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Bonnett Wins!

Congratulations to Joel Bonnett who took top honors in the Men's Open division at the first ever Promus Hotel Corporation United States Open Racquetball Championships.

Joel defeated Javier Moreno of Pueblo, California 15-4, 15-10 to win the first place in his division.

The tournament was held November 13-17, 1996 at the Racquet Club of Memphis, Tennessee.

Congratulations Joel!

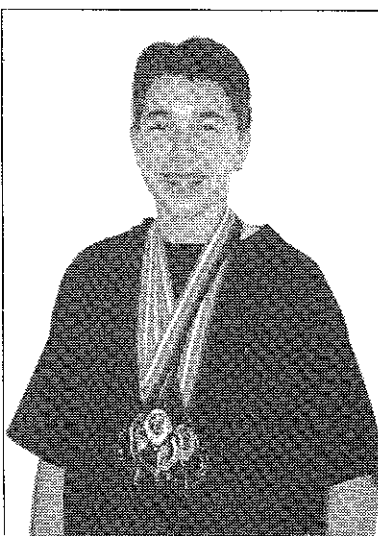
Jack Huczek captures another title

After four days of high level junior competition in Fountain Valley, California, twenty-nine world title divisions were played out to their conclusion on December 22, 1996 by singles and doubles champions at the 1996 Ektelon World Junior Championships.

The tournament, held at Los Caballeros Sports Village, is the 8th annual event and drew almost 300 players from seven countries including, Guam, Canada, Mexico, Venezuela, Puerto Rico and Chile.

Jack Huczek decisively defeated Trevor Crowe (OR) in the 12 and under singles division with scores of 15-4, 1-6.

In the mixed doubles,



Jack Huczek

Jack and partner Crystal Winfrey (OH) triumphed over Adrienne Fisher (OH) and Steve Klaiman (TX) with scores of 15-10, 15-13. In the boys doubles, Jack paired with Wisconsin's Cory Martin and lost a nail biting tie breaker 10-11 to Bart Crawford and Steve

Klaiman.

In the country team competition, the United States finished first, with Mexico second and Canada third.

Congratulations Jack and we hope you are selected to participate in the United States Olympic Training Center Camp this year in Colorado Springs.

*1997 RAM
State Singles
Championships*

*April 11-13,
1997*

*Entry Form
Enclosed!*

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Test your racquetball knowledge

1. The name of the first oversize racquet was:
 - a. 2506
 - b. Hammer
 - c. Bandito
 - d. Toron
 2. The name "racquetball" was first used to describe the game paddle racquets in what year?
 - a. 1949
 - b. 1954
 - c. 1959
 - d. 1969
 3. Racquetball first competed in the Olympic Festival in 1989. The host city was which of the following?
 - a. 1986
 - b. 1993
 - c. 1989
 - d. 1985
 4. The first USRA association developed out of the:
 - a. St. Louis
 - b. Colorado Springs
 - c. Oklahoma City
 - d. Los Angeles
 5. The AARA increased its membership dues to \$15.00 in what year?
 - a. 1986
 - b. 1993
 - c. 1989
 - d. 1985
- Answers: 1) d; 2) d; 3) a; 4) c; 5) b

1997 Adult Regional

April 17-20, 1997

Canton, Ohio

Tournament Director: Doug Ganim

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The Racquetball Association of Michigan

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STATE SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS

April 11, 12 & 13, 1997

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2140 Fairway Dr., Davison, MI 48423

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Directors: Tom Blakeslee (810) 468-2787
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Lodging: Comfort Inn (810) 658-2700
Super 8 Motel (810) 743-8850

Fees: \$35 First event/\$25 First event Juniors
\$15 second event
\$5 discount to all certified referees

USRA sanctioned: Yearly USRA membership required. USRA Rules will prevail.
Two games to 15, tiebreaker to 11.

Players may enter two events - one age & one skill of two different age divisions.

Non-USRA members add \$20.00

ENTRY DEADLINE: Must be received by Monday, April 7, 1997. All entries are final. No entries accepted without payment. No phone entries. Call the club, Thursday April 10, 1997 after 12:00 p.m. for starting times. **PLAY MAY BEGIN FRIDAY NIGHT.**

Awards: Awards will be given for the first four places in divisions of 16 or more. Each player will receive a **souvenir collared shirt.**

Hospitality: Provided free to players and a nominal charge for guests throughout tournament.

Referees: Losers must referee or pay \$5.00.

Tournament Ball: PENN Ultra Blue

Entries Must Be Received By April 7, 1997

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____
Ph: (days) _____ (nights) _____
Shirt size (circle one) M L XL XXL*

Club: _____
Birthdate: _____

*Please enclose \$2.00 additional for XXL.

Make checks payable to RAM and mail to:
RAM State Singles Championships
3152 S. Henderson Rd.
Davison, MI 48423

Entry fee _____
USRA _____
Total enclosed _____

WAIVER CLAUSE: I hereby for myself,
my heirs, executors, and administrators,
waive and release any and all claim for
damages I may have against RAM, the
host club, tournament staff and their agents,
for all injuries suffered by me in conjunction
with my participation in this tournament

Signature _____

Guardian's Signature _____
(if under 18)

DIVISIONS

circle correct choices/limit 2 events

	Mens	Womens
Open	25+	40A 50B
A	30A	40B 55+
B	30B	45A 60+
C	35A	45B
D	35B	50A

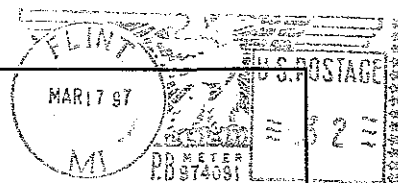
Juniors Event (specify division) _____

Divisions may be combined if less than
8 teams enter a division

Alternate division _____

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JOIN THE RACQUETBALL ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN

Membership includes:

- *Membership card, USRA official rule book, travel and equipment discounts
- *USRA medical, life and liability insurance at sanctioned events
- *Four issues of the RAM newsletter, The Racquetball Reporter
- *Six issues of the USRA national publication, Racquetball Magazine
- *RAM sanctioned tournament entry forms mailed to your home
- *Eligibility to play in all sanctioned tournaments and receive state and national ranking points

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION SUPPORT THE US NATIONAL TEAM DONATIONS TAX DEDUCTIBLE

DATE _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

DATE OF BIRTH ____/____/____ HOME PHONE _____

_____ \$20.00 Adult competitor _____ \$15.00 Junior Competitor
_____ \$10.00 Junior Competitor (without Racquetball Magazine subscription)
_____ \$15.00 Racquetball Magazine subscription only

MAIL TO: RAM, 3152 S. HENDERSON, DAVISON, MI 48423