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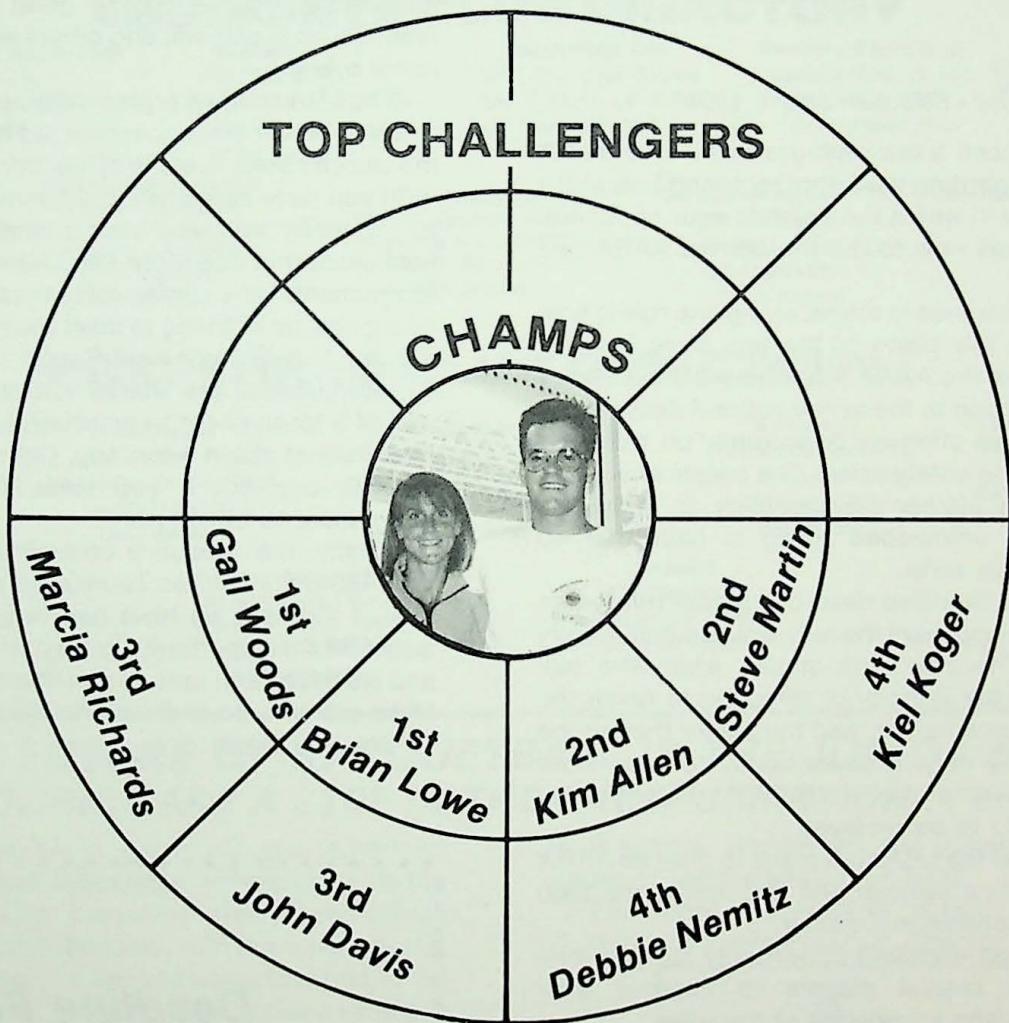
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1990 State Singles Championships



October 12 - 14

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Chairman's Corner

State Singles 1990 - Champs vs Challengers. It's here and we hope everyone plans to play in our expanded format. You can now play in 2 divisions: One skill and one age group. You cannot play in 2 skill (such as A & B) or 2 age groups.

Elections are here again. Please nominate your choice and remember the ballot on the back of the entry is for nominations only. Voting will take place at the tournament.

Make your plans to play.

See you at State!

Warren
Chairman

Rules

"5-foot Safety Line - Effective Jan. 1, 1991"

There have been a few changes made to the LRA modifications regarding the 5-foot receiving line, and a dead-ball hinder in which the ball hits your opponent. The new rules will now follow the current AARA rule book.

The basic difference in the receiving line rule is now you may break the plane of the line once the ball bounces. We feel the AARA rule offers the necessary degree of protection to the server without denying the receiver a possible offensive opportunity on balls that bounce within the safety zone. The server should be aware that it is his/her responsibility to allow the receiver a free, unimpeded swing at balls that do bounce inside this zone.

Under the old modified dead-ball hinder rule, when the ball hits your opponent the rally would automatically be replayed. The new rule states, when the ball obviously lacks the velocity or direction to reach the front wall it is not a hinder, and the player that hit the ball will lose the rally. This is simply to keep from rewarding a player who obviously hit a bad shot, by allowing the rally to be replayed.

Also, this year the LRA staff plans to offer an AARA referee certification seminar and test during the 1990 Singles Championship in October.

This will be an excellent opportunity for everyone from Open to D-level players to improve their refereeing skills and knowledge of the rules.

If you have any questions regarding these rule changes or the referee certification program, please contact your rules chairman, Mick Murphy, at (504) 275-6494 for more information.

Mick Murphy

Who's Tournament Is It?

Several players have approached me recently about the LRA's role at tournaments. The players questioned why there was so much variation between tournaments in the prizes, court times, and other tournament features. The players also wondered why the LRA allows this variation to exist.

The fact is that the LRA only runs two tournaments each year - the Scholarship Tourney in January and the State Singles Tourney in October. All other tournaments are conducted by the host clubs and the LRA merely sanctions these tournaments. The host club has control over which tournament events to feature and which amenities to offer. And the feature of host club control is what makes tournaments so memorable - some having great shirts, some with featured open players, and others with great parties, to name a few.

The LRA sends a representative to all tournaments to enroll new members, renew old members and assist the club, if asked, in some of the tourney administration.

If you have ever been to a non-sanctioned tourney, as I recently was, you have a healthy respect for the host clubs that direct our sanctioned tournaments. All tournaments have some problems, but I think our clubs do a good job of trying to meet the needs of all the LRA players. Our "Tournament Report Cards" (available at all tournaments) are shared with the host club at the end of a tournament to emphasize what players liked and disliked about a tourney. Come by the LRA desk and fill one out if you want your opinion of a tournament to be heard.

Finally, the executive committee is excited about the 1990 State Singles Tournament and feels it will be one of the best we have had in years. Players have asked for the opportunity to play in age group divisions and we have been able to add this to our State format. Make plans to be in Baton Rouge in October.

See you there.

Warren Arnett
LRA Chairman

Deadline For
Scholarship Applications
Is NOW Dec. 1st



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1990 Tournament Schedule

* State Championships Type A - Draw done by LRA Tournament Committee Type B - Draw done by the host club

MONTH	DATE	NAME	CLUB	CITY	TYPE
OCTOBER	12-14	★1990 State Singles Championships	WBCC	Baton Rouge	A
NOVEMBER	9-11	Elmwood's Turkey Day Tournament	Elmwood	New Orleans	B
DECEMBER	Nov. 30-2 7-9	1990 Holiday Classic 1990 Crossgates Christmas Classic	Covington Ct. Club Crossgates	Covington Slidell	B

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THE FUTURE OF RACQUETBALL IS THE JUNIOR PROGRAM JUNIOR CLINICS ARE A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION . . .

The LRA received a grant for the American Amateur Racquetball Association to help promote the game of racquetball at the junior level. Eleven clinics were held throughout the state, with the racquets and eyeguards provided. All the club directors had to do was get the kids out. The size of each clinic varied in number of participants (6-44), with the Crossgates and Franco's clinics pulling the most kids. The age of the 200 participants also varied with a range of 5-year-olds to 14-year-olds. Most of the players are anxious to learn more about the game and to play, play, play!!!

Following the clinics, the clubs were encouraged to start a weekly Junior League, challenge ladders and more instructional programs. So if you are planning to have a tournament don't forget to include

your juniors. Remember, the young people are the future of racquetball in the 90's!!

For more information please contact Marcia Richards, Juniors Program Director.



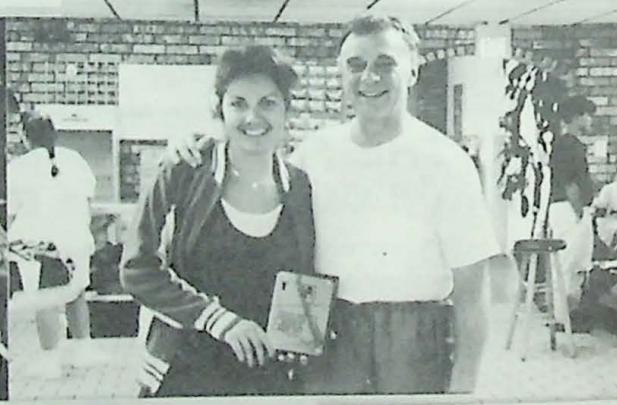


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Top 10 Singles

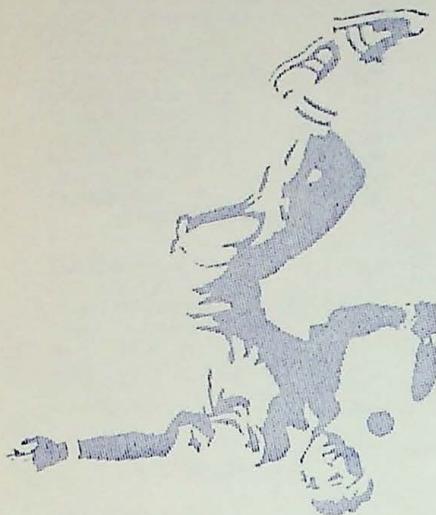
Men's Open	Men's D Singles	Men's Senior B	Women's C Singles
David Rahn 954	David Anastasio 671	C.J. Scarpero 173	Alais Starling 141
Steve Martin 726	Ken Davis 644	John Dedeant 158	Candice Chiquelin 105
Brian Lowe 452	Kerry McCarthy 609	Ron Grose 154	Trina Drury 77
Drew Kachtik 368	Glen Dumun 474	Joel Markert 154	Regina Brown 72
Warren Arnett 348	Stephen Russo 464	Roger Anastasio 132	Sue Olivier 72
John Davis 348	Tom Wilson 366	Ray Labit 115	Mary Cockrill 67
Brian Daigle 316	Clarence Simmons 355	Frank O'Quinn 115	Ann Wise 67
Scott Davis 281	Gordon Murrill 341	Jesse Roberts 96	John Alvendia 62
Steve Rogers 224	Fritz Owens 328	Thomas E. Vasta 76	Monica Wolf 48
Charles Pecot 199	David Chauvin 291	Bill Ford 58	Roberta Gremillon 19
Men's A Singles	Men's Golden Master A	Women's Open	Women's D Singles
Jeremy Oliver 725	C.J. Scarpero 319	Kim Allen 627	Tracy Mays 123
Leroy George 597	Johnnie Gray 115	Marcia Richards 407	Caressa McLean 120
Roy Laudumiey 519	Bob Baudry 102	Karen Saunders 388	Sharon Cook 101
Craig Campbell 502	Don Ryan 99	Debbie Nemitz 326	Cindy Hughes 43
Mike Smith 502	Ken Roberts 90	Debbie Spica 306	Mignon Tourne 40
John Pease 358	K.E. Karmel 77	Faye Spradley 83	Cathy Fouk 35
Scott Davis 350	Ken Kachtik 72	Helen Siegel 56	September Gilbert 16
Scott Hazlett 325	George Seiden 67	Acelia Tucker 38	
Bryan Satawa 318	Tracy Krohn 58	Beth Ford 34	
C.J. Scarpero 293	Fritz Owens 56	Leslie Szalai 19	
Men's B Singles	Men's Jr. Veteran 25-A	Women's A Singles	Women's Jr. Veteran 25-A
Jon Campbell 563	Jay Barnett 118	Karen Taylor 319	John Pease 20
Chris Pellerin 726	Corey Chapman 102	Jo Shattuck 135	
Bubba Russo 507	Brock Davis 102	Bonnie Bee 120	
Randy Odotowsky 456	Kevin Houston 90	Vicki L. Garrett 115	
Larry Sharpe 417	Colin O'Connor 90	Carmen Greene 90	
David Rivas 412	Alan Koch 77	Patti Schof 80	
John Kiser 384	Jason Roberts 76	Johanna Zuppardo 58	
Brian Ghere 357	Jeremy Babcock 64	Adelaide Martin 45	
Tracy Krohn 354	Jeremy Roberts 14	Phyllis J. Trahan 38	
Craig Campbell 336		Patti Higgins 34	
Men's C Singles	Men's Senior A	Women's B Singles	
Don Ryan 476	John Pease 288	Jo Shattuck 303	
C. Damon Ledet 368	Ken Hood 258	Janice Owens 269	
Mick Murphy 355	Jack Gromer 244	Joel Cavalier 204	
Mario Martinez 352	Emile Faire 243	Anita Randall 192	
Michael Pilarski 347	Art Thigpen 243	Anne Meyer 169	
Roger Anastasio 339	Jerry Winsberg 231	Weyda V. Jackson 150	
Tim Buisson Jr. 276	Warren Reuther, Jr. 205	Sue Olivier 150	
Mike Houston 274	Randy Odotowsky 188	Pamela Ashley 140	
Mike Ancona 216	C.J. Scarpero 158	Sharon M. Lester 128	
Odera Ochillo 215	Cyril Hentze 147	Albert Labauvill 125	



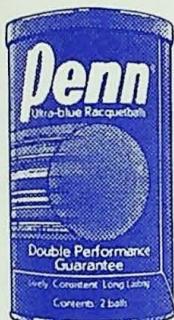
Top 10 Doubles

Doubles Men's A	Doubles Men's Open	Doubles Mixed A	Doubles Mixed Open
Faire/Pease 547	Dagle/Koger 426	Schof/Schof 120	Rahn/Saunders 329
Donelon/Peralta 486	Arnold/Kissee 323	Eschete/Taylor 94	Arnett/Richards 203
Battalora/Smith 382	Gomila/Lowe 211	Garrett/Hentze 77	Martin/Shattuck 112
Hood/Savard 365	Alvendia/Pecot 211	Brown/Olivier 67	Allen/Kissee 101
Campbell/Wilkes 182	Bayhi/Hood 166	Lester/Lester 58	Allen/Almerico 90
Hentze/Roth 122	Kachtik/Pecot 125	Garrett/Hentze 56	Schof/Schof 72
Laudumiey/Rivas 122	Bayhi/Miles 115	Corkern/Day 50	Ehrlinspiel/Siegel 72
Mazzetti/Sage 122	Rahn/Saunders 104	Ghere/Greene 48	Hood/Spradley 56
Fleming/Scarpero 90	Arnett/Martin 77	Scarpero/Zuppardo 14	Barkate/Bassett 51
Brown/Roussel 61	Fleming/Ferrari 77		Kovatch/Rodriquez 19
Doubles Men's B	Doubles Men's Senior A	Doubles Mixed B	Doubles Women's A
Kachtik/Scarpero 432	Kee/Soule 230	Ghere/Greene 102	Garrett/Taylor 154
Shinn/Shinn 384	Bruno/Standley 202	Greene/Wesolowski 101	Lester/Schof 134
Russo/Russo 288	Cousins/Tidwell 144	Bloom/Sirgo 90	Sirgo/Zuppardo 96
Ronquillo/Cousins/Panyi 240	Gromer/Pellerin 115	Hayden/Tarride 85	Roy/Vanlangendonck 77
Brown/Roussel 173	Lahare/Woodall 86	Dedeant/Meyer 64	
Campbell/Bloom 154	Reuther/Winsberg 29	Matthews/ 58	
Rodriquez/Danner 96		Dedeant/Jackson 57	
Skinner/Pellerin 96		Dedeant/Jackson 38	
Sims/Hamilton 96		Murphy/Owens 16	
Doubles Men's C	Doubles Men's Senior B	Doubles Mixed C	Doubles Women's B
Lahr/Murphy 518	Davis/Reuther 426	Murphy/ 131	Razza/Schaefer 230
Junius/Meyer 461	Cook/Jeansonne 134	Jackson/Rodriquez 43	Trahan/ 144
Hayden/Kovatch 346	Mathews/Vanlangendonck 96	Haik/Tarride 14	Hunt/Hutson 115
Boudreault/Mire 288	Fredine/ 77		Drury/Hall 86
Ochillo/Tarride 173			Haik/Tarride 29
Freund/Owens 115			
Scaife/Scaife 115			
Morales/Cole 115			
Haas/Anastasio 115			
Anastasio/Anastasio 58			
Doubles Women's C	Doubles Women's Open		
Bloom/Rodriquez 202	Allen/Saunders 128		
Ashley/ 29	Barkate/Richards 112		
	Ford/Siegel 80		

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