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Jack White captures national titles

After a five year hiatus from national competition, Jack White returned with a vengeance.

Jack won both the 25+ and 35+ Men's A/B National titles in Houston Texas, this past May.

Jack won the premier year of the new format which allows the traditional amateur racquetball player an alternative to standard national play.

Over the course of six days, Jack withstood the onslaught of nine competitors, 85° degree temperatures, an eye injury, along with bumps and bruises associated with competitive play.

When asked about his game, Jack said, "I was fortunate to play extremely well all week long. I prepared myself physically, not only by playing a lot, but by weight training and diet,

and mentally through visualization. The competition was fierce and came in all forms and challenges; from long matches and blind referees, to rocket services and late night matches, which all added up to the ultimate final. I would like to thank Tom Blakeslee who had to put up with my Chinese laundry and

Mike Stevens, Twayne Howard and Chris Cole for their support throughout the event. I wish my wife Sandy could have joined



Above, Jack White shows the gold medals he captured at the 1998 Houston National Tournament

RAM STATE DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIPS

December 5-6, 1998

Madison Athletic Club

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Racquetball Association of Michigan 1998-99 Tentative Schedule

November 7-8	Seniors/Masters Davison Athletic Club
November 11-15	USRA Open Memphis, Tennessee
November 14-15	6th Annual Turkey Shoot Players Athletic Club
December 5-6	STATE DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIPS Madison Athletic Club
January 29-31	Felicia Mann TBD
February 6-7	Total Sports Club Mt. Clemens, Michigan
February 27-28	Players Athletic Club Warren, Michigan
March 13-14	Madison Athletic Club Madison Heights, Michigan
March 27-28	STATE SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS Davison Athletic Club
April 9-10	Adult Regional Chicago, Illinois
April 17-18	Adult Regional Canton, Ohio
May 26-31	USRA Nationals Houston, Texas
June 26-30	Junior Olympics

The 1998-99 tournament schedule will be updated as information becomes available. Please contact Tom Blakeslee with any questions you have regarding this schedule or sanctioning a tournament

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1998 RAM State Singles Results

Men's Open

Winner Chris Cole
Finalist Jack Huczek Jr
Semis Pete Ruhala
Jim McGrail

Men's 35B

Winner Jim Wink
Finalist Gary Balavitch
Semis Mark Nesbit
Pat Brady

Women's Open

Winner Paula Saad
Finalist Leslie Kishigan
Semis Felicia Mann
Kathie Trotter

Men's A

Winner Alex Cobb
Finalist Gus Pasko
Semis Jim McGrail
Steve Gradwohl

Men's 40A

Winner Dan Verbeck
Finalist Chris Kelly
Semis Jack White
Tom Blakeslee

Women's A

Winner Stacey Barbas
Finalist Terry Trevillion
Semis Felicia Mann
Kathie Trotter

Men's B

Winner Ron Harris
Finalist Twayne Howard
Semis Mark Nesbit
Joel Schnieder

Men's 45A

Winner Jim Santino
Finalist Tom Blakeslee
Semis John Gervasi
Jim Easterling

Women's B/C

Winner Lorna Rose
Finalist Sheila Lieber
Semis Mariana Verbeck
Susan Kausha

Men's C

Winner Mike Semanco
Finalist Brian Schamp
Semis Todd Stanwick
Dan Henlee

Men's 45/50B

Winner Art Murphy
Finalist Chuck VanHoose
Semis Lee Cole
Ralph Travelstead

Women's 30/35+

Winner Paula Saad
Finalist Felicia Mann
Semis Stacey Barbas
Terry Trevillion

Men's D

Winner Ricky Lewis
Finalist Gregory McClellan
Semis Wayne Jones
Arthur McKnight

Men's 50A

round robin event

Winner Robert Gravelyn
Finalist Ed Barter

Women's 40A

Winner Leslie Kishigan
Finalist Karen Green
Semis Darcy Crampton
Janet Insko

Men's 30B

Winner Ron Harris
Finalist Joel Schneider
Semis Ron Papke
Twayne Howard

Winner Charles Wheelihan
Runner-up Art Murphy

Men's 55+

total points event

Women's 45 A/B

Winner Sharon Huczek
Finalist Kathie Trotter
Semis Wendy Casey
Lorna Rose

Men's 35A

Winner Pete Ruhala
Finalist Jack White
Semis Charles White
Chris Kelly

Winner Ron Pudduck
Finalist Richard Sewell

Men's 60+

round robin event

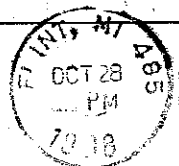
Juniors

Winner Jack Huczek
Finalist Chris Harr
Semis Nic Minto
Buzz Suuppi

Winner Fred Wiegand
Runner-up Charles Kaiser

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