

# ILLINOIS STATE RACQUETBALL ASSOCIATION

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## 7th ANNUAL WOMEN'S SENIOR/MASTER NATIONAL RACQUETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Ninety-nine senior women (ranging in age from 35 to 77 years young) converged on the city of San Francisco during the last weekend in January to compete in the *Women's Senior/Master Racquetball Championships*. Seven of those women were from the Chicagoland area -- Margaret Hoff, Pauline Kelly, Nancy Kronenfeld, Lola Markus, Margaret Olawoye, Pat Tarzon and Grace Touhy.

Three days of round-robin competition ended with the following results:

- 35+: 1-Debra Tisinger, CA; 2-Linda Moore, NE; 3-Janet Tyler, FL; 4-Cheryl McConaghy, NM.
- 40+: 1-Karen Holden, CA; 2-Elaine Dexter, CA; 3-Susan Hendrick, AZ; 4-Vicki Luque, GA.
- 45+: 1-Eileen Tuckman, FL; 2-Nancy Kronenfeld, IL; 3-Terry Roger, CA; 4-Mary Murray, FL.
- 50+: 1-Merijean Kelley, CA; 2-Sharon Hastings-Welty, OR; 3-Pat Tarzon, IL; 4-Margaret Hoff, IL.
- 55+: 1-Nancy Butts, WI; 2-Mildred Gwin, NC; 3-Jean Tull, VA.
- 60+: 1-Kathy Mueller, AZ; 2-Jo Kenyon, FL; 3-Lola Markus, IL.
- 65+: 1-Reta Haring, WI; 2-Dorothy Vezetinski, WA; 3-Roberta Schoenfeld, NM.
- 75+: 1-Mary-Low Acuff, NC; 2-Eleanor Quackenbush, OR.



Next year's event will be held in Chattanooga, Tennessee. The weekend will probably be the last weekend in January again. The *Women's Senior/Master Racquetball Championships* is run by the Women's Senior/Master Racquetball Council and if you would like to become a member of our organization or receive more information please contact: Nancy Kronenfeld, (847) 825-5564.

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## REMEMBERING A FRIEND

Longtime club owner, player and friend Carol Braje passed away from cancer on Thursday, February 16th, 1996. We remember her as a longtime owner of The Glass Court, an active player and always the life of the party at any event she attended.



Donations may be made on Carol's behalf to the American Cancer Society, DuPage County Unit, 999 North Main Street, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137-3695. Please be sure to note that the donation should be directed toward "breast cancer research" and that it is in memory of Carol.

## JUNIOR SCHOLARSHIPS

The AARA annually awards \$500 scholarships to active racquetball players who attend a four-year accredited institution or masters degree program. For information, please contact Kevin Joyce (719) 635-5396. The deadline for completed applications is 6/15/96.

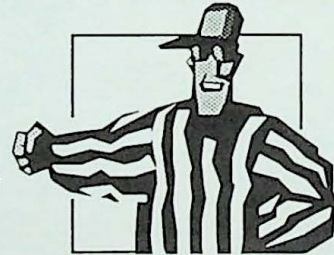
## INTERCOLLEGIATE REGIONALS

The AARA has announced two Regional Intercollegiate sites for Illinois Collegians! The first is March 22-24 at the Missouri Athletic Club West in St. Louis (contact John Colantoni (800-922-9980) and the second is March 29-31 at Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana (contact Tim Miller (216) 826-2286).

The National Championships will be held April 10-14th at Los Caballeros Sports Village in Fountain Valley, California. For more information, call the AARA at (719) 635-5396.

## IT'S THE RULE!

The technical is one of the most difficult decisions to make as a referee because you're taking a point away from someone.



You have the option of calling a technical warning if a player's behavior is not so severe as to warrant a technical foul and the taking away of a point. You may want to take this option if you know the player doesn't know the rules or his actions were unintentional. However, **not knowing the rules is NOT an excuse**; players should know the rules.

After you call a technical, the player or team should resume play immediately. If they don't, you could forfeit the match in favor of the opponent.

If the score of the person or team is zero, you still can assess a technical and make the score -1.

You can call a technical for the following:

- ✓ Profanity.
- ✓ Excessive arguing.
- ✓ Threat of any nature to opponent or referee.
- ✓ Excessive or hard striking of the ball between rallies.
- ✓ Slamming the racquet against walls or floors, slamming the door or any action that might result in injury to the court or other players.
- ✓ Delay of game.
- ✓ Intentional front line foot fault to negate a bad lob serve.
- ✓ Anything considered to be unsportsmanlike behavior.
- ✓ Failure to wear eyewear designed for racquetball.



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## FROM THE SHORT LINE...

Recently, Laurel Davis and I had the opportunity to attend the AARA Leadership Conference in Colorado Springs and meet with State Directors and Industry Representatives from around the country. As a group, they were among the most upbeat, professional and intelligent groups that we have had the pleasure to work with. The racquetball manufacturers are putting more money into our sport (notwithstanding some well-publicized financial difficulties with a couple of companies) and are looking to expand their product offerings next year! There has been a net increase in racquetball courts during the past year, and player levels are up for the first time in recent memory. All in all, good omens...

One of the more interesting initiatives is taking place in Florida, where a "Player's Pledge of Conduct" has been adopted as listed below:

### PLAYER'S PLEDGE OF CONDUCT

*The FRA Board of Directors unanimously voted to adopt a Player's Pledge of Conduct which will go into effect as of January 1, 1996. Over the past few years, there have been a few isolated incidents which the Board feels could have been avoided by this document. If an incident should occur which violates the Player's Pledge, complaints can be addressed by the Board of Directors and action taken to eliminate further abuse of the rules and/or violations of the Pledge by those players.*

*As a member in good standing of the FRA/AARA, I understand that I am responsible to the governing body for the sport of racquetball in the state of Florida and therefore:*

*I pledge to abide by the current AARA and FRA rules.*

*I pledge to act and play in a sportsmanlike manner at all times before, during and after any FRA and AARA sanctioned event.*

*I pledge to participate in the level of play for which I am qualified.*

*I pledge to respect the property of the host facilities as well as the property of any individuals, sponsors or others associated with any FRA/AARA event.*

*I understand that a referee, tournament director, and/or the designated rules committee may forfeit or disqualify me from a tournament in accordance with the AARA rules. I also understand the right to appeal such rulings as follows:*

1. Tournament Director
2. Tournament Rules Committee (verbal)
3. FRA Board of Directors (written within 15 days)
4. National AARA Board of Directors

*And that for any forfeiture, default, disqualification or unsportsmanlike behavior that is brought before the FRA Board of Directors for consideration, I understand that a first offense may lead to denial of participation in any or all FRA events for up to five months. A second offense may lead to denial of participation in any or all FRA events for up to one year, and a third offense may lead to a lifetime ban from participation in any FRA sanctioned event.*

*Profanity, court or club abuse, referee disrespect, disregard of the rules and/or unsportsmanlike behavior will not be tolerated in any Florida Racquetball Association sanctioned event, by players, parents, spectators, tournament officials and/or others as provided in the official AARA rule book.*

*All such rulings of the FRA Board of Directors shall be reported to the National AARA Board of Directors.*

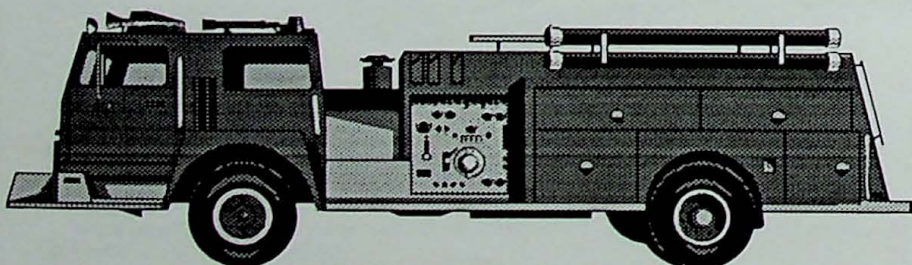
What do you think of a similar pledge in Illinois? Please let me know as you compete at State Singles, The Shamrock Shootout, The AARA Regional Championships, and The Negrete Open this spring!

----- Geoff

### RACQUETBALL QUIZ ANSWER KEY

1-b, 2-d, 3-b, 4-c, 5-d, 6-d, 7-c, 8-d, 9-d, 10-c.

## THE INTERNATIONAL FIREFIGHTER GAMES



The International Firefighter Games will be held in Chicago from July 17-22nd, 1996. Firefighters, paramedics and their spouses are eligible to compete in 23 sports including racquetball! The racquetball event will be held at The Lake Shore Athletic Club (formerly The Downtown Sports Club) at 400 N. Wabash in Chicago. For more information, contact Tom Fehsel at (312) 778-1401 or Fred Barbara at (312) 792-3434.

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# ISRA TRAVEL LEAGUE NEWS

Penn, Ektelon and the Glass Court have put together a fantastic season-end party to be held on Friday, April 12, 1996. Mark your calendars now; spots are filling up fast. This will again be a doubles-only event due to court constraints, but the action will be fast and furious. No, inflation has NOT hit this gala event -- cost for the Sixth Annual ISRA Travel League Team Racquetball Round Robin & Award Banquet is still only \$10 per person. This includes racquetball, dinner, awards and raffle. Top prizes in the raffle will be the Ektelon Fusion Racquet (retails for \$200), as well as some Penn and Ektelon bags. As always, we have enough raffle prizes for almost everyone, so don't miss out. Call today!!! If you've had enough of racquetball or would like to invite a significant (or not so significant) other, the cost is \$6. The play begins at 6:30, dinner at 9:00, and awards and raffle at 10:00. To sign up, call Diane DeArmas at the Glass Court, 708-629-3390.

We will again be holding playoffs for the Men's A and Men's B divisions pitting North against South. Remember, the four top teams in each division qualify with the City Champion being crowned at the party.

We will also be awarding first and second prizes to the division winners at the party, as well as plaques for the sponsoring clubs.

Ladies daytime, we have not forgotten you. Set aside March 19th for the ISRA Travel Team Racquetball Round Robin & Luncheon. Play begins at 9:15, lunch at noon. Cost is only \$3.50 plus a dish to pass. Lori and I thoroughly enjoyed this one last year!!

Lori still has lots of shirts in her basement. Give her a call to get them if you haven't already (708-837-9172).

Sara Meline, Lori Kaiser  
Travel League Coordinators



## Penn

## EKTELON

### STANDINGS as of February 1, 1996

#### MEN'S A NORTH DIVISION

1. Bloomingdale
2. Glass
3. Woodfield
4. Lattof
5. Hillside
6. Southlake

#### MEN'S A SOUTH DIVISION

1. Aurora
2. Bloomingdale
3. Silver Lake
4. Naperville
5. Glass Court
6. Westmont
7. Chalet

#### MEN'S B NORTH DIVISION

1. Woodfield
2. Bloomingdale
3. Edens
4. Lehman
5. Logan

#### MEN'S B SOUTH DIVISION

1. Naperville
2. Glass Court
3. Wheaton
4. Richport
5. Courts Plus
6. Norris

#### MEN'S C DIVISION

1. Lattof
2. Centre Court
3. Lemont
4. Courts Plus

#### WOMEN'S OPEN/ A DIVISION NIGHT

1. Glass I
2. Bloomingdale
3. Edens
4. Tinley Park
5. Glass II

#### MIXED OPEN/A DIVISION

1. Bloomingdale
2. Westmont
3. Glass Court

#### WOMEN'S B DIVISION

1. Woodfield
2. Glass I
3. Glass II
4. Naperville
5. Schaumburg

#### WOMEN'S B & BELOW DIVISION

1. Glass Court
2. Wheaton
3. Naperville

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## RECIPE FOR A RACQUETBALL?

Quality equipment is vital to consistent performance. This is especially true as it applies to the object in play -- a racquetball.

A great deal of technology goes into creating a quality racquetball that will stand up to the hard shots of a seasoned pro as well as the flubbed shots of a beginner. The following process is a simplified version of how racquetballs are made.

Top grades of natural and synthetic rubber are mixed with curatives, natural silicates, and pigments. The mixture is milled to a smooth consistency and fed into an extruder which forms the compound into pellets, each an exact size and weight. Each pellet will become half of a racquetball.

While pellets are being formed, a natural rubber adhesive is formulated and dissolved in rubber solvent. The adhesive will be used to cement together the halves of the racquetball.

The rubber pellets are placed in precision molds for what is called the first cure process. Under pressure and heat, the pellets are formed into hemispheres, or one-half of a racquetball.

These halves are edge-buffed to fine tolerances on precision equipment. Their edges are then coated with natural rubber adhesive, and the halves are placed in another mold for the second cure process. This second cure of heat and pressure permanently fuses the halves into complete balls.

The completed racquetballs are conveyed to specialty buffing machines which abrade the surfaces of the spheres. The balls are now ready for imprinting with brand logos and for packaging. The balls are given one final visual inspection, then fed into cans which are fusion sealed. The seal helps to preserve the balls' freshness until the can is opened and play begins.

Quality control measures are in operation throughout the manufacturing process. They begin with a check of incoming raw materials. Samples of each batch of ingredients used to make balls and adhesive are tested in plant labs to ensure consistency.

Samples of component pellets, halves and completed balls themselves, both loose and ready canned, are removed from the production line every 15 minutes and are subjected to a battery of laboratory tests. Results are recorded by electronic equipment and stored in a computer data base.

## HOW DO YOU RATE?

One of the most difficult jobs of a league organizer or tournament director is to classify players into different levels. The following are standards approved by AmPRO (The American Professional Racquetball Organization) that will help you determine an accurate level for yourself.

### What is a "D" Player?

A player who is just beginning to receive instruction. Lacks playing experience. Is in the process of learning safety, rules, forehand and backhand strokes, Z serves, backwall shots, angles, passing shots, and is ready to start participating in club leagues and friendly competition.

### What is a "C" Player?

A player who has generally played for more than six months, plays frequently, and is developing strengths in the basics listed above for a "D" player. Level of knowledge is rising and can execute most basic shots with some precision, like ceiling, pinches, pass shots and an occasional kill shot. Has taken an occasional lesson and has attended a racquetball clinic. Has started entering small tournaments and has an extra racquet.

### What is a "B" Player?

Players who play regularly and have found time to practice on their own to perfect their shots. Has good knowledge of court strategy and positioning. Has good knowledge of offense and defense situations. Is able to select the proper shot most of the time. Probably is still inconsistent but improving. Is developing patience and is able to accept tips on their game from better players. Shows interest in private racquetball lessons and instructional camps. Participates in most club events, like tournaments, leagues, and round-robins.

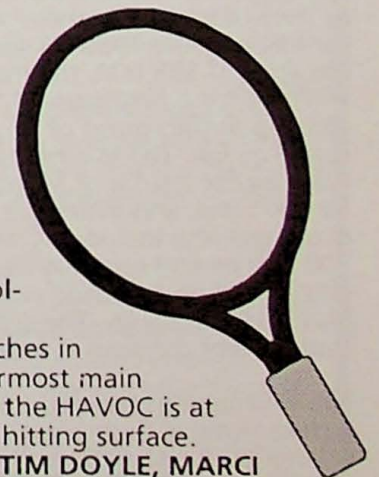
### What is an "A" Player?

A player who plays regularly. Is a top player in the club. Trains for racquetball and both backhand and forehand strokes are near equal. Has high level of knowledge. High percentage of executing most shots and has no apparent weaknesses. Perfected the kill shot and now re-kills opponents' attempted kill shots. Can and probably does compete in sanctioned tournaments. May seek to participate in the AARA Elite Camp and either has a coach or is seeking a coach.

So how did you rate? Not all of the characteristics of each skill rating will match every player but the general strengths and weaknesses should match up fairly well. If you're looking for an AmPRO Professional Instructor to help you become a better player, contact Michelle Gould at (208) 362-3844 and she will put you in touch with a qualified instructor in your area.

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# TOURNAMENT RESULTS

## REVIE SOREY

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MEN'S OPEN (22): 1-T. Sweeney; 2-M. Ceresia; S-J. Amatulli, M. Johnston. MEN'S AA (7): 1-M. Anderson; 2-E. Coyle. MEN'S A (25): 1-N. Rubenzer; 2-J. Logan; S-J. Conrad, K. Lio. MEN'S B (41): 1-M. Kinkin; 2-S. Palamara; S-D. Kerr, C. Selvig. MEN'S C (39): 1-C. Citti; 2-C. Mathison; S-E. Lackscheide, G. Devolpi. MEN'S D (26): 1-B. Brown; 2-C. Slade; S-R. Berec, L. Wallace. MEN'S 30+ (8): 1-K. Minor; 2-G. Pappas; S-M. Ardito, W. Rosa. MEN'S 35+ (15): 1-R. Kowalski; 2-M. Anderson; S-C. Gill, C. Kelly. MEN'S 40+ (17): 1-R. Anderson; 2-H. Grigg; S-J. Silius, G. Mandell. MEN'S 45+ (15): 1-G. Hasty; 2-H. Miller; S-J. Jones, T. Storey. MEN'S 50+ (15): 1-H. Grigg; 2-H. Miller; S-R. Hutcherson, D. Cipriani. MEN'S DOUBLES OPEN (9): 1-T. Sweeney/J. Ellis; 2-C. Wright/B. Erikson; S-O. Coyle/K. Minor, J. Amatulli/E. Storey. MEN'S DOUBLES A (20): 1-J. Jovien/J. Thorson; 2-N. Curcio/D. Halverson; S-J. Baumgartner/T. J. Ferro, D. Junis/W. Cole. MEN'S DOUBLES B (25): 1-R. Zimmerman/L. Peppi; 2-R. Orr/S. Hannon; S-M. Glover/M. Campbell, S. Palamara/M. Burkhart. MEN'S DOUBLES C (15): 1-J. Riske/S. Reilly; 2-K. Zwyrers/Zakojek. MEN'S 30+ DOUBLES (8): 1-J. Ault/V. Griffin; 2-D. Ervin/D. Negrete; S-F. Bunker/J. Nagle, R. Cavaliere/N. Radloff. MEN'S 40+ DOUBLES (10): 1-G. Mandell/D. Olson; 2-R. Johnson/F. Gruenwald; S-Hutcherson/Lawler; Barbara/Weber.

WOMEN'S OPEN (14): 1-C. Gudinas; 2-L. Adams; S-D. Gates, K. Stoffregan. WOMEN'S AA: 1-G. Hoskins; 2-F. Mann. WOMEN'S A (8): 1-G. Hoskins; 2-C. Jaskier. WOMEN'S B (8): 1-T. Harris; 2-P. Hepp; S-K. McCauley, J. Leonard. WOMEN'S C (7): 1-K. Czuk; 2-S. Miller. WOMEN'S D (8): 1-B. Kent; 2-A. Wallace; S-J. Porter, T. Trevillion. WOMEN'S 30+ (9): 1-V. Springer; 2-F. Mann; S-P. Saad, L. Kishigan. WOMEN'S OPEN/A DOUBLES (8): 1-G. Hammer/M. Pomeroy; 2-P. Saad/L. Kishigan; S-L. Molitor/C. Rogers, C. Lisson/R. Ferconio. WOMEN'S B/C DOUBLES (7): 1-L. Wisebart/P. Hileman; 2-M. Johnson/P. Drendel; S-B. Kent/A. Wallace, C. Kirk/M. Larsen. MIXED OPEN DOUBLES (6): 1-J. Ellenberger/K. Stoffregan; 2-W. Rosa/K. Macharin; S-J. Olivieri/C. Arvia, J. Silius/K.

Dunahm. MIXED A/D (6): 1-K. Cook/P. Jennings; 2-P. Grace/J. Grace; S-G. English/W. Cole, C. Calvi/B. Roberts. MIXED B DOUBLES (7): 1-M. Campbell/L. Zoellner; 2-P. Blakely/G. Henton; S-G. English/T. Fehsle; S-T. Harris/B. Bennett. MIXED C DOUBLES (7): 1-C. Kirk/T. Curtis; 2-S. McIntyre/J. Rogers; S-M. Olson/M. Olson, L. Cherry/D. Jackson. MIXED 30+ DOUBLES (6): 1-P. Jennings/D. Reed; 2-C. Arvia/B. Banks.

## BLOOMINGDALE OPEN

MEN'S OPEN (11): 1-E. Coyle; 2-J. Negrete; S-G. Hasty, Sr., J. Hawkins. MEN'S AA (3): 1-G. Pappas; 2-N. Curcio. MEN'S A (14): 1-T. J. Ferro; 2-D. Childress; S-R. Clay, G. Lio. MEN'S B (17): 1-K. Johnson; 2-J. Matarrese; S-C. Citti, S. Ross. MEN'S C (13): 1-D. Baker; 2-C. Slade; S-T. Kennedy, D. Bann. MEN'S D (15): 1-C. Slade; 2-R. Meisner; S-K. Zwyrers, E. Sierawski. MEN'S 30/40/50+ (9): 1-T. Utterback; 2-H. Grigg; S-M. Bogue, S. Koburi; MEN'S 45+ (8): 1-B. Nelson; 2-G. Hasty; S-J. Nagle, H. Miller. MEN'S 50+ (7): 1-H. Grigg; 2-R. Johnson, S-E. Gruenwald, T. Fehsel. MEN'S 60+ (2): 1-C. Noeringberg. MEN'S OPEN/A DOUBLES (8): 1-J. Negrete/E. Coyle; 2-A. Spaeth/B. Lyman; S-Johnson/Stopinski, Miller/Williams. MEN'S A DOUBLES (4): 1-T. J. Ferro/J. Baumgartner; 2-J. Jovien/J. Thorson. MEN'S B DOUBLES (8): 1-D. Huff/K. Mankle; 2-D. Hansen/K. Skallerup; S-T. Baxa/P. Stopinski, M. Billingstea/D. Childress. MEN'S 60+ DOUBLES: 1-H. Spaeth/L. Restaino; 2-J. Hawkins/B. Hawkins. MEN'S 80+ DOUBLES (8): 1-J. Silius/T. Utterback; 2-A. Moca/S. Lloyd; S-R. Sorey/G. Williams, R. Johnson/E. Gruenwald. WOMEN'S OPEN/A (7): 1-D. Gates; 2-M. Girup; S-C. Arvia, C. Jaskier. WOMEN'S A (3): 1-P. Calvi; 2-K. Dunham. WOMEN'S B (7): 1-P. Calvi; 2-S. Miller; S-L. Weisbart. WOMEN'S C (4): 1-C. Czuk; 2-S. Miller. WOMEN'S B DOUBLES (4): 1-M. Larson/M. Johnson; 2-P. Hileman/L. Wiesbart. MIXED OPEN DOUBLES (6): 1-J. Baumgartner/M. Johnson; 2-H. Spaeth/C. Jaskier. MIXED A DOUBLES (6): 1-H. Spaeth/C. Arvia; 2-P. Nativo/K. Dunham. MIXED B DOUBLES (1): 1-T. Baxa/C. Sobarski.

## 1996 IRT & WIRT PRO NATIONALS ANNOUNCED

The 1996 Foxwoods Resort Casino IRT/WIRT Pro National will be held on April 24-28, 1996 at the Las Vegas Sporting House presented by Coors Light. The Pro Nationals will unite the Men's and Women's professional tours as they compete for their largest purse and most significant title of the 1995-96 season. With a total purse for all divisions of \$38,000, the International Racquetball Tour will play for a first prize of \$10,000 with prize money paid starting in the round of 32 (IRT play will begin in the round of 64). The Women's International Racquetball Tour will play for a total of \$6,000, Men's Open will play for \$2,000 total, and Women's Open for \$600 total. The event will also include 24 amateur divisions with a limit of 500 entries and an entry deadline of April 19, 1996. Phone entries will be accepted with a Visa or MasterCard only plus a \$5 surcharge. The schedule for starting times of the tournament divisions is listed below.

The tournament headquarters and host hotel will be the Riviera Hotel & Casino with reservations available by calling (800) 634-6753 and mention CSO racquetball for a special room rate. SavMor Car Rental will also provide a

20% discount for tournament participants and reservations can be made by calling (800) 634-6779. Tickets for the professional matches are limited due to space availability and tickets should be reserved early by calling (702) 733-8999. Players will get a discount with their paid entry fee.

### Event Schedule

Wednesday, April 24	
Men's Pro Qualifying	Starts at 3:00 p.m.
Men's Round of 64	Starts at 6:00 p.m.
Thursday, April 25	
Women's Pro Qualifying	Starts at 10:00 a.m.
Women's Round of 32	Starts at 2:00 p.m.
Men's Open	Starts at 7:00 p.m.
Friday, April 26	
All Amateur Divisions	Start as early as 8:00 a.m.

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  - North
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  - West
- In which of the following sports is racquetball NOT a full-medal sport:
  - Pan American
  - The Central American Games
  - The World Games
  - The World University Games
  - The Pacific Rim Games
- The AARA was founded in:
  - 1972
  - 1968
  - 1962
  - 1978
- Keith Calkins first became president of the AARA in:
  - 1972
  - 1984
  - 1980
  - 1990
- The only athlete to ever win the National High Schools, National Juniors, National Collegiates, and World Juniors:
  - Sudsy Monchik
  - Jason Mannino
  - Michelle Gould
  - Shane Wood
- The person who won the most consecutive national titles in one division is:
  - Mary Low Acuff (W65+)
  - Bud Muehleisen (M45+)
  - Michelle Gould (W/O)
  - Claire Gafreau (W60+)
- The coach of the first Junior National Team was:
  - Jerry Hilecher
  - Jim Hiser
  - Stu Hastings
  - Chris Cole
- Which of the following is not included in the AARA Hall of Fame:
  - Ed Remen
  - Joseph Sobek
  - Charlie Garfinkle
  - Ed Andrews
  - Robert Kendler
- The first certified referee in the U.S. was:
  - Mike Arnolt
  - Otto Dietrich
  - Jim Easterling
  - Jim Hiser
  - Rich Clay
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  - National championship
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What racquet are you currently using? \_\_\_\_\_

What brand & style of shoe do you use? \_\_\_\_\_

What brand & style eyeguard do you use? \_\_\_\_\_

How many tournaments did you play in last year? \_\_\_\_\_

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