

RACQUETBALL TRIVIA #1 – ANSWERS
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1. A. Karin Walton was the other touring pro who, along with Rich Wagner, did a six-part instructional series on television. I talked with Rich Wagner (9-18-22) and he told me that this did happen and it was televised.
(Racquetball Illustrated – Dec. 1979 – page 58)
2. E. Cliff Swain is the only male Professional Player before 2005 who had the #1 season ending ranking for six years (1990, 93,94,95,98 and 2002).
(www.proracquetballstats.com)
3. B. The “Super Z Ball” was made by Trenway and came in four different colors using a pump to put air in the ball. (“Racquetball” – May/June 1978 – page 23)



4. A. Marty Hogan received a check for \$30,000 for winning the “Leach National Pro-Am Championships in 1980. (“National Racquetball” – Aug. 1980 – page 62)



5. A. Alaska is the only State, out of Alaska-California-Florida-Texas, that has a “Racquetball Hall of Fame”.
(Apparently, I should have worded this question differently. There are other States that have a racquetball Hall of Fame.)

6. C. Cliff Swain is the person who threw his racquet and it ended up in the hotel wall. I spoke to Cliff Swain (6-11-21) about the incident and he told me that he was just getting used to a new racquet and he lost a match to Gerry Price. He drove back to the hotel and was so mad that he lost that he threw his racquet. He tried to get back into his room the next day but he was locked out. He ended up paying for the repair job and was also fined by the Pro Association at the time.

7. Christen Van Hees, now married to Jack Huczak, won the "1997 Canadian Nationals" and won the U.S. Open in 2000.
(“Racquetball” – July/August 1997 – page 18 also the USA Racquetball web site)

8. D. Tim Hansen/Jimmy Lowe have the most wins of any Men's Team.
Tim Hansen/Jimmy Lowe 10 wins
Rocky Carson/Jack Huczak 8 wins
Dave Azuma/Tom Travers 7 wins
These numbers are based on the same two people on the same team over the years. Other men players (such as Doug Ganim, Dave Peck, Jeff Bell, Jim Bailey) have won many "Doubles Championships" but with different partners.
(Jimmy Lowe inducted into the Hall of Fame in 2014, Doug Ganim inducted into the Hall of Fame in 2016)
(USA Racquetball web site – MENU – Championships – Record Books – Doubles Champions)

9. A. Susan Pfahler/Mary Lyons have the most wins of any Women's Team. They have more doubles wins HANDS DOWN than any men's or women's team. The closest team to them, men or women, is ten wins. **(For this reason, Susan Pfahler/Mary Lyons were inducted into the Hall of Fame in 2006)**
Susan Pfahler/Mary Lyons 16 wins
Chris Evon/Terri Graham 10 wins (both Chris and Terri with Wilson)
Tim Hansen/Jimmy Lowe 10 wins (Closest Men's Team)
These numbers are based on the same two people on the same team over the years. Other women players (for example, Debra Tisinger, Merijean Kelley, Jackie Paraiso, Jo Kenyon) won many "Doubles Championships" but they were with different partners.
(USA Racquetball web site – MENU – Championships – Record Books – Doubles Champions)

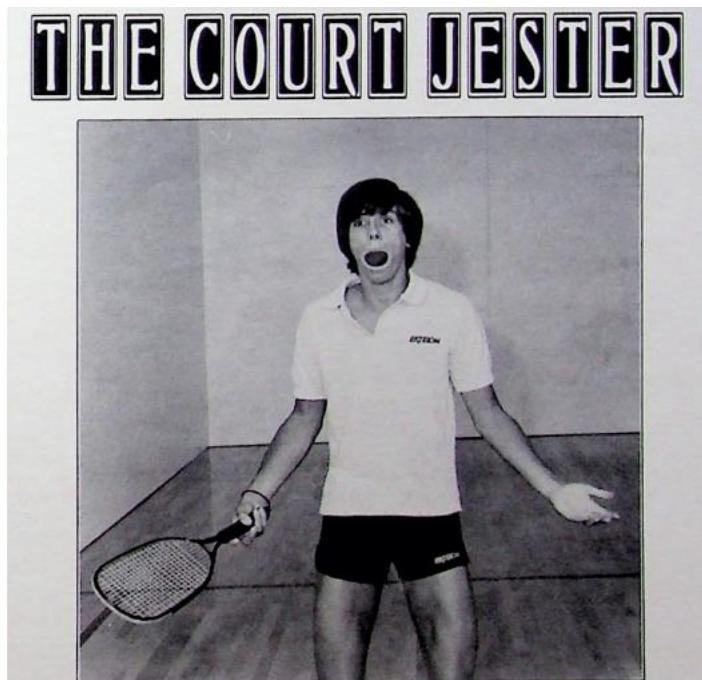
10.A. Dr. Bud got to know Carl Loveday because of badminton.
(YouTube – Racquetball Legends Brumfield, Mueheisen)

DID YOU KNOW:

That there was a "Bottle Sport Cap" that looked like a racquetball. One Cap looks like a golf ball the other Cap looks like a racquetball.



SOMETHING FUNNY:



"All I said was, 'Hey, ref, you want
to know where you can put that ball?'"

(International Racquetball – January 1984 – page 35)

HELP:

I need to get a hold of Lindsay Myers (Very good player from Canada who is in the Canadian Hall of Fame) and talk to him about some racquetball facts. If anyone can help my email is:

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