

New Hampshire Racquetball Association

Fall **Bill Gargan, President** **1995**

The Financial Statements

<u>Tournaments</u>			<u>The N.H.R.A.</u>		
(\$000)			(\$000)		
DESCRIPTION	STATE DBLs	REGIONAL SINGLES	DESCRIPTION	1993	1994
REVENUE	5.1	7.6	REVENUE	1.6	4.2
EXPENSES:			EXPENSES:		
SHIRTS	.6	3.5	A A R A	.7	1.9
FOOD	1.5	.8	SUPPLIES	.1	.1
AWARDS	1.7	.9	POSTAGE	.3	.3
COURTS	.2	.9	TRAVEL	.0	.7
PRINTING	.0	.3	G S CUP BANQUET	.0	.2
POSTAGE	.0	.5	SOFTWARE	.0	.2
SIGNS	.0	.1	MISC	.0	.1
TOTAL EXPENSE	4.0	7.0	TOTAL EXPENSES	1.1	3.5
RESERVE INCR/(DECR)	1.1	.6	CASH RESERVE INCR/(DECR)	.5	.7

NOTES:

1-1993 was for 6 months - The prior 6 months were under Lenny and Gayanne Bloom.
 2-State Doubles and the Regional were in the 1995 results and not included above.

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1995 - 1996 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE - NEW ENGLAND

WEEKEND DATES		PRO STOPS	ALSO CONSIDER	NH	MASS	CT	ME	RI	VT
FRI	SUN								
1/5/96	1/7/96				POTENTIAL DATE		L. A. ROLLOUT LEWISTON		
1/12/96	1/14/96		LEADERSHIP CONF 1/11 - 1/14						
1/19/96	1/21/96		WOMEN SR/MSTR 1/25-28 BURLINGAME, CA	PARKLAND PRO-AM MANCHESTER					
1/26/96	1/28/96	PRO STOP 1/17-21 MEMPHIS, TN	SUPERBOWL TEMPE, AZ SUN 1/28/96		SENIORS/MASTERS ?? CHARLETON ??				BREAK THE BLAHS RACQUETS EDGE
2/2/96	2/4/96	PRO STOP 1/31-2/4 ATLANTA, GA			GROUNDHOG OPEN BROCKTON	STRATFORD OPEN STRATFORD			
2/9/96	2/11/96		NAT MASTERS - FEB, 1995 SITE/DATES TBA	NASHUA AC OPEN NASHUA			VALENTINES TOURNY WINDHAM		LONELY HEARTS OLYMPIAD
2/16/96	2/18/96	PRO-STOP 2/14 - 2/18 "PITTSBURG"		JOHN MARSDEN N-CONWAY	CEDARDALE OPEN HAVERHILL	LOU CLAVALOUX MADISON		FRIAR OPEN - 2/15-18 E PROVIDENCE	
2/23/96	2/25/96			NAME T B A GILFORD			SNOWBALL OPEN WATERVILLE		
3/1/96	3/3/96		H S NATIONALS 3/1-3 ST LOUIS, MO	NH STATE SINGLES CLUB T B A	SPRING SPLAT DEDHAM	CT STATE SINGLES NEW HAVEN		RI STATE SINGLES E PROVIDENCE	VT STATE SINGLES
3/8/96	3/10/96	PRO STOP 3/6-10 HOUSTON, TX	TOURNAMENT OF THE AMERICAS 3/11-16	RAILYARD OPEN WOODSVILLE	MASS STATE JUNIORS SITE TBA		ME STATE DOUBLES WINDHAM		
3/15/96	3/17/96	PRO STOP 3/13-17 SASKATOON	CALI COLUMBIA, SO AMERICA		KILLSHOT FOR CANCER SITE TBA		JUNIORS TOURNEY WINDHAM		GREEN MT OPEN
3/22/96	3/24/96					WOMEN ONLY PRO AM CLUB T B A	IDES OF MARCH SANFORD		
3/29/96	3/31/96	PRO STOP 3/27-31 PHOENIX, AZ		GRANITE STATE CUP MANCHESTER	MASS STATE SINGLES SITE TBA				OLD MILL OPEN ST JOHNSBURY
4/5/96	4/7/96		EASTER				ME STATE SINGLES SANFORD		
4/12/96	4/14/96	PRO STOP 4/10-14 PLEASANTON, CA		NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL	POTENTIAL DATE	MOMMY & ME NEW HAVEN	WOMENS DOWNEAST WINDHAM		
4/19/96	4/21/96		GOLDEN MASTERS APR 95 SITE/DATES TBA	THURS 4/18 - 4/21 MANCHESTER					
4/26/96	4/28/96	PRO STOP 4/24-28 LAS VEGAS							
5/3/96	5/5/96	PRO STOP 5/1-5 INDIANAPOLIS, IN							
5/10/96	5/12/96				POTENTIAL DATE				
5/17/96	5/19/96	PRO STOP 5/15-19 MILPITAS, CA							
5/24/96	5/26/96		NATIONAL SINGLES 5/22 - 5/27						
5/31/96	6/2/96		HOUSTON, TX		POTENTIAL DATE				
6/7/96	6/9/96	PRO STOP 6/5-9 PORTLAND, OR							
6/14/96	6/16/96								
6/21/96	6/23/96		NATIONAL JUNIORS DATES TBA		POTENTIAL DATE				
6/28/96	6/30/96		MILWAUKEE, WI						

TENTATIVE DATES --- ONLY ---

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WEEKEND DATES		PRO STOPS	ALSO CONSIDER	N H	MASS	CT	ME	RI	VT
FRI	SUN								
6/30/95	7/2/95								
7/7/95	7/9/95								
7/14/95	7/16/95		SKILLS NATIONALS 7/20 - 7/23						
7/21/95	7/23/95		LAKEWOOD, CO OLYMPIC FESTIVAL					FIRECRACKER OPEN WARWICK	
7/28/95	7/30/95		7/21 - 7/30 COLORADO SPNGS			NUTMEG STATE GAMES NEW HAVEN			
8/4/95	8/6/95								
8/11/95	8/13/95	PRO STOP 8/9-13 NEW ORLEANS							
8/18/95	8/20/95								
8/25/95	8/27/95				MAD MAGGIES BURLINGTON	BEACH PARTY OPEN NEWINGTON			
9/1/95	9/3/95	PRO STOP 8/31-9/4 STOCKTON, CA	SENIORS ALBUQUERQUE 8/30 - 9/3	LABOR DAY WEEKEND					
9/8/95	9/10/95								
9/15/95	9/17/95	PRO STOP 9/13-17 ARLINGTON VA		SENIOR SUNDAY - 9/17 SALEM	POTENTIAL DATE				
9/22/95	9/24/95			CREW WEST OPEN MANCHESTER		CT STATE DOUBLES BRISTOL			
9/29/95	10/1/95	PRO STOP 9/27-10/1 RIVERSIDE, CA			MASS STATE DOUBLES SITE TBA				
10/6/95	10/8/95				MITCH NATHANSON BEVERLY				
10/13/95	10/15/95		NATIONAL DOUBLES PHOENIX, AZ	JUSTIN OPEN NASHUA	D R A C OPEN DEDHAM				
10/20/95	10/22/95	PRO STOP 10/18-22 MONTREAL	OCT 18-22	BUD LIGHT OPEN SALEM			HALLOWEEN TOURNEY SANFORD		WEDGEWOOD OPEN
10/27/95	10/29/95	PRO STOP 10/25/29 SCHAUMBURG, IL				NORTHEAST DOUBLES CLUB T B A		HALLOWEEN OPEN WARWICK	
11/3/95	11/5/95	PRO STOP 11/1-5 MILWAUKEE, WI		N E INVITATIONAL MANCHESTER	POTENTIAL DATE		AUTUMNFEST WINDHAM		VT STATE DOUBLES
11/10/95	11/12/95	PRO STOP 11/8 - 11/12 BOSTON A C	LONG ISLAND OPEN		PRO-AM BOSTON A/C				
11/17/95	11/19/95				BROCKTON OPEN BROCKTON	TURKEY OPEN NEW HAVEN	TURKEYFEST TOPSHAM	FROSTBITE OPEN E PROVIDENCE	TURKEY SHOOT OLYMPIAD
11/24/95	11/26/95		THANKSGIVING THURS 11/23	SENIOR/MASTERS SALEM					
12/1/95	12/3/95			NH STATE DOUBLES CLUB T B A		CONNECTICUT CUP NEWINGTON	PORTLAND OPEN PORTLAND		OLD MILL ST JOHNSBURY
12/8/95	12/10/95	PRO STOP 12/6-10 DENVER			MAD MAGGIES BURLINGTON				HOLIDAY CLASSIC RACQUETS EDGE
12/15/95	12/17/95		JR WORLDS 12/16-20 WOODLAND HILLS CA						
12/22/95	12/24/95		XMAS DAY MON 12/25						
12/29/95	12/31/95		NEW YEARS DAY MON 1/1						

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The Granite State Cup and Awards Banquet

The Granite State Cup changed hands in 1995. Three time winner Executive Health and Sports Center was upset by the upstart "New" Nashua Athletic Club. Congratulations to the new owners (the Hayes boys -- especially Dick) and the stellar rebound for racquetball at the "New" Nashua Athletic Club, formerly "Off the Wall", led by Carl Savage, Paul Wallace and others. The win was by a small but real margin - two points -- 87 points versus the Executive's 85.



Nashua had seven 1st places and four 2nd places which really set the lead up for them. The Exec had five 1st's and five 2nd's. It really couldn't have been closer. If memory serves correctly, this was the closest on record -- but who keeps this stuff on file -- certainly not me! The players -- who knows! These are team efforts. No, you say -- the individual players won. Wrong! Did you hear the cheering. Not just for the hotshot Open players either. The cheering was at every level. Folks who never show up for tournaments were there -- even if only to cheer! Awesome!!!!

Kelley Beane, the disappointed Executive team leader warmly --but, with clenched teeth reluctantly -- congratulated the Nashua team while she vowed to work with the Exec to regain the cup in 1996.

On the other hand, George Vierra is back -- leading his team from the Works to a third place finish with 80 points. Wow -- where did these folks come from! We haven't seen real racquetball from them in years!

The balance of the results were Concord (also a new team) in 4th place with 62 points; former champs -- Salem -- in 5th place with 55 points; and last, but absolutely not least -- the up-and-coming Gilford Hills team with 51 points.

Not only was this the closest finish at the top of the pack -- but, I believe it was the closest overall finish. Congratulations - and good luck next year -- to all the teams and all the players.

Mike Normand - a special thanks!

Later, Saturday night at Angelo's Restaurant, the awards were a real show as always -- although we didn't have any partial nudity or lascivious behavior this year.

The "Major" awards:

Most Improved:

Hustle Award:

Iron Men:

Sportsman of the Year:

Tournament of the Year:

Players of the Year:

Curt Rossi and Kim Brackett

Carmen Dyer

Curt Rossi/Brian Johnson (at the State Doubles);

Smiling Jim Lukeman;

The Parkland (raised over \$30,000 in 1994)

-Josh Messina and Cindy Hamilton.



The "Fun" awards:

Best Bullseye-Jason Dyer (the guys don't even want to think about it);

Donut Award-Justin Wallace; and more --- to Carl Savage, Josh Messina, Matt Whitney, Tim Eisner, Cindy Hamilton; the camper boys (Eisner, Whitney et al); Best karaoke-Nashua Athletic Club (accepting were Carl Savage and Paul Wallace); Me-for court patrol for glasses, and other violations; Brian Fisher's annual award for his excellent interface with referees; and -- Matt Hussey's birthday.

We all have to offer major thanks to Kelley Beane and Mike Normand for the real and repetitive success of the Granite State Cup and Banquet. They didn't do it alone -- but almost so! Thanks -- we love you for it!

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The Railyard - A Special Thanks!

The Saffo's (Rich Sr., Steph, Rich Jr. and Veronica) have run a sparkling tournament for years. I personally can testify that the last two truly meet that standard. It is small (3 courts) -- way up there where even the moose have a french accent -- and in a club that feels like home. That aside -- I want to offer special thanks to them for the 1995 version of their tournament. They have a raffle (I guess for a long time) called Ronnie's Raffle. This year it raised over \$300 which they donated to the NHRA banquet and awards fund. Thanks!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

The 1995 - 1996 Schedule

The New Hampshire Racquetball Association schedule is included as a separate page in this August edition. I had hoped to have it out around the end of June. My ambition to "coordinate" our schedule has been thwarted again this year - but, we know when every major AARA and men's Pro tourney is -- plus, when every tourney is in every state except Maine. Perhaps next year we (the New England State Presidents) can do more than just be aware. In the October Issue I hope to provide the entire schedule.



Rules Changes -- September 1, 1995

The AARA Board of Directors has made the following decisions:

THE ONE SERVE RULE -- has been voted down as a permanent rule change. There is a very mixed vote among the players regarding this issue--about 50/50. On the other hand -- the waiver requiring one-serve at regional and national Open events will continue -- to allow players to compete with one serve which is the rule in international open events. This cannot be revisited until 1997. Tournaments are still encouraged to use the one-serve rule for Open and Open doubles events.

IN DOUBLES-HITTING YOUR PARTNER ON THE SERVE -- WAS a replay -- NOW it is a fault serve. In open doubles, when using the one serve rule, one hit partner fault will be allowed. This is similar to the rule that allows one screen when using one serve. As a complication, when the one serve rule is in effect, you can hit one screen and one hit partner -- but it is an out serve ONLY on the second of either of these fault serves. The intent of the change -- presumably -- is an attempt to eliminate serves that hit the partner and result in repetitive replays -- thus game delays.

FAILURE TO SERVE OR BE READY IN 10 SECONDS -- WAS an out serve or point --that is -- out serve on server for failure to serve within 10 seconds -- or point for server for the receiver's failure to be ready within 10 seconds. NOW, it is a technical (minus one point) on the offender. It is still a fault if the server serves while the receiver is signalling not-ready.

SAFETY GLASSES -- must meet tougher ASTM F803 or CSA standards. As a reminder, I will have "OVERGLASSES" at every tournament. These Overglasses will be mandatory unless you have glasses that meet the required AARA standards -- or you can provide me with a certification from your Optician or Optometrist that certifies that the glasses and frames you are wearing are safe for Racquetball. Please see me for the latest list of approved eyewear.

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SURFIN' THE INTERNET!

Just thought some of you might like to know that -- despite news to the contrary -- there is stuff on the internet beyond pornography. In particular, there is stuff out there in two sites you might find interesting -- but there is more. SURF'S UP!!!!



The first is the newsgroup "alt.sport.racquetball" -- a place where people make comments, ask questions and (sometimes) get correct answers. It isn't an interactive chat area, -- it is a posting area.

The second is the homepage of the Unites States Professional Racquetball Association (USPRA). It has a host of informative stuff to numerous to list here -- but, for example, it has player profiles, tournament results-schedules,etc for the Pro Tour. The address is "<http://emporium.turnpike.net/~cyberguy/uspra.html>".

Further, if you want to EMAIL something to me, my address on the internet is "wgargan@mailgw.sanders.lockheed.com".

REGIONAL RESULTS

There were 211 players signed up for the 1995 New England Regional Championships. This was nearly a 50% improvement over the 1994 Regional's -- which I believe is (in part at least) a testament to the reputation of tournaments in New Hampshire. New Hampshire players collected plenty of awards:

MEN'S 30	CHUCK GATES	3RD
MEN'S 40	DICK FLEWELLING	2ND
MEN'S 50	MITCH MILEWSKI	2ND
MEN'S 50	BRANDT PACE	3RD
MEN'S 60	NORBERT LECOMPTE	3RD
MEN'S 70	ARPAD TOTH	2ND
MEN'S A	CARL SAVAGE	CONS
MEN'S B	JAMES BIRTWELL	2ND
MEN'S B	MIKE DESALVO	3RD
MEN'S C	PAUL BILODEAU	1ST
MEN'S C	TIM ONEIL	2ND
MEN'S C	BRIAN JOHNSON	3RD
MEN'S D	ROBERT BALDWIN	CONS
MEN'S D	JAY RETKEVICZ	1ST
MEN'S NOVICE	DAVID GAGNON	1ST
MEN'S NOVICE	BILL KEATING	CONS
WOMEN'S 25	KELLEY BEANE	3RD
WOMEN'S 35	CINDY HAMILTON	3RD
WOMEN'S 40	KATE MCGINTY	3RD
WOMEN'S A	CINDY HAMILTON	1ST
WOMEN'S A	GAIL GUY	2ND
WOMEN'S A	KIM BRACKETT	CONS
WOMEN'S B	KIM BRACKETT	3RD
WOMEN'S D	ROBIN PARIS	1ST
WOMEN'S D	LOIS DEROUIN	CONS
WOMEN'S NOVICE	YVONNE GHILARDI	1ST
WOMEN'S NOVICE	CARRIE LETELLIER	CONS

Congratulations and thanks for playing to all the players from everywhere!