants were in a division. This particular bracket was played on a round robin format with total games and then total points as the deciding factor for the top two. I did not think that there would be a need for a tiebreaker, yet there was a tie for second place. Although I was directly involved in the situation, I still believe I made the right decision because in case of a tie, I feel that it is necessary to go back to the head to head competition for the outcome. In this case, it was not a popular decision but I believe accurate and will hold true for future tournaments.

Though the hours are long and very hectic at times, I really enjoy running the tournaments. I like being able to put names with faces and watch the outcome of each division. I hope not too many toes get stepped on along the way, but if anyone involved with the tournaments steps on yours, please let us know.

A very special thanks to our sponsors: The Fourmidable Group, Head Sports and Penn. Thanks also to Stu Hastings and Chris Cole for their special contributions to the tournaments.

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Michigan Super Seven Series

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Nick Rallis def. Chris Cole

MEN'S OPEN

Gabe Zussman def. Johnny Northern

MEN'S OPEN DOUBLES

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def. J. Graves/A. Klann

MEN'S A

John Molinero def. Marv Riley Jr.

MEN'S B

Lenny Chaltraw def. Roger O'Connor

MEN'S C

Michael Ryan def. Bill LaBarge

MEN'S D

Luke Gunn def. Roger Clauss

MEN'S NOVICE

Larry Panetta def. Rob Hempel

MEN'S 30 B

Mike Voorheis def. Terry Lawlor

MEN'S 30A/35A

Johnny Northern def. Tim Sigafosse

MEN'S 35 B

Ron Morse def. Ron Rush

MEN'S 35 C

Luke Gunn def. Chuck VanHoose

MEN'S 40/45A

Mike Stephens def. Charles Wheelihan

MEN'S 55+

J.D. Driver def. Albert May

MEN'S C/D DOUBLES

S. Calvo/J. Skinner def.

M. Hardy/R. Clauss

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Linda Eldred

WOMEN'S C

Sue Hoeft def. Felicia Mann

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- 6Tam Blakeslee
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- 9Mike Wagner
- 10John Brennan

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- 4Scott Bruce
- 5Bruce Williams

DIVISION M C

- 1Richard Woodcox
- 2Brent Zimmerman
- 3Tony Barra
- 4Bill Hein
- 5Ron Klack
- 6Roger Culver
- 7Jim Skinner
- 8Jim Swain
- 9Dwayne Parkhurst
- 10Ed Ray

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- 2Tim Sypula
- 3Tony Barra
- 4Gary Huzenga
- 5Jeff Pressler
- 6Bill Hein
- 7Dwayne Parkhurst
- 8Bill Spence
- 9Gary Krantz

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- 3Walter Gorican
- 4Manny Lawson
- 5Mike Mancour
- 6Jim McGrail
- 7Tim Sypula

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- 4Dave Larry
- 5Troy Hall

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- 1Dan Dutcher
- 2Blaine Harris
- 3Mike Hatra
- 4Jack White
- 5Al Tackett
- 6Dennis Lechowicz

DIVISION M 30+

- 1Scott Worthy
- 2Mike Anderson
- 3Dave Paskan
- 4Stu Hastings
- 5Mike Hatra
- 6Dan Verbeck
- 7Larry Longeliere
- 8Greg Hodges
- 9Randy Anderson

DIVISION M 30+B

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- 4Lenny Chaitrow
- 5Gerald Tucker
- 6Bill Hein
- 7Dave Lepceyk
- 8Mike Cal

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- 2Rex Balch
- 3Rip Steketee
- 4Joe Chedrus

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- 1Stu Hastings
- 2Rick Vanderlind
- 3Jim Hiser
- 4Tam Blakeslee
- 5Ken Bonnett
- 6Bob Gravelyn
- 7 John Molinaro
- 8Johnny Northern
- 9Curt Razier
- 10Mike Stephens

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- 5Ron Lesczynski
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- 3Paul Ingraham
- 4Tino Ruiz
- 5Jim Skinner

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- 1Johnny Northern
- 2Jim Hiser
- 3Ken Bonnett
- 4Doug Toth
- 5Tom Brownlee
- 6Bob Gravelyn

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- 3Don Boone
- 4Chris Henry

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- 2Gary McClellan
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- 5George Stec
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- 4Vince Calahan
- 5Larry Cole

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- 2Lynn Hahn
- 3Milo Karha
- 4Hank Gates
- 5Dave Lund
- 6Richard Sewall

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- 1Lynn Hahn
- 2Hans Schaefer
- 3Duane Russell
- 4Richard Carretti
- 5Marv Paluch
- 6Jank Yanikan

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- 2Duane Russell
- 3J.D. Driver

DIVISION 65+

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- 2Gerry Leone

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- 3Rob Garrow
- 4Troy Altenberg
- 5Gary Hall
- 6Jeff Kummier

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- 2Marv Riley Jr.
- 3Chad Visgar
- 4Joel Bonnett
- 5Rob Snell

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- 2Brian Garrow
- 3Chad Visgar
- 4Jim McGrail

DIVISION M 12

- 1Brent Zimmerman
- 2Jim McGrail
- 3Scott Zimmerman
- 4Aaron Oskey
- 5Nicholas Dorda

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- 2Scottie McConnelee
- 3Robby Thompson
- 4Brent Oskey

DIVISION M 8

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- 2Rashid Neighbors
- 3Richard Bniecki
- 4Brent Oskey
- 5Eric Seidenberger

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- 3Lori Troszak
- 4Tracey Troszak
- 5Lisa Yackley
- 6Kathy Stellaema
- 7Carol Collins
- 8Shirley Vanderbrook
- 9Natalie Bernard
- 10Beth Gutowski

DIVISION W A

- 1Tammy Friedrich
- 2Sharon Huczek
- 3Lou Ellen Fecher
- 4Julie May
- 5Lisa Yackley
- 6Sandy White
- 7Kim Tucker
- 8Anne Fecher
- 9Melody Matties
- 10Betty Ann Gilliland

DIVISION W B

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- 2Stacey Barbas
- 3Chris Berg
- 4Judy Wozak
- 5Karen Visgar
- 7Dawn Frankhouse
- 8Vicki Gazzayerli
- 9Diane Kerr

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- 2Chris Suever
- 3Pam Harkleroad
- 4Donna Bullock
- 5Rae McIntyre
- 6Karen Standley
- 7Fran Morris
- 8Michle Gagnon
- 9Dorothy Sypniewski
- 10Kathleen Matyka

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- 4Jean St. John
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- 3Dorothy Sypniewski
- 4Lori Tackett
- 5Nichole Ziglia
- 6Liz Aitken
- 7Sharon Efes
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- 4Sandy White
- 5Chris Berg
- 6Lesley Kishigan
- 7Carol Collins

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- 2Stacey Barbas
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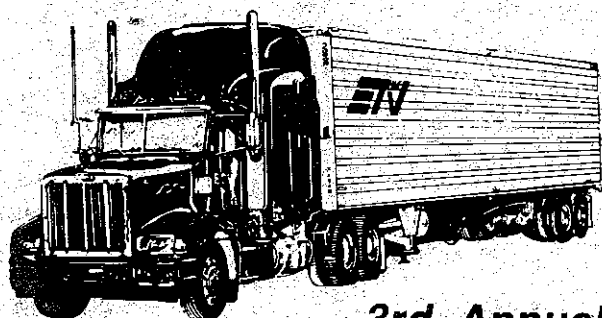
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RAM BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 11, 1989

Called to order by W T. Blakeslee at 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Residence of Jim and Dianne Easterling

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tom Blakeslee, Jim and Dianne Easterling, Lou Ellen Fecher, Duane Russell

REPORT OF THE TRESURER

Need to send report to AARA to satisfy the grant request.

REPORT ON THE NEWSLETTER

Jim Easterling indicated some newsletter problems. Region 9 labels were sent to West Virginia and Ohio by Jim who received all of the labels for the Region in addition to Michigan. We still need someone to take over the editorship of the newsletter. Several options were discussed. The newsletter must be published by the end of December in order to qualify for rebates from the AARA. Jim Easterling is to contact Jerry Gray at Ferris State to see if their team would take over this task.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT

GRANT FROM AARA: Jim Easterling said we should lock the grant since the monies will be available after January 1, 1990. Jim asked for \$2000 to be used at five sites across the state of Michigan (\$400 per site.) Tom Blakeslee asked for \$2000 to sell memberships at ten clubs in the State. The chore would be to have a stall set up to push memberships and then tell the RAM BOARD how successful the program turned out.

Tom reported on the Olympics (summary) which he suggested be used as an article in the next edition of the newsletter.

CONTRIBUTION AWARD: We have to select someone for this as a Board. After discussion it was decided that it would be awarded to Jim Hiser and he can make the decision as to who will accept it on his behalf.

AWARDS: Mike Anderson will do our awards again this year. It was decided to get the wording off the 1988 awards which were given to Chris Cole and Lisa Ecker for this year's awards.

Who will give out the awards at the Davison Tournament?

PRO: Outstanding Male

LISA ECKER: Outstanding Female

JIM EASTERLING: Contribution Award

TOM BLAKESLEE: Junior Award

DUANE RUSSELL: Most Improved

Male

LOU ELLEN FECHER: Most Improved Female

PROGRAM AT DAVISON: It was decided that it would be desirable to put the schedule for the upcoming year on the program.

DOUBLES: Lou Ellen Fecher will begin to work on the entry form. If participants have Canadian Racquetball (CRA) membership they will not need AARA. Sign up for RAM of Michigan and can play tournaments but cannot play in our State Tournament.

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES: Get these in as soon as possible.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting of the board of directors will take place on October 23, 1989 at Jim and Dianne Easterling's residence.

Adjournment.

Respectfully Submitted by Duane Russell

CORRECTION

In the last issue of *The Racquetball Reporter* we did not include the winners of the Women's A division of the 1989 State Singles Championships and we apologize. Congratulations to first place winner Sharon Huczek and also to Julie May who took second.

From the Rule Book

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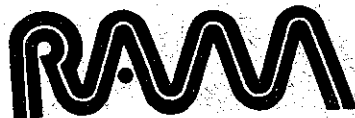
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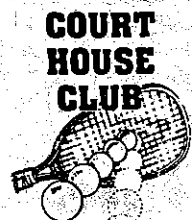
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