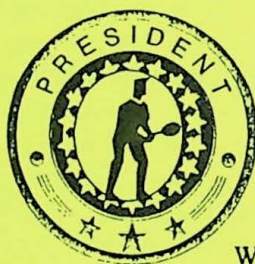


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LETTER FROM THE PREZ

What can I say? We did it again! I am talking about Team Louisiana at the Nationals, the junior and adult team. Over this last year we, the LRA, got a lot of people excited about going to Regionals and then the Nationals; that excitement paid off. At the Finals in Houston, 20 of our top players competed and won some of their respected age and skill divisions. (See Anthony's story inside). What I noticed more than just our players winning or playing well is the support I see from the other Team players. I always said the LRA was a big family and that was surely evident in Houston. I, for one, got up early many mornings to go watch one of our players and was pleasantly surprised to see others there to watch and yell and scream. After playing two 11-10 tiebreakers, I can tell you that having that "family" support at 10-10 is the only thing that can put you over the top. As for our juniors, I could not be at Junior Nationals this year, but I was very proud to follow them on the Internet. I was even more proud to hear the stories about some of the matches that involved spectacular play and sportsmanship. Hats off to the parents and chaperones, especially Marcia Lee. She spent one week in Alabama, at the Rumble, with all the munchkins, turned around and flew off to Denver to spend another week watching the kids put to use what they learned at the Rumble. Truly a "labor of love".

What's ahead you ask? Well, by the time you are reading this, the first tournament in Chalmette in over 11 years will have been played. HEY, new owner, new club, new attitude. Let's hope it is a success. Right now you may be getting ready for the Pro-Am at Elmwood, or you may even be in the stands watching that little ball travel 200mph. Either way, make sure you are there. You don't get too many chances to watch the best players in the world in your own backyard. Coming up at the end of the summer, we got the Junior Rollout; great tournament for a great cause: our juniors. Then there is always my favorite tournament, State Doubles Championships, the most fun, most laid back, and most competitive tournament of the year. You can always look for an upset at this tournament. More to come on these and other tournaments.

Also, be on the lookout for some more one-day shootouts in Baton Rouge and New Orleans. These are very fun, they count for points, and they only last one day. It's a great way to introduce someone new to tournaments and increase participation from our local clubs

Al Schol, President
Louisiana Racquetball Association
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Tournament Talk

with Anthony Zeringue



Neither rains, nor flooding streets, nor Tropical Storm Allison were able to keep the Louisiana Games/June Classic Racquetball Tournament from being played to the finish at the Elmwood Fitness Center in June. Fun and exciting racquetball was played right to the last rally as junior racquetball players who participated in both sessions of the Rumble Junior Racquetball Camp conquered the Games. In Men's Open 17-year-old Steven Klaiman of Houston, TX defeated Scott Davis of New Orleans, LA 15-11, 15-8. With properly executed passing shots throughout the match, Steven was able to keep Scott off-balance, forcing him to overshoot the ball and commit unforced errors. Steven continuously kept the pressure on and his young legs seem to stay fresh throughout the match to win the Gold. Steven also captured the Gold in Men's Open Doubles with partner John Davis of Lake Charles. Brady Hernandez of Harvey walked on the court at 10:00am Sunday and literally played back-to-back-to-back-to-back matches until 5:00pm. After capturing the Gold in Men's A/B Doubles with partner Terrance Pierce, Brady defeated Richard Campbell of Metairie 15-6, 15-6 in Men's A. He kept Richard off-balance with good passing shots causing him to overplay the rallies. Still looking fresh, Brady made his shots count and committed very few errors even after seven hours of racquetball. Bryan Shaw of St Louis, MO had flight problems due to bad weather and arrived a few minutes late for his 9:00pm Men's B match. However, he was allowed to play that match and was graciously given an opportunity to reschedule his 6:00pm Men's C match, which he played immediately after the B match. Bryan won both matches and advanced to win both divisions for the weekend. He defeated Anthony Zeringue of River Ridge 15-9, 15-12 for the Men's B title and David Alleman of Metairie 15-4, 15-4 for the Men's C title. The last tournament Liz Welsh of New Orleans participated in was the Florida Regionals in April where she took home Gold from two divisions. For the LA Games she once again captured two Gold Medals. She first completed an undefeated run in the Men's D Division Round Robin and then defeated Pattie Schof 15-9, 15-14 in the Women's All Skill Division. But two juniors played the highlight match of the weekend. 10-year-old John Sanderson of Park City, UT and 8-year-old Joseph Lee of Baton Rouge competed for 3rd Place in the Junior All Skill. While the Men's Open Doubles Final was going on, these two youngsters took to the glass show court to play their match. Both John and Joseph were diving, splatting, pinching, passing and acing one another. One by one spectators began to ignore the Men's Open Doubles match and began watching John and Joseph. Even Bo Champagne, the ref of the Open match, was gazing over to see the action. Throughout this match the late tournament spectators were uttering comparisons to Mannino, Sudsy, and Cliff. Even Elmwood Fitness Center's members who were not part of the event were stopping to take a look. We all were treated to a spectacular match as John edged Joseph 9-15, 15-11, 11-8. After their performance Gold Medals were given to both and justly so. For more results and upcoming events go to our web site www.laracquetball.org.

Adult Nationals

20 Members of the Louisiana Racquetball Association packed their bags and headed over to the Downtown YMCA in Houston, TX to participate in the 2001 USRA Ektelon National Singles Racquetball Championships from May 23 - 28, 2001. Down by only one member from last year, Team Louisiana once again showed everyone else that attended just how much we enjoy this sport not only as players, but also as team supporters. And this year seven members - up by two from last year - advanced to the medal rounds.

Literally while the USRA and YMCA staff were taking down the booths and pulling up the carpet laid for the event, Kipp Atwell from Denham Springs was defeating Alok Matha of Wellesley, MA 10-15, 15-1, 11-8 to be crowned National Champion in Men's 30+ A/B Division. After playing poorly in the first game, Kipp regained his form for game two and obliterated his opponent with his power serves and - YES - quick feet. But in the beginning of the tiebreaker, the Kipp from game one decided to return. Down 3 -7, a couple of aces and a few quick kill shots later, Kipp tied the game up and from there he controlled the remainder of the match to bring home the Gold.

LRA President Al Schof from Baton Rouge power served and Played his way to the finals of the Men's 25+ A/B Division. In the final, Ivan Perry of Narberth, PA ended Al's title hopes by defeating him 15-4, 15-10. But Al did not have time to grieve because Mama Schof - Pattie Schof, that is - was placed on the same court for her 50+ A/B Division match. Al and friends watched as Pattie controlled the match completely to defeat Sharon Brockbank of Boise, ID 15-8, 15-6 to earn a Silver medal in the division. Pattie's lone defeat in the division was against Sharon Huczek (Mom of Men's Open Champion, Jack), of Rochester, MI. Pattie also received a Semi-Finalist Medal for the Women's 45+ A/B Division.

Other top finishers and earning semi-finalist medals were Richard Campbell of New Orleans in Men's 25+ C/D, Warren Reuther Of New Orleans in Men's 60+ Open, Sister Bonnie Koehne of Lake Charles in Women's D, and Ray Ronquillo of Harvey in Men's 60+ A/B. Making it to the quarterfinals in their divisions were Junior and first Timer Brady Hernandez of Harvey in Men's B, Bob Baudry of Baton Rouge in Men's 65+ Open, Gene Ferris of Slidell in Men's 60+ A/B, Beth Rist of Lake Charles in Women's B, Larry Sharpe of Lake Charles in Men's 40+ A/B, Al Schof of Baton Rouge in Men's 30+ A/B, Rob Zamara of Fort Polk in Men's 30+ A/B and Anthony Zeringue of River Ridge in Men's 35+C/D.

Listed below are other LRA members that participated in the 2001 Finals:

John Davis (Lake Charles)
Jerry Buchanan (Fort Polk)
Charles Lee (Baton Rouge)

Terry Lambricht (Leesville)
Clarence Simmons (Harvey)
Terrence Pierce (New Orleans)

Congratulations to all !!

Jr. Team



News

Junior Spotlight



Ryan Short is 15 will be a freshman at Archbishop Rummel in New Orleans. He is 6'2" which is why he is usually called "Moose". Moose went to Rumble racquetball camp and to Junior Nationals in Denver this summer. He and his doubles partner placed 4th in the Consolation division of 14U. Keep working, Moose!

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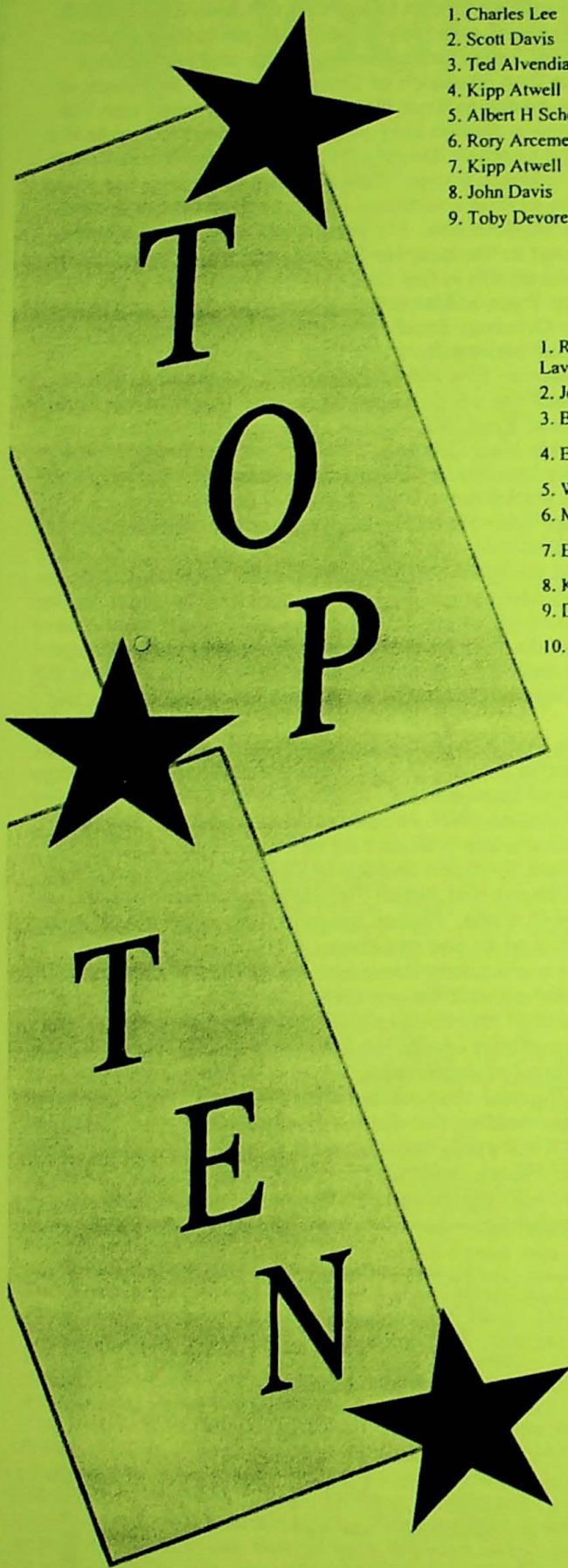
Ten members of the Louisiana Junior Racquetball Team attended the 28th Head Junior Olympic Racquetball Championships held in Lakewood, CO June 23-27, 2001.

All the young men played well, with six bringing home medals. David Key of Baton Rouge and his doubles partner, Dan Sheppick of Oregon, won the 3rd place, or bronze medal, in Boys 16U Doubles. This team won the 14U Doubles division last year and had to move up to the next age bracket. David attends Parkview Baptist High School in Baton Rouge. This was the first time for Ryan Short to attend a national event, but he did not let that fact intimidate him. He played well in the 14U Singles, losing out in the quarterfinals of the Blue division. He also placed 4th in the Consolation bracket of Boys 14U Doubles. Ryan will be a freshman at Archbishop Rummel in New Orleans. Brady Hernandez keeps improving his game and his results show this. Brady placed 1st in the Consolation bracket of Boys 16U Doubles and he also received the silver medal, or second place, in the Blue division of Boys 16U Singles. Brady attends Shaw High School in New Orleans. The 'midget' contingent made out like bandits in Colorado! Brandon Waldon won the bronze medal in the Red division of 8U Multibounce and brother Tyler Forbus brought home the silver medal in the Blue division of 8U Multibounce. Brandon and Tyler attend Wedgewood Elementary in Baton Rouge. Chase Stanley also played 8U Multibounce and finished 3rd in the nation! That's a bronze medal, folks! Joseph Lee came into the competition seeded number 1 in his age group and he lived up to and exceeded expectations by winning the 8U National Championship and by placing 4th in the nation in 10U.

Chase and Joseph will be in 3rd grade at Baton Rouge Lutheran School. Other team members participating played hard and lost in the quarterfinals of their divisions which receives no recognition. These members are William Lee of Baton Rouge Lutheran School, Brandon Stanley of Catholic High School in Baton Rouge and Aaron Fitzgerald of Shaw High School in New Orleans. Please congratulate all of these young men when you see them. Everyone put a lot of preparation into this event and it shows! We on the Junior committee are extremely encouraged by the results of this competition. Louisiana was one of the few states whose team member count increased instead of decreased. We are in the running for a \$5,000 grant that will be awarded soon. We are also in line for holding the Junior Nationals in Baton Rouge in 2003. That's only two years away and there's lots to be done. Please continue to support our program so that we will remain competitive in the national arena.

JOSEPH LEE
NATIONAL
CHAMPION
8U

Congratulations from
Dad, Mom & William



Men's Open

1. Charles Lee
2. Scott Davis
3. Ted Alvendia
4. Kipp Atwell
5. Albert H Schof III
6. Rory Arcement
7. Kipp Atwell
8. John Davis
9. Toby Devore

Men's AA

1. Kipp Atwell
2. Scott Davis
3. Brain Mathieu
4. Felix R. Marrero
5. Rory Arcement
6. David Rahn
7. Elliot Mistich, Jr
8. Stephen D Rogers
- T9. Jeff Kindl
- T9. Troy Leblance

Men's A

1. Brady Hernandez
2. Wes McDonald
3. Jeff Bayham
4. Kenneth Hood
5. Richard Campbell
6. Sherwood Pilgrim
7. Terrence Pierce
8. George Anthon, Jr
9. David C Key
10. Aaron Fitzgerald

Men's B

1. ANthony P Zeringue
2. Richard Campbell
3. Dan Bucholtz
4. Bobby R Sperandeo Jr
5. David Card
6. Robert Vance
7. Randy Lea
8. Cynthia Vance
9. Wayne Skinner
10. Luis Rivero

Men's C

1. David Alleman
2. Gregory Stephens
3. Jim Russo
4. Brent Waldon
5. Daniel T Maloney
6. Cynthia Vance
7. Bradon Stanley
8. Mitch Stephens
9. Paul Rasmus
10. William J Stephens

Men's D

1. Rhonda Lavergne
2. Joseph Lee
3. Brandon Stanley
4. Elizabeth Welsch
5. William Lee
6. Mark Hammond
7. Benjamin Lee
8. Keith Friley
9. David Stanley
- 10.

Men's 25 +

1. Toby Devore
2. Kipp Atwell
3. Charles Lee
4. Rory Arcement
5. Albert H Schof, III
6. Ted Alvendia
7. Bobby R Sperandei, Jr
8. Jeff Bayham
- T9. Wes McDonald
- T9. Rochard Campbell

Men's 30 +

1. John Davis
2. Brain Mathieu
3. Travis LeBlanc
4. Sherwood Pilgrim

Men's 35 +

1. Mark Volterre
2. Warren Reuther Jr
3. Charles Lee
4. Dan Bucholtz
5. Felix Marrero
6. George Anthon Jr
7. Clarence Simmons
8. Cyril Hentze
9. Jeff S Kindl
- 10.

Men's 35 + A

1. Dale Broussard
2. Troy LeBalnc
3. Cyril Hentze
4. Rex Beard
5. Terrence Pierce
6. Clarence Webre
7. R. J. Tamplain
8. Niraj Kataria
9. Mark Voltere

Men's 35 + B

1. Rob Zamora
2. Jerry Buchanan
3. Myron Gibson
4. Anthony P Zeringue
5. Dan Bucholtz
6. Jonathan Campbell
7. Kenneth J Roberts
8. Wayne Skinner
9. Robert Vance
10. Clarence Webre

Men's 40 +

1. Charles Lee
2. Dodd Berrio
3. Jonatahn Campbell

Men's 45 +

1. Gary Jeral
2. Roy Laudumiey
3. Warren Reuther Jr
4. Jeff Kindl
5. Cyril Hentze
6. Clarence Simmons
7. Kenneth Hood
8. Wayne Skinner
9. Roger Anastasio
10. G Earl Teabout

Men's 50 +

1. Clarence Simmons
2. Cyril Hentze
3. Kenneth Hood
4. G Earl Teabout
5. Ray Ronquillo Jr
6. Kenneth Roberts
7. Dean Gruder
8. Richard Powell
9. James Bixler
10. Al Reagle

Men's 55 +

1. Warren Reuther Jr
2. Kenneth J Roberts
3. Joel Market
4. Ray Ronquillo Jr.
5. Al Reagle
6. Frank Peterson
7. Joe Sherrill
8. Danny Abramowicz
9. Robert Baudry
10. Larry M Rooker

Women's A

1. Patrica Schof
2. Cynthia Vance

Women's B

1. Elizabeth Welsch
2. Beth Rist

Jrs 8 & Under Mutli

1. Chase Stanley
2. Brandon Waldon
3. Tyler Forbus
4. Kody Atwell

Jrs 8 & Under

1. Joseph Lee
2. Chase Stanley
3. Zachary Wertz
4. Ryan Friley

Jrs 10 & Under

1. Eric Bucholtz
2. Joseph Lee
3. Zachery Wertz

Jrs 12 & Under

1. William Lee

Jrs 16 & Under

1. Brandon Stanley

UPCOMING EVENTS

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AUGUST

Pro Stop, 9 - 12.
BR Shootout, TBA. Check the Website.

SEPTEMBER

AM-PRO Clinic, Elmwood, 14 - 16.
Rollout Roundup, 28 - 30.

OCTOBER

Doubles Shootout, TBA, Check the Website.
Doubles State Championship, TBA, Check the Website.

NOVEMBER

BR Shootout, TBA - Check the Website
U.S. Open, Memphis, TN, 14 - 18.
Leftover Turkey Shoot, Elmwood, Nov. 30 - Dec. 2



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Men's Open

1. Toby Devore
2. John Davis
3. Brian Mathieu
4. Scott Davis

Men's AA

1. Kipp Atwell
2. Steve Rogers

Men's A

1. Charles Lee
 2. Roy Laudumiey
 3. Aaron Fitzgerald
- Cons: Rex Beard

Men's 45 +

1. Jeff Kindle
2. Ken Hood
3. Cyril Hentze
4. Clarence Simmons

Men's 50 +

1. Jeff Kindle
2. Warren Reuther
3. James Bixler
4. Clarence Simmons

Men's 55 +

1. Warren Reuther
2. Ken Roberts
3. Joel Market
4. Ray Ronquillo, Jr

Men's B

1. Rob Zamora
 2. Mike Powell
 3. Jeff Bayham
- Cons: Dan Bucholtz

Men's C

1. Robert Vance
 2. Richard Campbell
 3. Brent Waldon
- Cons: Steven Short

Men's D

1. Bob Morgott
 2. Terry Lambright
 3. Greg Stephens
- Cons: Joseph Lee

Women's All Age

1. Cynthia Vance
2. Pattie Schof
3. Elizabeth Welsch
4. Bonnie Koelne

Women's A

1. Cynthia Vance
2. Pattie Schof

Men's 14 to 24

1. Aaron Fitzgerald
2. Brady Hernandez
3. Jeff Bayham
4. David Key

Men's 25 +

1. Toby Devore
2. Kipp Atwell
3. Ted Alvendia
4. Rory Arcement

Men's 30 +

1. John Davis
2. Brian Mathieu
3. Travis Leblanc
4. Sherwood Pilgrim

JUNIORS RESULTS

8 & Under Multi

1. Chase Stanley
2. Tyler Forbus
3. Zackary Wertz
4. Matthew Market

10 & Under

1. Joseph Lee
2. Zachery Wertz
3. Harrison Rogers
4. Eric Bucholtz

12 & Under

1. Larry Dewitt
2. Stephen Rogers
3. William Lee
4. Michael Wood

Men's 35 + A

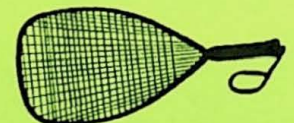
1. Dale Broussard
2. Troy LeBlanc
3. Terrence Pierce
4. Cyril Hentze

Men's 35 + B

1. Rob Zamora
2. Jerry Buchanan
3. Myron Gibson
4. Anthony P Zeringue

Men's 40 +

1. Charles Lee
2. Dodd Berrio
3. Johnny Campbell



SPECTRUM FITNESS CENTER IRS SHOOTOUT RESULTS

Men's A

1. Ken Hood
2. Wes McDonald
3. Terrence Pierce
4. Brady Hernandez

Men's B

1. Dobby Sperandeo
2. Anthony Zeringue
3. Robert Vance

Men's C

1. Brent Waldon
2. Mitch Stephens
3. Greg Stephens
4. Cynthia Vance

Men's D

1. Joseph Lee
2. Bradon Stanley
3. David Stanley
4. Keith Friley

Ageless Divions

1. Ken Hood
2. Clarence Simmons
3. Keb Roberts
4. Richard Powell

All Juniors

1. Joseph Lee
2. William Lee
3. Chase Stanley
4. Brandon Stanley

Multibounce

1. Chase Stanley
2. Brandon Waldon
3. Tyler Forbus
4. Kody Atwell

ELMWOOD's SPRING SHOOTOUT RESULTS

Men's Open

1. Kipp Atwell
2. Charles Lee
3. Al Schof

Men's A

1. Brady Hernandez
2. Aaron Fitzgerald
3. George Anthon
4. David Key

Men's B

1. Richard Campbell
2. Randy Lea
3. Dan Bucholtz
4. Anthony P Zeringue

Men's C

1. David Alleman
2. Dan Moloney
3. Paul Rasmus
4. Roy RRaziano

Men's D

1. David Stanley
2. Rhonda Browne
3. Benjamin Lee
4. Joey Provizano

Men's All Age

1. Cyril Hentze
2. Clarence Simmons
3. Earl Teabout
4. Ray Ronquillo

FOXY's SHOOTOUT II RESULTS

Men's Open

1. Shishir Mohan
2. Chris Baker
3. Charles Lee
4. Al Schof

Men's A

1. Bob Soule
2. Sherwood Pilgrim
3. Wes McDonald
4. Jeff Bayham

Men's B

1. David Card
2. Dan Bucholtz
3. Anthony Zeringue
4. Cynthia Vance

Men's C

1. Jean Lafreniere
2. Greg Stephens
3. Brandon Stanley
4. Brent Waldon

Multibounce

1. Chase Stanley
2. Brandon Waldon
3. Tyler Forbus

All Juniors

1. Joseph Lee
2. Chase Stanley
3. Zachary Wetz

2001



June Classic Tournament Results

Men's Open

1. Steve Klaiman
2. Scott Davis
3. Charles Lee
4. Ted Alvendia

Men's A

1. Brady Hernandez
2. Richard Campbell
3. Jeff Bayham
4. David Tuninello

Men's B

1. Bryan Shaw
2. Anthony P Zeringue
3. Richard Campbell
4. Dobby Sperandeo

Men's C

1. Liz Welsch
2. Pattle Schof
3. Beth Rist
4. Cynthia Vance

Men's C

1. Bryan Shaw
2. David Alleman
3. Jim Russo
- Greg Stephens

Men's D

1. Liz Welsch
2. Willie Lee
3. Mark Hammond
4. David Stanley

Men's Open Doubles

1. John Davis/Steve Klaiman
2. Kipp Atwell/Charles Lee
3. Ted Alvendia/Scott Davis
4. Al Schof/Chris Baker

Men's A/B Doubles

1. Terrance Price/Brady Hernandez
2. Roy Laudumley/David Tuninello
3. Bryan & Bill Bonda
4. Jeff Bayham/Dobby Sperandeo

JUNIORS RESULTS

Men's 35 +

1. Mark Voltere
2. Jeff Kindle
3. Charles Lee
4. Jeff Kindle

Men's 45 +

1. Gary Jereko
2. Roy Laudumley
3. Warren Reuther
4. Jeff Kindle

Men's 55 +

1. William Davenport
2. Warren Reuther

All Skill

1. Brandon Stanley
2. Jacob Brandenbeck
3. John Sanderson
4. Joseph Lee

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