

Tim Lavoie Has Record Year

by Mike Kennedy

The year was 1973 - President Richard Nixon was about to resign; vice president, Spiro Agnew, already had done so; U.S. bombing of Cambodia had just ended; Egypt and Israel had just signed a cease fire; and an overweight young man of 25 named Tim Lavoie from St. Cloud decided to take up the game of racquetball, only to find himself on the receiving end of many beatings at the hands of an eight-year-old and a twelve-year-old.

Tim, who was co-owner of an auto-repair shop in St. Cloud, became aware of the game when Mark Gross, 8, began hanging around Tim's shop, bragging that he could beat Tim in a game called racquetball.

"The doctor told me I needed to lose weight, and this kid was challenging me. I figured there was no one who could beat me at anything, much less a kid," Tim said.

So he and Mark began playing at the old St. Cloud YMCA, later called the Germain Club. Mark introduced Tim to another young braggart wielding a racquet - Danny

Ferris.

"We would go up and play, and those two would take money off me every night," Tim recalled with a laugh. "Yeah, it was pretty funny, but it also was pretty sad when you think about it."

But who cared? Not Tim. He was hooked on the game, and he wasn't about to let a little embarrassment

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October 7-9, 1994

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September 23, 1994

VCI Pro Tournament

by John Gillooly

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After a two week break since Las Vegas, the sport's best converged in Burnsville, Minnesota at the Burnsville Racquet, Swim & Health Club for the 1994 VCI World Championships, racquetball's most prestigious event.

Cliff "the reeking machine" Swain came to win his fifth consecutive event (for the second time this season) and his 13th of 18 IRT events this season. The rest of the field simply came to stop Swain. Swain would win this battle.

Thursday saw somewhat of an uneventful round of 32's with only one upset. #22 Sherman Greenfeld smashed #11 Egan Inoue. The Canadian once again proved that he is a force to be reckoned with despite only making a few stops per year.

Night came and ESPN got the tapes rolling for some of the 16's matches.

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From the "Pres"

by Peggy Clark

As I write this column, it seems appropriate that the overnight low temperatures are headed for the 40's and 50's. Must mean that the serious racquetball season is just around the corner. This weekend those diehards who **MUST PLAY** summer tournaments get their opportunity at the Summer Sizzler. Sadly, the State Games Tournament in Rochester didn't field enough participants to hold the event. Apparently, the local organizing committee decided to do a zip code mailing for the area, and many of our players throughout the state never found out about the event until it was too late. We hope that will not occur next year as well.

To put a rumor to rest, I have resigned my position as Tournament Director at the Northwest Clubs. My professional goals and family situation have changed in such a way that I require more flexibility in both than was possible at Northwest. Dennis Ring has taken over my position, and will be a more regular feature at the Northwest in house tournaments. At this time, the Northwest Clubs will not offer any tournaments open to the public. They will continue to rent their facilities to the MSRA for the major events of the season: State Doubles, State Singles, and Regionals.

My involvement with the MSRA continues. The MSRA will still host tournaments: state, regional, and possibly even national again sometime. For those of you who've been thinking about getting involved in the volunteer state organization: **now is the time!** Our core group of hard working volunteers can use all kinds of assistance. As our personal and professional lives change, we'd like to turn some of our responsibilities over to others who believe in the sport and are committed to its growth.

Tournament participation is down all over the country. We have an aging demographic. An investment of time and energy in the promotion of recreational play is vital to our future. Increased recreational play could encourage more tournament play. It's hard for those of us who "cut our teeth" on tournament play to realize that we need to share our expertise and enjoyment of the sport with those who are curious or inexperienced. Some of you have kids who are starting to play. Others have a girlfriend, wife, or school chum who likes to bat the ball around. Help us out by volunteering to participate in clinics or social events to bring these new players together. Bring someone new to two or three tournaments this season so the Novice and D divisions swell with participants. Give us some suggestions about things you think would work. Maybe more round robin divisions for some events would encourage play and reduce the intimidation of being "eliminated" from a draw?

If you are ready to take that step to give a little bit of your time back, call the MSRA (612) 920-6652 or come to an upcoming Board meeting: September 29, 1994, November 8, 1994, December 13, 1994.



Junior Journal

by Lois Anderson

JUNIOR NATIONALS

This was the 6th year that I have gone to the Junior National tournaments with my sons. It's hard to describe the explosive atmosphere that exists at this tournament. Kids everywhere - running, yelling, playing racquetball, sitting anywhere there is an open space to talk, watching friends and enemies play matches, socializing in the hotels, meeting kids from all around the country and making friendships that will last a lifetime. Parents - watching their children on the court, cheering them on, moving with their every move-feeling every good and bad shot, after the match-expressing their joy or giving their encouragement, seeing their kids grow up so much in five short days. That's what the Junior Nationals are about!

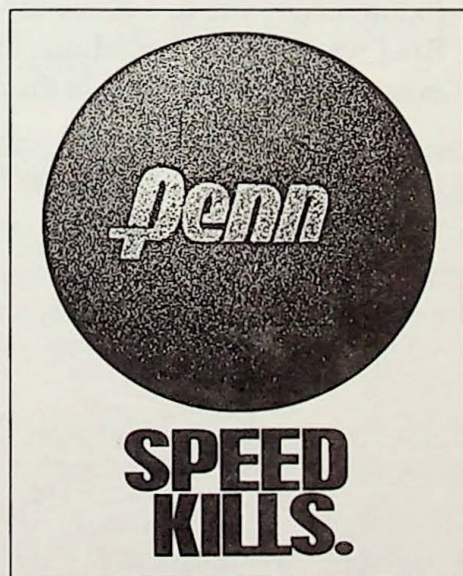
Junior Team Minnesota had another GREAT YEAR! We had 17 Juniors, 14 boys and 4 girls. The tournament was in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Matches the first three days were held in two locations. The main club was the Sports Barn, which was located about 1/2 mile from our hotel. The other courts were at the University of Tennessee. The boys in the 14 & Under, 12 & Under and 10 & Under divisions played at the University of Minnesota the first three days and then played at the main club for the semi and final matches. A shuttle went between our hotel and the two clubs, but the logistics of kids playing in two different locations made it difficult to see all of the matches.

The City of Chattanooga was beautiful. Most of us went up into the mountains, saw the Tennessee

Aquarium and did some shopping. Chattanooga did get record rainfalls while we were there. Sunday night the rain came down so hard and fast that the lobby of our hotel became flooded about midnight. All the Juniors were quickly banished to their rooms. Some people woke up the next morning to find ankle deep water in the underground parking ramp, only inches from flooding their cars.

There was a huge banquet on Tuesday evening, where the 40 Juniors were announced to attend a week at the Olympic Training Camp, where 14 Juniors would be selected for Junior Team USA. The selection criteria has been completely reworked for this years camp. Each of the 40 Juniors were given a pack-

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Junior Nationals

by Mary Schulenberg

In the last week of June we took our family vacation to Chattanooga, Tennessee to watch our son, Brent, play in the Junior National Racquetball Tournament.

I remember overhearing Paula Beugen say this tournament has been their families summer vacation for many years. Because this year was the Beugen's last year to attend, the tradition of going to the Junior Nationals is being passed down to other families of Junior Racquetballers. (We could only hope to equal the successes of Jonas, Brett, and Andrea).

As a new spectator to this tournament, I was so amazed at the

level of play by the Juniors. So many kids from all over the USA have such an incredible amount of talent. It was really fun to watch.

It was also great to see the friendships made with kids from other states. I saw kids battling it out together on the racquetball court and then that same night they were running around the hotel together. What a wonderful thing for kids to experience.

Next year the Junior Nationals will be held in Anaheim, California. I encourage parents to get your kids involved in racquetball now so you can consider making the Junior Nationals a summer vacation for your family.

VCI Tournament ESPN Broadcast

August 31
Late Night
September 8
Noon

Check your local cable
schedule for times.

Thanks!

by Mary Schulenberg

Dave and I would like to thank all of the MANY racquetball friends who sent cards, love and prayers for our son, Brad. This would have been Brad's first year playing in the State Tournament, the Regionals and the Nationals. Unfortunately, on September 2, 1993 Brad suffered an intracranial hemorrhage (brain bleed) due to a blood disorder. Brad was in critical condition and not expected to live; Brad beat the odds.

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get in the way. It wasn't long before Tim was playing regularly and improving, slowly but surely. He began hanging out and playing St. Cloud players who went on to win state, national and professional tournaments Steve Strandemo, Ron Strom, Jack Strommen, Greg Hayenga and Dan Ferris.

It took some years for Tim to become competitive with those guys, but he spent endless hours practicing on the court by himself in addition to playing outstanding players.

Now, nearly 21 years later, Tim is no less passionate about the game, but much more skilled than he was in those days. In fact, to some observers, Tim is playing as well as ever. That argument certainly could be made after the kind of year he turned in during the 1993-94 season.

He wound up taking first in the 45+ and first in 40+ at the state tournament. He then took first in 45+ and second in 40+ at Regionals. He capped that off with second in the 45+ at nationals in Houston in May. And, for good measure, he finished in the top eight in 40+ at nationals.

Needless to say, he is looking forward to the start of the 1994-95 season, although he typically takes the summer off to devote his time to his other passion racing. Tim races a 1982 Mustang once a week at Golden Spike Speedway in St. Cloud, but also travels around the region to race.

But it's racquetball that is really his first love, and the sport in which he really favors. For those who know him and who have watched him, few people hate losing more than Tim or savor winning as much. Less game always rises a notch or two when he's playing in a tournament.

Yet he doesn't take it as seriously as he used to. A racquet-throwing incident in which he accidentally hurt a young boy years ago went a long way toward taming Tim's famous temper. And his resolve to quit drinking made improvements not only to his life, but his racquetball game.

"When I used to go to tournaments, party real hard

and stay out until all hours, I always had an excuse to lose," Tim said. "Once I quit, it was hard to accept losing because I didn't have any excuses anymore.

Now, he not only knows how to win, but also how to lose. And he has taught some of the lessons he learned not only to his own kids (Tara and Tracy) but to other players as well, who seek him out for advice on technique and strategy.

Dave Werschay, St. Cloud's top player, who is ranked at the state and national level, credits Tim with helping him strengthen all the fundamentals of his game.

But it isn't just the top players who benefit by Tim's understanding of the game and its fundamentals. Tim plays out of the Suburban Racquet and Swim Club, and freely dispenses advice to whatever level of player who seeks it.

"We've got such a good group of racquetball players in St. Cloud. Greg (Hayenga) has really promoted the game here

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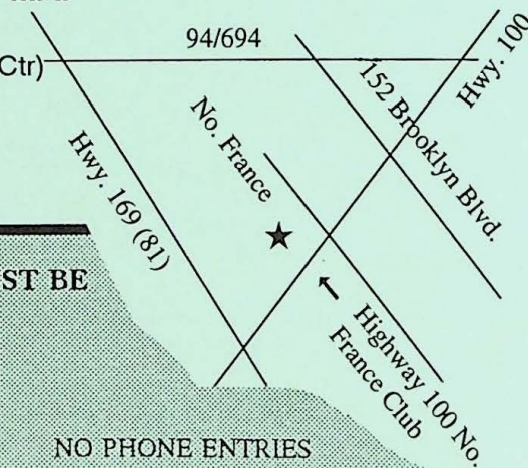
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3. Courts are assigned only when **ALL** players are checked in and ready to play. It is the player's responsibility to check the master draw sheets for match time changes before they leave the facility each day!!!
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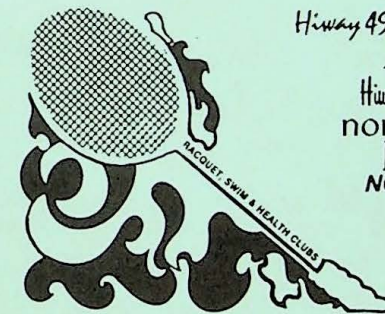
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(see map on reverse side)

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ENTRY FEE (per person)

\$34 First Event (deduct \$5 if no souvenir)
\$18 Second Event
\$13 Third Event (must be Mixed Doubles)

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\$20 First Event (deduct \$5 if no souvenir)
\$10 Second Event

\$10 Third Event (must be Mixed Doubles)

***Your first event entry fee includes \$5 for a tournament souvenir.
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REFEREES

Winners must referee! Or find a suitable replacement. Each time you ref a match in the winners bracket of a division you will be paid \$5 if you are a certified referee and \$2 if you are a non-certified referee. The certification test will be available during the tournament at no charge.

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SKILL	AGES*	JUNIORS*	MIXED - SKILL
(One event only from this column)	(Two events may be selected from this column)	(One event may be selected from this column)	(One event only from each group)
___ Open	___ 19+	___ A	___ Open
___ Open/A	___ 25+	___ B	___ Open/A
___ A	___ 30+	___ C	___ A
___ B	___ 35+ Open/A or B/C		___ B
___ C	(CIRCLE ONE)		___ C
	___ 40+		
	___ 45+		
	___ 50+		
	___ 55+		
	___ 60+		
	___ 65+		
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			___ 30+
			___ 40+
			___ Juniors

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Rankings

MEN

MEN'S OPEN

Locker, Mike	+ 43	1559
Stead, Todd	+ 16	1527
Ferris, Dan	+ 5	1459
Wershay, Dave	+ 14	1443
Johnson, Hart	+ 55	1420
Beugen, Brett	+ 10	1415
Hayenga, Greg	+ 33	1389
Frautschi, Jim	+ 36	1384
Weinert, Chris	+ 25	1382
LaVoi, Tim	+ 46	1376
Harteringer, Brandon	+ 8	1374
Dittrich, Mike	- 3	1371
Peterson, Gary	NC	1361
Stallings, Troy	+ 12	1361
Jones K.C.	+ 56	1343
Grady, Ed	+ 6	1339

MEN'S A

Roy, Ben	NC	1228
Beeman, Bob	NC	1220
Robb, Craig	+ 54	1203
Provo, John	+ 58	1195
Bernier, Bob	+ 30	1194
Selke, George	+ 23	1192
Prodzinski, Dave	+ 31	1177
Steen, Doug	+ 6	1173
Voigt, Dave	NC	1172
Rud, Scott	+ 20	1169
Katzfey, Paul	+ 5	1168
Nigh, Dave	+ 37	1167
Moore, Bob	+ 36	1166
Kociemba, John	- 11	1159
Lichty, Dee	- 10	1154

MEN'S B

Johnson, Rick	+ 21	987
Ledin, Jerry	NC	979
Davis, Terry	+ 10	971
Schrager, Jeff	NC	968
Zellickson, Barry	+ 20	967
Countryman, John	NC	965
Campagna, Pat	+ 61	961
Hulke, Rick	+ 7	958
Michels, Lee	- 7	958
Mosow, Dan	+ 58	958
Berquist, Ron	NC	957
Peterson, Gary	+ 54	954
Grams, Chris	+ 24	953
Capezzutto, Mario	NC	959
Nelson, Dave	- 4	951

MEN'S C

Phillips, Brian	NC	773
Kirkwood, Rod	+ 5	769
Reinarts, Mark	NC	769
Simon, Steve	+ 7	958
Echternach, Tyler	NC	762
Jackson, Steve	+ 23	762
Bresnahan, Steve	NC	758
Hoffman, John	NC	744

Schneider, Todd	+ 15	744
Pruitt, Justin	NC	744
Volkmoth, Gary	NC	744
Simones, Tom	+ 69	743
Michel, Ricky	NC	742
Anderson, Jim	+ 45	741
Jansen, Jason	NC	740
Steichen, Keith	+ 40	740

MEN'S D

Lauer, Ron	NC	544
Wells, Richard	NC	541
Renck, Gary	+ 40	540
Silva, Troy	+ 36	536
Polley, Ross	NC	532
McGraw, Jason	NC	524
Patton, Phillip	+ 21	521
Pruitt, Justin	NC	521
Potts, Tony	+ 16	516
Speich, Gary	NC	513
Skillings, D.J.	- 13	511
Simones, David	+ 58	507
Hinch, Dwight	+ 5	505
Robertson, Trent	NC	505
Fisher, Rick	NC	501

MEN'S 19+

Schaffer, Scott	+ 14	1359
Locker, Mike	NC	1348
Beugen, Brett	+ 4	1341
Harteringer, Brandon	+ 8	1335
Harteringer, Brett	NC	1321
Weinert, Chris	+ 5	1320
Powell, Aaron	NC	1312
Knutson, Justin	+ 4	1300
Eiken, Brett	NC	1296
Metcalf, Beny	NC	1295
Buswell, Tim	NC	1291
Lallensack, Thad	NC	1287
Levis, Chad	- 16	1284
Justeson, Mark	- 5	1272
Skinner, Alan	NC	1268

MEN'S 25+

Wershay, Dave	+ 34	1391
Crowson, Bill	NC	1334
Graddy, Ed	NC	1333
McCarthy, Pete	NC	1322
Tomkins, Tim	NC	1317
Glynn, Tim	NC	1313
Edstrom, Rick	- 8	1310
Frautschi, Jim	+ 1	1308
Gorman, Brian	- 4	1307
Rud, Scott	NC	1305
Volz, Ron	+ 2	1300
Mohr, Dan	NC	1296
Stevens, Scott	- 13	1294
Wilinski, John	- 14	1286
Carlson, Cliff	NC	1274

MEN'S 30+

Hayenga, Greg	+ 58	1482
LeGare, John	NC	1413

Jones, K.C.	+ 27	1406
Stallings, Troy	- 8	1364
Fitzgerald, Dan	+ 37	1358
Johnson, Hart	- 6	1356
Schacht, Rick	+ 12	1351
Rantala, Dave	+ 12	1349
Graddy, Ed	+ 16	1349
Chastain, Harral	- 2	1343
Dittrich, Mike	- 24	1337
Daniels, Terry	+ 4	1336
Schramm, Todd	+ 34	1334
Sheldon, Mike	NC	1332
Henk, Randy	- 3	1329

MEN'S 35+

Stallings, Troy	+ 62	1496
Gross, Dave	NC	1409
Martens, Dave	+ 37	1372
Hayenga, Greg	+ 65	1365
Wesely, Tom	+ 31	1361
Gardner, Chuck	+ 3	1355
Peterson, Gary	- 1	1346
Spiczka, Larry	- 3	1344
Loew, David	+ 7	1344
Daniels, Terry	NC	1342
Roy, Ben	+ 33	1339
Hartzell, Kevin	- 1	1338
Withrow, Glen	NC	1338
Flodin, Phil	+ 34	1334
Thovson, Kevin	NC	1333

MEN'S 35+ B

Johnson, Ronald	NC	992
Berquist, Ron	NC	988
Umerski, Bernie	+ 69	969
Simensen, John	NC	963
Carlson, Alan	+ 31	958
Rhodes, Walter	+ 20	947
Norrgard, Phil	NC	944
Tusa, Ed	NC	939
Schaffer, James	+ 9	936
Froeschl, Paul	+ 32	932
Shoutz, Cary	+ 32	932
McLain, Jon	NC	1369
Dow, John	NC	932
Skillings, Dwight	+ 31	931
Olson, Joe	NC	929

MEN'S 40+

Withrow, Glen	NC	1441
Gross, Dave	+ 31	1372
McLain, Jon	- 6	1363
Lavoi, Tim	+ 5	1358
Chastain, Harral	+ 38	1357
Thompson, Dave	NC	1344
Peter, Herb	+ 43	1343
Usher, Ray	+ 7	1339
Daniels, Terry	+ 35	1335
Linette, Jim	+ 34	1334
Loper, Marv	NC	1333
Korbol, Chris	+ 32	1332
Foster, Toby	NC	1325
Roske, Tim	+ 30	1324
Umerski, Bernie	+ 24	1319

MEN'S 45+

Lavoi, Tim	+ 77	1426
Peterson, Gary	- 7	1424
Chastain, Harral	+ 15	1384
Prokopiuk, Stefan	NC	1381
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Withrow, Glen	NC	1361
Kanyusik, John	- 11	1355
Reints, Leland	+ 17	1352
Gray, Bob	NC	1349
Hefli, Hal	NC	1348
Gorman, Mike	+ 15	1345
Dittrich, Les	- 27	1343
Pastor, Jim	NC	1329
Loper, Marv	NC	1328

MEN'S 50+

Hall, Bill	+ 63	1429
Rients, Leland	+ 24	1405
Zabinski, David	+ 5	1358
Larson, Don	+ 13	1342
Carpenter, Dick	- 9	1335
Loper, Marv	+ 35	1335
Dittrich, Les	NC	1327
Strabley, Ralph	NC	1326
Riedesel, Marv	+ 26	1324
Peterson, Paul	NC	1322
Vercel, Mark	+ 10	1310
Hooser, Lew	NC	1308
Johnson, Ron	NC	1304
Simon, Paul	NC	1300
Harteringer, Dave	NC	1299

MEN'S 55+

Riggs, Chauncey	+ 46	1380
McNamara, Bob	+ 12	1367
Carpenter, Dick	+ 22	1348
Spizman, Howard	+ 39	1339
Carlson, Alan	+ 23	1334
Eiken, Ev	+ 14	1332
Slack, Royal	NC	1322
Anderson, Andy	+ 17	1317
Brandrup, John	NC	1314
Lavercombe, Larry	- 4	1306
Lenzmeier, Robert	+ 6	1306
Hanson, Jerry	+ 17	1317
Rusch, Tom	NC	1293
Anderson, Dave	- 9	1291
Endres, Dick	- 10	1290

MEN'S 60+

Fallek, Max	NC	1429
Goldetsky, Norman	+ 23	1350
McNamara, Bob	- 43	1348
Englund, Robert	+ 52	1342
Slack, Royal	- 1	1342
Wilson, Robert	NC	1337
Stillman, Ralph	- 23	1335
Brandrup, John	NC	1328
Kleinschmidt, Bob	- 8	1318
Rice, John	NC	1296
Hiles, Harold	+ 20	1289
LeBrun, Duane	- 5	1285

Pearson, Howard	- 23	1278
Schumacher, Lyle	NC	1274
Rosenbloom, Amos		+ 12 1260

MEN'S 65+

Rice, John	NC	1285
Rusch, Thomas	- 13	1276
Lafond, John	- 26	1274

MEN'S 70+

Drake, George	NC	1300
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MEN'S 75+

Drake, George	NC	1290
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WOMEN

WOMEN'S OPEN

Sibell, Dana	+ 7	1470
Kriegler, Carol	+ 47	1308
Roby, Angela	+ 9	1229
Kirk, Kelly	+ 110	1228
Peifer, Kelli	+ 3	1168
Beugen, Andrea	+ 48	1162
Liu, Ansula	+ 6	1156
Straka, Terri	- 54	1147
Stomberg, Carol	NC	1147
Gebhart, Connie	NC	1143
Wielinski, Sue	NC	1141
Lamb, Tina	- 1	1130
Gross, Sadie	+ 40	1126
Dahline, Desiree	+ 41	1125
Tomlinson, Paula	- 6	1115

WOMEN'S A

Urman, Penny	+ 21	1003
Southwick, Lori	NC	985
Benson, Pam	+ 36	981
Stoeke, Ardis	NC	976
Willerscheidt, Mary	+ 24	963
Perrault, Vallana	+ 45	960
Trachsel, Jaime	NC	957
Avery, Jill	+ 50	950
Zieminski, Julie	NC	949
Merten, Chris	NC	946
Kern, Page	NC	944
Eck, Peggy	NC	939
Warner, Amy	NC	939
Groess, Marta	+ 36	936
Bischoff, Mary	+ 11	934

WOMEN'S B

Perrault, Vallana	+ 17	789
Markham, Rose	NC	775
Hauck, Georgia	NC	758
Heil, Darla	+ 55	758
Bates, Catherine	NC	751
Schatz, Susan	NC	751
Eiden, Karen	+ 50	750
Brown, Lee	NC	748
Dahl, Sandy	+ 45	745
Tanis, Laura	NC	740

Rankings

Fisher, Kate	NC	740	Hill, Margaret	NC	1137
Kiel, Sue	NC	739	Fortman, Kim	NC	1130
Moreland, Pamela + 3	734	Kiester, Marlene	NC	1122	
Tusa, Kay	NC	732	Dahline, Desiree + 41	1117	
Oakland, Kim	NC	732	Dalager, Ann	NC	1113

WOMEN'S C

Squires, Cathie + 24	558	Jacobs, Mary Ann - 5	1095	
Augustin, Deb	NC	548	Stellmach, Kerry - 9	1091
Tekautz, Judy - 4	545	Hays, Linda	- 17	1088
Herland, Sharon + 36	545			
Oakland, Kim	NC	533		

Olivanti, Angie + 2	532	Kirk, Kelly + 53	1179		
Suoja, Kelly + 31	531	Harrity, Mary	NC	1141	
Wagner, Jennie + 27	527	Kriegler, Carol + 37	1137		
Strle, Shannon	NC	526	Dalager, Ann	NC	1134
Phillips, Susan + 3	525	Gebhart, Connie	NC	1131	
Riley, Colleen + 20	520	Tilbury, Cindy - 17	1127		
Fjelland, Becky	NC	514	Clark, Peggy	NC	1126
Buros, Dee + 10	510	Hastings-Welty, Sharon	+ 23	1123	
Shaver, Jan + 10	510	Peters, Jane + 9	1122		
Aeling, Cheryl + 8	508	Urman, Penny + 29	1122		

WOMEN'S D

Sheetz, Susan + 22	422	Stomberg, Carol	NC	1106	
Strand, Niccie + 5	405	Hill, Margaret - 4	1102		
Elmore, Dianne	NC	400	Naughton, Teri	NC	1096
Bohrer, Paula - 5	395	Madden, Kathi - 5	1095		
Gregg, Ann - 10	390				
Markham, Rachel - 120	388				

WOMEN'S 19+

Roby, Angela + 10	1172	Heilman, Lisa - 2	1119		
Tomlinson, Paula + 6	1106	Lamb, Tina + 6	1106		
Southwick, Lori	NC	1106	Warner, Amy	NC	1105
Beugen, Andrea + 61	1104	Sourbeck, Sheri	NC	1082	
Benson, Pam	NC	1081	Walstrom, Nancy	NC	1078
Schlee, Pam - 24	1076				

WOMEN'S 25+

Putnam, Cindy	NC	1147	Tomlinson, Paula	NC	1133
Lamb, Tina	NC	1126	Heilman, Lisa	NC	1115
Sourbeck, Sheri	NC	1111	Miller, Wendy	NC	1108
Southwick, Lori	NC	1105	Gabriel-Hirstein, M.	NC	1089
Benson, Pam	NC	1087	Merten, Chris	NC	1085
Reimer, Pam	NC	1079			

WOMEN'S 30+

Kirk, Kelly + 24	1185	Peifer, Kelli + 16	1169	
Liu, Ansula - 12	1158	Peterson, Teri	NC	1141
Straka, Terri - 11	1139			

Moreland, Pam	NC	1103	Benson, Pam + 22	1103	
Stellmach, Kerry - 9	1091	Hays, Linda - 17	1088		

Markham, Rose	NC	747	Squires, Cathie - 7	730
Herland, Sharon + 28	728	Moreland, Pamela	NC	727
Switzer, M'Liss + 24	724	Leinhard, Chris	NC	714
Tusa, Kay	NC	712	Augustin, Debbie + 21	706
Anderson, Lois	NC	696	Oldenburg, Cris - 6	694
Tekautz, Judy + 9	691	Arradondo, Martha - 2	687	
Robbins, Nancy	NC	677	Weinert, Val - 29	671

Chastain, Darcy + 25	1177	Gross, Sandy + 6	1154	
Stoeke, Ardis + 17	1119	Willersheidt, Mary + 9	1119	
Kieffer, Sue	NC	1106	Mueller, Kathy - 10	1101
Vacek, Lisa - 14	1086	Schatz, Susan - 21	1055	

Mueller, Kathy	NC	1150	Willersheidt, Mary	NC	1109
Gross, Marta - 51	1078	Vacek, Lisa	NC	1067	
Switzer, M'Liss	NC	1056			

JUNIORS

BOYS

BOYS 8 & UNDER

(MULTI-BOUNCE)					
Roske, Alex + 14	222	Sinerius, Sean + 9	209		
Horkey, Derek - 2	198	Stone, Garrett + 42	189		
Stone, Megan	NC	176	Giancola, Mario - 40	160	

BOYS 8 & UNDER

Roske, Alex + 5	205	Stone, Garrett - 5	195
Giancola, Mario - 36	164		

BOYS 10 & UNDER

Everding, Matt + 45	461	Hubbard, Darrin + 33	443
Lehtinen, Lucas + 12	425	Schulenberg, Brent + 36	417
Olmscheid, Chris + 49	413	Strand, Bjorn - 9	391
Hart, Eric - 143	386	Roske, Alex - 17	383
Stone, Garrett - 17	383	Zins, Kevin - 19	381
Hauck, Jake - 45	355	Prince, Darrin - 8	336

BOYS 12 & UNDER

Jansen, Jason + 37	722	Lehtinen, Matthew + 59	663	
Gothier, Chris - 4	596	Schulenberg, Brent + 20	595	
Carlson, Mark - 6	594	Quam, Dan - 6	594	
Lichty, Dan	NC	591	Everding, Matt - 12	588
Prince, Darrin - 14	586	Santelli, Pat - 25	575	
Foy, Timothy - 26	574	Hubbard, Darrin + 17	571	
Coyle, Brendan - 32	568	Campbell, Nick	NC	568
Germshaid, Matt - 40	560			

BOYS 14 & UNDER

Larson, Trevor + 35	911	Hahne, Chad + 31	833		
Jansen, Jason + 35	829	Prodzinski, Ryan	NC	817	
Gorman, Derek	NC	810	Bahr, Max	NC	806
Simones, Tom + 45	796	Hubbard, Nathan + 1	801		
Lehtinen, Matthew - 11	789	Skillings, D.J. - 18	782		
Wilcox, Tyler - 23	777	Banghart, Mike	NC	777	
Silva, Troy - 24	776				

Sinerius, Chris - 26	774	Peterson, Ben	NC	769
Langert, Shawn - 49	751	Anderson, Justin - 21	739	
Hubbard, Nathan - 71	729			

BOYS 16 & UNDER

Heurung, Troy + 63	1083	Carey, Rob + 13	1040		
Anderson, Chris	NC	1036	Matteson, Brett + 31	1031	
Konz, Tony + 14	1014	Jansen, Jason	NC	1010	
Shuba, Chris + 8	1008	Petrack, Nick + 6	1005		
Ianfolla, Jason	NC	991	Meixner, Jason	NC	985
Samarzia, Todd	NC	983	Perko, Eric + 9	981	
Lehtinen, Matthew + 59	663	Ahrens, Chris - 19	981		
Erickson, Odin	NC	972			

BOYS 18 & UNDER

Gross, Andy + 15	1293	Volkmoth, Randy + 19	1219		
Heurung, Troy + 10	1210	Pearson, Brian + 4	1204		
Petrack, Nick	NC	1204	Carlson, Kipper	NC	1200
Nistler, Scott + 2	1197	Dow, Dan	NC	1193	
Anderson, Chris - 8	1192	Andrews, Jeff	NC	1186	
Tamminen, Josh	NC	1186	Hofer, Jon - 13	1179	
Krantz, Jason - 35	1174	Perko, Eric - 15	1172		

Ianfolla, Jason	NC	1170
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GIRLS

GIRLS 10 & UNDER

Carlblom, Ashley + 16	216	Lehtinen, Jessica + 3	203
Stone, Megan - 5	195		

GIRLS 12 & UNDER

Strand, Niccie - 12	388
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GIRLS 14 & UNDER

Trachsel, Jamie	NC	628	Strand, Niccie + 27	627
Markham, Rachel + 1	601	Stone, Megan - 28	572	
Cherne, Jackie	NC	571		

GIRLS 16 & UNDER

Gross, Sadie + 30	888	Chastain, Aimee + 19	802
Krantz, Meadow - 18	782	Markham, Rachel - 21	779
Straka, Amy - 31	769		

GIRLS 18 & UNDER

Beugen, Andrea + 10	1090	Gross, Sadie + 21	1060	
Trachsel, Jamie	NC	1038	Chastain, Aimee + 21	997
Strle, Shannon	NC	984	Perrault, Vallana - 20	967
Straka, Amy - 40	960	Anderson, Michelle	NC	944

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Junior Journal - Continued

et of information which explained the grading system for the camp try-outs. Minnesota was fortunate to have three girls selected to try out at the Olympic Training Camp in August. They were:

Andrea Beugen - Golden Valley
(this is Andrea's third year)

Aimee Chastain - Brooklyn Park

Sadie Gross - Apple Valley

We wish them lots of luck!

All of the parents came to the tournament this year, except the Virginia kids who adopted Melissa Hahne (Chad's mom) as their "parent." She certainly had her hands full with six Juniors from Virginia. Of course, the most difficult task is getting the kids to go to bed at a decent hour, espe-

cially when there is so much going on in the hotel.

CHANGES/UPDATE

Mixed Doubles Added for 1995.

The number of entries from girls this year was down. We need more girls playing racquetball! To try to increase the participation of girls in this tournament it was decided to add Mixed Doubles as a third event in 1995. There will be a minimum cost for the third event.

1995 Junior Olympic National Championships. It was announced at the banquet that the 1995 Junior Olympic National Championships would be held at the Los Caballeros Club in Fountain Valley, California.

This club is located only 10 minutes from Disneyland in Anaheim and close to Knott's Berry Farm. There will be special packages available, including tickets for various activities in the area. Start making plans now to make this your 1995 family vacation.

Chris Cole Announced as Junior Team USA Coach. Chris has been chosen as the new Team USA Coach for 1995-1996. Chris currently lives in Houston, Texas. He will be selecting the team members during the camp, scheduling team meetings during the year and helping the Junior team members improve their racquetball game.



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Junior Journal - Continued

Team Members Added to Junior Team USA. Most of the 14 Juniors who are selected for Junior Team USA are in the 16 & Under and the 18 & Under divisions. This leaves the USA without representatives in the 8 & Under, 10 & Under, 12 & Under and 14 & Under age divisions at the world championships held in Jacksonville, Florida in December. It was decided this year that the junior national champion from each age

division will represent and earn points for the USA at the junior world Championships. These players will be given USA team shirts to be worn in competition. Additionally, at the discretion of the USA team coach, these Juniors can be invited to team meetings and coaching sessions. In the event that the national champion is unable to attend the junior worlds, **no replacement** will be made in that age division.

Male & Female Athlete of the Year. At the banquet Tuesday night Shannon Feaster of Washington, DC and Shane Wood of Massachusetts were announced as the 1994 Male & Female Athlete of the Year.

Below is a list of participants in this years tournament and how they placed:

Congratulations

BOYS

10 & Under	Darrin Hubbard	St. Paul	
	Brent Schulenberg	Oakdale	4th Place-Red Division
12 & Under	Nathan Hubbard	St. Paul	
	Jason Jansen	Detroit Lakes	2nd Place - Dbls w/Chad Hahne
14 & Under	Justin Anderson	Champlin	
	Chad Hahne	Virginia	2nd Place - Dbles w/Jason Jansen
	Trevor Larson	Stillwater	2nd Place - Blue Division
16 & Under	Adam Larson	Stillwater	
	Eric Perko	Virginia	
	Nick Petrack	Virginia	
	Joe Phillips	Virginia	
	Chris Shuba	Woodbury	
18 & Under	Andy Gross	Apple Valley	3rd Place - Dbls w/Tom Helfrich

GIRLS

16 & Under	Aimee Chastain	Brooklyn Park	2nd Place - Blue Division
			3rd Place - Dbls w/Vallana Perrault
18 & Under	Sadie Gross	Apple Valley	1st Place - Gold Division
			1st Place - Dbls w/Tammy Brockbank
	Andrea Beugen	Golden Valley	3rd Place - Gold Division
			2nd Place - Dbls w/Shannon Feaster
	Vallana Perrault	Gilbert	2nd Place - Blue Division
		3rd Place - Dbls w/Aimee Chastain	

It was nice that so many parents attended the tournament this year and I would like to thank them for the dedication and the time they take to help their kids play racquetball. Thanks to all the Juniors who take the time to play in the tournaments during the year so that Junior Team Minnesota could again finish in the top five.

*****Junior Team Minnesota is looking for any corporate or individual sponsors for 1995. We would like the Juniors to have matching shirts and shorts when they go to Anaheim. If you are interested, please give me a call at 612-421-8608. Any amount would be appreciated!**

"VCI" Continued

The #13 seed, 19 year old Sudsy Monchik lost a disappointing, strange match to #4 Drew Kachtik. The match consisted of five blowout games; 11-5, (1-11), 11-1, (3-11), 11-2. Neither player left high on their game, but Drew had the win and that was fine by him. Monchik, with his abundance of confidence and hard-hitting game, is the biggest threat to the top guns of late; "I'm the only person that can beat Swain." Well, nobody has proven him wrong anyway.

But Dan Fowler of Maryland, the #16 seed, almost staged the biggest upset in recent memory. With flawless play and spectacular court coverage Fowler simply dominated Swain in the first two, 11-7, 11-4. Cliff wasn't off, he was just being beat. But he regrouped and attacked a gun-shy Fowler who may have been just a little afraid to win. The stature and aura of Swain had penetrated him. Swain closed 11-2, 11-5, 11-4.



Tim Doyle, Mark Pipas & Cliff Swain

In the last 16's tester, Sherman Greenfeld lost 11-2 in the fifth to #6 Mike Ray in just what you would expect from these two, a two and half hour battle of passes. Deservingly so, Aaron Katz had to ref this one. He's pretty familiar with the two hour just gettable pass match.

On to the Quarterfinals. Swain, in good form, manhandles #8 Woody Clouse 11-9, 11-7, 11-6. But the other three matches would go the distance. After going

down 2 games to one, #2 Tim Doyle fought back 11-2, 11-1, to eliminate #7 John Ellis. Ellis was a looming threat to take this event but was stifled by Doyle.

In the next match, #3 Mike Guidry (Andy Roberts and Jack Newman were absent from the draw) was taken out by a newly energized Mike Ray in five tough games.



Ruben Gonzalez

In the battle to meet Swain on the top, Drew Kachtik, after being controlled in games one and two by Ruben Gonzalez, came back to sweep the last three 5, 6, and 7. Into the semi-finals and three of the top four seeds remained.

Throughout the week capacity crowds filled the gallery and ESPN conducted various sideshows and interviews. Saturday afternoon was upon us, and the crowd gathered. First up; Tim Doyle vs. Mike Ray. Not much to say here. Just an old-fashioned whipping. 11-1, 11-6, 11-4. Doyle into the finals. Mike Ray back to the drawing board.

Next up; Swain against Kachtik. Kachtik, coming off two consecutive five games, lost game one but came back and stung Cliff, taking a two game to one lead. Once again, Swain's back is against the wall. With the patented clenched fists brought back to his face, eyes and face the picture of intensity, Swain

raged back. 11-2, 11-7. Swain wins in five again. His whole demeanor resembles a tiger; the court coverage, the tenacity, the intense focus he has on his prey.

After all that had happened, the two best persevered, #1 vs. #2 in the finals. For the record, Swain is virtually unbeatable in the finals. In his 34 career finals appearances, Cliff has taken 32!

Game one: Doyle jumps out quick and hangs on for the win. The momentum changes in game two. Swain takes the game after trailing 6-1. The next two games fall like dominos. Cliff Swain wins the VCI Series with five wins out of six. Cliff Swain wins his fifth consecutive event...for the second time this season. Cliff Swain wins his 13th event



Cliff Swain & Woody Clouse

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and has gotten a lot of people interested, from juniors on up,” Tim said. “when someone asks for help, I really enjoy trying to give them a hand. I think I could really be a good teacher.”

Even though he is a grandfather by now (Tara was expecting around July 29) and he and his wife, Jana, are expecting their second child together (son, Brady is 19 months), Tim is getting ready for fall.

“Once September rolls around, I’ll be ready,” he said. “I’ll be back out at the club. I’ve been playing this game a long time, and I’ve never quit except for an injury every now and then.” (and maybe a newborn).

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