# THE PHILLY BOAST May 2002

The 2002 DeRoy Sportsmanship Award is bestowed by the USSRA upon one male and one female junior squash player who best represents the principles of fair play and sportsmanship both off and on the squash court. The 2002 female recipient, who was presented at the USSRA National Singles Championship in New Haven, is Niki Clement of Rosemont, Philadelphia. She is a senior at Radnor High School and plays at Merion Cricket Club and Berwyn. She will play for Bowdoin next year. The PSRA also conferred its annual Sportsmanship Award at the March 17 Interclub Finals held at CHA Academy. The 2002 male recipient is David Krupnick, from Germantown. David is a senior at William Penn Charter School. David will play at Brown next year. The 2002 female recipient is Lauren McCrery from Wilmington Country Club and Berwyn. Lauren is a junior in high school. Congratulations Niki, David and Lauren. Well done!

SquashSmarts? What is that? It is a Philadelphia based youth program that combines the game of squash with academic enrichment and mentoring of the middle school youth. The Drew School in West Philadelphia enjoys tutoring and squash sessions two afternoons per week and plays squash on Saturday mornings at Drexel University. The Penn Center for Community Partnerships of the University of Pennsylvania provides tutors for SquashSmarts. Demer Holleran and Rob Whitehouse have donated their services on the squash courts. Local players including many junior players have also donated their time. Kellen Heckscher serves as the program's squash director. This year's program started in January and managed to schedule a few matches with Penn Charter, Haverford, Shipley, and Germantown Friends School. While the SquashSmarts kids were much less experienced on the court they learned valuable lessons about on court play. The current participants are eighth graders. Donations and/or volunteers are encouraged to call Executive Director Julie Williams at 215- 482- 9506 or email her at info@squashsmarts.org.

### League Results

A DOUBLES SUPER B DOUBLES

Racquet \*Rob Whitehouse Germantown \*John Makransky Jim McConeghy

Toby Oxholm Fred Bracher
John Behrend Andy Kronfeld

Peter Schreiber Steve Gregg

Nat Taylor

B DOUBLES C DOUBLES

Gwynedd \*Steve Shea Gwynedd \*Paul Wallace

Steve Roth Mark Lankford
Graeme Blevins Bob Pomichter
Stiles Patton Dick Berman

WOMEN'S B DOUBLES WOMEN'S C/D DOUBLES

Gwynedd \*Liz Hand no results

Marilyn Fox

Candy McGuire DAY LEAGUE CUP 1

Margaret Wallace P. Cricket Leslie Lane and Nina Talbot

D SINGLES JUNIOR INTER-CLUB

Penn \*Bob Partridge Neal Abrams Beginner Philadelphia Cricket Club 1
\*Dave Espey Atif Zafer Intermediate Philadelphia Cricket Club 2
Bill Katowritz Amit Vibhaker Advanced Germantown Cricket Club

## PSRA DOUBLES TOURNAMENT WINNERS

Mens' Women's

A Ed Chilton and Rich Sheppard Demer Holleran and Jessica DiMauro

Super B Tom Barnes and Mike Farrell not held
B Dave McMullin and Robin Ledwith no results
C not held no tournament

40+ Jamie Heldring and Rich Sheppard Kathy Carson and Sandy Worthington
50+ Joe Coyle and Peter Day Pam Russell and Nancy Roberts

60 + Dave McMullin and Robin Ledwith no tournament

#### **Local Tournaments**

The William White opened up the winter doubles season here in Philadelphia. Tom Harrity and Eric Vlcek won the open doubles over the Eiteljorg brothers, Eric and Alex. The men's 40+ was won by Rich Sheppard and Greg Finn over Andy Nehrbas and Doug Rice. The 50+ division was won by Michael Pierce and Gordie Anderson over Charlie Fenwick and Sandy Martin. This year the women were included. Demer Holleran and Jessica DiMauro won the open doubles over Dawn Gray and Jody Law. The 40+ was won by Molly Pierce and Jen Edson over Leslie Lane and Joyce Davenport. Richard Repetto won the men's open softball singles event over Johnny Wilson. The hardball tournament included men and women this year. Tracy Greer won the women's A over Marie Frick. Women's 40+ was also won by Tracy Greer over Joyce Davenport. The men's 40+ was won by Peter Stokes, men's 50+ by John Frazier, 70+ by Bill Wilson, and the 75+ by Charlie Baker.

Demer Holleran and Jamie Heldring won the Merion Mixed doubles over Jody Law and Andy Nehrbas. Danna Nehrbas and Hobie Porter won the B flight over Kellen Heckscher and Andy Purcell. The C flight was won by the husband/wife team of Kathy and Rich O'Malley over Gingee Pope and Joe Eagan.

The PA State Mixed doubles was won by Dawn Gray and Tim Kent over Peggy Reed and Scott Brehman. The Merry Mixed B flight was won by Anne Hall and Ken Jaffe over Kellen Heckscher and Andy Purcell. The C flight was won by Kathy O'Malley and Martin Buck over Alex Luk and Larry Guyer.

Germantown Juniors had many local winners this year. Girls U11 winner was Sarah Mumanachit and the BU11 winner was Hunter Beck. GU13 winner was Emery Holton over Kiera Murasko-Blank. BU13 winner was Chris Callis. GU15 winner was Maxi Prinsen over Christina Mathias. BU15 winner was Adam Greenberg over Chris Callis. GU17 winner was Maxi Prinsen over Stacy Petro. BU17 winner was Chris Walling over David Sullivan. GU19 winner was Amy Gross over Lauren McCrery. BU19 winner was Sean Seese.

<sup>\*</sup> Thanks to all the league captains for all their hard work and organization. We couldn't do it without all your help.\*

The Philly Junior tournament had many local winners. GU11 saw Sarah Mumanachit win over Skylar Dickey. GU13 winner was Emery Holton over Hannah Conant. BU15 winner was Bobby Dickey over Chris Ehlinger. GU15 winner was Sydney Scott. BU17 had Gilly Lane win over Daniel Petrie. GU17 winner was Casey Riley over Ashley Eyre. BU19 winner was Sean Seese and GU19 winner was Amy Gross over Lauren McCrery.

The Philly Future Stars had many local winners. Dan Greenberg defeated Xander Greer in the BU11. BU15 had Scott Redpath win. BU17 had Alex Thompson defeated John Evans. BU19 had Ryan Hines defeat Spencer Groff. In the GU11 Alexandra Sawin defeated A. Berlinghof. GU13 had Alexandra VanArkel defeat S. Harrington. GU15 had Logan Greer defeat A. Johnson. GU17 had Caroline Cuckler won over Avery Tilney.

The MASA Tournament results played at CHA Academy include A division winner Gilly Lane over Ben Ende. B division winner was Tyler Kyle over Bruce Saltzman. C Division winner was Chris Walling over Jason Harrow and D winner Robin Purple over Nick Krotec. The Sportsmanship Award goes to Haverford School (Bill Strong-coach) and individual awards to David Krupnick, Jay Boothby, and Ben Stokes.

## National Tournaments

The Junior Closed held at Yale brought great results this year. GU13 had Hannah Conant placing third. GU15 had Philly winning the top four places. Britt Hebden won over Maxi Prinsen. Sydney Scott was third and Emery Maine was fourth. GU17 saw Casey Riley winning and GU19 had Amy Gross as a finalist. Lauren McCrery was third and Lydia Williams was fourth. BU13 had Chris Callis as the finalist. BU17 had Gilly Lane winning his division.

Junior Doubles held in Wilmington every year once again hosted a great event. Each year the draw continues to grow. This year the mixed division had 2 brackets. Under 15 had Emery Maine and Nick Pearson defeating Emily Park and Chris Ehlinger. The open mixed had Amy Gross and Will Broadbent win over Lauren McCrery and Breck Bailey. The BU11 had Jack Maine and Nick Schrieber defeat Ben Keller and Hunter Abrams. The BU15 saw Todd Ruth and Trevor McGuinness defeat Chip Culp and David Hilton. Ben Stokes and John Sawin won the BU19. GU15 had Toby Eyre and Emily Park win over Emery Maine and Aly Brady. GU19 had Amy Gross and Lauren McCrery win over the sister duo of Lorin and Casey Riley.

The US Champs and Skill Levels had a few Philadelphia players bring home the medals. In the Men's 35 Jamie Hickox was the finalist. Men's 40+ had Dominic Hughes winning the main draw and Robert Clothier winning the consolation round. In the SL Green division David McNeely placed third.

Hardball Singles had several local winners. In the men's 35 division, Tom Harrity was victorious. Men's 50+ had Palmer Page winning while in the 55+ John Frazier took home the gold. The 70+ division saw Bill Wilson winning with Charlie Baker as the finalist in the 75+ group. The over 80 division had Hasting Griffin as the winner.

U.S. Doubles held in New York City had many Philadelphia champions. Winners in the men's open division were Morris Clothier and Gary Waite. Men's 40+ had Rich Sheppard and Greg Finn winning over Andy Nehrbas and Doug Rice. Men's 50+ had Michael Pierce and Gordie Anderson emerge as winners. Sam and Ralph Howe lost in the finals of the 60+. In the 65+ division, Fred Bracher and Gene Perle won. Demer Holleran and Alicia McConnell won the women's open.

National Mixed Doubles held at the Shore Racquet Club in Somers Point, NJ, had locals winners in both the open and the over 40 division. Open division had Demer Holleran and Keen Butcher defeat Jessie Chai and Doug Lifford. The over 40 group had the husband/wife team of Sandy Worthington and Rich Sheppard defeat Sara Luther and Fred Luboc.

#### GOSSIP CORNER

Kat and Jim Van Blarcom had a third daughter, Tess. All are doing quite well. John Fry will be the new president of Franklin and Marshall. Go Diplomats!!!

Lach McIntosh has moved to sunny San Diego. Margaret Rux is recovering from ACL surgery.

Newly engaged squash couples are Peggy Reed and Scott Brehman and Lauren Kennedy and Nat Taylor. Congratulations to both couples!

Fall league roster with designated captains will be due September 4. I know that few players are thinking about squash, but that is the needed time frame for leagues to begin at the end of September. Remember that the veteran and senior doubles will again be divided into two divisions. This year the Ranking Committee will have data to support the placement of teams in either division 1 or 2. We emplore the squash chairs of each club to enforce the PSRA guidelines for proper and honest evaluation of players' abilities. Thank you for all your effort and time.

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