

RACQUETBALL NEWS NOVEMBER TIDBITS

First, I wanted to share two very cute pics of some top junior racquetballer's enjoying other sports...



- 1) Advait Kartik at his black belt test-He took 4th place at 2014 rball Jr Olympics in multi-bounce. But don't mess with his "slice" serve-it has a real "kick" to it! (Pic from his coach Debra Tisinger Moore)

- 1) **"GO PRO"-LPRT MEXICO TOURNEY-** "Circus" Vargas "juggles" Rhonda Rhajsich in 3 at a Mex. tourney showing future flashes of #1. Maria later loses in 4 games to Paola Longoria. Not only is #1 **Paola** a top model, but she has an engineering degree to go along w/a lot of great "angles! But it even gets better-she now wants to work on her master's degree. Funny-I thought she was already the master?
- 2) **"GO PRO"-IRT'S KROWNING MOMENT TOURNY** –Bonnie, our equal rights evangelist--do take note: Above thanks to you, I did put the women 1st to even the score...King Kane rocks Rocky here in 4 & the storyline was many major upsets at rball's most unusually named event-"Krowning Moment."
- 3) **OK-THE REAL KROWNING MOMENT EVENT IS... THE FAMOUS "US OPEN"**- Yes the US Open is the biggest event in rball with \$62,000 in prize money--\$28k in men's pros, \$20k in pro woman's, \$4k for 1st in men's pro dubs & \$2k in woman's pro dubs (Bonnie make some noise here ok-woman's rights right-I vote yes). There were 710 participants, 3 clubs, 14 countries, 22 players from Ecuador, 1310 matches and Kane Waselenchuk wins his record 10th US Open (next is Sudsy at 4). Kane scorched Beltran for his 81 pro championships..."Payola" Longoria wins easily over Vargas for US Open #5. "Payola" won her 150 pro victories in a row (although Rhonda rocked her recently for an upset win closing the streak off at 152)
- 4) **TWO BUCK CHUCK-** If you have a new racquet (or a newer model used one) or new a glove that doesn't fit and won't acquit, call "two buck" Chuck Rosenberg at (813) 765-5120 or your out of luck. He's one of the few auth. dealers who trades with the public so make him only a

fair offer and score some new top of the line merchandise at a nice price to entice. Two Buck Chuck at Traders Joes in the racquet section!

- 5) **CA GOLD RUSH (in reverse)**-Ca did lose its top ambassador to TEAM USA (a real nugget):"USA Racquetball is pleased to announce that Peggine Tellez will join the USA Racquetball staff as Manager, Facility Relationships & Event Sanctioning." Congrats to Peggine for going green-You are a true star/mentor for rball! And to Brian Dixon for his fun, classic 2 minute CA Jr's fundraising video: <http://youtu.be/o1zaWj6FILA>
- 6) **ALL IN THE FAMILY-(or better yet the "Odd Couple")**-My son & I played at Don "Juan's" Arcadia Ca shootout (the one who makes participants disappear in 3 hrs or less). With a yellow 160 Ektelon racquet in hand & a few prayers), I "hacked" my way to the finals where I was surprised to meet my son whom I thought was long gone after getting hammered in game one. I "kid" you not but everyone (me too) was cheering for him (no one for me). But I can't tell you who won-- It hurts too much. I can tell you I did get a very rare hug which was worth it. Thanks to Juan/Wes & for letting him play for free. You guys are z best!
- 7) **CORRECTION UPON FURTHER INSPECTION**- Mike Ladge wrote me the Legendary Cliff Swain's Racquet is 219 (but I wasn't sure if that was the retail cost, the weight of the racquet or his tour wins). Ladge and Cliff are you sure the racquet is a good one? But I do want to get one of those signed puppies autographed for my collection since the autograph alone on it is probably worth \$219. Hey can you call me can at 1 800 need-a-pt?
- 8) **MAD MAX**-"Mad Max" Wertz won the coolest WOR USA vs Mexica trophy ever-(a skateboard) that I would gladly pay Roby P to ride (he was a famous water polo player). Excited, Max wrote me, "This is Max Wertz-I won the Battle of the Borders Skateboard. They picked the name of winners out of the hat & it was meant to be. I grew up riding skateboards." Max, I guess you got "board" skateboarding- Back to rbal Brett.
- 9) **SWIM WITH THE SHARKS W/O GETTING EATEN ALIVE** -Be aware that many manufacturers inc. Ektelon will no longer warranty racquets bought on Ebay/Amazon and I applaud the move to protect the brand. They will only take returns from those authorized dealers or with proof from one. I do want to apologize to a great dealer whom I use for listing her wrong email--Kris Kaskawal 562 331-5228 or Randkkaskawal@msn.com And if you like Ektelon, you may want to check out the 2015 Etkelon line: http://www.teamektelon.com/nm/articlefiles/ektelon_productcatalog_2014-15.pdf
- 10) **GET RICH** -Most of you know that I always add or delete any person since I do this for rball & don't make a penny off it so no I won't get "rich" but I did get Rich...Rich Candelaria sent me a great note, "My name is Rich & a friend gave me your email to receive the tour newsletter. Hope I can join to receive it a lot of great information on it." Thanks Rich & no I don't charge for

CLIFF'S NOTES- In this section I ask Cliff Swain, the beloved racquetball legend, a question and he posts it on his site to 5000 readers. A special congrats to you/Ladge for winning 45 dubs at US OPEN. Ready...

Question-Cliff--all of us know you have won numerous major titles but what was it like winning your first US Open and how was it different from the latter ones? Answer-Go to www.CliffSwain.com (should be posted within a day)

THANK YOU TO SOME GREAT PEOPLE-I just wanted to thank so many of you again for your support of our son and also the USA Jr Team, the Ca fundraisers, our family fundraisers at Veggie grill and his raffles. There are 50+ people total who helped at our son's fundraiser/raffles so I won't mention you by name but you are in our hearts-thank you. And thanks to all of these people who gave us direct contributions below- I'm sure I'm forgetting some so please trust that we are grateful to all of you who are very special: Bruce & Brad Elkins, A Embry, the Strofs, C fallon, E Andres, Stanleys, Cruz-aedos, Gleasons, A Copeland, A Hansen, M Scholing M Ladge, L Taylor, L Saxon, WOR H Marcus, S and D Kegel, F Santana, M Devitre , Castelblancos, M Lippett, B Dixon, P Tellez, J Hughes, t Rodgers. Special thanks to team coaches C Guidinas, C Kirk, Jen Meyers, J Nance , B Bodof Steve C and everyone I unintentionally forgot.

See Upcoming events below



Ektelon made a major announcement that they finally **"nailed"** the problem of people seeing racquetballs clearly with a new ball named "The Revolution." Yes some see blue and some are seeing red. But I hope Ektelon sees green.

- 1) **SAVE THE DATE JAN 8-11- A MAJOR PRO/AMATEUR COAST TO COAST TOURNEY (W/KANE)** - Contact Debbie Tisinger rbjaws@roadrunner.com for more info. Come play/watch top 8 pros roll it out at 180 mph- Winningest pro in history.
- 2) **FOR ALL SANCTIONED USAR EVENTS**-Go to the events page at USA rball. Also see your state's events here too...the site is <http://usaracquetballevents.com/>
- 3) **FOR ALL SANCTIONED CA EVENTS** -Go to <http://www.californianevadaracquetball.org/>

- 4) **FOR ALL WOR OUTDOOR EVENTS**- Have fun in the sun and play outdoors-best game in the world. Go to <http://www.worldoutdoorracquetball.net/schedule>

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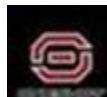
NOTE: New policy for Ektelon & many rball companies- I strongly recommend only buying from any authorized dealer (ie above) since Ektelon & some others will no longer warranty Ebay/Amazon purchases. It's worth getting an authorized part that they can replace for you. I have replaced at least one racquet a year!



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Very sincerely yours,

Brett Elkins,

Chairman, WORHOF Outdoor Rball Hall of Fame; CNRA Junior Committee Member; Team Ektelon Sponsored Player/Writer (and not quite sure why!)