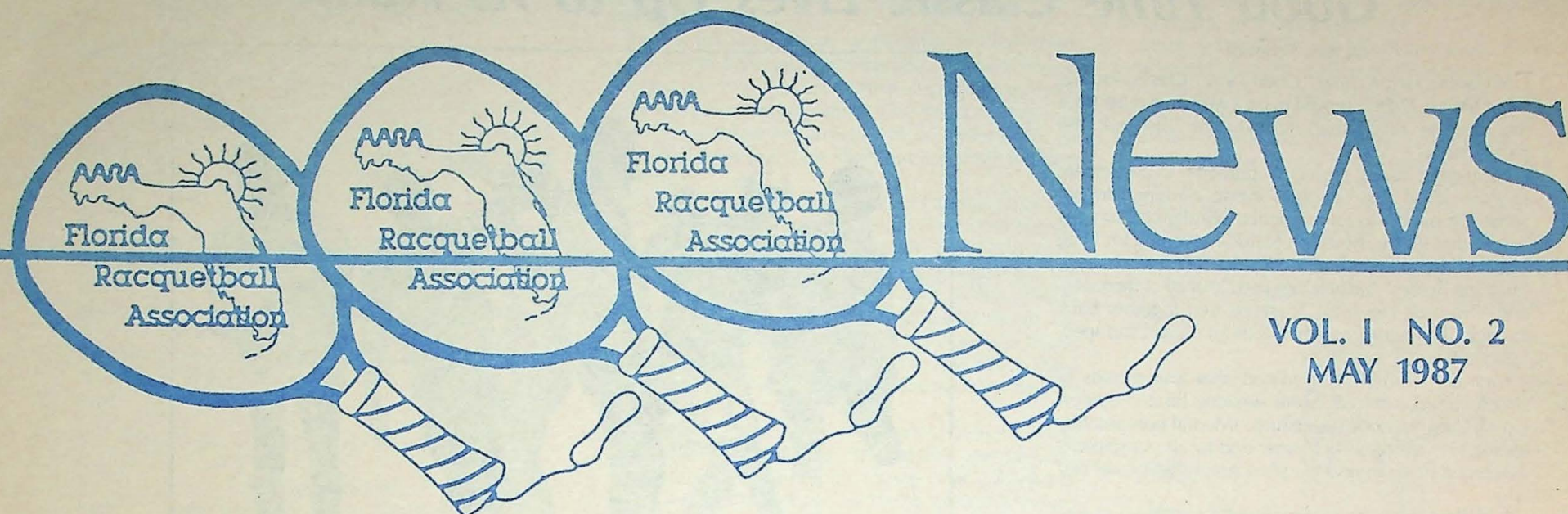




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FLORIDA SWEEPS REGIONALS

by Linda Mojer

The 1987 Southeastern Regional AARA Championships held in Atlanta, Georgia on April 24-26th resembled "old-home week" for Floridians, with a large percentage of the participants hailing from the Sunshine State. By numbers alone, the Region IV tournament reflected Florida's strong racquetball following, but the semifinals and above unquestionably exhibited the prowess of the deep south.

Leading into the men's open final, an anxiously awaited rematch between James Lorello and Tim Hansen ended in a second win by the younger Lorello. With the same confidence and strength he exhibited in Orlando only last month against Hansen, James took an additional game to finish the match, needing the tie-breaker win to advance. The victory was short-lived however, as Sergio Gonzalez took his turn with James in the final. Two games later, Sergio had once again established himself as a serious threat to up-and-comers, taking the Region IV men's open championship with apparent ease.

The women's open draw was slightly more diverse through the semi-finals, with strong players entering from Georgia and South Carolina. Brenda Poe Barrett and Susan Morgan advanced to the Sunday afternoon final, with even money on either of them to triumph. After an impressive first game win, Susan Morgan took a rest during the second while Brenda rallied her considerable strength to keep the match going. In the tie-breaker two points made the difference and Susan Morgan of Jacksonville brought home the prize (and new shoes) with an 11-9 win.

Local Georgians filled the non-championship events as few Florida players traveled the considerable distance to compete in the skill divisions. The many ranked players that did make the trip were rewarded with first-rate hospitality, the best-color shirts in the region, an excellent hotel with a good rate, and round the clock play. With consolation rounds available in most divisions, matches were scheduled non-stop on Friday evening through Saturday morning. Relief came the following day in the form of reduced numbers of matches, allowing for a Saturday night party in the hotel beginning at 9:00 PM, which most players were able to attend.

The Atlanta Health and Racquet Club is a massive facility featuring every sort of racquet sport, with six indoor tennis courts, five squash courts and eight racquetball courts. The viewing on each of the courts was excellent from both above and below (you could actually hear the score from the lower level), with full glass back walls on each of the regulation courts. The exhibition court could be easily seen by over a hundred spectators along the right glass wall, from carpeted tiers of bleacher seating. Overall, the facility was perfect for a large tournament, but could have benefitted from just two more courts to handle the considerable load drawn by a regional event.

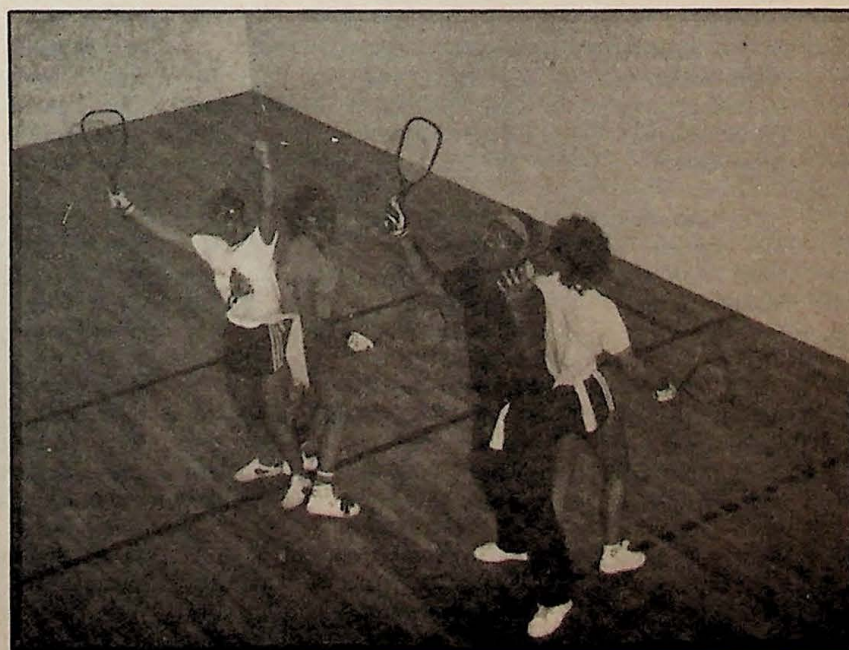
Despite the late play (many out-of-towners could not stay for their third place matches set for 5:00 PM on Sunday), the Region IV Championships was a superior showcase for Florida talent at all levels. Virtually every Florida player who entered the regional event placed in the top four, making for a complete "travelers" list below. The Florida Racquetball Association has plenty to be proud of and our congratulations go to:

Florida Semifinalists (listed alphabetically)—

Men's Open	Sergio Gonzalez, Tim Hansen, James Lorello
19+	Brent Huber, Curtis Winter
25+	Vinnie Ganley, Tim Hansen, John Scargle
30+	Van Dubolsky, Mitt Layton
35+	Mitt Layton
40+	Bob Riley
45+	Fred Stallworth, Fred White
50+	Sonny Marcus
55+	Bob Harper
"B"	Mike Motta
25B	Gary Harrell
30B	Gary Harrell, Mike Motta
Women's Open	Susan Morgan
19+	Lori Basch, Angie Browning, Kersten Hollander
30+	Susan Morgan
35+	Agatha Falso
40+	A. Falso, Shirley Elgaway, Jo Kenyon, Eva Russell
45+	Shirley Elgaway, Jo Kenyon
"A"	Linda Mojer

What are these people doing?

Find out what Theresa Kaufman, Cindy McManamon, Glen Gibellina and Debra Strausbaugh have to laugh about on page 2.



Good Time Classic Lives Up to Its Name

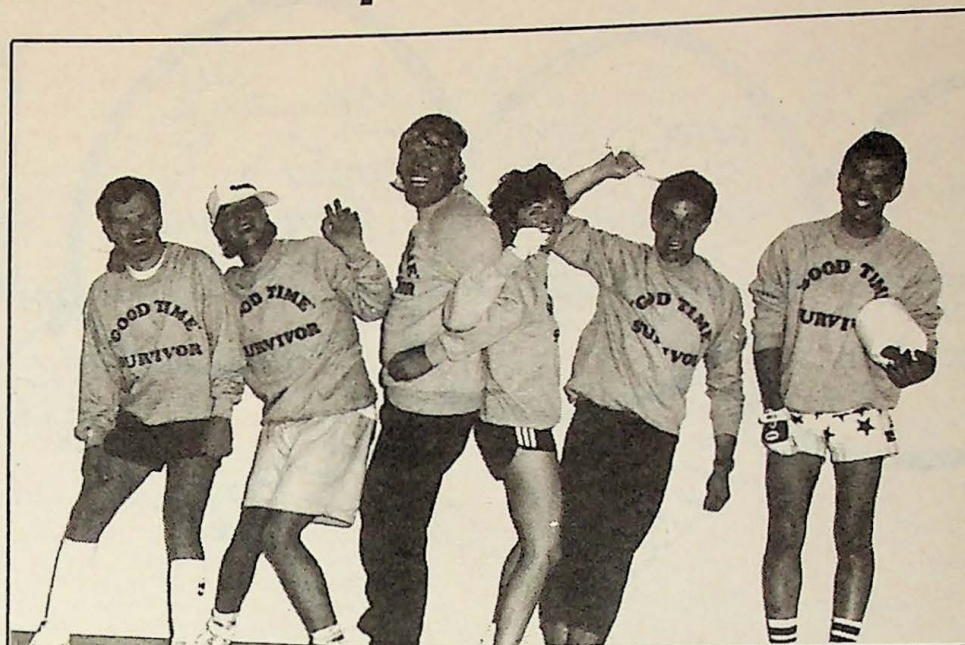
by Judi Schmidt

Sarasota's First Annual "Good Time" Classic Tournament March 27-29th proved to be a welcome relief from the average racquetball tournament. Just ask the participants.

Forty-eight daring players volunteered to participate in three blind draw doubles events designed to put some fun back into tournaments. Regulation Play was suspended for two hours on Saturday evening for "Peg Leggers" (all players bound in pairs above the knees), "Battling Bottles" (bleach jugs used instead of racquets), and "Siamese Doubles" (partners tied together back to back). The results were hilarious for players and spectators alike.

Eventual winners, determined after four rounds of single elimination play, were awarded limited edition Good Time Survivor sweatshirts. (Mental competency testing was strongly recommended to all participants as well.) A quick look at the photographs will show you why.

Needless to say, the tournament and special events were a huge success, forcing us to plan a second annual event in 1988. Keep us in mind when you're ready to lose yours next Spring. For a "Good Time" call us! That's the Bath & Racquet 2nd annual "Good Time" Classic—coming next March.



The "Good Time" Survivors: Rick Harmon & Matt St. Lawrence (Peg-legger Champs), Glen Gibellina & Debra Strausbaugh (Siamese Doubles Champs), and Scott Holcomb & Glen Kinley (Battling Bottles Champs).

Winner's Circle: 1987 State Singles Championships

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Men's—40+—Women's		Boys—14 & under—Girls'			
1st	Bob Riley	Agatha Falso	1st	Allen Engel	Amy Simonetta
2nd	Jack Ross	Judi Schmidt	2nd	Nick Xynidis	Hannah Spector
3rd	Gary Trapp	Mary McNutt	3rd	Craig Czyz	Britt Engel
4th	Tom Rumsey	Jo Kenyon	4th	Chris Conway	Robin O'Toole
Men's—45+—Women's		Boys—16 & under—Girls'			
1st	Fred White	Judi Schmidt	1st	Mike Altman	Hannah Spector
2nd	Mike Mojer	Jo Kenyon	2nd	Brian Rankin	Susan Cox
3rd	Ed Vlock	Shirley Elgaway	3rd	Robby Walden	Dee Robertson
4th	Jack Ross	Jeannette Contarino	4th	Ross Greenberg	no fourth
Men's 50+		Men's 55+		Boys—18 & under	
1st	Sonny Marcus	Robert Fell	1st	Oscar Gonzalez	
2nd	Mike Mojer	Don Woodington	2nd	Rob Kulp	
3rd	Ken Nuznoff	Robert Harper	3rd	Lino Suarez	
4th	John Hatcher	Joe Ramos	4th	James Lorello	
Men's 60+		Men's 65+			
1st	Mal Roberts	Nelson Abernathy			
2nd	Nick Sans	Bill Duckworth			
3rd	Joe Glanan	Joe Glanan			
4th	Bill Duckworth	Nick Sans			
Men's 19B		Men's 25B			
1st	Dana Levy	Gary Harrell			
2nd	Jose Sanchez	Dirk Lehw			
3rd	Kevin Gallagher	Sandy Tucker			
4th	Tom Ciacchio	Bob Riefstahl			
Men's 30B		Men's 35B			
1st	Robert Sinclair	Reuben Triplett			
2nd	Tim Zigmund	Jose Vallente			
3rd	Don Morrow	Jerry Travis			
4th	Mike Motta	Bob Christ			
Boys—8 & under—Girls'		Boys—10 & under—Girls'			
1st	Scott Huggins	Julie Quinlan			
2nd	Billy Snyder	Jennifer Thompson			
3rd	Rusty Moalten	Amity Williams			
4th	John Conway	no fourth			
Boys—12 & under—Girls'					
1st	Craig Czyz	Lisa Dougherty			
2nd	John Xynidis	Debra Derr			
3rd	Mark Hurst	Melissa MacGregor			
4th	John Dellanini	Britt Engel			

Men's—OPEN—Women's	
1st	James Lorello
2nd	Tim Hansen
3rd	Sergio Gonzalez
4th	Mark Morrison
	Martha McDonald
	Diane Green
	Julie Pinnell
	Claudia McCarthy
Men's—"A"—Women's	
1st	Dan Shortley
2nd	Sal Scimeca
3rd	Craig Dewhurst
4th	Doug Armentrout
	Mary Jo Murray
	Robin McBride
	Janis Smith
	Victoria Paez
Men's—"B"—Women's	
1st	Mike Motta
2nd	Steve Miller
3rd	Tom Wilson
4th	Sandy Tucker
	Corey Gowins
	Michelle Scott
	Eva Russell
	Susan Elins
Men's—"C"—Women's	
1st	Louis Fernandez
2nd	Steve Moss
3rd	Walter Hesse
4th	Jim Craft
	Dee Robertson
	Michelle Scott
	Sandra Fox
	Lisa Simonitis
Men's—19+—Women's	
1st	Jorge Maceo
2nd	John Ross
3rd	Oscar Alvarez
4th	Brent Huber
	Diane Green
	Chris Collins
	Kersten Hollander
	Lori Basch
Men's—25+—Women's	
1st	Tim Hansen
2nd	Mark Morrison
3rd	Vinnie Ganley
4th	Eric Foley
	Diane Green
	Laurie Potter
	no play-
	off W25+
Men's—30+—Women's	
1st	Randy Godwin
2nd	Randy Pfaler
3rd	Greg McDonald
4th	Van Dubolsky
	Martha McDonald
	Julie Pinnell
	Susan Morgan
	Eileen Tuckman
Men's—35+—Women's	
1st	Mitt Layton
2nd	Steve Chapman
3rd	Van Dubolsky
4th	Gene Owen
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Go for the Green Tournament Results

Tampa Bay Courthouse, March 13-15

As usual the Tampa Bay Courthouse hosted a fun-filled tournament in the last quarter, celebrating St. Patrick's Day with their own special brand of racquetball competition. With over 147 entries in 25 divisions, the club had a good-sized get together for its Saturday night DJ-hosted dance party, and a great time was had by all.

Many enjoyed the fierce competition, the company, and the hospitality, but John Cyrus cornered the market in the massage category. Receiving the rubdown, not giving it, John staked a claim on a massage table for an hour and forty minutes. Massages were offered by the club on a timed basis, with experts loosening up muscles at 50 cents per minute. It sounds good, even now.

The winners are listed, in place order, below:

1st—Singles—2nd		
MO	Jorge Maceo	Rob Kulp
MA	Dante Fabro	Ray Alonso
MB	Bill Foresman	Thomas May
MC	Joe Huau	Carl Exline
MD	Mark Volterre	Richard LeBalnc
M30+	Henry Anderson	Jeff Green
M30B	Tim Daly	Rick Ratcliff
M35+	Steve Chapman	Reuben Triplett
M40+	Charlie Behar	Ed Vlock
M45+	Sonny Marcus	Richard Dellanini
M50+	Sonny Marcus	Lou Biltz
WO	Cindy Carter	Chris Collins
WA	Brenda Smith	Jane Worden
WB	Sue Elins	Sue Eichar
WC	Gail Hardy	Candy Weber
WD	Chris Simpson	Suzy Frissell
W25+	Laurie Potter	Jean Snider
B12	John Dellanini	Steve Longworth
G12	Debra Derr	Mia Dellanini
B14	S. Longworth	Marcus Juliano

1st—Doubles—2nd		
MO	Chelena/Maceo	Levy/Scargle
MB	Tucker/Forrest	Triplett/Fish
WB	Smith/Worden	Kearney/Stevens
MX	Smith/Hguayo	Worden/Coty

NATIONAL NOTES

by Judi Schmidt

The eleven-member AARA National Board of Directors determines policy and programs, plus guides the association's activities throughout the year. Once again election time has rolled around and it's up to the

general membership (that means all of you individual FRA/AARA members in Florida) to elect board members.

By now you should have received the election ballot contained in **Racquetball in Review**. It is very important that you vote. The candidates elected this year will serve three-year terms of office. The AARA constitution and by-laws allow for directors to be reelected to an additional three-year term after their initial service term expires.

The current president of the National Board is Florida's own Van Dubolsky. He and two other current board members, Vice*President Jim Hiser and Rules Commissioner Mike Arnolt, are seeking reelection. The Florida Racquetball Association board, which governs Florida activities of the AARA, voted in February to promote these three men in their bids for second terms. We urge you to either join with us in supporting these individuals, or make your own choices—just be sure you **vote**.

Cut out your mailing label and attach it to the ballot in **Racquetball in Review**. Then make your choices, remove the ballot and return it to the AARA, 815 North Weber, Colorado Springs, CO 80903. [Remember, your mailing label must be attached for your vote to be counted!]

If you have not received your copy of the latest issue of **Racquetball in Review**, write to the national office at the address above and request that a ballot be forwarded to you. All this must be done prior to May 15th, but the importance of a board comprised of hard-working and dedicated individuals cannot be overlooked.

Show that you care about your association and the people who work so hard to keep racquetball alive and growing. **VOTE!!**

BOARD ADDS NEW MEMBER(S)

Richard Dellanini joins the Florida Racquetball Association board of directors this year, bringing with him the expertise of his entire "racquetball-oriented" family. His outgoing and lovely wife Danni is the general manager of the Tampa Bay Courthouse, son John and daughter Mia currently hold top ten rankings in their age divisions, and Richard is himself an accomplished competitor and authority on racquetball in Florida. The considerable wealth of experience brought to the board by the Dellanini family is sure to provide a fresh and comprehensive outlook to programming, policies and procedures at all levels.

Retired from active duty in the Air Force after twenty years of service, Richard currently works as a quality engineer specializing in military communications for the Honeywell Corporation in Tampa. An ex-handball player, he adapted the hand-eye coordination of that game to racquetball, which he has excelled in for over ten years. At the recent "Go for the Green" tournament

he defeated Ed Vlock and Tom Rumsey in the men's 45+ division, drawing a crowd away from the Saturday night party to view his matches.

Both he and Danni are all-around good sports, playing volleyball, darts, and generally revolving their social lives around the Courthouse and its many athletic activities. They share an excitement for the game, and look forward to both the upcoming Sunshine State Games in July and the Women's Invitational in the Fall.

All in all, the Florida Racquetball Association can't seem to lose with this winning combination. Be sure to welcome Richard aboard by giving him your opinions, good or bad, about racquetball in your area. Or give them to Danni, or John, or Mia. . . somehow I'm sure everything will somehow get around to Richard—and to the board in the long-run.

Ah, Youth...



Nine-year-old Debra Derr has a match record that a lot of adults can't claim. Throughout her three and a half year career in racquetball, the Ormond Beach player has yet to lose a match in her age division. Currently ranked #1 in the eight and under division with 1475 points, and #2 in ten and under, the pretty youngster has been an outstanding competitor in tournaments at every level.

From local events at Omega 40 to the 1985 Southeast regional 10 and under championship, Debra has remained undefeated. Her most recent win was at the Florida State Singles in Orlando where she captured this year's ten and under title. Currently sponsored by DP, she maintains a straight "A" average in her third grade studies and still has time to practice regularly.

Aside from decorating her room with her two gold medals, and a shelf-load of trophies, Debra enjoys basketball, baton twirling, rollerskating and softball. Racquetball is first on her list, however, and she has the accomplishments to prove it. Congratulations to an exceptional young lady!

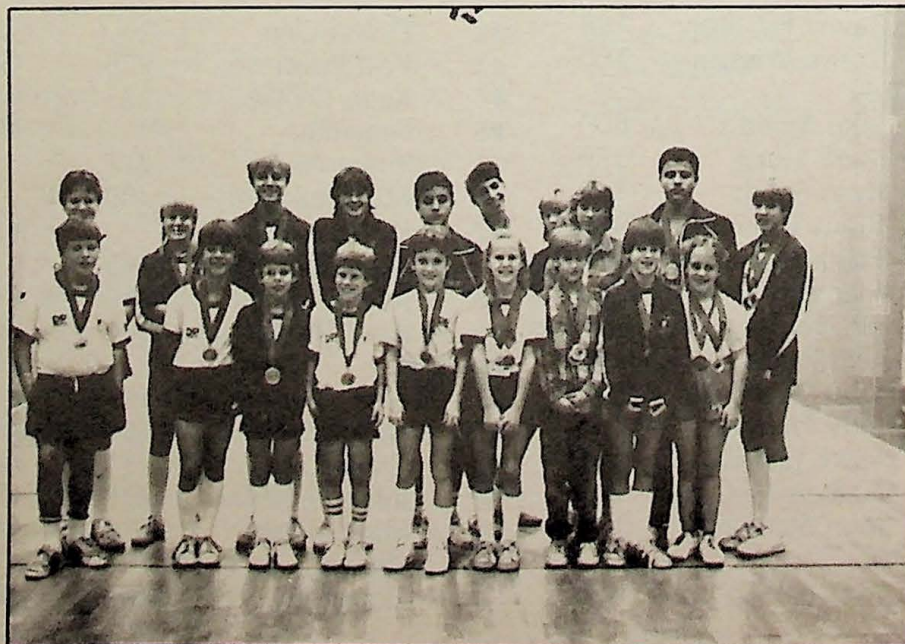
Another Florida First

Floridians seem to know a good idea when they see one, and are once again among the first to get on an innovative bandwagon affecting AARA memberships. Working from a model provided from John Denley (New Jersey state director) two clubs in the state have instituted membership policies which will enable new members to join the AARA in the easiest possible manner—through their regular club memberships.

Individuals who join either club to make use of its racquetball facilities will immediately be introduced to the advantages and services of the AARA, given rulebooks and application materials, and encouraged to become a part of a national network of first-rate athletes. When the membership is processed, the new player begins receiving issues of **Racquetball in Review** and tournament announcements, the club is issued a rebate of its cost from the national office, and the AARA membership rolls grow. The three-fold benefits are clear, and the concept is simple to implement (or modify as needed) by club owners.

Only one other racquetball club in the nation (in Idaho) has gone so far in establishing a support system for the AARA. Florida truly serves a leadership role across the country with its own impressive numbers of AARA members, established champions at all levels, and now with commitment plus some from the folks who build and maintain the courts on which we gain our expertise. Our thanks go to Terry Deloach of the Park Avenue Racquet Club, and to Mark Fernandez of the Miami Court Club for making such a bold move on behalf of the AARA.

Suppose we'll see
any of these happy
faces at the Junior
Regionals?



Open:			Men's "C":	#4 Brent Huber 195	Men's 45 +:		
#1 Tim Hansen 734	#1 Matthew Bermejo 225*	#5 Paul Owens 190	#1 Ed Vlock 815				
#2 Sergio Gonzalez 560	#2 Juan Garcia 215*	#6 Al Caballero 180	#2 Jack Ross 600				
#3 Vinnie Ganley 430	#3 Luis Fernandez 190*	#7 Bill Cottrill 170	#3 Fred White 440				
#4 James Lorello 380	#4 Mike Motta 175*	#8 Tim Hansen 165	#4 Lou Biltz 400				
#5 Mark Morrison 355	#5 Mike Hartman 150*	#9 Mark Ritchart 160	#5 Tom Rumsey 360				
#6 John Chelena 325	Bill Hurak 150*	#10 Craig Farrand 150	#6 Mike Mojer 300				
#7 Oscar Gonzalez 290	Larry Mitchell 150*	Vinnie Ganley 150	#7 Jim Thompson 240				
#8 Fred Calabrese 250	#6 Roberto Cella 145*	Jeff Kristjansen 150	#8 Alan Miller 235				
Charlie Nichols 250	#7 John Cyrus 130*		#9 Vincent Biondi 160				
#9 Jimmy Alvarado 175	#8 Mike DiMaio 105	Men's 30 +:	#10 Tony Murguia 140				
#10 Jeff Kristjansen 160	#9 Garth Burgett 100	#1 Bill Simon 465					
	Chris Conway 100	#2 Randy Godwin 330	Men's 50 +:				
Men's "A":	Steve Moss 100	#3 Van Dubolsky 315	#1 Sonny Marcus 525				
#1 Armando Alonso 265*	John Van Arsdall 100	#4 Bob DeRobertis 260	#2 Mike Mojer 325				
#2 Graig Dewhurst 250*		#5 Todd Taylor 250	#3 Ken Nuznoff 235				
Ross Greenberg 250*	Men's "D":	#6 Gene Owen 205	#4 Don Woodington 160				
#3 Mike Peyton 210	#1 Mike Hartman 250*	#7 Stan Wing 180	#5 John Saltzgaver 150				
Glen Warren 210	#2 Manuel Shaw 170*	#8 Kenny Anderson 175	#6 Tom Vann 145				
#4 George Cooks 190	#3 Scott Thompson 150*	#9 Jim Flagg 160	#7 Vic Flores 110				
#5 Sal Scimeca 180	Terry Walker 150*	Jeff Kristjansen 160					
#6 Doug Armentrout 175	#4 Vincent Biondi 120*	#10 Mitt Layton 155	Men's 55 +:				
#7 Bill Walker 155	#5 Lloyd Kim 115*	Men's 35 +:	#1 Robert Harper 300				
#8 Joe Moody 150	#6 Kevin Gallagher 110*	#1 Van Dubolsky 625	#2 Malcolm Roberts 275				
Dan Shortley 150	#7 Jim Thompson 105*	#2 Mitt Layton 425	#3 Richard Morgan 230				
#9 Scott Consoli 145	#8 Luis Baidal 100*	#3 Gene Owen 375	#4 Robert Fell 150				
Mark Sheck 145	Joe Cummings 100*	#4 Steve Chapman 360	#5 Don Woodington 100				
#10 Joe DiDonato 140	John Dunn 100*	#5 Bob Riley 260					
	Alfred Perez 100*	#6 Leo Marsocci 225	Men's 60 +:				
		#7 Reuben Triplett 130	#1 Malcolm Roberts 475				
Men's "B":	Men's 19:	#8 Bob Christ 120	#2 Nick Sans 360				
#1 Steve Miller 240*	#1 Tim Hansen 575	#9 Bill Miller 100	#3 Carlos Sena 165				
#2 Sandy Tucker 225*	#2 Jim Alvarado 325	Jim Watson 100	#4 Tom Zetrouer 100				
#3 Bruce Cumbess 200*	#3 Jorge Maceo 300	Michael Wolf 100					
Tim Eiland 200*	#4 John Scargle 265	Men's 40 +:	Men's 65 +:				
#4 Michael Carter 175	#5 John Ross 200	#1 Bob Riley 650	#1 Nick Sans 525				
#5 Mike Motta 170	#6 John Schneider 195	#2 Mike Winslow 530	#2 Norman Cramer 200				
#6 Joe Boyle 165	#7 Curtis Winter 175	#3 Ed Vlock 355	#3 William Duckworth 105				
#7 Larry Hanshaw 150	#8 Oscar Alvarez 165	#4 Charles Behar 350	#4 Joe Glanan 100				
Joey Moody 150	#9 Brent Huber 125	#5 Graig Shaak 330					
#8 Mark Peroni 135	#10 John Chelena 105	#6 Tony Conti 315	Men's 70 +:				
#9 Fred Buck 125	Men's 25 +:	#7 Fred White 250	#1 Norman Cramer 495				
Gary Harrell 125	#1 Mark Morrison 675	#8 Jack Ross 170	#2 Robert Wise 50				
#10 Randy Forrest 120	#2 John Scargle 355	#9 Thomas Rumsey 165	#3 Robbie Robinson 30				
	#3 Randy Pfahler 275	#10 Bob Christ 135					

-JUNIOR DIVISIONS

Boys 8-:			Boys 10-:			Boys 12-:			Boys 14-:		
#1	Mark Hurst	1200	#1	John Xynidis	800	#1	Alan Engel	1025	#1	Robby Walden	1000
#2	Jody Friedman	975	#2	Mark Hurst	370	#2	Nicky Xynidis	680	#2	Ross Greenberg	695
#3	Franky Quinlan	305	#3	Ryan Smith	345	#3	Craig Czyz	455	#3	Mike Altman	585
#4	Cliff Pardue	245	#4	Brent Thompson	340	#4	John Dellanini	220	#4	Scott Reiff	315
#5	Scott Huggins	225	#5	Frank Quinlan	215	#5	Mark Hurst	170	#5	Jason Waggoner	200
#6	Adam Gyselinck	145	#6	Marcus Patray	200	#6	Shawn Dougherty	105	#6	Mike Iapichino	190
#7	Casey Neeley	140	#7	J.P. Beubien	190				#7	James Lorello	175
#8	Billy Snyder	120		Cliff Pardue	190				#8	Craig Czyz	160
#9	John Xynidis	115	#8	John Gyselinck	185						
Girl's 8-:			#9	Jody Friedman	155						
#1	Debra Derr	1475		Steve Quinlan	155						
#2	Jennifer Thompson	650	#10	Nathan McCabe	150						
#3	Julie Quinlan	635		John Stanford	150						
#4	Lyndsey Patton	455	Girl's 10-:								
#5	Kelly Newsom	325	#1	Sara French	650						

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WOMEN'S DIVISION

Open:

#1	Lori Basch	525
#2	Linda Diamond	360
#3	Mary Lyons	340
#4	Diane Green	300
#5	Melanie Britton	265
	Susan Morgan	265
#6	Claudia	
	McCarthy	225
#7	Julie Pinnell	215
#8	Angie Browning	190
#9	Barb.	
	Faulkenberry	180
#10	Martha	
	McDonald	150

Women's "A":

#1	Renee Fish	225
#2	Linda Mojer	210
	Brenda Smith	210
#3	Mary Jo Murray	200
#4	Monique	
	Biondillio	180
#5	Cheryl Atherly	175
#6	Vicki Paez	170
#7	Amy Simonetta	150
#8	Mary Hargrove	120
#9	Mary McNutt	115
#10	Jo Kenyon	110

Women's "B":

#1	Chris Collins	400*
#2	Marilyn Buffum	240*
#3	Corey Gowing	225*
#4	Theresa Chaffin	215*
	Eva Russell	215*
#5	Joe Kenyon	185*
#6	Belinda Dettman	165
#7	Mary Ellen	
	Cheney	150
	Ceil Clark	150
	Jane Fontaine	150

#8	Misty Shaw	145
#9	Sue Elins	130
#10	Karen Mann	125

Women's "C":

#1	Gail Fitzgerald	265*
#2	Jana French	230*
#3	Terry Kelsey	220*
#4	Misty Shaw	175*
#5	Sue Giliberti	165*
#6	Marilyn Buffum	150*
	Dee Robertson	150*
	Michelle Scott	150*
#7	Kim McDaniel	130*
#8	Karen Adams	110
	Terri Costill	110
	Sally Dahlgreen	110
#9	Lisa Simonitis	105
	Candy Weber	105
#10	Susan Chrisman	100
	Doreen Greco	100
	Gayle Roberts	100
	Lenore Romer	100
	Sereda White	100

Women's "D":

#1	Sue Giliberti	250*
#2	Susan Christman	195*
#3	Patti Yough	175*
#4	Terri Costill	165*
#5	Gail Hardy	150*
#6	Jane Keys	135*
#7	Lisa Simonitis	130*
#8	Karen Hurles	125*
#9	Lavonne Bunch	120*
	Jana French	120*
#10	Natasha Ortiz	110*
	Eva Russell	110*

Women's 19+:

#1	Lori Basch	295
#2	Melanie Britton	240
#3	Nancy Hamrick	175

#4	Diane Green	150
#5	Chris Collins	110
#6	Angie Browning	105
#7	Marla Freidman	100

Women's 25+:

#1	Diane Green	750
#2	Mary Lyons	475
#3	Cindy Carter	185
#4	Barb.	
	Faulkenberry	150
	Laurie Potter	150
	Mandy Stark	150
#5	Chris Collins	140
#6	Barbara	
	Simmons	110
#7	Renee Fish	100
	Nancy Hamrick	100

Women's 30+:

#1	Susan Morgan	700
#2	Julia Pinnell	300
#3	Gail Troxell	245
#4	Mary Jo Murray	215
#5	Eileen Tuckman	200
#6	Linda Mojer	165
#7	Barbara	
	Simmons	155
#8	Martha	
	McDonald	150
#9	Renee Fish	120

Women's 35+:

#1	Eileen Tuckman	900
#2	Mary Jo Murray	700
#3	Agatha Falso	245
#4	Janis Smith	200
#5	Terry Costill	150
#6	Cindy	
	McManamon	145
#7	Cheryl Lee	105
#8	Jean Snyder	100

Women's 40+:

#1	Agatha Falso	975
#2	Judi Schmidt	295
#3	Jo Kenyon	150
#4	Mary McNutt	115

Women's 45+:

#1	Judi Schmidt	1025
#2	Jo Kenyon	465
#3	Shirley Elgaway	190
#4	Mareda	
	Zoumberous	100

Women's 50+:

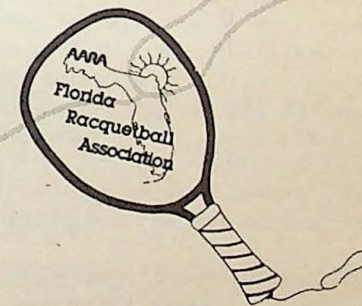
#1	Jo Kenyon	1025
#2	Shirley Elgaway	500
#3	Julie Atherly	270
#4	Mareda	
	Zoumberous	160

Women's 55+:

#1	Julie Atherly	400
#2	Jeannette	
	Conrarino	150
	Mareda	
	Zoumberous	150

Women's 60+:

#1	Lilijan Minick	150
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#9	Marcus Juliano	155
	Ken McLeod	155
#10	Alan Engel	150
Girl's 14-:		
#1	Amy Simonetta	1125
#2	Hannah Spector	510
#3	Deirdre	
	Robertson	240
Boy's 16-:		
#1	James Lorello	700
#2	Brian Rankin	450
#3	Jason Waggoner	275
#4	Mike Altman	150
#5	Mike Aipachino	125
	John Van	
	Ardsdall	125
#6	Tim Danos	110

#7	Trent	
	Tournabene	105
#8	Aaron Metcalf	100
Girl's 16-:		
#1	Vicky Yarns	725
#2	Susan Cox	300
#3	Hannah Spector	150
#4	Amy Simonetta	100
Boy's 18-:		
#1	Oscar Gonzalez	430
#2	John Ross	425
#3	Lino Suarez	195
#4	Mitch Campbell	100
	Rob Kulp	100
Girl's 18-:		
#1	Vicky Yarns	465
#2	Claudia	
	McCarthy	200

#3	Cheryl Atherly	100
	Kim Baran	100
	Robin McBride	100*



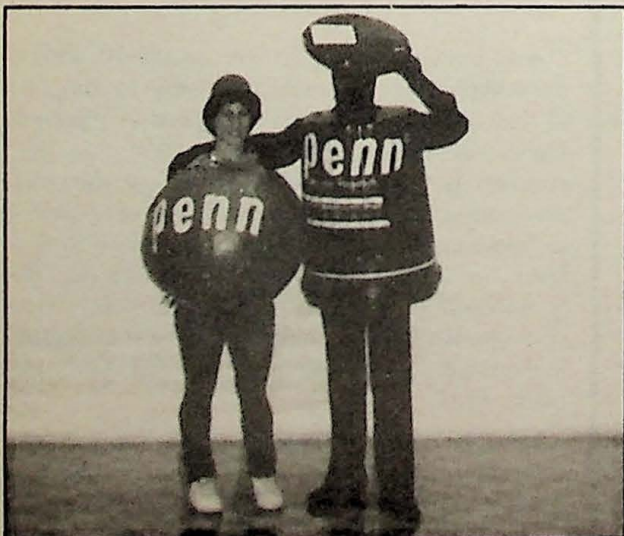
★All individuals marked with an asterisk within the skill divisions are no longer eligible to compete in that division, and must be placed in the next higher skill draw in Florida tournament play. This notation is made to help tournament directors eliminate sandbagging, and as an incentive to players to "move-up" in ability by competing in the next skill level. The "cut-off" levels are: "A" = 230 & up, "B" = 180 & up, "C" = 130 & up, "D" = 80 & up. Once you have reached the maximum point designation in the listed skill divisions, you must play at the next higher level.

For details on the "cut-off" list policy and procedures, please contact any Florida Racquetball Association Board Member.

Time Out...

(Average reading
time: 30 seconds)

- Who knows where the 1980 and 1981 State Singles were held? Anyone with this information should contact Julie Pinnell, or any board member, to fork it over. We're trying to compile a listing of winners in the eighties, and have mislaid some of the details (like where some of these events were...) we need to complete the project. Help us out, will you?
- Apologies to clubs who have had conflicting dates for sanctioned events within their areas. Some of us have difficulty remembering our own addresses, and thus get confused from time to time about who's on first, and which clubs are only blocks from one another. We'll be more careful—promise.
- As in the past, the Florida Racquetball Association will award \$50.00 to any Florida regional winners (from a championship division—Open or age brackets) who travel to Houston for the National Singles. Please note that this only for those who **competed** and won in the Region IV Championships in Atlanta last month. To receive your \$50.00 expense check, contact Van Dubolsky in Houston.
- Summer is shaping up... so don't let some of the biggest and best tournaments of the year slip by while you're sunning. The Junior Regionals will be in Sarasota June 5th-7th, and the Sunshine States Games follow close behind in July. Then we'll switch to doubles at the State Championships in Sarasota in August, then watch nationally prominent women in the Women's Invitational at the Tampa Bay Courthouse in September. Plan the next few months around the latest calendar on the back page of this issue. It's full!
- Think about it: When the mandatory eye protection rule is passed, there will be an adjustment period for those who have refused to wear eyeguards up to now. Those who begin making that adjustment early are the ones who will have the advantage in initial tournaments where the rule is enforced.
- **FRA News** would like to feature your photography in its pages. Especially needed are tournament shots which relate to articles within any given issue. A feature about an individual always needs a good black and white close-up of its subject. All photographers will receive credit for each picture reproduced in the **FRA News**. To submit photos, identify each person in the photo and yourself (note your name and telephone number), package securely and mail directly to the editor.
- To submit articles, tournament reports, ideas or suggestions, please include the name, address and telephone number of a person who can be contacted for details. Then, simply provide the five W's (who, what, where, when, why—and how) of the event. As long as it includes the basic information, we'll make a story out of it. A report can be in the form of a letter to any one of the regional editors—simple!



Lori Basch (Penn Ultra-Blue) and Mary Lyons (can 'o balls) may need to exchange costumes this year, but both were a big hit last Halloween in Jacksonville with these get-ups. Who says board members don't take their work seriously?

DEAR AGGIE...

by Agatha Falso

Dear Aggie,

Recently, I played in the State Singles Championships. During the weekend I watched many great matches. One match in particular really left an impression on me—a 12 and under junior match. What struck me was not the play of the kids, but the horrible behavior of their parents. I never saw so much hostility and dislike between parents and their kids. I don't think this kind of behavior is a good example for youngsters. What do you think?

—Upset in Fort Myers

Dear Upset,

Well, I think parents should be seen and not heard.

Dear Aggie,

I've been playing racquetball for seven years. I'm lucky to get by the first round of play. I really enjoy the sport, people and atmosphere of a tournament. Do you have any suggestions on how to improve my game? Thank you.

— L.L. in Coral Springs

Dear L.L.,

Take three weeks off and then quit. Only joking L.L. Just keep practicing and do the best you can. But most of all, enjoy yourself.

Dear Aggie,

Several months ago, I met a girl at a tournament. Since then I see her at every tournament. She follows me around, watches me play, invites me to lunch—I really don't know how to handle the situation. Any advice?

— F.T. in Ft. Lauderdale

Dear F.T.,

Oh, silly boy. SLOW DOWN and let her catch up. To have your questions answered by Dear Aggie, please send your letters to Florida Racquetball Association board member Agatha Falso, 638 SW 14th Street, Boca Raton, FL 33432 OR directly to **FRA NEWS**

Dealing with Stress

by Theresa Chaffin

Everyone experiences stress. It's how you manage it that makes the difference between you being in control, or the stress being in control. Here are a few general tips to help you in dealing with stress:

1) Be aware of what makes you uptight. Traffic? Business? Yapping dogs? Certain people? Make choices that allow you to avoid many of these situations.

2) Don't do too much. Learn to say "no" to responsibilities you don't want or need.

3) Avoid making too many changes in your life at one time. Getting married, moving, changing jobs may be too much at one time.

4) Learn relaxation or exercise techniques that help you to relax and handle stressful situations.

5) Discuss problems with the people involved. Don't bottle up feelings. Just talking about problems, fears, and worries often release the stress connected with them.

6) Eat properly. When you are under stress, your nutritional needs will increase.

7) Take time off. Plan regular periods for relaxation every day. Plan relaxing—not hectic—vacations.

8) Get out of the stressful situation, if possible, by walking away or avoiding the situation. If necessary, be prepared to go back and deal with the difficulty when you are feeling more composed.

9) Take one thing at a time. Divide your work load or tasks into smaller parts. In this way, you can avoid feeling overwhelmed, and you can have a feeling of accomplishment when a small part is finished.

10) Examine your expectations of yourself and readjust, if necessary. Are your expectations reasonable for your time and your abilities?

We've all seen what stress on the racquetball court can do to an otherwise fine person and athlete, so consider some of the alternatives listed above **before** ruining a perfectly good racquet with an uncontrolled whack at an immovable object (the wall).

[Editor's Note: Theresa Chaffin works as a school counselor in Orlando, and is currently ranked number four in the Florida Women's "B" division.]

REFEREE CERTIFICATION: Ask Them How Hard It Was

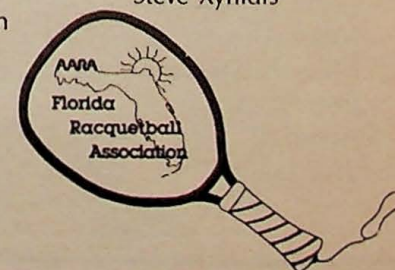
Florida Referee Certification program chairmen Ed Vlock and Gene Owen have provided us with a list of the current "Level 1" referees. Level 1 indicates that an individual has taken the 100-question national certification test which covers the contents of the current rulebook. Advanced levels are reached as these same persons record each match they officiate until a set number of games are "under their belt." Then they are observed while refereeing a match before going on to the next level of expertise.

One advantage (\$\$) to taking the test and reaching the first level of certification is becoming more and more obvious. As tournament directors choose to pay their referees rather than depend on the winner/loser method of keeping matches on schedule, money is becoming a factor. People who have reached Level 1 certification are entitled to be placed at the top of the referee list each time they wish to call a game. That means that certified referees have the option of making as much cash as they like, at an average of \$5.00 per match, without waiting around to be called into service.

Also, players may request that a certified referee call their match. It may take a little longer, but at least you'll be assured that your "ref" knows the basic rules of the game. The following individuals have completed the first phase of certification to date. If you have taken the test, but are not listed here, please contact Ed or Gene so they can update our records. And keep up the good work!

Carol Andrus
Mike Beasley
Lou Blitz
Al Caballero
Dick Campbell
Frank Catarelli
Bill Cotrill
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Editorial Comment...

What is happening to women's racquetball in Florida this year? A quick look at the rankings, win lists, reports as many age level divisions as men, and fill all of the available skill divisions. Why, then, is it that more and more women's division draw sheets are showing smaller numbers of entries and are being played as round-robins more often than not?

Okay, so some of you are not interested in the state of women's racquetball and have just moved on to another section of the newsletter. That's too bad, since the issue of small draws, regardless of gender, is one that affects the entire racquetball community, not just your occasional challenge court face-off.

Racquetball needs more enthusiasts, of either sex, not

less. Women who engage in the sport are often more likely to support the growth of racquetball by encouraging others to try it. Many may never aspire for a spot on the pro tour, yet continue to compete and maintain active AARA memberships through annual renewal while never leaving the "B's." It's these members, who try harder to win and advance in the rankings that are the foundation of both the Florida Racquetball Association in particular and the AARA in general. And who are they trying to emulate? Local open players.

Florida rightfully claims its fair share of first-rate women competitors in a wide range of skill and age divisions that serve as role models for juniors, inter-collegiate and novice players. Yet when the up-and-comers enter local tournaments, they are finding less competition and fewer women's open players to observe. Then, lacking that excitement in women's rac-

quetball, the solid everyday player with great potential loses interest.

Admittedly there is a large gap between the "A" and Open designations in racquetball, for men and women. But that gap won't close by itself, and highly-skilled players stand to benefit from sharing their knowledge with younger, less-experienced newcomers to the game. Otherwise, the established winners never get the chance to be challenged, become bored by the same old matches and their predictable outcomes, and in their own turn (only somewhat later) lose interest as well.

So, what can happen to women's racquetball in Florida in 1987? At worst, numbers could continue to decline. At best it will see more women play in more tournaments and try harder in the finals when they get there. The open players will challenge each other with newfound skills, and either coach or inspire someone else into a higher ranking level. More mixed doubles teams will be formed, naturally increasing the level of women's skills through experience and court awareness. From there, who knows—but it's certainly worth a try.



From the President

by Linda L. Mojer

During the State Singles this past February, the Florida Racquetball Association board of directors not only enjoyed the thrill of competing for hard-won titles, but also looked back on three years worth of work. Reports were filed, recommendations made, plans outlined and more projects undertaken. Each member of the board has accepted the responsibility of trying to make racquetball better for you—the player—on all levels.

One player and board member, familiar to many, has been a driving force throughout the formative stages of the FRA these past few years. From the first meeting in 1985 to the most recent, Fred White has guided this advisory board in a very special way. For his service as president of the board since 1984, we owe him a debt of gratitude, and a round of applause.

Following in the footsteps of such a flamboyant racquetball "personality" one is doomed to a slow start, yet I'm determined to give it my best effort. Styles may change, but the focus, commitment, and love of racquetball is something we both share. I hope you'll help me do all I can as President in the coming year, while continuing to harass Fred in his capacity as South Florida State Director and stalwart FRA board member. But most of all remember that the work we do is in direct response to your comments and opinions—and only as complete as you make it. Let us hear from you.

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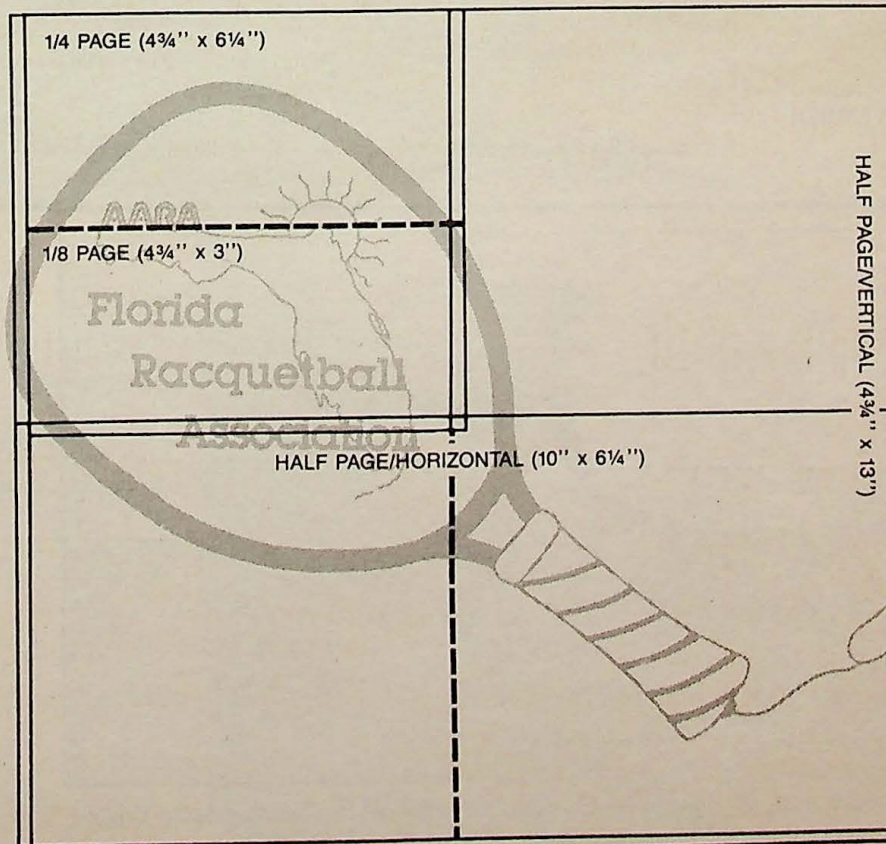
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Date	City & Club	Level & Comments
MAY		
15-17	Ormond Beach - Omega 40	2
22-25	Houston, TX - Downtown YMCA	6 National Singles
29-30	Orlando - The Racquetball	2 PPRA
JUNE		
05-07	Sarasota YMCA	4 Jr. Regionals
05-07	St. Pete - Tyrone RB Club	2 WRA
12-14	Coral Springs - The Quadrangle	2 Charity fundraiser
12-14	Tampa Bay Courthouse	2 Sunshine State Warm-Up
19-21	Mandarin - Racquetpower	2 Sunshine State Warm-Up
19-21	Orlando Tennis & Racquet Club	2 Sunshine State Warm-Up
20-25	Columbus, OH - Sawmill Ath. Club	6 Jr. Nationals
26-28	Stuart - Mid Court	2 FRJ
JULY		
09-12	Clearwater - Suncoast	3 Sunshine State Games
24-26	Venice Racquetball Club	2
31-08/02	New Port Richey - Richey RB	2 FRJ
AUGUST		
07-09	Tampa Bay Courthouse	2 Juniors
14-16	Lakeland YMCA	2 Doubles Warm)Up
21-23	Sarasota Bath & Racquet	3 State Doubles
SEPTEMBER		
24-27	Tampa Bay Courthouse	5 Women's Invitational
OCTOBER		
10-12	Orange Park - Park Avenue	2
22-25	Tempe, AZ - Arizona Ath. Club	6 National Doubles
23-25	Lakeland YMCA	2
NOVEMBER		
06-08	Auburndale Recreation Center	3 4-wall Outdoor
13-15	Sarasota YMCA	3

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Sixteen-month old Vint Keener, Jr. couldn't stay off the court at State Singles, and insisted on starting and winning the 2 and under division.
(Photo courtesy of Sergio Gonzales, Sr.)