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## On Cover:

US Juniors are travelling at their own expense to tournaments and camps to improve their badminton game. The cover shows two such trips. The US Junior team from the Orange NTC travelled to Holland to gain international tournament experience against the best European youths. In Eastern Illinois, 100 young athletes participated in an intense, four-day badminton camp.



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## USAB BOARD OF DIRECTORS' ELECTION BALLOT MAILED ON FEBRUARY 5, 2002

USAB Board of Directors' Election Ballots have been sent by first-class mail to all eligible USAB voting members. Please exercise your right to vote. The positions and candidates for the election are as follows:

Five candidates (**Dave Carton, Alan Mills, Paisan Rangsitkitho, Elisabeth M. Sopka, and Liz Wilson**) are seeking the two USAB Director-at-Large positions. Vote for up to two of the listed individuals.

One candidate (**Mary Ann Bowles**) is seeking the one USAB Region 2 Director position. Vote for up to one of the listed individual if you are a USAB Region 2 eligible voting member.

Please follow the instructions on the election ballot while remembering the following important points:

1. All voting members must be at least 18 years old to vote.
2. All ballots must be received by February 27, 2002.
3. Only original mailed ballots will be accepted (no photocopy, fax, or e-mailed ballot).
4. Please contact the USAB office at (719) 866-4808 if you have any questions.

## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Don Chew

USA Badminton sets out on a challenging year with many unwelcome changes. Running a fiscally responsible organization facing a 12 percent reduction in funding means program cuts. The USAB Board of Directors made the difficult decisions in October 2001 that took effect at the beginning of this year. The main focus of the 2002 budget was to fund cost-effective programs that support the athletes and coaches.

Under the budget cuts, the Lake Placid National Training Center closed at the end of January. I would like to thank the USOC and the Lake Placid Olympic Training Center for their support of the Lake Placid NTC. To the athletes, USAB thanks you for your hard work, and extends a welcome to transfer to the Orange NTC. Coach Andy Chong has been an inspiration to the program and his services will be missed.

A staff reduction at the USAB National Office was also necessary. Director of Program Development/Media Barb Kissick has left USAB. I would like to thank Barb for all her efforts and wish her the best.

A smaller staff does not necessarily mean a reduction in services provided by USAB. I pledge that my family and I will do more to help USAB during these difficult times. The USAB national office and the USAB Board of Directors have also renewed their commitment to meet



*A historic meeting between the USOC President Sandy Baldwin (center-right), the IBF President Korn Dabbaransi (right), and the USAB President Don Chew (left). Also pictured is Kim Chew (center-left)*



*The IBF-USOC-USAB Working Group included (left to right): USAB Executive Director Dan Cloppas, IBF Vice President Punch Gunalan, USAB President Don Chew, USOC President Sandy Baldwin, IBF President Korn Dabbaransi, USAB Vice President Paisan Rangsitkpho, USOC NGB Marketing Director Blair Tripoli, USOC Sports Partnership Director Rebecca Crawford, and USAB Treasurer/Pan Am Representative Cliff Peters. Not pictured is USAB OPD Chair Gus Chew.*

the needs of the membership. Regional directors will have their own funding for grassroots training and programs. If you should experience any difficulty with USAB, please contact your regional board representative for assistance.

With a fiscally leaner USAB, budget items not sacrificed are the support for our athletes. Orange NTC is training more elite athletes in 2002 without a USAB funding increase. Kevin Han and Howard Bach will be fully funded by the USOC to ten international badminton tournaments. Six additional US elite athletes will be funded to four plus international tournaments. A USAB-funded team of ten will represent the US at the Thomas Cup and Uber Cup semifinals. Top US juniors will also be supported with a travel stipend to represent the US at the 2002 Pan Am Junior Team Championships in Orange, California. All roads lead to the Olympics and our athletes are being prepared today for the challenges in 2004.

The international community is recognizing our efforts. A historic meeting was held in December, 2001, when the USOC President Sandy Baldwin, the IBF President Korn Dabbaransi, and I met to discuss national and international badminton issues at the Orange County Badminton Club. I would like to thank the USOC delegation and the IBF delegation for making USAB the catalyst for

many IBF-USOC-USAB projects in development.

Budget cuts were not the only problems for USAB. One issue I would like to clarify was the recent cancellation of the Region 4 Classic tournament. USAB and I had nothing to do with the decision to cancel the tournament. In fact, when I heard about the cancellation from USAB Executive Director Dan Cloppas, I immediately spoke to USAB Region 4 Director Jack Harvey that cancelling the Classic was a mistake. USAB Vice President Paisan Rangsitkpho and USAB Treasurer Cliff Peters were involved in the discussion with Jack to prevent the cancellation. Unfortunately, Jack informed us that the decision by the tournament committee was final.

USAB supports the Classic tournaments with exclusive sanctioning rights. No regional or national tournament can receive USAB tournament sanctioning on the same weekend as a Classic. In addition, USAB NTC athletes are banned from playing in a non-sanctioned tournament.

I will work to address these and other issues at the 2002 USAB Spring Board of Directors Meeting on April 5-7. I will also attend the 2002 IBF General Meeting on May 9-19, and will report to you in the next issue of *Badminton USA*.



## FAREWELL - USAB STAFF MEMBER BARB KISSICK AND USAB NATIONAL COACH ANDY CHONG

USA Badminton thanks Barb Kissick, USAB National Office staff, and Andy Chong, USAB National Coach, for their services to USA Badminton. We wish them well in their future endeavors.

## CONTRIBUTE TO BADMINTON'S FUTURE

By Dave Carton

There are many ways that we can all contribute to the growth of badminton, but few will leave the lasting legacy that a financial contribution to the US Badminton Education Foundation imparts. The Foundation was formed in 1966 and has since that time contributed over \$120,000 to the growth of the game, education of the playing public, and promotion of the sport. The Foundation currently has an endowment from which it annually pays a percentage of its income to USA Badminton. We need to grow this endowment.

As we all know badminton needs long term and consistent sources of income. By making a contribution to the USBEF in any amount, you are helping to insure the future of the sport. Donations can be made as annual gifts, memorials for badminton players, bequests in wills, or by the many forms of charitable giving that are available through proper estate planning. Also, favorable tax treatment can be obtained by contributing appreciated personal property. The Foundation is qualified to receive charitable contributions as a 501(C)(3) tax exempt public foundation.

Please send your check payable to US Badminton Education Foundation, c/o David Carton, 3511 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 304, San Diego, CA 92108. If you have any questions regarding the Foundation or about making a contribution please direct your inquiry to David Carton at the above address or by phone at 619-280-2040 or email at: dCarton@aol.com.



## US TEAM TO START 2002 TOURNAMENT CAMPAIGN AT THOMAS CUP AND UBER CUP SEMI-FINAL STAGE COMPETITION

By Gus Chew, USAB Olympic Development Committee Chair



*The 2002 Thomas Cup US Team (Men) and 2002 Uber Cup US Team (Women):  
Front row (left to right) - Meiluawati, Mesinee Mangkalakiri, Player/Team Manager Joy Kitzmiller, Shannon Hsu, and Elie Wu.  
Back row (left to right) - US National Coach Cai Zi Min, Eric Go, Bob Malaythong, Kevin Han, Amarit Rojsirivit, Howard Bach, and US Head National Coach Ignatius Rusli.*

The US Badminton Team concluded a great year in 2001 by placing two individual teams in the top-20 IBF world ranking, by winning the Pan Am Championships, and by winning the Thomas Cup and Uber Cup preliminary stage in Havana, Cuba. In 2002, the stage is set for a challenging start as the US Team travels to Eindhoven, Netherlands, on February 20-24 to compete in the Thomas Cup and Uber Cup semi-final stage.

The US Thomas Cup (Men's) Team will compete in pool play against Sweden, France, and the winner of group F (Finland, Bulgaria, Ukraine, Sri Lanka, Norway). The US Uber Cup (Women's) Team will compete in pool play against England, Wales, and the winner of group B (Slovenia, Russia, Czech Republic, Spain). This will be a true test for the US Team as they compete against the dominant European badminton countries for a berth at the 2002 Thomas Cup and Uber Cup final stage in Guangzhou, China, on May 9-19.

As USAB looks further ahead to position its top athletes for the 2004 Olympic Games, the USAB Olympic Player Development Committee and the USAB National Coaching Staff will plan and proceed with the following goals:

1. To win an Olympic medal in badminton for the US.
2. To qualify the maximum number of US badminton athletes to the Olympic Games.
3. To obtain more funding from the United States Olympic Committee (USOC) by qualifying more US athletes for the USA Badminton Focus 2004 program.
4. To continually train and improve US badminton athletes under the National Training Center program.

USAB will invest the funds (specifically allocated to elite athlete development) on our top athletes in order to achieve the above goals. In 2002, the USOC has committed to funding our best players, Kevin Han and Howard Bach, to ten international tournaments. USAB is contributing by funding six additional top US athletes to four or more international competitions this year.

I hope everyone will take pride in the success of the US Team. Please continue the support by encouraging our top badminton athletes to reach their Olympic dreams.



## USA JUNIORS COMPETE IN HOLLAND

By Sunil Jinadasa

Are we ready to take on Denmark, Holland, Sweden, England, and the rest of Europe? Many, including the committee who did the draw and seedings at the Kemit Youth International in Holland, did not think so. Therefore, none of the USA players were seeded or even shadow-seeded and ran into trouble because they had to play the top seeds in early rounds. But after watching our juniors perform at their tournament, I was told by the organizers that they would consider our players' strengths based on results at the US Junior Nationals for seeding purposes at their international tournament in the future. Other countries that were present at the tournament also took notice of the strength of USA juniors. In the U17 team event, Team USA came so close to beating the Dutch national team who won the U17 team title. It almost felt like a victory to us considering we were playing in their back yard and this was our very first visit to a junior team championship event in Europe.

After the unprecedented success at the Canadian Junior International in Calgary, Canada, some of the U17 team USA members decided to test the waters in Europe. Six members of the squad - Eva Lee, Samantha Jinadasa, Vincent Nguy, Brendan Taft, Daniel Gouw, and Nicholas Jinadasa - decided to play in the 2001 Kemit Youth International in Holland during the winter break. Two very enthusiastic and very talented U13 players - Howard and Jack Shu - also joined them in the trip and played in the U13 age group. This was a pioneering effort since it was the first time that a USA junior team had gone overseas to play in an international junior team tournament such as this. One of the Dutch newspapers headlined their report on the tournament with, "Amerika Ondekt Badminton Walhalla", meaning 'America Discovers Badminton Heaven'. It reported that in the 25-year history of the International Youth Tournament of Victoria Hoensbroek, American players showed up at the various sports halls of Parkstadt. From our perspective, that sentence can be rewritten, 'in the history of USA badminton, a junior team played in a European International Team event for the first time ...'.

On Christmas day all the players except Daniel (who flew to Brussels, Belgium) flew to Amsterdam Schiphol airport. The tournament director, Hans Tubee, and assistant director, Jim Frederiksz, were at the Schiphol airport to welcome and accompany us in our three and a half hour three-train journey to

Valkenberg where we were staying. This was an unexpected gesture of good will. They were there to meet Vincent, who arrived at 7:30 am, and then wait for the rest of us to arrive at 11:20 am. It took them a three and a half hour three-train ride to get to Schiphol to meet us from their hometown in the south east tip of Holland, and it was 'Boxing Day' - the day after Christmas. Although we were quite tired from the 10-plus hour flight, we enjoyed the train ride through the Dutch countryside and unseasonable snowfall. Hans told us that it snows only once in 20 years during this time of the year.

Kemit Youth International is one of the largest and strongest European junior opens. There were 562 players from 16 European countries including large national team contingents from Denmark, Germany, Holland, Sweden, England, Belgium, and Ukraine. All the draws were large and strong. For example, U17 MS draw had 72 entrants. Every round was a tough match against a quality opponent. In the individual events from U9 to U19, 1220 matches were played in two days. First day, 28th of December, all events in all age groups were played up to the semi-finals on 45 badminton courts in four different venues. Second day, semi-finals and finals were played in one sports hall, in De Biessen in Hoensbroek. For players who did not make it to the semi-finals in any of their events in the first day, a doubles tournament was arranged for the second day in one of the other halls, Rumpen in Brunssum. The team event was held at these two sports halls on the last day of competition, the 30th.

At 7:00 am, three buses picked us up from our 2 hotels and dropped us off at each of the sports halls. Many of the teams had their own buses and vans. In the individual events, five USA players played in U17, two in U13, and Samantha was the lone U15 player. On the first day, I stayed in the U17 hall because most of our players were there; U13 players Jack and Howard were accompanied by their Aunt Jann, and Samantha took care of herself in her hall. The tournament started with mixed doubles. Daniel was paired with a German girl, Ina Christoffer, and won their first round against a Dutch pair, but Ina hurt her ankle during the match and lost the second round match to a Danish pair. Eva and Nicholas had three back-to-back matches (truly back-to-back, one after the other) against players from Sweden, England, and Denmark and won them all. The next round was the quarterfinals played late in the

evening, which they lost to the strong Danish pair of Christina Pedersen and Morten Nygaard. In the mean time at Rumpen, Howard with Laura Thermes (Holland) had won the first two rounds against pairs from Denmark, but ended up losing to Tim Fillbrunn/Sinduya Krishnalingam from Germany in the quarterfinals, who were eventually the U13 MX runners-up. Jack, pairing with a girl from Belgium, lost in the first round to the Danish team who won the U13 MX championship.

Then it was singles. For all age groups, the first two rounds were played in three player pools. Brendan, after beating Manne Rasmussen from Sweden in his pool, lost to the eventual champion Ulrik Nielson (Denmark) in the next pool match. Similarly, Daniel, Vincent, Jack, and Howard lost in their pool play facing some strong competition at these early stages. Proper seeding based on the strength of USA players would have definitely helped them survive these early rounds. Eva won her pool by beating players from Holland and Denmark, but lost in the round-of-16 to Dutch national team player and semi finalist Sanna van Onselder. Nicholas won his pool by beating players from Denmark and Holland. In the round-of-16, he beat the top Swedish player Anaz Juahari in five straight games. But in the quarters he lost to the U17 Dutch national champion Koen Ridder in five long and grueling games, which was one of the last matches of the day. Samantha also won her pool by beating players from Holland and Germany. Then she beat Sophie Laguesse from Belgium in the first round of the main draw, but lost to the eventual U15 singles winner Marie Roepkoe from Denmark in a very closely contested four games 7/4,6/8,5/7,4/7 in the round-of-16.

The only doubles players to advance to the round-of-16 were Brendan/Vincent, Howard/Marco de Jaeger (Holland), and Samantha/Evin Ciftci (Sweden). Brendan/Vincent lost to Ulrik Nielsen/Rasmus Bonde from Denmark, and Samantha/Evin lost to Amanda Mueller/Michala Wulff from Denmark. Both of these winning teams were finalists in doubles competition. Howard and Marco advanced to the quarters only to be beaten by the U13 singles champion and BD and MX runner up Tim Fillbrunn and Mathieu Pohl from Germany. The next day Howard and Jack paired together to play in the BD tournament that was organized for players who did not advance to the semi-finals

in the first day and won the championship of this event.

Team Tournament was held on the third day. There were four pools in the U13 team event. Two Dutch girls joined Howard and Jack to form an international team. They beat TSSP Amsterdam II team, but lost to Germany I, and NRW I of Germany and did not advance beyond pool play. In the U17 team event there were two pools. Germany won the Pool 'B'. In Pool 'A' USA had to beat the home team Holland to advance to the final against Germany. In the first match Nicholas lost narrowly to Menno Baks 6/8,4/7,7/8. Eva beat Cynthia Krayerbrink convincingly 7/2,7/2,7/0 to even the score 1-1. In MX Samantha and Vincent lost a close 5-game match 5/7,7/5,7/2,2/7,3/7 and Holland pulled ahead 2-1. Then in the BD, Brendan and Daniel beat the Dutch pair in three, 7/5,7/5,7/4 to even the score 2-2. Last match, the GD, Eva and Samantha were facing the Dutch #1 and European #2 ranked team of Marsha Voll and Sharon Bindels. Eva and Samantha took the first two games 7/3, 7/2. After a couple of very questionable line calls by the Dutch players, Holland won the 4th game 7/3. In the final game it was 5-all and Samantha was serving the first serve. Dutch spectators and coaches were getting quite concerned that this unknown team from USA was going to beat them in their home turf. Most of all, they were not ready for the powerful play by Samantha and Eva against their strongest GD team. I thought we could make a miracle come true – if we could win the next two points. But it was not to be. USA lost the game 5/7, and with it Pool 'A' to Holland. Holland went on to beat Germany, the Pool 'B' winners in the final, to win the U17 team championship.

This trip was hopefully an eye opener to many doubters of what USA juniors can do in international competition. Yes, it was only one tournament in Europe, and we have a ways to go to be the badminton champions that we should be in the world. But, we have to realize that if we are afraid to imagine and dream, and take the necessary small steps to go forward, we will never get there. There were many lessons learned and many obstacles that we had to overcome during the tournament. Jet lag was a key factor in the player performance. Inadequate coaching and counseling may have also affected their play. But, I believe if you asked the players, they would say not being able to adapt to eating the food was the major factor.

I would like to give thanks to the Kemit tournament organizing committee, especially to Hans Tubee and Maurice Herben for

making us feel at home in Holland, to the parents of the players who supported and encouraged them, to Andy Gouw of ASBY Sports for providing Team T-shirts and shuttlecocks for the U17 team, and most of all to the USBDF (United States Badminton Development Foundation) of Orange, California, for providing part of the funds needed by us from Southern California to

make this trip possible. And to the talented youngsters who took up the challenge to compete in this event I would like to say, you are an inspiration to us, and you made USA proud with your display of high level of play and classy sportsmanship on and off the court. Well done!



## USA BADMINTON LEAVES LAKE PLACID OLYMPIC TRAINING CENTER

By Dudley Welch

National Coach Andy Chong and the National Resident Team in Lake Placid are leaving the Olympic Training Center, having completed their one-year stint which started last January. Most are returning to pick up where they left off, rejoining their families, their communities or schools. Andy Chong is returning to the Boston area to develop more junior talent working with the Northshore Junior Badminton Association and other groups in that area. Also returning to Boston is Kokoe Tanaka who returns to the New England Conservatory where she will take up again her formal study of the violin. While Nikki Vered returns to Connecticut, Isaac and LeeAnn Alwine will go back to Wooster, Ohio, Alberto Companioni to Florida and Adam Scholl to Manhattan Beach, California. All will continue to play badminton and try to train in their former programs.

Alana Ackerman who came to Lake Placid from Madison, Wisconsin, will be taking off in a different direction, however. Having deferred starting college in order to stay at Lake Placid this fall, Alana has gone to Richmond, Indiana, where she has entered Earlham College. Unfortunately, it appears that no established badminton program of any sort exists there as yet, but Alana hopes to get something going very soon. Alana's teammate from Madison, Jen Coleman, left the LPOTC in September, entering the University of California at Irvine and currently trains at the Orange NTC. Raju Rai, from Atlanta, Georgia, left Lake Placid before Christmas to return home to spend a brief period with his family before leaving on January 4th for Bombay, India, to take up training with Prakash Padukone.

Other team members departed from the program prior to the start of the school year when it became clear that the Resident Program would terminate mid-school year. These include Kristin Davis, Danielle Korshak and Ted Shear. Kristin and Danielle rejoined their families in Manhattan Beach, CA and Miller Place, NY, respectively. Ted, however, has not returned to his home in Marblehead, MA, but instead has gone to Vancouver, BC, entering boarding school there to finish his final two years of high school and now trains for badminton at the Vancouver Lawn Tennis and Badminton Club under Ram Nayyar.

When USA Badminton's training program first started in Lake Placid one year ago, Tracy Lamb, USOC Operations Director for LPOTC, told new USAB National Coach Andy Chong that he had reserved a prominent wall outside the gymnasium as a public display area for badminton. When the program was cancelled by USA Badminton, Andy was surprised to find out that the wall was still reserved for badminton and that they were anxious for him to get it set up, before he departed. Through the assistance of Beth Sopka of the Northshore Junior Badminton Association in Marblehead, MA, a donated display cabinet will soon be set up housing an antique badminton racquet, dated 1884, alongside more modern versions. In addition, the display will feature photos of the athletes who were members of the National Resident Team in Lake Placid as well as the trophy won by the team in the Boston Invitational Team Tournament this past October. Anyone wishing to donate additional items for this display is asked to contact Beth Sopka at 781-631-4879 or by email at shearsopka@mediaone.net.



## 2002 K & D GRAPHICS SENIOR INTERNATIONAL

By Holly Peters

Badminton is a lifetime sport and nowhere was it more evident than at this year's K & D Graphics Senior International Tournament. From the youngsters at 35 years to the more mature players at 90 years, the sport of badminton was being enjoyed. Southern California welcomed the players with warm weather and bright sunny days for the tournament held at the Orange County Badminton Club from January 9-12. Players arrived from Canada, Chinese Taipei, Peru and numerous states from within the United States. We missed a number of players who were unable to be with us this year but our thoughts were with them and look forward to seeing them next year. There were, however, several new names and faces amongst the players. We welcomed new players Millie Honeycutt and Doris Brooks (Norma Veal's sister). Here's a family that plays and stays together.



*While the tournament atmosphere was always friendly and relaxed, things seemed more business-like on the badminton courts.*

This year the tournament committee was ready for "the last minute changes" to be made at the reception / players' meeting. However, there were only a handful of such changes. What a nice surprise... after 2001 in Miami Lakes when we had been up all night making changes. Although don't let me fool you into thinking everything went smoothly, we are still attempting to perfect the draw, that is with changes that have been made after the initial draw has been passed out. There were no defaults, just rescheduled match times, once all agreed. All age groups were played.

The heart of a tournament is its volunteers. Without the volunteers, the tournament could not be successfully run. At this year's tournament those who gave their time and energy deserve our heartfelt thanks. At the top of this year's volunteers are the players who stepped forward as scorekeepers and umpires. This help added to the success of the tournament. The tournament committee thanks you and hopes you had fun while working hard.



*Many thanks to the many tournament committee members who contributed enormously to the success of the Senior International Tournament.*

Besides its other duties, the tournament committee was responsible for keeping track of Dick Witte this year. Two years ago, Dick had trouble getting from the airport to the hotel. And the committee has been reminded of this several times. This year Dick sent ten e-mails to make sure he was not forgotten. On the day of his arrival, Dick's flights were cancelled (he thinks it was the work of the committee). A cell number given to Dick to contact committee members was incorrect (accident, Paison?). Dick was again in a panic. To make a long story short, Dick made it to the tournament, the committee is expecting numerous e-mails and if he should bemoan his experience to you, just grin and nod.

At the banquet Dick Witte & Ed McSweeney provided the entertainment, and Bebe's Cafe provided a wonderful buffet. There were awards and prizes presented by YONEX Corporation to: Ada Wurst for the Missing Yonex Bag (having felt she could play better with a junior player's rackets), Millie Honeycutt as our Newcomer (glad we were able to answer all her questions), Shirley Graham was recognized for her ability to Out Wit Witte (during a match nothing got past her at the net), and of course Henry O. and Sheila Paynter as our very own "I got you babe" mixed doubles partners since they started playing badminton back in 1968.

The definition of sportsmanship as found in Webster's New World Dictionary is... one who plays fair and can lose without complaint or win without boasting. Seems simple enough to understand why in 1999 when the Sportsmanship Awards were introduced they were named after two very highly thought of people, Kelly Tibbetts and Bill Graham. The 2002 Kelly Tibbetts Sportsmanship Award was presented to Dorothy Tinline of Canada. The

2002 Bill Graham Sportsmanship Award was presented to Jack Harvey of USA. Congratulations to both Dorothy and Jack whose attitude, skill, dedication and fairness are appreciated by all who meet them.



*Jack Harvey (left) receives the 2002 Bill Graham Sportsmanship Award while Dorothy Tinline receives the 2002 Kelly Tibbetts Sportsmanship Award.*

As always, Don Chew and Kim Chew made our trip to Orange County Badminton Club memorable. Thank you to K & D Graphics whose sponsorship makes this tournament possible. The food from Bebe's Cafe was delicious. The facility run by the OCBC staff was excellent. Our equipment sponsor, Yonex Corporation, was ready on the spot as needed. Trainer Todd Aubin was prepared and grateful we did not use him in that capacity. And a thank you to the workers who make it look easy (that's Jaki, Bob, Ed, Dale, Glen, Lee, Ufilya, Terri and Dudley).

We look forward to seeing everyone in January 2003 at the Don Shula Athletic Club in Maimi Lakes, Florida, for The Jerry Toms Senior International Tournament.

For full tournament results, please go to the USAB website at [www.usabadminton.org](http://www.usabadminton.org).



*Bill Graham thanked Don Chew for his contributions to US badminton and welcomed everyone to next year's Senior International Tournament in Miami Lakes, Florida.*





# 2002 PAN AM JUNIOR TEAM SELECTION PROCEDURE

By USAB Olympic Player Development Committee

## Event:

The 2002 Pan Am Junior Team (Under-19) Competition to be held in Orange, California, at the Orange County Badminton Club on August 4-6, 2002.

## Policy:

USA Badminton will select athletes with the greatest opportunity for success at the 2002 Pan Am Junior Team Competition.

## Team Size:

The team size is eight – four boys and four girls.

## Funding:

USAB will offer up to \$750 in travel stipend to each player for only expenses related to the 2002 Pan Am Junior competition.

## Eligibility:

a) To be eligible, a player must be born in 1984 or later (cannot turn age 19 in 2002). b) A player must meet the IBF requirements for national representation. He/she must be a member in good standing with USAB and satisfy one or more of the following: i.) Be a citizen of the United States; or ii.) Have established main residence in the U.S. before June 25, 2001; or

iii.) Last represented the U.S. in international competition. c) In addition, a player must not have represented any other nation on or after June 25, 2000.

## Naming of the Team:

The USA Badminton team will be named after the 2002 U.S. Junior National Championships, and the announcement will be made at the USA Badminton office.

## Selection Procedures:

Players will be selected based on the results of the 2002 U.S. Junior Nationals. **The winning team from each Under-19 event, if eligible, will be selected.** Boy's doubles, girl's doubles and mixed doubles winners qualify as a team (i.e. if one player of a team cannot go, then the other player of that team forfeits his/her position). In the event that a player wins multiple titles or a player selected elects not to compete at the 2002 Pan Am Junior Team Competition, the USAB coaching staff will select additional players based on (1) the type of player (singles, doubles or mixed) needed to maximize the team's strength and (2) the next ranked Under-19 team from the 2002 U.S. Junior Nationals results.

## Examples:

#1. If you win a Under-19 event at the 2002 U.S. Junior Nationals, you get 1st choice of going. That makes one boy from BS, two boys from BD, one boy from MX, one girl from GS, two girls from GD and one girl from MX.

#2. If in doubles or mixed, you win an Under-19 event at the 2002 U.S. Junior Nationals but your partner cannot go, then the runner-up team gets to go. If the runner-up team cannot go, then the 3rd place team goes and so forth. Example - John/Dan beat Dave/Tim in the BD. John and Dan qualify but Dan cannot go. Then Dave/Tim qualify to go. John is out of luck unless he is picked as a result of #3.

#3. If you win in more than one event, then a vacant spot exists. The National Coaching Staff (NCS) will select a player(s) from the highest ranking Under-19 finish at the 2002 U.S. Junior Nationals to maximize the U.S. team strength. Example - John wins BS, John/Dan win BD, Dan/Jane win MX, then John and Dan go as a result of #1. The two vacant boys' spots on the US team will be selected by the NCS from a boy's pool made up from the runner-up team and possibly individual players as a result of #2. The NCS can select individual players and does not have to select both players of a doubles or mixed team.



# 2002 PAN AM JUNIOR INDIVIDUAL SELECTION PROCEDURE

By USAB Olympic Player Development Committee

## Event:

The 2002 Pan Am Junior (Under-19, Under-17, Under-15, Under-13, and Under-11 exhibition) Individual Competition to be held in Orange, California, at the Orange County Badminton Club on August 8-11, 2002.

## Policy:

The 2002 Pan Am Junior Individual Competition is an individual tournament. USA Badminton will assist in selecting and seeding US individual players.

## Entries:

USA Badminton can only enter a maximum of eight players/teams per event.

## Funding:

There is no funding available.

## Eligibility:

a) To be eligible, a player must meet the age requirement of the event he/she intends to play. b) A player must meet the IBF requirements for national representation. He/she must be a member in good standing with USAB and satisfy one or more of the following: i.) Be a citizen of the United States; or ii.) Have established main residence in the U.S. before June 25, 2001; or iii.) Last represented the U.S. in international competition. c) In addition, a player must not have represented any other nation on or after June 25, 2000.

## Selection Procedures:

Players will qualify and be seed as a US individual entry based on the results of the 2002 U.S. Junior Nationals. In the event that there are more than eight players/teams interested in playing a event at the 2002 Pan

Am Junior Individual Competition, the highest ranked players in the event will have the first choice to participate. In the event of a ranking tie, the National Coaching Staff (NCS) will make the final determination on qualification and seeding between the tied players/teams.

Players must inform USAB of their interest to play in the 2002 Pan Am Junior Individual Competition by June 1, 2002. Please register by sending your name, your birth date, the event(s) you wish to play, and how we can contact you (preferably by e-mail address) to Gus Chew (e-mail at gprchew@aol.com, telephone at 714-639-8900, or mail at 1432 N. Main St., Orange, CA 92867). Only registered players will be guaranteed consideration if there are more than eight players/teams qualifying for an event.



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### JUNIOR BADMINTON CAMP AT EASTERN ILLINOIS

By Kevin Hussey

The junior badminton camp held July 22-25, 2001, at Eastern Illinois University was a wonderful success. One hundred campers trekked from the Northwest suburbs of Chicago, one flew in from Florida, and Charleston residents filled the remaining camper slots. The camp schedule included seven hours of badminton broken up into three on-court sessions per day. Some of the camp features included: stroke analysis using video-taped film, skill-drill practice sessions, singles and doubles strategy sessions, singles and doubles competitive play opportunities, and some evening entertainment to finish off



*Picture from this issue's cover showing group photo of the one hundred junior athletes and their instructors.*

each day. It's a short week packed full of badminton and a lot of fun. Based on the camper evaluations, it's fairly safe to say that a good time was had by all, and more importantly, some badminton ideas and skill were learned as well. Kevin Hussey, an associate professor in the Department of Physical Education at Eastern Illinois University, directs the camp. Kevin is also the 2001 Midwest Closed Regional doubles champion with his partner Bruce Pontow. Additional staff members include Kevin's family members and friends both in and out of the badminton circles. Kathy Zimmerman from Denver, Colorado, is the most nationally known member of the camp staff team. Next year, the 7th annual Junior Badminton Camp at Eastern Illinois University looks to be another banner camp year. A special thanks to USA Badminton and Dean Schoppe of HL Corporation for all the support they gave to this year's camp.

### SENIORS MAKE MERRY AT REGION 2 CHAMPIONSHIPS

By Mary Ann Bowles

The Sinclair Badminton Club hosted the fifth annual Senior Midwest Championships

December 15-16, 2001, at Sinclair Community College in downtown Dayton, Ohio. Seventy players ages 35 to 76 from eight states did battle in twenty-one events to determine Senior champions.

In the 70 events, Bijoy Bhuyan of Portage, Michigan, took two first places, one in Men's Singles, defeating Wolfgang Arlt of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 15-5, 15-5, in the finals. In Men's Doubles, with St. Louisian John Mohr, this team won the round robin, 2-0, over Arlan Quigley/Bill McOwen.

John Mohr, besides winning 70 Men's Doubles, also took first place in 70 Mixed Doubles with partner Gopi Dewan of Dayton, and third place in Men's Singles. Arlan Quigley of Troy, Michigan, took second places in 70 Men's Doubles, and 70 Mixed Doubles with partner Bea Zimmer.

In the 60 events, Betty Obara of Powell, Ohio, won first place in Women's Singles over Jeannine Bohn of Cincinnati, 11-5, 11-6. Obara also won Women's Doubles with Fumi Shibata of Westerville, Ohio, defeating Bohn/Marty Metz, 15-5, 15-0, in the finals. Bohn, besides taking second in Women's Singles and Women's Doubles, won first place in Mixed Doubles with partner Len Williams of Bellevue, Nebraska, defeating Michiganers Harry Orr/Gloria Eli, 15-11, 15-9, in the finals.

Harry Orr, of Kalamazoo, took first place with partner Bijoy Bhuyan in Men's Doubles, defeating H.C. Owenby/Carl Bisantz, 15-9, 15-6, in the finals, to go with his second place in Mixed Doubles. Bisantz, in addition to his second place in Men's Doubles, took first place in Men's Singles, defeating Morton Katz of Columbus, Ohio, in a barn-burner, 11-15, 15-11, and 15-9.

In the 50 events, Cleon McLaughlin of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, won first place in Men's Singles, taking the round robin over Stephen Wang, 2-0. He also partnered with Tom Carmichael to win Men's Doubles over Sukda Satayatham/Stephen Wang, 15-7, 5-15, 17-15. Betty Obara won Women's Doubles with Ohioan Lynn Friedman in a round robin, 2-0, over Kathy Johnson/Jeannine Bohn, 1-1. Obara also took second in Mixed Doubles with partner Phil Sleet, bowing to Len Williams/Mary Ann Bowles, 15-5, and 15-8.

In the 40 events, George Daley of Toledo was a triple crown winner. He bested York Xu of Chicago, 15-9, 15-7, in Men's Singles. In Men's Doubles he partnered with Dave Obert to defeat Carmichael/Ian Buckley in a long 3-gamer, 15-11, 8-15, 15-13. With partner Mary Blandino in Mixed Doubles, Daley defeated Phil Sleet/Sue Vartanian in the finals, 15-8, 15-4. Besides second in Mixed Doubles, Sue Vartanian also took second in Women's Doubles with Jackie Vansant, bowing to Alice Wunderlich/Mary Ann Bowles in the finals, 15-2, 15-3. It was good to see Sue again before she departs for Florida.

In the youngest age group, the 35's, Pratap Naick of Lake Orion, Michigan, took two titles. He won Men's Singles over Llia Baraz of Toledo, 15-5, 15-2. Llia is a welcome new face in the 35 age group. Naick also teamed with Ian Buckley to win Men's Doubles over George Daley/Dave Obert, 15-5, 15-5. Naick also took second place in Mixed Doubles with partner Terami Hanashiro of Columbus, Ohio, bowing to Buckley/Alice Wunderlich, 15-5, 15-6.

In addition to winning Mixed Doubles, Wunderlich also won Women's Doubles, teaming with Mary Blandino to defeat Fumiko Inoue/Hanashiro, 15-0, 15-2. Ian Buckley's two titles, Men's Doubles and Mixed Doubles, have been mentioned. Fumiko Inoue, in addition to her second place in Women's Doubles, was the Women's Singles winner, defeating her partner, Hanashiro, in an hour plus final, 6-11, 11-9, 11-8. Hanashiro took three second places—Women's Singles, Women's Doubles, and Mixed Doubles.

It was good to see Tom Carmichael, Sr., and Gloria Eli on court at this tournament. Thanks to Betty Obara for inviting the contingent of Japanese players from Columbus, Ohio, to play. Welcome to Llia Bara, York Xu, Eva Mai, and Lynn Friedman—we'll hope to see you again next year. Congratulations to Trish Clark of Grand Blanc, Michigan, the youngest player at the tournament, and to Arlan Quigley, the most age-challenged player on court.

A big thank you goes to Rick Dawson, tournament director and host. He always has the Christmas music going, and keeps the courts full. Thanks also go to Amrit and Gopi Dewan, and Klaus Weyand for helping at the desk; to Renu Dewan and Amrit for helping with the spreadsheet; to Ron Gross, H.C. Ownbey and Renu for help in laying out the courts; and to Bharat Patel for helping with the draws. Congratulations to all the players who entered, and special kudos to the winners—we'll see you again in 2003!

### REGION 2 BOARD HOLDS WINTER MEETING

By Mary Ann Bowles

The nine-member Midwest Badminton Association Board of Directors held their annual winter meeting following the Indiana Open in Terre Haute, Indiana, on Sunday afternoon, January 20, 2002. Those in attendance were Tony Artman, Mary Ann Bowles, Rick Dawson, Jessica Morgan, Dawn Patel, Meredith Wertz, and Alice Wunderlich.

The Board members brainstormed the potential for a regional training facility, and formed a subcommittee to research possible

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sites. The regional adult championships are planned for Indiana State University in Terre Haute March 15-17. Junior awards including the Sandra Norton award will be presented during the tournament. The regional Senior championships were held in Dayton, Ohio, in December with seventy players in attendance. The regional Junior championships are planned for the Chicago area in June. Possibilities for two or three Junior tournaments during the season were discussed, and potential facilities will be researched.

*The Flick* is now available on-line and sixty members are receiving it in that form. About 375 printed copies of the Flick are needed each month for members not on-line.

The Sinclair Badminton Club in Dayton has indicated an interest in hosting the 2002 Region 2 Classic. They are checking into facility and hotel possibilities and will make a decision by February on their interest. A Tournament Directors' Clinic is planned for August in the Chicago area. Anyone interested in learning how to run a tournament or refresh his/her knowledge is invited. Details will be available on the MBA web site, [www.midwestbadminton.com](http://www.midwestbadminton.com), and in *The Flick* newsletter. Other camps/clinics to be held during the summer are in the planning stages.

Election for MBA Board members will take place at the Annual General Meeting held in conjunction with the MBA Adult Championships in March. Those Board members up for re-election are Tony Artman, Rick Dawson, and Dawn Patel.

### JUNIOR BADMINTON REPORT FROM ATLANTA

By David Shaw  
Coach and Activities Director  
Atlanta Junior Badminton Club

The coming badminton season (2001-2002) will mark the second year that the fledgling Atlanta Junior Badminton Club will be in existence. Players, coaches, and administrators are very excited to start up again after the summer break.

Organized junior badminton was started in Atlanta in August 2000 with a simple goal of providing a venue for youth players to play badminton and receive instruction. Prior to this there were only 2 youth badminton players in Georgia who played the sport with any regularity. At the end of the first season there were approximately 25 youths playing the sport at least once a week.

The first year goals of the Atlanta Junior Badminton Club were to have a sustainable badminton program and to host one tournament. Both of these goals were met. The club met every Saturday for practice at the Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church Gym.

A junior tournament was held in June 4, 2001, at the Georgia State University Sports Center. Players competed in the U-12 and U-15 age group categories. The tournament was honored to have the participation of Nimit Patel from Charlotte, NC.

Four members of the Atlanta Junior Badminton Club participated in the 2001 New England Junior Championships. They were Sanju Rai, Jun Jian Huang, Charles Shyng and Rizwan Peera. Of the four, only Sanju Rai had prior tournament experience and the tournament was a great learning experience for the players. The doubles team of Charles Shyng and Sanju Rai reached the finals of the U-15 boy's doubles, but as hard as they tried, they were no match for a strong team from Canada. It should be noted that after the tournament there was a marked improvement in the motivation of all four participants.

This season we are planning to have at least four tournaments. When the tournament dates are finalized they will be submitted to USA Badminton and the Southern Badminton Association for publication. It is our intent that one of the tournaments will be a national level junior tournament and we hope to host players from other parts of the country.

With increased activity we hope to attract more members to our badminton club. At the moment we have approximately 25 members and hope to increase this number to 50 by the end of the 2001-2002 season. Currently most of the club members are children of badminton players and thus we will be reaching out to children who have no background in the sport of badminton. Two weeks ago we did a badminton exhibition at an elementary school, which was well received. Hopefully this will be the start of badminton being a fixture at the school as two club members are also students of the school.

### USAB COLLEGE CORNER

By Howard University Badminton Team

The week of January 15th through the 20th, the Howard University Badminton Team, the acknowledged US Collegiate Champions, played host to the University of the West Indies, Mona (Jamaican Campus), the Caribbean Collegiate Champions. The week was filled with a variety of activities, even ice skating and snow ball hurling. The big culminating activity was the "head to head" match-up competition with the Howard squad.

Those who watched the 11 matches saw exciting competition in all five events, which culminated in a "nail biting, down to the wire" finish for Shackerah Cupidon and Ademola Ogunseye over Alex Haddad and Anna Ebanks.

In the men's singles: Ademola Ogunseye,

a three time All American, and Victor Provencal, new at Howard, defeated John Muirhead and John Martin. The last match in that event was won by Alex Haddad (UWI) who defeated Pavel Byles (HU).

In women's singles, Shackerah Cupidon, the US Collegiate Champion and Johnita Denson represented Howard University while Anna Ebanks and Joy Maitland represented UWI. These two matches were split down the middle with Shackerah winning for Howard and Joy winning for UWI.

Quite unexpectedly Howard dropped two men's doubles matches, which permitted UWI to move up by one match. To the rescue came the reigning U.S. collegiate and D.C. Open women's doubles champions Shackerah Cupidon and Amy Nguy, who managed to even up the matches at 5 all when they defeated Anna Ebanks and Annaka Hamilton.

The entire event boiled down to "which school" would win 2 out of the 3 remaining mixed doubles matches. Jerimain Reid and Kristen Telemaque (HU) quickly fell to Brian Ebanks and Joy Maitland, placing UWI up by 1 match. After Peter Greenwood (player coach) and Amy Nguy romped over John Marin and Annaka Hamilton, all matches were even at 5 each.

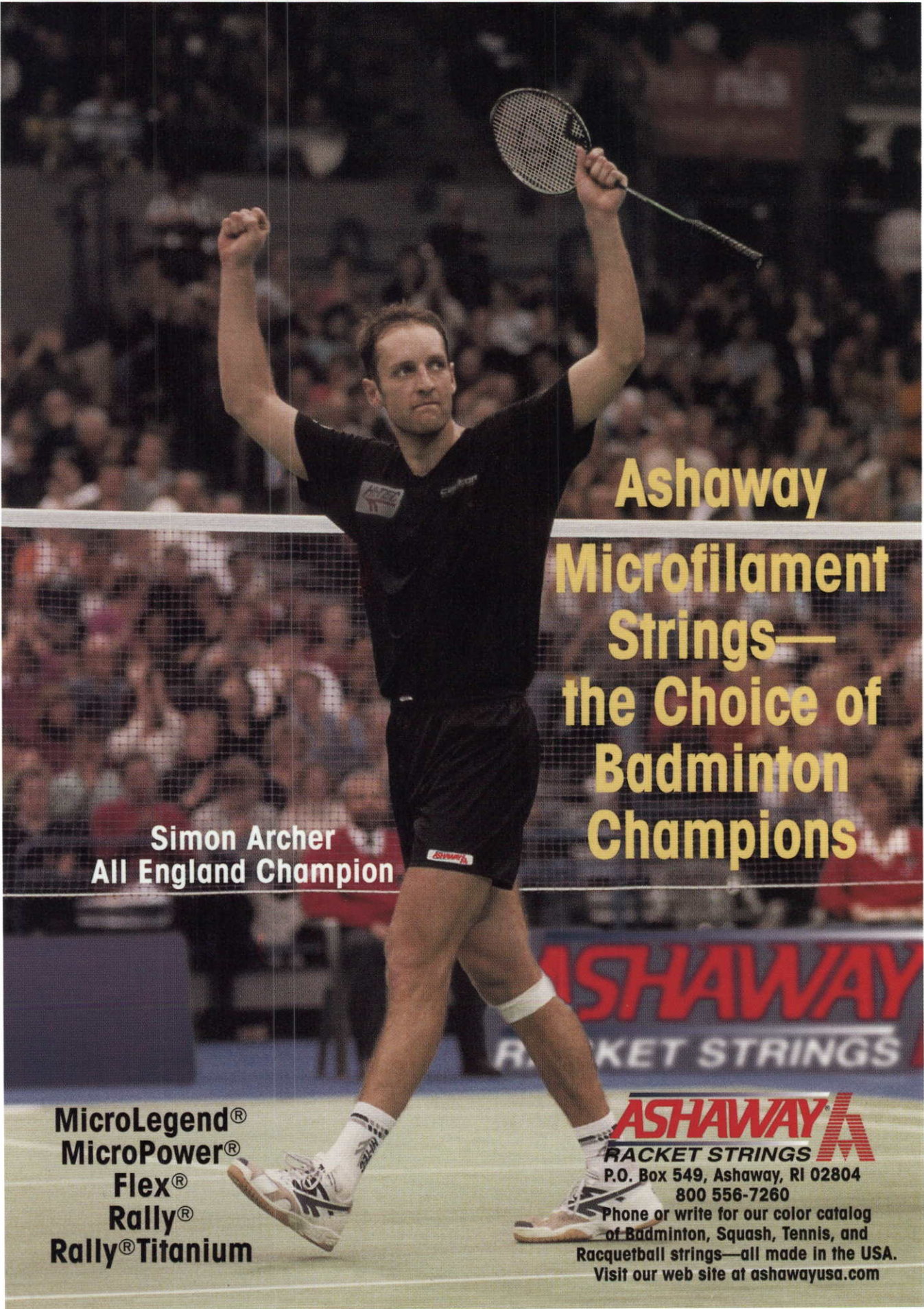
The stage was set for one or the other school to take complete bragging rights. The UWI championship mixed doubles team of Alex Haddad and Anna Ebanks faced off against Ademola and Shackerah, the HU finalist. The match appeared to have been easily won by the Howard pair, but in those two games played, the final 1 point and the final 2 points took well over ten minutes, with the spectators and teams members almost passing out at each swing of the racket. In the end, Howard won 6 matches to U.W.I.'s 5, cementing the victory and bragging rights. A culminating dinner was held for all the competitors at the University Center.

If there is any other college team out there who who like to take a run at HU, contact me at [cbarker@howard.edu](mailto:cbarker@howard.edu).



### WANT YOUR STORY OR PICTURE PUBLISHED?

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Yonex has run out of the Olympic bags for the USAB/Yonex new membership promotion. USAB would like to thank Yonex Corporation for their generous donation and support to promote USAB membership.

Don't worry! USAB is negotiating with Yonex Corporation on a new membership promotion offering more exciting Yonex products to new members. For recent USAB members who have signed up for the free bag promotion, please be patient for you will receive the new Yonex promotion product(s) shortly. Please feel free to contact USAB at 719-866-4808, ext 1 or by email to [peggy@usabadminton.org](mailto:peggy@usabadminton.org) for more information.

## **DO YOU PLAY OR COACH COLLEGIATE BADMINTON? LET US KNOW!**

USA Badminton is gathering together their Resources to compile a complete database of college clubs within the U.S. who currently are active badminton enthusiasts. Along with promoting the sport of badminton, your club will be included in the "Where to Play" section on our website.

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## **APPLICATION FOR HIGH-SCHOOL ALL-AMERICANS**

Applications for USA Badminton's High School All-Americans are now being accepted. All high school juniors and seniors during the 2001-2002 school year are eligible. Recipients will be chosen based on junior national titles held, badminton and academic achievements, extra-curricular activities, and coach's recommendation. The time period under consideration is from August 1, 2001, through completion of the 2002 K & D Graphics Junior National Badminton Tournament.

Applications will be available at the 2002 K & D Graphics Junior National Badminton Championships in Orange, California, 6/26/02 - 6/30/02. Interested students can also contact the National Office to request applications at 719-866-4808, ext 1, or by email to [peggy@usabadminton.org](mailto:peggy@usabadminton.org). Please note that all completed applications must be received at the USA Badminton National Office no later than July 15, 2002.

## **USAB REDUCES BADMINTON USA MAGAZINE TO QUARTERLY SUBSCRIPTION**

USA Badminton is reducing the *Badminton USA* magazine to a quarterly subscription to reduce printing costs. USAB plans to make up for the reduced number of issues by increasing the number of pages per magazine. In addition, the USAB website at [www.usabadminton.org](http://www.usabadminton.org) will be continually updated with the latest important information.

All this is made possible by the support of the Chew family and their printing company, K & D Graphics. K & D Graphics provides the graphic design, printing, and mailing for the full-color, 24+ page *Badminton USA* magazine at the same budget USAB paid in 1997 for their 2-color, 8 page newsletter. Each issue, K & D Graphics subsidizes \$4000-\$5000 of the fair market price to produce the magazine. This does not include the countless hours of volunteer work put in by Montri Chew and Gus Chew to facilitate the transfer of badminton information from its source to the magazine and website.

USAB has also tried to address the mailing delay problem. The US postal service apologized for the lag time but could not guarantee better service given the very low postage rates paid by USAB. Unfortunately, USAB can not afford to pay an additional \$1,500 per issue to upgrade the magazine postage to first-class mail.

The success of *Badminton USA* has been made possible by the time and energy of badminton members contributing their stories and pictures to the publication. USAB encourages more members to participate by sending in their letters, articles, and/or pictures. While the material received cannot be returned, every effort will be made to have the material published.

For more information on the *Badminton USA* publication, please contact Peggy at the USAB National Office, 719-866-4808, ext 1, or by email to [peggy@usabadminton.org](mailto:peggy@usabadminton.org)

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**Friday 15th March - Sunday 17th March**

**DuPont Gymnasium, M. I. T., Vassar Street  
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**Tournament Directors:** Christopher Lawrence, Patrick Boey

**Tournament Referee:** Charlotte Ackerman

**Events:** Mens Singles, Ladies Singles, Mens Doubles, Ladies Doubles, Mixed Doubles,  
Senior Mens Doubles (35+), Senior Mixed Doubles (35+)

**Entry deadline:** Friday 1st March

**Entry fees:** \$18 per person per event. Checks should be made payable to Boston Open Badminton. All participants must be members of U.S.A. Badminton or of their national badminton association, and present their current membership card upon registration. Non-members will be required to join U.S.A. Badminton at the registration desk (\$15). Each player in a doubles partnership must submit separate entry forms.

In the event that the tournament is over-subscribed, entries will be accepted according to the following criteria:

- a) the strength of the entry as judged by the information provided on page 3
- b) those entries received first
- c) existing U.S.A. Badminton members

In addition, a small number of entries in each event may be accepted as 'wild card' entries.

**DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES = MARCH 1st. NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED**

**Schedule:** (More information can be found at [www.bostonopen.com](http://www.bostonopen.com))

Friday 15th March	3.00 pm	Registration
	3.30 pm	Mens Singles
	5.30 pm	Ladies Singles
	10.30 pm	End of days play
Saturday 16th March	8.30 am	Registration
	9.00 am	Mixed Doubles (two rounds)
	11.30 am	Mens Doubles
	12.00 pm	Ladies Doubles
	3.00 pm	Senior Mens Doubles
	5.30 pm	Mixed Doubles Quarter Finals
	7.00 pm	Semi Finals (except Mixed Doubles)
10.30 pm	End of days play	
Sunday 17th March	8.30 am	Registration
	9.00 am	Mixed Doubles consolation
	9.30 am	Senior Mixed Doubles
	10.00 am	Mixed Doubles Semi Finals
	11.30 am	Finals (all events)
	4.30 pm	End of tournament (plan your flights accordingly!)

**Conditions:**

1. Yonex AS-30 shuttles will be provided free of charge and used throughout.
2. Consolation draws will be held for each event.
3. All matches will be the best of three games to fifteen points (eleven points for Ladies Singles).
4. Prize money totaling at least \$5000 will be awarded to finalists of all Open events.
5. A player not ready to play ten minutes after his / her match is called will be defaulted.
6. Acceptable badminton clothing must be worn during play. Finalists will be required to wear collared shirts and respectable shorts. Doubles partners are encouraged to wear matching colors.
7. Each player in a doubles partnership must submit separate entry forms.
8. Senior events are open to players who are 35 years of age or older on January 1st, 2002.
9. Checks must be enclosed with entries and received by Friday 1st March. No telephone, FAX or e-mail entries will be accepted. **NB: No entry and check by Friday 1st March = no play.**
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11. The tournament committee reserves the right to change any of the above conditions.

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**Tel: 317-849-3475.** (After 3/15 only, 317-345-5248). Checks payable to Boston Open Badminton

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**I have read this agreement, understand its purpose and agree to its terms.**

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent / Guardian (if participant is a minor) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**INFO NEEDED ON OTHER SIDE. CHECK MUST BE INCLUDED WITH FORM**

**Hotel: Radisson Hotel Cambridge** (1 mile from gym), 777 Memorial Dr, Cambridge 1-800-333-3333 or 617-492-7777. A limited number of rooms are available at a flat rate of \$120 per night.

Refer to "Boston Open" when booking and before March 4th in order to obtain this discounted rate.

**Boston Marriott Newton** (15 miles from gym), 2345 Commonwealth Avenue, Newton 1-800-228-9290.

A limited number of rooms are available at a flat rate of \$89 per night.

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**Directions:** (More information can be found at [www.bostonopen.com](http://www.bostonopen.com))

**From West** - Follow Mass Pike (I-90) to Exit 18. At fork in road bear right (toward Cambridge). Cross Charles River. Take right at end of bridge on to Memorial Drive. Go to first traffic light and take left. Take a right at end of street on to Vassar Street. The gymnasium is up the street on the right hand side.

**From South** - Take I-93 North to the Massachusetts Avenue exit. Take a right at the light at the end of the exit on to Massachusetts Avenue. Cross Charles River (about two miles up). Go to third traffic light and take a left on to Vassar Street. The gymnasium is on the left.

**From North** - Take I-95 then Route 1 or I-93 South. Follow signs for Storrow Drive. Take Storrow Drive along the river to Massachusetts Avenue exit (on left). Take right at end of exit. Cross river and go to third set of lights. Take left on to Vassar Street. Gymnasium is on left.

**From Logan airport** - Take subway (the T) to Kendall Sq. (red line). Walk through M.I.T. campus to the gymnasium (see maps around campus).

**Parking** - West Garage Annex, located on the opposite side of Vassar Street to the gymnasium.

**Airport pick up:** A free van pick up service is available between the airport, gym and hotel. Contact Beth Sopka (781-631-4879, [beth.sopka@bostonopen.com](mailto:beth.sopka@bostonopen.com)) before March 8th.

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**Indicate your best three results  
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**Orange, CA 92867**

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**[ocbcbmail@aol.com](mailto:ocbcbmail@aol.com)**

**Tournament Director:** Sunil Jinadasa (562) 496-3690 ([suniljinadasa@hotmail.com](mailto:suniljinadasa@hotmail.com))  
**Contact:** Tim Mangkalakiri (714) 639-6222 ([ocbcbmail@aol.com](mailto:ocbcbmail@aol.com))

**Events:** BS, GS, BD, GD, and MX in the following age categories:  
U-22 (Born in 1981 or later), U-19 (Born in 1984 or later), U-17 (Born in 1986 or later)  
U-15 (Born in 1988 or later), U-13 (Born in 1990 or later), U-11 (Born in 1992 or later)  
U-9 (Born in 1994 or later)  
**Maximum 3 events per player.** (Player's age must be under the age category as of 12/31/02.)

<b>Schedule:</b>	Saturday, March 9	8:00am	Registration at OCBC
	Saturday, March 9	9:00am - 7:00pm	Tournament Play
	Saturday, March 9	7:30pm - 9:30pm	Social Dinner
	Sunday, March 10	9:00am - 7:00pm	Tournament Play

**Entry Deadline:** **TUESDAY, 26 FEBRUARY 2002.** LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

**Entry Fees:** \$15 per person for the first event. \$5.00 per person per event for the second and third events. All participants must be members of USA Badminton. (One year USAB Junior memberships can be obtained for \$15.00 at the registration desk). Fees include entry to the social dinner. Make checks payable to USBDF.

**Awards:** Medals will be awarded to champion, runner-up, and consolation winner.

## **Conditions:**

1. Events may be combined or played round-robin format if not enough entries are received.
2. Consolation draws will be held for each event.
3. Up to two Yonex feather shuttlecocks per match will be provided free of charge.
4. All matches will be played in the best of 5 games to 7 points format.
5. A player not ready to play ten minutes after his/her match is called will be defaulted.
6. Each player in a doubles partnership must submit separate entry forms.
7. Entries will not be refunded if cancelled after 5 March 2002.
8. Results will be submitted for ranking purposes.
9. The Tournament Director reserves the right to change any of the above conditions.

**2002 USBDF SO-CAL JUNIOR OPEN TOURNAMENT**  
**OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM (Please PRINT clearly)**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

SEX (M/F): \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt size (circle one) : YOUTH S M L ADULT S M L XL

(Check applicable boxes and print partners' names)

		U22	U19	U17	U15	U13	U11	U9
Singles								
Doubles	Partner:							
Mixed	Partner:							

USAB #: \_\_\_\_\_ If not a current member, USAB member fee (\$15.00) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 ENTRY FEES (\$15.00 for 1<sup>st</sup> event + No. of additional events \_\_\_\_\_ x \$5.00) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**TOTAL ( Make checks payable to USBDF ) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Mail Entries to: OCBC, Attn. SO-CAL Junior Open, 1432 N. Main St., Orange, CA 92867**  
**Entry Deadline 26 February 2002.**

**USA BADMINTON WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY**

NOTE: THIS FORM MUST BE READ AND SIGNED BEFORE PARTICIPANT IS PERMITTED TO TAKE PART IN EVENT SESSIONS. BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, PARTICIPANT AFFIRMS HAVING READ IT.

IN CONSIDERATION of my involvement in the 2001 USBDF SO-CAL Junior Open badminton tournament sponsored by the US Badminton Development Foundation and the Orange County Badminton Club (OCBC), Orange, CA, sanctioned by USA Badminton, I acknowledge, appreciate and agree that:

- I risk bodily injury, including paralysis, dismemberment, disability and death, and while particular rules of the sport, equipment, and discipline may reduce this risk, this risk of injury does exist, as well as the risk of damage to or loss of property;
- I knowingly and freely assume all such risk, both known and unknown, even if arising from the negligence of the releasees or others;
- I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If, however, I observe any unusual or unnecessary hazard during my presence or participation or if I observe any concern in my readiness for participation, I will immediately bring such to the attention of the nearest official and refrain from participation; and,
- I, for myself, and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, hereby release, hold harmless and promise not to sue USA Badminton, the 2001 USBDF SO-CAL Junior Open badminton tournament committee, the OCBC, their officers, volunteers, staff, sponsors and/or agents, (□releasees□) with respect to any and all injury and loss arising from my participation, whether caused by the negligence of the releasees, the condition of the premises or otherwise, except that which is the result of gross negligence or wanton misconduct, to the fullest extent permitted by law;
- I agree to be bound by the rules and regulations of USA Badminton and I hereby stipulate that I am eligible to play in the events for which I am applying and that I understand that the above mentioned make no representation or warranty with respect to the condition of the premises or the operation of the event;
- I, hereby grant to USA Badminton, its licensees and contractees including photographers, televisions and motion picture companies, their affiliates and subsidiaries, full television and motion picture rights including authority to film or videotape me during matches, narratives, personal interviews, or comment thereon for any and all commercial, news or other purposes together with the right to transfer or grant their rights to others, all without remuneration or compensation to me whatsoever.

**I have read this Release of Liability and Waiver Agreement, fully understand its terms, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it, and sign it freely and voluntarily without any inducement.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Participant's Signature Participant's Name (Printed) USAB Member #

**FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE**

This is to certify that I/We as parent(s)/guardian(s) with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree not only to his/her release, but also for myself, Ourselves, and my /our heirs, assigns and next of kin to release and indemnify the Releasees from any and all Liability incident to my/our child's involvement as stated above, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Parent / Legal Guardian Signature Parent / Legal Guardian Name (Printed) Relationship to Participant



# 2002 K & D GRAPHICS U.S. ADULT NATIONAL BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS



April 5 - 7, 2002

Orange County Badminton Club

Orange, California

**VENUE:** Orange County Badminton Club, 1432 N. Main St., Orange, CA  
Phone: (714) 639-6222. Fax: (714) 639-8392.

**DIRECTOR:** Paisan Rangsitkitho (562) 858-2011.

**EVENTS:** Events are Men's and Women's Singles, Men's and Women's Doubles, Mixed Doubles. A regular and feed-in consolation draw through the quarter-finals will be used in accordance with USAB.

THE 2002 U.S. NATIONALS WILL USE THE IIBF SCORING SYSTEM OF 3 OUT OF 5 GAMES TO 7 POINTS PER GAME (5 X 7 SCORING). FOR COMPLETE RULES, PLEASE LOG ON TO [OCBADMINTONCLUB.COM](http://OCBADMINTONCLUB.COM) OR CONTACT TIM MANGKALAKIRI AT (714) 639-6222.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Participation in the 2002 K & D Graphics U.S. Adult National Championships is open to any currently registered member of USA Badminton, who are U.S. citizens or have been a resident of the United States for the last 12 months. To enter, contestants must complete this application and forward it, along with appropriate fees, to the **Orange County Badminton Club, postmarked no later than March 5, 2002.**

**FEES:** The entry fee for one or two events is \$80; a third event is an additional \$25. Fees include a banquet ticket and tournament T-shirt. Please make checks payable to "**Orange County Badminton Club.**" (NO PHONE ENTRIES ACCEPTED. FAXED ENTRIES ACCEPTED ONLY WITH CREDIT CARD)

**EQUIPMENT:** Yonex is the official equipment sponsor of the U.S. Adult National Championships. Shuttlecocks will be provided by Yonex Corporation.

<b>SCHEDULE:</b>	Thursday, April 4	5 pm	Tournament Registration and Practice
	Friday, April 5	10 am - 8 pm	All tournament events play
	Saturday, April 6	10 am - 6 pm 7:30 pm	All tournament events play Banquet
	Sunday, April 7	10 am	Finals - finished by 5 pm

**AIR TRAVEL:** United Airlines is the official airline of the 2002 K & D Graphics U.S. Adult National Badminton Championships. Discounts on airfares may be obtained by calling United Airlines at (800) 841-0460. For discounts, refer to "USA Badminton."

**LODGING:  
& SHUTTLE** Country Inn, 3737 W. Chapman Avenue, Orange, CA 92868, Phone: (800) 268-7946, (714) 978-9168. Special rates are \$65 + tax per room for up to 4 including buffet breakfast. Reservation must be made by March 21, 2002. For discount, refer to "U.S. Badminton National." Scheduled shuttle service is available to and from OCBC during the tournament.

DoubleTree Hotel, 100 City Drive, Orange, CA 92868, Phone: (714) 634-4500. Special rates are \$86 + tax per room for up to 4 including 2 buffet breakfast, additional breakfast at \$7 each. Reservation must be made by March 21, 2002. For discount, refer to "U.S. Badminton National." Scheduled shuttle service is available to and from OCBC during the tournament.

**USAB TEAM:** The 2002 U.S. Adult National results will be used for seeding at the 2003 Sudirman Cup US Team Trials. More information will be available in the upcoming issue of *Badminton USA* and on the website at [usabadminton.org](http://usabadminton.org).

# OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

## 2002 K & D Graphics U.S. Adult National Badminton Championships

Complete entry form, sign release and return to: Orange County Badminton Club, 1432 N. Main St., Orange, CA 92867

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ USAB MEMBER #: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ T-SHIRT (CIRCLE): XL L M S

PHONE:(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ SEX (CIRCLE): M F U.S. CITIZEN (CIRCLE): Y N

ENTRY INFORMATION - My signature on this form certifies that I have read and understand the application. Please enter me in the following events at the 2002 K & D Graphics U.S. Adult National Badminton Championships:

MEN'S SINGLES (ENTER "YES")	WOMEN'S SINGLES (ENTER "YES")	MEN'S DOUBLES (PARTNER'S NAME OR "REQUEST")	WOMEN'S DOUBLES (PARTNER'S NAME OR "REQUEST")	MIXED DOUBLES (PARTNER'S NAME OR "REQUEST")

**ENTRY FEE:** \$80 for one or two events including banquet, \$25 for third event = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**BANQUET TICKET:** Additional banquet tickets, number \_\_\_\_\_ x \$30 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL ENTRY FEE:** = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Authorization Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to play in the 2002K & D Graphics U.S. Adult National Championships, a player must be a United States citizen or have maintained for one year or more, a continuous legal residency in the United States prior to the date of the Championships; and, shall neither have played in any National Championships of any other country during the year of residency, nor have played on any National Team for any other country during the same year.

DECLARATION OF ELIGIBILITY: I, \_\_\_\_\_, declare that I meet the above criteria for legal participation in these Championships.

### WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

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IN CONSIDERATION of my involvement at the 2002 U.S. Adult National Badminton Championships under the auspices of USA Badminton and, I acknowledge, appreciate and agree that:

1. I risk bodily injury, including paralysis, dismemberment, disability and death, and while particular rules of the sport, equipment, and discipline may reduce this risk, this risk of injury does exist, as well as the risk of damage to or loss of property.
2. I knowingly and freely assume all such risk; both known and unknown, even if arising from the negligence of the releasees or others;
3. I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If, however, I observe any unusual or unnecessary hazard during my presence or participation or if I observe any concern in my readiness for participation, I will immediately bring such to the attention of the nearest official and refrain from participation; and,
3. I, for myself, and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, hereby release, hold harmless and promise not to sue USA Badminton, the committee, their sponsors, their officers, volunteers, staff, sponsors and/or agents, ("releasees") with respect to any and all injury and loss arising from my participation, whether caused by the negligence of the releasees, the condition of the premises or otherwise, except that which is the result of gross negligence or wanton misconduct, to the fullest extent permitted by law.
4. I agree to be bound by the rules and regulations of the International Badminton Federation and those of USA Badminton and I hereby stipulate that I am eligible to play in the events for which I am applying and that I understand that the above mentioned make no representation or warranty with respect to the condition of the premises or the operation of the event.
5. I hereby grant to USA Badminton, its licensees and contractees including photographers, television and motion picture companies, their affiliates and subsidiaries, full television and motion picture rights including authority to film or videotape me during matches, narratives, personal interviews, or comment thereon for any and all commercial, news or other purposes together with the right to transfer or grant their rights to others, all without remuneration or compensation to me whatsoever.

I have read this Release of Liability and Waiver Agreement, fully understand its terms, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it, and sign it freely and voluntarily without any inducement. And I further acknowledge by these presents that I am aware that **DRUG TESTING** may occur at this event.

Participant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Sport of Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Participant's Name (Printed) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE

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Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Participant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



# New England Junior Open

## May 3-5, 2002

sponsored by

**Northshore Junior Badminton Association  
Marblehead, Massachusetts**

**VENUES:**

Marblehead Community Center 10 Humphrey Street Marblehead, MA 01945	The Gut 'N Feathers Club 51 Pleasant Street Marblehead, MA 01945	Tower School Gymnasium 75 West Shore Drive Marblehead, MA 01945
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**EVENTS:** Girls and Boys Singles and Doubles, Mixed Doubles. Maximum of 3 events per participant.  
**AGE CATEGORIES:** Under 22, Under 19, Under 17, Under 15, Under 13, Under 11. (*eligibility determined by age as of 12/31/2002*)  
**ENTRY FEES:** \$40. All participants must be USA Badminton members or members of their national organization, if not US. USAB tournament-only membership fee is \$15 and may be purchased on entry. Entry fee includes player's Saturday dinner ticket. Additional dinner guest tickets may be purchased for \$7.50.

*Make checks payable to NJBA*

**DEADLINE FOR ENTRY:** APRIL 27, 2002 **MAIL TO :** Beth Sopka Fax: 781-631-6339  
 1 Greystone Road  
 Marblehead, MA 01945 e-mail: shearsopka@mediaone.net

**SANCTION:** This tournament is sanctioned by USA Badminton. Results will be submitted for ranking purposes. In addition, as a sanctioned event, athletes may be selected for drug testing without prior announcement.

**SCHEDULE:**

<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	
FRIDAY	4 - 7 pm	Registration at the Marblehead Community Center.
	5 pm	Singles
SATURDAY	8 am	Doubles
	1 pm	Mixed Doubles
	7 pm	Dinner Social
SUNDAY	9 am	Finals

**10 minute default rule will be in effect**

**PRIZES:** Will be awarded to first and second place winners.

### 2002 NEW ENGLAND JUNIOR OPEN TOURNAMENT

#### Official Entry Form

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name	Phone ( )	USA Badminton #
Address	e-mail	
School/club	Birth Date	Age (as of 12/31/2002)

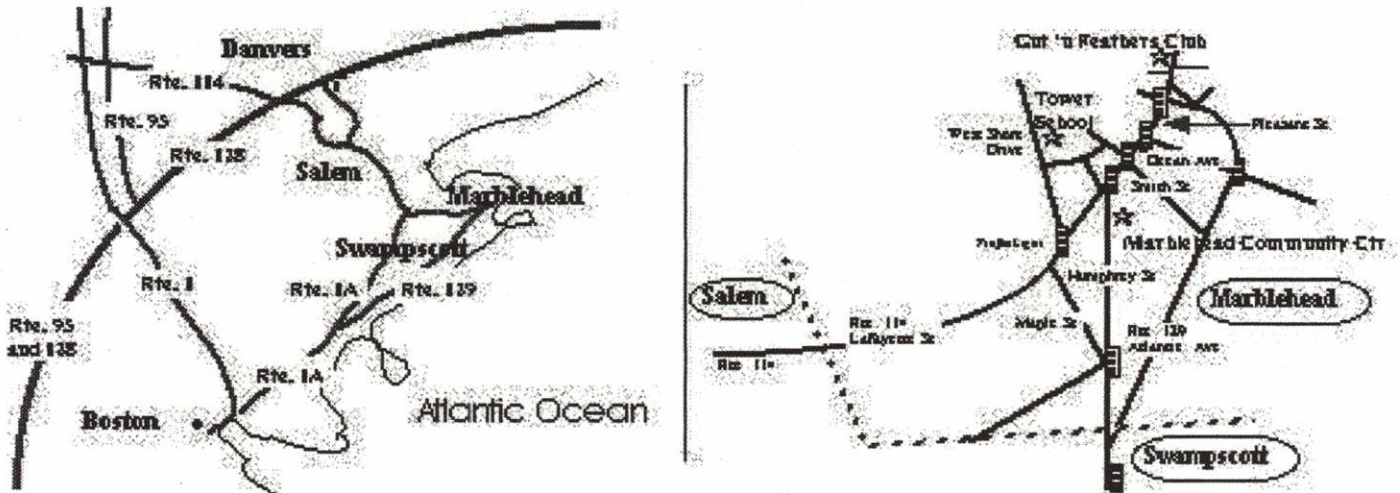
Male or Female (circle one)

		<u>U22</u>	<u>U19</u>	<u>U17</u>	<u>U15</u>	<u>U13</u>	<u>U11</u>
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Doubles	Partner: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mixed	Partner: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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USA Badminton tournament-only member fee (\$15.00)	\$											
Guest dinner/dance tickets. _____ @ \$7.50 each	\$											
(make checks payable to NJBA)	<b>TOTAL</b>	\$										
Check box if you are interested in the following and provide additional details below: <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Housing with a local family. <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation to/from <input type="checkbox"/> Logan International Airport or <input type="checkbox"/> South Station (bus/train).												
Arrival flight/train/bus #	Date:	Time:										
Departure flight/train/bus #	Date:	Time:										

***No one may play without proper signature on back side of this form!***

- SHUTTLES:** Feather shuttles shall be used in all matches. Up to two shuttles will be supplied for each main flight match and one for each consolation match. Additional shuttles, if needed, must be provided by participants. Shuttles will be available for purchase.
- SNACK BAR:** Concession stand will be available at each venue.
- DINNER:** Dinner is planned for Saturday, May 4, at 7 p.m.. Player's dinner is included in the entry fee. Family members and friends are welcome to attend for a guest fee of \$7.50.
- ACCOMMODATIONS:** Players may take advantage of our housing available for Friday and Saturday nights. *Please make housing requests as early as possible* by contacting Beth Sopka by e-mail at [shearsopka@mediaone.net](mailto:shearsopka@mediaone.net). We have arranged a special tournament rate of \$99/night at the Peabody Marriott (ph: 978-977-9700, code word: New England Junior Open). Also, local B&B's can be found at: <http://www.marblehead.com/commun/accom.htm>.
- TRANSPORTATION:** Pickup may be arranged in advance for those arriving at Boston's Logan International Airport and South Station for train or arrivals. Contact Beth Sopka at 781-631-4879 or by e-mail at [shearsopka@mediaone.net](mailto:shearsopka@mediaone.net).
- DIRECTIONS:** Swampscott and Marblehead are located on the coast approximately 17 miles north of Boston. From downtown Boston, take the Callahan Tunnel to Rte 1A north 9-1/2 miles to Lynn. Then follow Rte 129 along the coast to Swampscott and then Marblehead.  
From west or north of Boston, take Rte. 128 to Rte 114. Follow 114 east through Peabody and Salem, carefully watching signs as the road takes many turns before reaching Marblehead.



**DEADLINE FOR ENTRY: APRIL 27, 2002**

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1. I risk bodily injury, including paralysis, dismemberment, disability and death, and while particular rules of the sport, equipment, and discipline may reduce this risk, this risk of injury does exist, as well as the risk of damage to or loss of property;
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Date Participant's Signature Participant's Name (Printed) USA Badminton Member

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Date Parent/Legal Guardian Signature Parent/Legal Guardian Signature Relationship to Participant

# 2002 K & D Graphics U.S. Junior National Badminton Championships

June 26 - 30, 2002 • OCBC • Orange, California



**VENUE** Orange County Badminton Club at 1432 N. Main St. • Orange • CA 92867 • (714) 639-6222 • Fax (714) 639-8392.

**EVENTS** Boy's Singles, Girl's Singles, Boy's Doubles, Girl's Doubles and Mixed Doubles. Age Division: UNDER-9, UNDER-11, UNDER-13, UNDER-15, UNDER-17, UNDER-19 AND UNDER-22. To qualify for an age division, the player's age must be under the age division as of 12/31/02. A feed-in consolation draw through the quarter-finals will be used in accordance with USA Badminton. Events with less than three entries will be cancelled.

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**FEE** The entry fee for one event is \$50, which includes a tournament t-shirt, free tournament shuttlecocks provided by Yonex Corporation and an invitation to the tournament banquet. Each additional event is \$25 (three events max). A \$25 damage deposit is also required to cover any damage to the facility and will be returned to each participant if no damage occurs. Fee for additional banquet tickets on June 29, 2002 is \$15 per person. RSVP by June 26, 2002; banquet tickets will be unavailable after June 26th. Make checks payable to "Orange County Badminton Club".

LATE ENTRIES WILL BE CHARGED \$10. USA BADMINTON RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REFUSE LATE ENTRIES.

**AWARDS** Medals shall be awarded to the top five finishers in each event.

**OFFICIALS** TOURNAMENT CHAIRMAN Don Chew (714) 639-6222

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR Paisan Rangsitpho (562) 858-2011

**DRAWS/ SEEDING** The draws for the tournament will be made according to USAB guidelines by the tournament committee. Seedings are made by the USAB Junior Committee.

<b>SCHEDULE OF EVENTS</b>	Tuesday, June 25	6:00 PM	Registration at OCBC / Open Practice
		7:00 PM	Player's Meeting
		7:30 PM	Coach/Team Manager Meeting
		8:00 PM	Umpire Clinic (additional clinics to be announced)
	Wednesday, June 26	9:00 AM - 9:00 PM	Tournament Play
	Thursday, June 27	9:00 AM - 9:00 PM	Tournament Play
	Friday, June 28	9:00 AM - 9:00 PM	Tournament Play
	Saturday, June 29	9:00 AM - 6:00 PM	Tournament Play
		7:30 PM	Banquet
	Sunday, June 30	9:00 AM	Finals

**AIR TRAVEL** United Airlines is the official airline of the 2002 K & D Graphics U.S. Junior National Badminton Championships. Discounts on airfare may be obtained by calling United Airlines at (800) 841-0460. For discounts, refer to "USA BADMINTON".

**LODGING & SHUTTLE** DoubleTree Hotel, 100 City Drive, Orange, CA 92989, Phone: (714) 634-4500  
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# 2002 K & D Graphics U.S. Junior Badminton Championships

Please print clearly, complete entry form, sign release and return to: OCBC, 1432 N. Main St., Orange, CA 92867, (714) 639-6222, FAX (714) 639-8392

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**AGE CATEGORIES: Player's age must be under the age division as of 12/31/02.**

EVENTS	SINGLES (Enter "Yes")	DOUBLES (Enter partner's name or "Request")	MIXED DOUBLES (Enter partner's name or "Request")
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ENTRY FEE (includes T-shirt, Shuttlecocks and Banquet)	\$50 for one event, \$25 for each additional (3 events maximum)	= \$ _____
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ADDITIONAL BANQUET TICKETS	\$15 per additional person times number of tickets _____	= \$ _____
<b>TOTAL ENTRY FEE</b>	All amounts are non-refundable after June 1, 2002	= \$ _____

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**PLEASE FOLLOW ALL  
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INCOMPLETE ENTRIES  
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## WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

NOTE: THIS FORM MUST BE READ AND SIGNED BEFORE THE PARTICIPANT IS PERMITTED TO TAKE PART IN EVENT SESSIONS. BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, THE PARTICIPANT AFFIRMS HAVING READ IT.

IN CONSIDERATION of my involvement at the 2002 U.S. Junior National Championships under the auspices of USA Badminton, K & D Investments, K & D Graphics, the Orange County Badminton Club, Bebe's Cafe and Yonex Corporation, I acknowledge, appreciate and agree that:

- I risk bodily injury, including paralysis, dismemberment, disability and death, and while particular rules of the sport, equipment, and discipline may reduce this risk, this risk of injury does exist, as well as the risk of damage to or loss of property.
- I knowingly and freely assume all such risk; both known and unknown, even if arising from the negligence of the releasees or others;
- I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If, however, I observe any unusual or unnecessary hazard during my presence or participation or if I observe any concern in my readiness for participation, I will immediately bring such to the attention of the nearest official and refrain from participation; and,
- I, for myself, and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, hereby release, hold harmless and promise not to sue USA Badminton, the committee, their sponsors, their officers, volunteers, staff, sponsors and/or agents, ("releasees") with respect to any and all injury and loss arising from my participation, whether caused by the negligence of the releasees, the condition of the premises or otherwise, except that which is the result of gross negligence or wanton misconduct, to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- I agree to be bound by the rules and regulations of the International Badminton Federation and those of USA Badminton and I hereby stipulate that I am eligible to play in the events for which I am applying and that I understand that the above mentioned make no representation or warranty with respect to the condition of the premises or the operation of the event.
- I hereby grant to USA Badminton, its licensees and contractees including photographers, television and motion picture companies, their affiliates and subsidiaries, full television and motion picture rights including authority to film or videotape me during matches, narratives, personal interviews, or comment thereon for any and all commercial, news or other purposes together with the right to transfer or grant their rights to others, all without remuneration or compensation to me whatsoever.

**I have read this Release of Liability and Waiver Agreement, fully understand its terms, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it, and sign it freely and voluntarily without any inducement. And I further acknowledge by these presents that I am aware that DRUG TESTING may occur at this event.**

Participant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Sport of Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Participant's Name (Printed) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE**

This is to certify that I/We as parent(s)/guardian(s) with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree not only to his/her release, but also for myself, ourselves, and my /our heirs, assigns and next of kin to release and indemnify the Releasees from any and all Liability incident to my/our child's involvement as stated above, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Participant \_\_\_\_\_



## LIGHT THE FIRE WITHIN

By Terri Rogers, USA Badminton Intern

I have embarked on a new adventure. My name is Terri and I am the USA Badminton Intern for the spring semester. This is an exciting time to be on the Olympic Training Center complex. Most people are aware that the 2002 Salt Lake City's Winter Olympics starts this month. The Olympic games represent tradition and symbols that signify competition, peace, unity and life. The symbolic Olympic flame that is now a sacred tradition was born in the 1928 Amsterdam Games. These Games developed the idea of maintaining the flame from Olympia, the birthplace of the Olympics, for what we use today as the symbol of the opening and ending of the Olympic games. The torch relay is the method of transporting the sacred flame as it is passed from torchbearer to torchbearer. The Olympic flame represents the light of spirit, knowledge and life, which is passed from generation to generation. Ralph Kempcke, a USA Badminton National Office Volunteer, was awarded the distinct honor of carrying the flame for this year's 2002 Salt Lake City's Winter games. I had the pleasure of interviewing him to learn of his incredible experience.

**Hi Ralph. Can you tell me a brief history and introduction about yourself?** Well, I am 73 years old and have lived in Colorado Springs for 13 years. I have been married for 49 years and have three sons. I am retired from a career in Bell Systems and the Navy. In the Navy I served for 36 years and was the Command Master Chief for all Naval Intelligence Reserve Units in the 9th Naval District. I compete throughout the state and nation with the Senior Olympics. The two sports I actively participate in are race walking and swimming. For race walking I compete in the 1,500 and the 5,000 meters races. I also compete in five swimming events. The 50, 100 and 200 meters free style races. I compete in the 50 and 100 meters breast-stroke races. My goal is to win a medal in every open and every state. I also have completed 10 marathons.

**Now that you're retired, do you volunteer some of your spare time?** Yes, I have volunteered around 5,000 hours for the USOC at the Olympic Training Center. I have worked with most of the national governing bodies. I also enjoy helping the blind swimmers and track athletes during their practice. There are around 160 volunteers at the Olympic Training Center, but only three of us can do computer and data entry work. I have also volunteered for an adult reading program, the Argonauts, Curiosity Unlimited, World Affairs and the Red Cross. Other clubs I am involved with are the Pikes Peak Road Runners track club, Summer Biathlon, Masters Track & Field and Colorado Masters Swimming Clubs.

**Who nominated you and how did you feel?** There are two people that I know of who nominated me, my daughter-in-law Janet

Kempcke and a friend, Willie Gatza. I was surprised and not sure what I was getting into.

**After being accepted, what did you do next?** I mapped out a running route that was exactly two tenths of a mile, the length I would be running in the relay. Six weeks prior to the relay I started running with a 3-pound weight over my head 2-3 times per week. A couple of mornings I was caught by the newspaper boy. He must have thought I was crazy.

**Okay, so it's January 31st, the day of the event, what happened?** My family came in the night before. We had breakfast and visited. I was to be at the Olympic Training Center's Visitors Center at 4:35 Thursday evening. I got on the bus around 5 p.m. accompanied with the other torchbearers. We sat for one hour at the Deaf and Blind School before getting on the caravan that would transport us to our own specific locations. Once we arrived at our location they stopped the bus and said "Number 233 your off the bus." I got off the bus and was handed the torch. The support runners put me in position and directed me to turn when I was being passed the flame. Bill Hybl, the past USOC President and current Ambassador to the United Nations, passed the flame to me. I was turned back around and told, "GO!"



*USOC Past President Bill Hybl lights USAB National Volunteer Ralph Kempcke's Olympic torch on its historic national relay to the 2002 Salt Lake City Winter Olympic Games.*

**What were you feeling?** Everything happened so fast. It seemed that we waited so long for a moment that went so fast. I was in my glory.

**What were your thoughts during the relay?** I don't remember many specific thoughts. I do remember seeing the crowd supporters and my family. I saw friends and family members in the crowd that I hadn't seen for some time. The support runner along the side of me was crying the whole time.

**Do you remember feeling tired, winded or exhausted from the run?** No, not at all.

I don't remember my feet ever touching the ground. I even asked the support runner if I was running too fast. She told me I was running at a perfect pace.

**What were your thoughts or feelings as you passed the flame to the next torchbearer?** Right when I was finished running my leg and lit the next runner's torch, my flame was put out. Very quickly everyone was gone but the crowd.

**What was their reaction?** The crowd came and surrounded me. They wanted pictures and to touch the torch. There were probably twenty-five kids around me excited to see the torch. I had two Mexican teenagers motion that they wanted a picture with the torch. They didn't speak any English.

**What has been the reaction now that a couple days have passed?** I am coming down from the high. I am exhausted from all the emotional energy. People from the neighborhood have stopped by to get a closer look at the torch. It has been fantastic.

**You were given the opportunity to purchase the torch. Why did you?** This was a once in a lifetime experience. I also plan in the future to donate the torch for others to enjoy.

**Where do you plan on displaying your torch?** I plan on displaying it in front of my bay window facing the street. This way people will be able to see the torch.

**Are there any special moments that you will always remember?** This has been a humbling experience. There were around 210,000 nominations. I was one of the 11,500 torchbearers selected. I will remember the sheer joy of doing something that people know about but are not usually close to experiencing. A special memory will be seeing the kids so excited to touch and take pictures of the torch. I feel proud just to be nominated. I am not usually an emotional person. I didn't expect this whole event to have such a tremendous impact on my life.

**Thank you, Ralph.**

When the flame arrives in Salt Lake City for the opening ceremony on February 8th, it will have crossed 13,500 miles and 46 states. The theme of the 2002 torch is "Light the Fire Within." Ralph and the other torchbearers were selected for "their" fire within and for their portrayal of the Olympic Spirit. I asked Mrs. Willie Gatza why she nominated Ralph. She explained: "Ralph represents the prime example of the Olympic Spirit, a prime example of an American."

Note: Terri Rogers is a graduate student at Temple University in Philadelphia, PA. She will receive her Master of Education in Sports Administration in May 2002. While receiving her Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology and Exercise Science from Temple University, she was a scholarship athlete for the Temple Women's soccer Team. She is interested in a job after her internship in sports management.



## USA BADMINTON WALK OF FAME PLAZA

By Vicki Toutz, Chairperson for the Walk of Fame Project

A new and exciting USA Badminton project is being developed. Stay tuned for further developments and construction of the upcoming "Walk of Fame Plaza".

In an effort to preserve the athletic legacy of the sport of badminton, a "USA Badminton Walk of Fame Plaza" will be erected in front of the Orange County Badminton Club in Orange, California. Each year, four past "Hall of Fame" inductees will be enshrined into the new Walk of Fame Plaza. Also to be inducted, if candidates meet the criteria and voting process, will be two new inductees selected from retired adult players, coaches, and/or administrators (For further explanation regarding the induction process read "USA Badminton Walk of Fame Selection Criteria" listed in this issue).

The Orange County Badminton site was selected by the project director, Vicki Toutz. Toutz says, "The site was selected because it affords the greatest exposure for badminton. The club continues to attract people from all walks of life: local players and club members from surrounding areas, national and international athletes and stars, International Badminton Federation administrators, and newspapers and TV media. The site will allow large groups of people to visit, reflect upon, and celebrate the outstanding performances, accomplishments and successes of athletes. It thereby preserves badminton's athletic history and provides a permanent home for everyone to enjoy and celebrate."

USA Badminton's Walk of Fame Project is to be independently funded. The funds will be raised from corporate sponsors, foundations, and individual donations only! A considerable amount of money will be needed to fund the first phase of the project. The following items need immediate funding in order to meet the fall 2002 completion dates: purchase six granite stones, engrave WOF logo on six granite stones, design Sponsors' Plaque, purchase six inductees' commemorative plaques, fund transportation for inductees, print letterhead stationery, and pay for mailing expenses.

As project director, I am asking you to donate towards the building of the "Walk of Fame Plaza." By partnering with USA Badminton's Walk of Fame project, your donations will provide a unique opportunity to preserve USA Badminton's historic athletic legacy, inspire young players, and motivate the dreams of tomorrow's champions and Olympians.



### "WALK OF FAME PLAZA" FUND

Here's how you can be a part of the "USA Badminton Walk of Fame Plaza." Select one of the following donation plans:

Match :	\$100-\$75	Send to:
Game:	\$74-\$50	USA Badminton
Spectator:	\$49-\$25	c/o Walk of Fame Plaza
		One Olympic Plaza
		Colorado Springs, CO 80909
Make check payable to:		Forward checks by: July 30, 2002
USA Badminton		
(for Walk of Fame Plaza)		

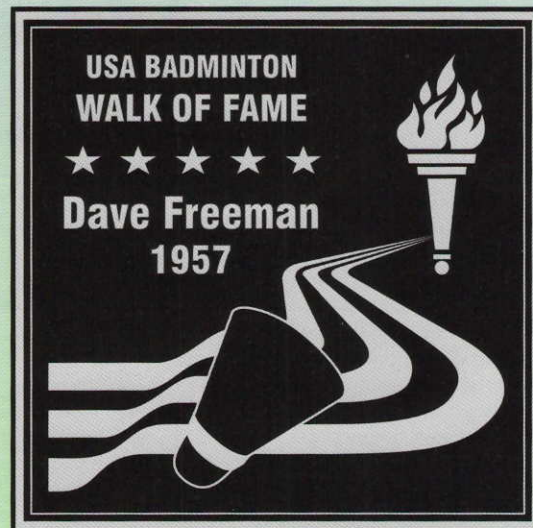
All donations are tax deductible. Your gift and generous support are remembered with gratitude.

### \$100 AWARD

#### "WALK OF FAME" LOGO WINNER

As chairperson of the Walk of Fame project, I would like to thank everyone for submitting so many creative logo designs for the upcoming USA Badminton "Walk of Fame Plaza." USA Badminton received over 80 different logo designs. After a committee review, the winner was selected based on which logo best represented the project's idea. *Vicki Toutz*

#### BEST LOGO DESIGN FOR "WALK OF FAME"... AWARDED TO:



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# USA BADMINTON WALK OF FAME SELECTION CRITERIA

January 29, 2002

1. SELECTION COMMITTEE: (11 members, 2 YEAR TERM)  
Composition of WOF Committee
    - 1.1 1-Chair - appointed by USA Badminton President
    - 1.2 1-USA Board Member - appointed by USAB Board
    - 1.3 5-Regional Directors
    - 1.4 4-Previous Hall of Fame Inductees ( 2 female and 2 male) preferably from different eras, appointed by committee chair.
  2. CRITERIA FOR NOMINATIONS:
    - 2.1 Nominations are to be made yearly and only if there are qualified candidates.
    - 2.2 Selection is to be made from the following categories only:
      - Athletic performance records from USA National Championships, USA International Tournaments, Olympic Team, Uber or Thomas Cup Teams, or any other national/international competition not listed.
      - Retired coaches and/or administrators who have outstanding service and accomplishments which have impact upon the development of the sport or athletes.
    - 2.3 Senior/Junior athletic performances or titles are not to be considered.
    - 2.4 Athletes may be deceased.
    - 2.5 Athletes must be retired from adult national/international competition for a minimum of 4 years. During athletes' competitive, administrators' service or coaches' career must have been a member of USA Badminton or member of one of the previous national badminton organizations, and a resident or USA citizen for the majority of their career.
    - 2.6 If a person(s) were not inducted previous years, their name may reappear on the nominating list in following years.
    - 2.7 A person may not be inducted a second time.
  3. PROCEDURES FOR NOMINATING:
    - 3.1 Each member of the WOF committee shall nominate up to a maximum of 8 (4 female and 4 male) candidates who meet the eligibility criteria listed in section 2.
    - 3.2 If any or all of the nominees do not receive the necessary points for induction, then no athletes will be inducted for the year. (Refer to section 5.)
    - 3.3 When submitting the nominating ballot, the WOF committee member must list criteria with substantiating data which allows for a comparison of candidates.
      - Athletes: years and number of national titles, years representing USA on national teams, Olympic competition, international records, and other pertinent athletic adult accomplishments.
      - Coaches: athletic development, titles, records, etc.
      - Administrators: originality and leadership qualities which had a significant impact upon sport of badminton.
    - 3.4 Committee members do not need to nominate candidates. However the committee member must sign and return the ballot stating, "I have no nominations."
    - 3.5 WOF committee nominees list and data are to be faxed or e-mailed to USAB office.
    - 3.6 USAB National Office is to fax or e-mailed the final ballot listing all candidates nominated as outline in section 7.
  4. SELECTION PROCESS AND POINT SYSTEM: Final voting ballot are due back to the national office.
    - 4.1 Each committee member is to select his/her top six female and six male candidates from the entire list of committee nominations.
    - 4.2 If there are less than six female and six male candidates nominated, then all six or less are to be ranked accordingly.
    - 4.3 Each Committee member is to rank his/her six finalists in order of first choice to last choice.
    - 4.4 Once the six candidates have been ranked, each committee member awards a specific point value to each of the six females and six males ranked.  
Example: 1st choice is to receive..... 6 points  
2nd choice is to receive.. 5 points  
3rd choice is to receive.... 4 points  
and so on, until the 6th person receives 1 point.
  - 4.5 Points are awarded in descending order....6 points being awarded to the highest candidate and 1 point awarded to the candidate who is least desirable.
  - 4.6 Two or more nominees may not be awarded the same point value.
  - 4.7 No point above 6 or below 1 is to be awarded.
  5. GUIDELINES AND POINTS NEEDED FOR INDUCTION:
    - 5.1 A nominee must receive 45 points or higher and place in the top two on the men's list and top two on the women's list.
    - 5.2 If ties occur in the final tabulation of points, then both candidates will be inducted into WOF providing they earn the necessary induction points.
    - 5.3 If nominees do not receive 45 points or higher, then none of the candidates qualify and will not be inducted that calendar year.
  6. PAST USA BADMINTON "HALL OF FAME" INDUCTEES:
    - 6.1 All previous "Hall of Fame" inductees are to be enshrined into the new "Walk of Fame Plaza." Providing funding is available, four "Hall of Fame" inductees will be enshrined into the new "Walk of Fame" each year.
    - 6.2 The new "Walk of Fame" now becomes the official Hall of Fame.
  7. DUTIES OF THE NATIONAL OFFICE :
    - 7.1 Distribute ballots, lists and results according to schedule.
    - 7.2 Compile nominations from all WOF committee members, list athletes alphabetically and by gender, and include athletic achievements.
    - 7.2 Fax or e-mail the final voting ballot to WOF Committee. The Chairperson must review the final list before ballot is distributed.
    - 7.3 Secretary in National Office with supervision of Ex. Director will tabulate final points and fax final results to WOF Committee members, Chair, and USAB President. The WOF Chair reviews the final list before ballot is published.
    - 7.4 National Office will collect donations and all funds for use on the WOF, cut checks for payment of WOF projects and archive list of sponsors and names of donors.
    - 7.5 Chair of WOF committee along with national office will make sure the list of new inductees/sponsors/patrons are printed in USA Badminton magazines and web page.
    - 7.6 USA Badminton National Office, with help of WOF chair, will archive all inductees' names for historical record, publish names in USAB magazine and on web page, and print list in all event programs for the following tournaments: US Open, US Adult Nationals, Senior and Junior Nationals.
  8. LOCATION OF USA BADMINTON'S "WALK OF FAME:"
    - 8.1 Orange County Badminton Club (OCBC) in Southern California
    - 8.2 Random location on sidewalk outside OCBC.
    - 8.3 In event the club closes, the USA Badminton Board of Directors have the power to move or relocate the existing WOF.
  9. INDUCTION CEREMONY:
    - 9.1 First induction ceremony TBA at a National or International Tournament
    - 9.2 Induction ceremony details to be worked out later - reception/ seating, award/afternoon/evening.
    - 9.3 Details for ceremony are to be prearranged with US Tournament Director.
- Project Director: Vicki Toutz  
Consultants: Al and Ginny Hales and Diane Cornell



# PROMOTED TO GLORY DECEMBER 16, 2001 RAY SCOTT, 1916-2001

By Bob Ericson, Top Flight Badminton Club President & Dear Friend

Rrring. Ring. Brrring. The phone is picked up on the other end. "Ray Scott," comes the ebullient reply over Alexander Graham Bell's invention. I respond by saying, "Ray who?" and the jovial voice on the other end says, "Oh, Hi Robert." Never was I able to fool him as to who was calling. He always knew it was me. It was always so good to hear his voice especially during the last year knowing all the physical ailments he'd been fighting. How many times did I call? Sheesh. I really can't say. Now, however, I can't do that any more. I truly miss that greeting and subsequent conversation, and remember many of the things he used to say. I know many of his adversaries on the other side of that five foot high net plus many of his other friends will miss him also. They will remember things about him. His promotion to glory has finally taken his get up and go. Let me explain.

Back in 1996 I asked Tom Lucas, a member of our Top Flight Badminton Club, amateur singer, songwriter and entertainer with his Peter, Paul & Morrie folk trio, to write some special lyrics about Ray; and to sing them at the 23rd annual Ray Scott Open tournament dinner break. Tom said he'd give it a try.

Tom and his side kick, Bryan Whiteside, (the other member of the trio was unavailable), gave a foot-stomping, hand-clapping, catchy tune performance. "The Ballad of Ray Scott," sung to a Pete Seeger melody, was the result and included these lines:

When he was younger his racquet was red;  
He could smash the bird down from over his head.

As he got older his racquet was blue,  
Still, he could play the whole day through.  
Now that he's older, his racquet is black.  
He huffs to the net and puffs his way back,  
But never ya laugh, he don't mind at all  
"Cause he'd rather be huffing than not puff at all.

Refrain:

How does he know that his youth has been spent?  
His get-up-and-go has got up and went,  
But in spite of it all, he's able to grin  
And think of the places his get up has been.

What a hit he and his group were to the assembled throng of tired badminton com-

petitors! "Would they be back the following year," the gathered players wanted to know? "Good entertainment," they said.

Ray was born in Presho, South Dakota, Dec. 1, 1916. He was good athlete in high school, then attended Nettleton Community College, Sioux Falls, SD, from 1934-36. For his attendance there he received a Certificate of Proficiency in 1935. One of his first jobs was as an Administrative Assistant at the John Deere Plow Co., Sioux Falls, SD, 1940-41. He served in the United States Air Force (USAF) at various locations from 1942-1957. He retired from the USAF and Strategic Air Command, Offutt AFB, Nebraska as a Chief Warrant Officer (CWO) after serving from 1958-1972. Following this, he did a brief stint as an administrative assistant to the director at the Henry Doorly Zoo, Omaha, from 1973-74, then moved on to become executive director of the Midlands Community Hospital Foundation in Papillion from 1974-1985. From 1986-1989 he was the volunteer executive director of the United States Badminton Association in Papillion. All this while his other job was president & owner of R&G Enterprises, Papillion, Nebraska. This title continued until his "promotion to glory" at the end of 2001.

Ray was a member of the Papillion City Council from 1982-1984; chairman of a local organization of Boy Scouts' of America in Omaha from 1960-2001. While serving in this organization he received the Boy Scouts Silver Beaver Award for "distinguished service to boyhood" in 1971. He was a board director of the Civil Service Commission, Papillion, 1979-1981; on the Economic Development Council, Papillion, 1984; a recipient of the Meritorious Service Award, International Badminton Federation, Gloucestershire, England, 1989; a member of American Legion Bossard Post 32, Papillion, from 1960-1985 where he served as adjutant and finance officer. Over 12 framed citations for meritorious service in 1968 have their own place on his office wall; several Chamber of Commerce positions (board of directors, secretary and treasurer). He received the Outstanding Service Award in 1976 and the Distinguished Service Award in 1984. He was also listed in Who's Who in the Midwest, 23rd edition, 1992-1993. Ray was also a recipient of a National Master in Presidential Sports Award category of badminton, 1988.

Did you know that Ray was also an author? Yep, that's right. He wrote a book (hard bound and 2 inches thick) about his Aunt Ida entitled "IDIE," A Saga of Ida Mallett: A Unique History of a True South Dakota 'Sod Shanty Pioneer', 2000. Additionally, he was also the catalyst for another book (in 1973) about retired Major General Alfred Kalberer. Ray was also responsible for creating the Kalberer Collection at Midlands Community Hospital in Papillion. Lastly, he was writing his autobiography. Sadly, that remains unfinished. Piles upon piles of typed manuscripts are scattered around his office. If I was retired and had the time..... I'd take on the task of finishing it. Hmhmhmhm.

Additional memorabilia which adorns the office walls (everything is framed), will eventually go to the Lyman County Historical Society in Presho, South Dakota. The collection includes a 1988 nomination for the James E. Sullivan Award; a plaque for Top Flight's 25th Anniversary from the Midwest Badminton Association. Part of the inscription reads, "your gifts of time and love are priceless." Sound familiar? A USBA Meritorious Service Award for "...the past 30 years..."; Mr. Badminton from the Offutt Top Flight Badminton Club, 1972; and an Army-Navy Air Force Register and Armed Forces Writers Program, 1960.

Ray won many USAB championships over the years and was a perennial competitor in the Senior Nationals, Senior International championships, and the Senior Olympics. Other awards Ray received: the USAB's Ken Davidson Award in 1980 and the Charles and Ada Wurst USA Badminton Senior Award of Merit for Service and Sportsmanship in 1990. Additionally, Ray was selected Outstanding Male Athlete (at the age of 79) of the 1994 Cornhusker State Games.

Ray became a member of the Great Navy of the State of Nebraska on a proclamation





*Left to Right: Don Paup, Maj. Bob Gerzine, CWO Ray Scott, Larry Calvert, during a badminton clinic at the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, November 11-12, 1965.*

signed by then Governor Bob Kerry in 1986. Another former governor, Ben Nelson, designated Ray as a General Notary Public in 1997.

Pressing on then, I'll always remember working as the first paid Director of Public Relations of the USBA for him. He "sweet talked" me into leaving freelancing in 1989. He had bailed out the USBA by volunteering to be executive director, moving the office from Michigan to Papillion and putting a lot of his own money into keeping the USBA afloat. He wanted to upgrade the USBA office. Eighty nine was the year I redesigned the USBA logo. Ray then had the logo put on a white flag (another USBA first), and then raised the new flag in the Fall of 1989 at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs. Is the flag still flying? According to Warren Emerson, editor of BUSA, 1988-91, "Ray singlehandedly saved the US association from extinction by moving the office into his office in Papillion. This was one of his greatest contributions to the game of badminton in the USA." Here, here, Warren.

Stan Hales, president of the USBA wrote a letter to Ray in 1986, echoing those comments: "I do not know how we on the Board can thank you enough for the superb organization and hospitality you offered us last weekend for the meeting (a USBA board meeting). There is such a feeling of optimism amongst us, as you certainly saw, and it is largely due to the incredible progress that we have made under your direction. The arrangements you have made for the office are really impressive..." That's just a smidgen of what Ray did for the sport of badminton.

I remember that diminutive office and how cold it was up front by the window (looking out at the corn fields from where I sat - it's all houses now; the corn fields have been promoted to glory too!). I remember having his blessing on purchasing the first travelling display for the USBA and hauling it off to the Super Show in Atlanta and the AAHPERD

national convention in Boston. Wonder whatever happened to it? I remember packing trophies in my El Camino and hauling them to Colorado Springs for the national championships. I remember writing press releases for him and making many phone calls trying to promote our favorite game. I remember going to the printer and arranging for publication of the magazine. Wait, there's more...I'm sure that as you read this story, you will have your own remembrances of Ray. Can't you just hear him saying, "Do you know where your 'Get-up-and-go is?' 'Has it got-up-and-went-yet?'"

I remember all those Ray Scott Opens and the national and international championships sponsored by the Top Flight Badminton Club. And I've only been part of the Club since 1975. Len Williams and John Frady and other Top Flight members go farther back than I do.

I remember slaving away many hours "pasting up" programs for the RSO tournaments. There were no computers at that time. I remember making many phone calls and personal contacts trying to sell ads for the same programs. So, too did other Top flight members. Ray always wanted to have a program for his tournament. No, not tournament, "tourney" as he always referred to it. Len Williams and I despised the word, but Ray insisted on using it. Hey, he was the boss, right? Only the nationals had a comparable program listing past national champions. Well, it was one way to keep up on the results of all the national tournaments. But it wasn't without extra expense. Whether our club had the funds or not he insisted on doing the program. Only within the last few years did Len and I convince him that it wasn't worth the effort. That was one of the few times he actually acquiesced, albeit reluctantly. I think his "get-up-and-go" already was preparing to get-up-and-go.

Dick Witte in St. Louis reminisced about Ray in a recent e-mail to me. "Here's the dope: I was playing in Omaha in the Singles and Doubles of the 60's and 50's when Scotty asked me to play with them in the 40's to fill out the draw. I figured we had about as much chance of winning that as going to the moon. We won our first and second matches and were faced in the finals by Carl Norton and Jan Bartelt (I felt if we got 5 and 5 we'd be lucky). Scotty confused him with his tricky serve and covered the net. I ran in the back court and WE ACTUALLY WON IN TWO!!!!!! I consider it one of the very best wins that I had in 63 years of badminton, and Scotty and I often commiserated over our MIRACLE WIN!" Signed: Badminton Wizard, Played in Omaha some 20 years ago.

Were you ever victimized by his tricky serve? I know I was, plenty of times.

Ray was known for a lot of things. Here's another example. Read the words from the citation to accompany his induction into the USA Badminton Senior Hall of Fame: "For your lifelong commitment and dedication to badminton, numerous senior titles at local, state, regional, national and international levels, for outstanding leadership as USA Badminton Executive Director, for securing sponsors for many of the senior/master perpetual trophies, for your efforts of getting the sport of badminton included in the Olympics as a Class A sport, and countless other ways you have supported the sport of badminton for so many years."

Ray was awarded this honor, in absentia, at the 2001 Senior National Championships in Spokane, Washington by Jack Harvey, USAB Senior Council member. Len Williams, Offutt Top Flight Badminton Club Vice President, and the individual responsible for nominating Ray for this honor, accepted the award for Ray at the championships banquet in front of 125 people. According to Len, "everyone in the room stood and applauded." All came by to pass along their congratulations. Ray was physically unable to attend the tournament because he had been incapacitated battling the debilitating remnants of Guillian Barre Syndrome and was unable to travel.

What was more painful to him, however, was being unable to compete on the badminton court. His goal through his illnesses was to get back on the court. He actually did accomplish that briefly at the Nebraska Senior Olympics in Kearney two years ago. Chaperoned by Hank Schuring (a true friend and confidant) and wearing his ubiquitous white warmup suit, Ray, somewhat proudly but shakily, stood on the court with racquet in hand and actually hit that "tricky serve" of his. He was unable to move or bend over so we collected the birds and handed them to him. His "get-up-and-go" was still chomping at the bit but the spring had lost its tight coil. You could see it loosening.

In e-mail correspondence with me as I prepared this article, Jack Harvey said, "Ray deserves many accolades for in my book he was "Mr. Badminton." People don't realize how much he contributed to the game. Executive director, sponsor of the Ray Scott tournament, coordinator for Senior's trophies, director in the USBA education fund and President. I will always remember him as the most well-mannered, best dressed statesman amongst us all, and a perfect gentleman. Great loss to badminton, and we will never replace

anyone so dedicated to the game and who truly love the sport." Here, here, Jack.

I have been in Ray's office many times, which he had expanded from the original USBA executive director days of yore. Once there I usually gawked at all the memorabilia on the office walls: Photos of retired generals, photos of presidents, family and wife Gladys, Red Cross citations, Boy Scout citations, certificates, awards, and, oh we can't forget the scrapbooks (no, they weren't on the walls) - a who's who of competitors in past Ray Scott Opens. Mary Ann Bowles from St. Louis, perennial participant at past Ray Scott Opens, always said, "What a treat to see the scrapbooks and all the past history of the tournaments. What an impressive collection of memorabilia."

Somehow I never paid much attention to one particular display, a glass door "china" cabinet on the east wall as you walked into his office, jam-packed with badminton awards.

On a recent visit researching material for this article, I cautiously opened the doors, respectfully lifted out, one by one, examples of the many cabinet inhabitants: shells, statues, shuttlecocks, cups, pens and more, and



*Wanda Ronni presenting congratulatory cake to Ray on his April 9, 2001, induction into the Senior Hall of Fame.*

proceeded to read the engraving on them. A sampling of inscriptions reads: Offutt AFB Doubles, 1963, 2AF Doubles, 1st, 1963; Ray Scott Open SMD 1st 1984; RSO MMD 2nd 1975. American Badminton 2nd Singles, Oslo, Norway, 1958; Offutt AFB Runner Up Doubles, 1971; OAFB Doubles Runner up 1969. There were many more. After counting almost 90 I gave up. Below the shelves are drawers with additional ribbons and medals representing many more of his badminton conquests.

The accolades continued. A June 1, 2001, editorial in the Omaha World-Herald newspaper read like this:

Headline: Badminton Ace Deserves Honor. "If anyone deserves a badminton award, Ray Scott of Papillion does--and he just

got a distinguished one: induction into the USA Senior Badminton Hall of Fame...Certainly in his years of promoting badminton and... isn't it fitting that his fellow players recognize his many contributions with a post in their Hall of Fame."

I've read lots of material to prepare for this story on Ray. There's so much to choose from, more than the average USA badminton player knows. It's difficult to know where to start. Maybe it should be titled "Did You Know?" There are Top Flight Club scrapbooks and the history associated with them, all the way back to the start of Top Flight in 1960; past correspondence; past Midwest Badminton Association *Flick* issues and mention of receipt of awards in the Midwest; and past BUSA issues. I read some of his columns as executive director and saw him in many photos receiving trophies whether at Senior events or one of the 28 Ray Scott Opens; presenting trophies to winners from literally around the world ( Top Flight sponsored three international competitions); or recreational badminton enthusiasts at the Nebraska State Championships; or the Cornhusker State Games (the badminton competition was always sponsored and administered by the Top Flight Badminton Club); or at other competitions, always with that "well-mannered" approach that Jack Harvey referred to; presenting trophies to Borge Frederickson at the 1990 Senior Nationals; or on the BUSA magazine cover in March 1989 with Dan Bulkeley in Miami Lakes or raising the flag at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs Dec 89/Jan 90); or retiring and being interviewed by former editor Warren Emerson in the Dec 89/Jan 90 issue; or "A Look At A True Champion" in the September 1997

Badminton News in front of the trophy case in his Papillion office.

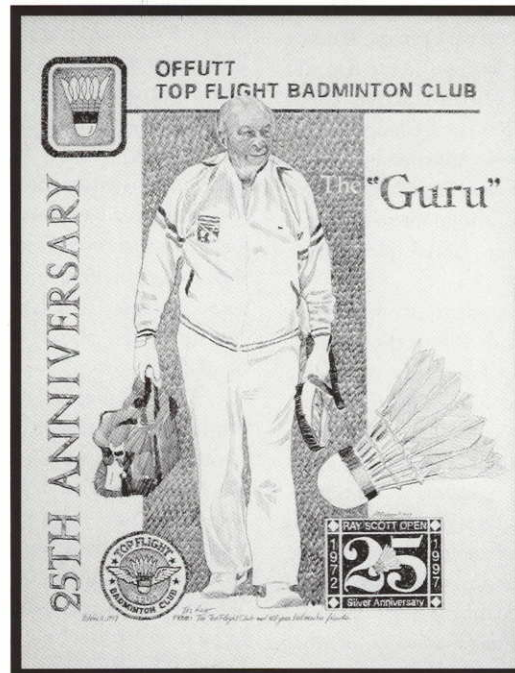
Did you know that he was one of the three competitors in the first ever Platinum Masters competition? Yessir, that event was held at the 1997 Yonex Senior Internationals in Miami Lakes with Vernon Muhr and Henry Paynter.

The list goes on and on. But we have to stop somewhere, there isn't enough space. I've been "pressing on" and feel my word tank running low. Maybe I'm losing my "get-up-and-go."

What's that ringing I hear? No it can't be. Ah, there it is again. Rrring, rrring, brrring. Rrring. Rrring. That's funny. Ray doesn't answer. Wonder why. Good heavens, I forgot. His "get-up-and-go" has "got-up-and went." He's been "Promoted To Glory."

His office is just as he left it the last day he walked out - walls covered with memorabilia and dripping with nostalgia; autobiography notes and photos in piles everywhere; the Alexander Graham Bell invention in its familiar place just waiting for him to pick it up; the huge 1969 Cadillac station wagon still resting on the black tires in the back garage area.

Ray's "get-up-and-go" was always ready. Remember Tom's words? Close your eyes. Can you see him standing there on the other side of the net grinning from ear to ear and ready to hit that tricky serve? You had to be ready yourself because he was ready. If you knew him, then you know what I am referring to. Moreover, he always said, "when I'm promoted to glory," we'd have to press on without him. He'd have it no other way. So we press on. Ray, we miss your voice, your smile, your leadership and your tricky serve. May God be with you on the other side of the net.



*18 inch by 24 inch pencil drawing done by myself and presented to Ray at the 25th Anniversary of the Ray Scott Open in the Frady Fitness Center at Offutt Air Force Base in Bellevue, Nebraska - October, 1997.*



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 2125 Park Boulevard, San Diego, CA 92101  
 Contact: Dave Carron - 619-280-2040 - dcarron@aol.com  
*Entry Deadline: January 15, 2002*

February 17-24, 2002  
 2002 Thomas Cup Semi-Final Stage - IBF Sanctioned Event  
 2002 Uber Cup Semi-Final Stage - IBF Sanctioned Event  
 Eindhoven, Netherlands  
 Contact: Gus Chew - 714-639-8900 - gprchew@aol.com  
*By Invitation Only*

March 1-3, 2002  
**Mid-Atlantic Classic**  
 Kinetex Sports Club  
 Route 363 & Germantown Pike  
 Fairview Village, PA 19409  
 Contact: Adrian Smith - 215-986-7635 - adrian.smith@unisys.com  
*Entry Deadline: February 14, 2002*

March 9-10, 2002  
 2002 USBDF So-Cal Junior Open  
 Orange County Badminton Club  
 1432 North Main Street, Orange, CA 92867  
 Contact: Sunil Jinadasa - 562-496-3690  
 suniljinadasa@hotmail.com  
*Entry Deadline: February 26, 2002*

March 9-10, 2002  
 5th Annual Smith/Harvard Open and Collegiate Cup  
 Scott and Ainsworth Gyms  
 Smith College - Northampton, MA  
 Contact: Vinay Kashyap - badminton@hcs.harvard.edu  
*Entry Deadline: March 1, 2002*

March 15-17, 2002  
 2002 Boston Open  
 MIT - Dupont Gym  
 Vassar Street, Cambridge, MA 02139  
 Contact: Chris Lawrence - 317-849-3475 - cclawrence@aol.com  
 www.bostonopen.com  
*Entry Deadline: March 1, 2002*

March 21-24, 2002  
 2002 US Senior Nationals  
 Georgetown University - McDonough Gymnasium  
 Washington, DC  
 Contact: Peter Teuben - 301-405-1540 - teuben@astro.umd.edu  
*Entry Deadline: March 1, 2002*

April 5-7, 2002  
 2002 K & D Graphics US Adult Nationals  
 Orange County Badminton Club  
 1432 North Main Street, Orange, CA 92867  
 Contact: Paison Rangsitkitho - 562-858-2011  
 paison@aol.com  
*Entry Deadline: March 5, 2002*

April 25-28, 2002  
 2002 Collegiate Nationals  
 Eastern Illinois University  
 Contact: Kevin Hussey - 217-581-7592 work or 217-345-7757  
 ckgh@eiu.edu  
*Entry Deadline: April 12, 2002*

May 3-5, 2002  
 New England Junior Open  
 Gut N Feather's Club  
 Pleasant Road, Marblehead, MA 01945  
 Contact: Beth Sopka - 781-631-4879  
 shearsopka@mediaone.net  
*Entry Deadline: April 15, 2002*

June 26-30, 2002  
 2002 K & D Graphics US Junior Nationals  
 Orange County Badminton Club  
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 paison@aol.com  
*Entry Deadline: May 26, 2002*

July 28-August 2, 2002  
 2002 MBBC Junior International  
 Manhattan Beach Badminton Club  
 516 - 18th Street, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266  
 Contact: Roy Skinner - 310-545-2841 - skinr@mac.com  
*Entry Deadline: July 21, 2002*

August 4-6, 2002  
 XIII Pan American Junior Team Championships  
 August 8-11, 2002  
 XIII Pan American Junior Individual Championships  
 August 12-16, 2002  
 II Pan Am Junior Academy  
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 (Not all players may participate. Trial info in magazine)  
*Entry Deadline: July 4, 2002*

September 17-22, 2002  
 2002 OCB/Yonex US Open - IBF Sanctioned Event  
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*Entry Deadline: August 17, 2002*

October 5-13, 2002  
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 Altona Badminton Center - Melbourne, Australia  
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