

ICHA Teen Travel Team Registration Form

Open Enrollment Period: August 1, 2002–August 30, 2003

Location:

- West Side YMCA (West 63rd and Central Park West, Manhattan).
- Hebrew Educational Society (Brooklyn off Rockaway Parkway)
- Flatbush YMCA (Flatbush Ave, Brooklyn)
- Jamaica, Queens YMCA

Qualifications:

- Must be a USHA / ICHA combo member.
- Teen handball players between the ages of 12–18 years old interested in learning four-wall handball as well as improving their one-wall skills.
- Must maintain satisfactory Junior High school average, 75+ High School average and 3.0 College average.
- Desire to become state, regional, national or world handball champions in one, three and four wall handball.
- Volunteer to help with ICHA fund raising efforts.
- Volunteer to help in running ICHA tournament events.
- Parents signed approval.

Yes, I want to join the ICHA Handball Travel Team. Please enroll me today.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Beeper: _____

E-mail: _____

Date of Birth: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Hobbies: _____

I am currently a USHA or ICHA Member:

Best day, time, location to meet with my parents: _____

Signature: _____

Guardian Signature: _____



2002 Jr. Mayor's Cup 19 & under Doubles action Vicor Lopierre, Dennis Machuca, Carlos Espinal and Elliel Torres.



Teen gathering at the 2002 Jr. Mayor's Cup Coney Island.

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Kendell Lewis the Beast in action.

Kendell Lewis — The Beast of the East

by Paul Williams

Who would have thought that a 16-year-old kid from East Flatbush with no exposure to any form of handball other than one-wall handball was destined to be the crowned the four-wall Beast of the East?

I met Kendell when he was 16. He then a spoiled, self-absorbed, highly confident and arrogant young man. I guess he reminded me of myself at that age. Ironically we shared the same zodiac sign with birthdays just four days apart.

I started teaching Kendell four-wall handball at Sportset in Rockville Centre and the West Side YMCA. Kendell was truly determined to be the best all around handball player of his generation. He listened to some instructions but was determined to develop his own style. From 1992–1995 he dominated the junior one-wall championships, falling second on occasion to Satish Jagnandan of the Bronx. Kendell's four-wall game still had a ways to go.

Kendell was an original member of the first ICHA teen travel team, competing in all local one-wall and four-wall tournaments as a junior or B player. As an ICHA travel teen player he also had the opportunity to compete in international events in Ireland and Wales. In Ireland Kendell and other ICHA team players played exhibition matches to demonstrate American one-wall skills to the Irish Handball association in Brey. This exhibition was successful and laid

the ground work for the first One-wall world championship in 1997 at Winnipeg, Canada. It was in Canada that Kendell was to win his first World Championship, in the 23 and under one-wall division.

Since 1998 he has continued to play one-wall handball but has focused mainly on four-wall. Over that time, Kendell has developed incredible power and speed. Awarded a New York Athletic Club membership, Kendell began to dominate all East Coast Open Four-wall events. Upon trying his hand at three-wall, Kendell has won every eastern regional Open Singles since 1998.

Kendell was ranked 16 on the USHA National Pro Tour when he was 27. No other one-waller had accomplished that feat since 1992. Kendell has succeeded in becoming the best all around player in the east for his generation. Now that he is 28, Kendell has a two year old son Kavon and wife Sydell Smith, his priorities have changed a little. But Kendell's passion for handball is still present.

It has been a pleasure for me to know Kendell and witness first hand his transformation from that 16-year-old kid to the 28-year-old man. Even better it is good to see today's sixteen year olds looking to Kendell for handball instruction. Kendell is a great person off the court, but on the court, beware this Beast of the East.

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HEALTH CORNER

by Dori Ten RPA-C

During the 2002 four-wall nationals (held in Las Vegas) it was 105 degrees nearly every day. If the heat was too oppressive, you simply walked into any hotel and were cooled off by the igloo temperatures inside. The tournament was held on air-conditioned courts but it was still a challenge to play match after match. The one-wall nationals (held in New York) in early August was also extremely warm with temperatures above 90 degrees. Challenging the body under these weather conditions can make the difference between advancing to the next round or being eliminated. Survival of the fittest may seem cruel but it is the rule to reign supreme.

Although by no means an expert, I am simply passing on observations that I notice help or hinder players in competing. The

number one enemy to any athlete is dehydration. Unlike other animals, in humans the thirst mechanism is poorly evolved. By the time we experience thirst our body is in a water deficit. The human body, in its simplest construction, is a sac of enzymes suspended in a pH specific watery environment. Stress it and it is remarkably resilient in its capacity to maintain itself. However prolonged stress manifests in serious conditions. Cramps, irritability, heat exhaustion and the deadly heat stroke all have a common denominator—dehydration. If water intake is inadequate, the body adapts to this “environmental stress” by removing water from the kidneys and putting it back into the circulation. Subsequently urine becomes more concentrated and takes on a deeper yellow color. The darker the urine the more dehydrated you are.

Taking medications or vitamins, especially the water-soluble B vitamin renders the urine darker or brighter making it more difficult to gauge your fluid status. As fluid intake increases urine becomes lighter. Healthy adults require 8 glasses of water/fluid daily. Coffee and caffeinated drinks are not included and, in fact, caffeine stimulates urination so that this class of fluid is not the optimal drink to combat dehydration. On hot days when performing strenuous activities require more fluids. It is not unusual for the body to need one gallon or more of water on a hot humid day to perform optimally.

During the one-wall nationals we had several Texans play for the first time. Jesse Cevallos offered an interesting home remedy employed in Texas when the heat overwhelms a player. Pickle juice. The “juice” is nothing more than concentrated salt water. You are replenishing the sodium lost through profuse sweating. Pickle juice does not replace any appreciable fluid loss just the sodium. Sodium helps to retain water so it's a quick fix that will help in the short term of sodium replacement. You must address the water loss by stopping play, moving to a shaded area, cooling the external skin with cold water and drinking lots of fluids. Any confused athlete requires medical attention immediately. Alcoholic beverages should be avoided before and during competition. Alcohol inhibits a hormone that helps to maintain water balance. Ever notice that you urinate more frequently when drinking? You are losing precious sodium, potassium, chloride,

calcium and other vitamins and minerals. It is this dehydration coupled with the loss of electrolytes that contribute to the hangover and cotton mouth the morning after. Save the alcohol for celebrating your victory after the tournament.

The changes in color and fabric of workout gear has been as revolutionary as the athletic footwear industry. Dark colors absorb the sun's heat while lighter ones reflect. Choose the newer fabrics or cottons that absorb sweat or wick it away from the body. Carry several shirts/shorts and socks to change between matches. When the humidity climbs, you will have less evaporation of sweat making you feel uncomfortable. It's more difficult for the internal core temperature to be maintained in a hot and humid setting. Stay in the shade, wear a hat, and put on sunscreen. Sunburns are a burn. It's no different if you burn from the sun or from a stove. It dehydrates you, especially if blistering occurs. Painful range of motion on a sunburned body surface can hamper your ability to hit the ball effectively. Another tip is to eat sensibly. On hot days avoid mayonnaise, cold cuts, and unwashed fruits unless you are certain that these products are refrigerated, fresh and clean and prepared in the same fashion. These are potential sources of well, you know, that sit down and stay feeling in the bathroom. This potentially can cause serious fluid and electrolyte loss making you weak. After a match it is important to replenish glycogen stores. The blood has enough glucose (sugar) for about 20 minutes of play. Once the supply is exhausted, the body relies on the liver to break down its stored energy, glycogen. Research has shown that immediately after a match, a small carbohydrate meal, such as a plain bagel makes the liver more efficient in replenishing its supply of stored energy for the next match. Too large of a meal will divert blood flow to the stomach for digestion leaving less for the powerful leg and arm muscles to receive oxygen and glucose to sustain them in a match. Ultimately, the body senses more blood flow is needed to these high demand muscles and less to the stomach making you feel bloated and full. Avoid high fat foods. They take hours longer to digest than carbohydrates or proteins.

Get a good night sleep. You play hard now rest hard. The body requires downtime

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Inner City Handball Association

Presents

The 2003 “Long Island Open” Benefit Handball Tournament

(to benefit the ICHA Junior Development Program)



Date January 10–12, 2003

Site Sportset, 40 Maple Ave, Rockville Centre, NY 516-536-8700. A multi-faceted Health Club fully equipped with 9 Handball courts, sauna, steam room, cafe, proshop, plus a fully staffed fitness center featuring cybex, universal and nautilus equipment, plus a modern and comprehensive health care facility offering services in physical therapy, podiatry, nutrition and athletic training.

Events **SINGLES:** Open Men, Open Women, B, C, Seniors (35+), Masters (40+), Golden Masters (50+), Veteran Masters (55+), Super Golden (60+), Vet. Golden (65+), Super Vet. (70+), Juniors (19 and under)
DOUBLES: Open Men, Open Women, B, C, Seniors (35+), Masters (40+), Golden Masters (50+), Veteran Masters (55+), Super Golden (60+), Vet. Golden (65+), Super Vet. (70+)

Minimum of 8 players are needed for each singles event and four teams for doubles event. Tournament committee has the right to re-classify entries. Consolations may not be offered depending on the number of total entries.

Entry Fees **\$50.00** first event

\$35.00 second event

ICHA, USHA & NYHA members pay \$10.00 less per event.

Juniors 19 and under pay \$20.00 all events.

No more than two events are allowed per entry.

Deadline Entries must be received by Friday January 3, 2003

Awards Trophies for the first two places (Tee shirts for all players.)

Rules USHA four wall rules will apply. All matches will be two out three 21 pt. games with an 11 pt. tie breaker. Losers of each match must referee immediately on the same court. **EYE GUARDS ARE MANDATORY !!!**

Checks Payable To Inner City Handball Association, Inc.

Mail Entries To Inner City Handball Association, Inc., P.O. Box 531, Baldwin, NY 11510

Starting Times Available after 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Jan. 7, 2003 at (516) 536-8700. All players should be prepared to play at 5:00 p.m. on Friday January 10, 2003.

Hospitality Hospitality, plus Gatorade and snacks will be available throughout the tournament.

Housing Call ICHA or visit www.icha.org on the Internet for more information.

More Info Call Paul Williams at 718-703-7699 (24hrs 7days). Please leave a message, your call will be returned.

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 B C Seniors (35+)
 Masters (40+) Golden Masters (50+)
 Veteran Masters (55+) Super Gold (60+)
 Vet Golden Masters (65+) Super Vet (70+)

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Phone: _____

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In consideration of your accepting this entry, I hereby for myself, heirs, executors, and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the Inner City Handball Association, Inc., Sportset, their agents, representatives, or assignees, for any and all injuries which may be suffered by me during the 2003 Long Island Open Benefit Handball Tournament.

ICHA 2002 Tournament Schedule

EVENT	DATE	SITE	TYPE	ORGANIZER	CONTACT #
HES Handball Championships	November 10	HES Brooklyn	1 wall	Artie Fuchs	artief@ushandball.org 718-332-425
ICHA Season End Awards Dinner and Development Fund Raffle Drawing	November 14-7:00 pm	Broadway Diner, NYC		ICHA	718-703-7699 award@icha.org
30th Albany Open	November 22 - 24	Albany, NY	4 wall	AHC	518-765-5620 Jim Giner
Maine Open	Dec. 27-29	Sanford, ME	4 wall	MHC	207-874-2403 Tom Adams

Tentative 2003 Tournament Schedule

EVENT	DATE	SITE	TYPE	ORGANIZER	CONTACT #
Long Island Benefit Open	Jan. 10-12	Sportset, Rockville Centre, LI	4 wall	ICHA	LIOpen@icha.org 718-703-7699
Hall of Fame Championship	Feb.	AllSport-Peeksville NY	4 wall	George Brandeburg	aces28@US.IBM.COM
HES Doubles	Feb.	HES Brooklyn	1 wall	Artie Fuchs	artief@ushandball.org 718-332-4251
Pennsylvania State Singles	March	Redding, Pa. (outside of Philly) Colonial Hills Racquet Club	4 wall	Michael Raszkievicz	610-678-5003
New York State Championships	March	Colonie Court Club-Albany NY	4 wall	Fred Seestadt	
Flatbush YMCA Singles	March	Flatbush YMCA Brooklyn	1 wall	Artie Fuchs	artief@ushandball.org 718-332-4251
USHA Eastern Regionals	March	Elmwood Park, NJ	4 wall	Tom Doughten	
Boston Open	April	Boston, Ma.	4 wall	Marc Seigle	617-323-2334
NYAC Invitational	April	Manhattan, NYC	4 wall		
ICHA/USHA High School Meet	April 19, 20	W. 97th, Central Park, Manhattan	1 wall	ICHA	718-703-7699 hsmeet@icha.org
ICHA/USHA Mayor's Cup Junior Championships	May 10, 11	Coney Island, NYC	1 wall	ICHA	718-703-7699 jmyr@icha.org
52nd USHA Four-Wall Nationals	June	Lansing, Michigan Nevada	4 wall	USHA	520-795-0434 or handball@ushandball.org
NYC Parks Big Blue Championships	June 14, 15	City-Wide	1 wall	NYSA	nysa@icha.org
Mayor's Cup Championships	July 12, 13	City-Wide	1 wall	ICHA	718-703-7699 info@icha.org
USHA/ICHA National Junior One Wall Championships	July 19, 20	Van Cortlandt Park, Bronx	1 wall	ICHA	718-703-7699 info@icha.org
USHA 43rd One Wall Nationals	Aug.	Coney Island, Brooklyn	1 wall	USHA	520-795-0434 or handball@ushandball.org
Maryland Three Wall Eastern Regional	August	Columbia, Maryland	3 wall		
ICHA/SAHA Junior Big Blue Championship	Aug. 23, 24	Lincoln Terrace, Brooklyn	1 wall	ICHA	718-703-7699 info@icha.org
USHA Three Wall Nationals	Aug.	Maumee, Ohio	3 wall	USHA	520-795-0434 or handball@ushandball.org

All dates and locations are subject to change. Tournament Directors contact handball@icha.org to have your tournament listed year round on the ICHA website for a charge of \$25 annually which includes membership to ICHA for one year. Member associations list applications for FREE annually.

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Tournament Results

ICHA / USHA High School Spring Meet

The best of the PSAL teen athletes representing 15 schools met at Central Park North Meadow to compete at the 10th Annual ICHA/USHA High School Spring Meet. Dennis Machuca Jr., #1 singles for Art & Design, has been the talk of town for some time and expected to slam 19 & under singles and doubles with Michael Schneider of Bronx Science. Despite the reputation 75+ teens attended this years meet to put their skills to the test. In the 19 & under singles, Dennis took down his opponents one by one. Paul Yagual of Newtown H.S. also dominated his opponents striving to take on Dennis. Yagual vs. Machuca, a final match long anticipated did not happen this time. Due to rain the match was postponed until Sunday and Yagual had to forfeit. Yagual vs. Machuca, destined to meet again.

In the 19 & under doubles, Machuca & Schneider met up with the dynamic 16 year duo of Victor Lopierre of Forest Hills and Giovanni Vasquez of Bushwick. Lopierre & Vasquez placed first and second in the 16 & under boys singles. Awesome players for their age, most definitely underdogs against the older and stronger team Machuca and Schneider. Underdogs no more, Lopierre and Vasquez took out the #1 seeds in two games 15-10, 15-9. This handball season will definitely be a good one.

In the girls 16 & under singles, Eboney Johnson of Park West returned this year to again dominate the division defeating Christina Chai of Townsend Harris 15-10, 15-11 in the finals. Staten Island Technical's first appearance in the high school meet took home the 16& under girls doubles

Townsend	Brooklyn Tech	7
Harris	Park West	7
Forest Hills	Newtown	3
LaGuardia	Sheepshead Bay	3
Bushwick	Stuyvesant	3
Bronx Science	Chelsea	2
Staten Island Tech	University	1
Art & Design	Westinghouse	1



Some of this year's High School Meet participants.

championship. In the finals Lolita Tam and Coriell Hatcher of Staten Island Tech defeated Christina Chai and Rosemary Cua of Townsend Harris in a true battle tiebreaker 15-8, 7-15, 11-7. In the end how did the schools score overall?

19 & UNDER BOYS A SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-0, FORFEIT)		
First Place:	Dennis Machuca Jr.	Art & Design
Second Place:	Paul Yagual	Newtown
Semi-final:	Ralph Luto	Sheepshead Bay
Semi-final:	Kareem Wilkerson	Westinghouse
19 & UNDER BOYS B SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-10, 15-5)		
First Place:	Adrian Granite	Forest Hills
Second Place:	Patrick Chiu	Stuyvesant
Semi-final:	Ivan Wong	Brooklyn Tech
Semi-final:	Marco Campos	Chelsea
19 & UNDER BOYS DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-10, 15-9)		
First Place:	Victor LoPierre / Giovanni Vasquez	Forest Hills/ Bushwick
Second Place:	Dennis Machuca / Michael Schneider	Art & Design / Bronx Science
Semi-final:	Kareem Wilkerson/ Marcos Campos	Westinghouse / Chelsea
Semi-final:	Ralph Luto / Nestor Noyola	Sheepshead Bay
19 & UNDER BOYS B DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-7, 15-6)		
First Place:	Max Beronovich / Adrian Granite	Forest Hills
Second Place:	Jason Ho / Gary Liang	Bronx Science
Semi-final:	Tai Dang / Jimmy Quach	Brooklyn Tech
Semi-final:	Peter Mark / Victor Szeto	Brooklyn Tech
19 & UNDER GIRLS DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-3, 15-4)		
First Place:	Annie Huang / Anna Nicole Fiero	LaGuardia
Second Place:	Cassie Chan / Karin To	Townsend Harris
Semi-final:	Bernadette Cruz / Katherine Seid	Townsend Harris
Semi-final:	Tania Asaro / Julie Salas	Brooklyn Tech
19 & UNDER GIRLS SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-7, 15-9)		
First Place:	Bernadette Cruz	Townsend Harris
Second Place:	Katherine Seid	Townsend Harris
Semi-final:	Annie Huang	LaGuardia
Semi-final:	Cassie Chan	Townsend Harris
16 & UNDER BOYS SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-13, 15-6)		
First Place:	Victor LoPierre	Forest Hills
Second Place:	Giovanni Vasquez	Bushwick
Semi-final:	Alen Liu	University Neighborhood
Semi-final:	Max Beronovich	Forest Hills
16 & UNDER GIRLS SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-10, 15-11)		
First Place:	Eboney Johnson	Park West
Second Place:	Christina Chai	Townsend Harris
Semi-final:	Coriell Hatcher	Staten Island Tech
Semi-final:	Lin Na Fang	Townsend Harris
16 & UNDER GIRLS DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-8, 15-12, 11-7)		
First Place:	Lolita Tam / Coriell Hatcher	Staten Island Tech
Second Place:	Christina Chai / Rosemary Cua	Townsend Harris
Semi-final:	Annie Chih / Lin Na Fang	Townsend Harris
Semi-final:	Eboney Johnson / Vanessa Carrion	Park West

MEN PRO SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (21–13, 21–6)		
First Place:	Kendell Lewis	Brooklyn
Second Place:	Wayne Barone Jr.	Malverne
Semi-final:	Keefe Sheppeck	Boston, Ma.
Semi-final:	Dan Vera	Peekskill
OPEN DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (21–8, 21–19)		
First Place:	Kendell Lewis / Joe Kaplan	Brooklyn
Second Place:	Paul Williams / Jai Ragoo	Brooklyn / Bronx
Semi-final:	Andy Rousseau / Keefe Sheppeck	Queens / Boston, Ma.
Semi-final:	Wayne Barone Jr. / Eric Smith	Malverne / Brooklyn
PRO WOMEN SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (14–21, 21–18, 11–8)		
First Place:	Maggie Grelle	Boston, Ma.
Second Place:	Sydell Smith	Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Dori Ten	Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Melody Ruiz	Queens
B SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (21–16, 21–6)		
First Place:	Caleb Torres	Bronx
Second Place:	Michael Schneider Jr.	Queens
Semi-final:	Phong Nguyen	Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Byron Ortiz	Queens
B DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (21–9, 21–10)		
First Place:	Alex Pastor / Caleb Torres	Bronx
Second Place:	Byron Ortiz / Mike Virgilio	Queens
Semi-final:	Phong Nguyen / Marlon Del-Valle	Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Jed Seigle / Leon Bethune	Boston, Ma.
JUNIOR SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (21–18, 21–20)		
First Place:	Victor LoPierre	Queens
Second Place:	Michael Schneider Jr.	Queens
Semi-final:	Johnny Fernandez	Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Dennis Machuca Jr.	Brooklyn
C SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (21–17, FORFEIT)		
First Place:	Jed Seigle	Boston, Ma.
Second Place:	Eliel Torres	Bronx
Semi-final:	Chris Conde	Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Marlon Del-Valle	Brooklyn
C DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (21–8, 21–16)		
First Place:	Victor LoPierre / Melody Ruiz	Queens
Second Place:	Kok Soon Lieu / Chris Conde	Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Jim Birbiglia / Kevin Ryan	Queens
Semi-final:	Richard Hanley / Neil Flaum	Queens
MASTER 40+ SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (21–8, 21–7)		
First Place:	Dan Maroney	Rockville Centre
Second Place:	Victor Stevenson	White Plains
Semi-final:	Ray Eng	Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Glenn Hall	Freeport
MASTER 40+ DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (21–10, 21–13)		
First Place:	Paul Williams / Glenn Hall	Brooklyn / Freeport
Second Place:	Mike & Pete Virgilio	Queens
Semi-final:	Jonathan Smalls / Freddie Cole	Queens / Bronx
Semi-final:	Robert Durazo / Ray Clark	Bayport
VETERAN MASTER 55+ SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (21–16, 21–15)		
First Place:	Ed Todd	West Haven, CT.
Second Place:	Dennis Uffer	Syracuse
Semi-final:	Charlie Pelligrini	Freeport
Semi-final:	Len Caltabiano	North Babylon
GOLDEN MASTER 60 DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (21–7, 21–15)		
First Place:	Anthony Barone / Dan Maroney	Baldwin Harbor / Rockville Centre
Second Place:	Tom Doughten / Tony Russo	Emwood Park NJ
Semi-final:	Alan Carredu / Gary Grossman	Beacon Falls, CT.
Semi-final:	Len Caltabiano / Peter Gruebel	North Babylon / CenterReach
SUPER GOLDEN MASTER 60 SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (21–13, 21–6)		
First Place:	Michael Ferber	Edgewater, NJ
Second Place:	Bernard Haynes	Rutherford, NJ
Semi-final:	Phil Fusco	Glendvale
Semi-final:	Lou Radoslovich	Queens
SUPER GOLDEN MASTER 60 DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (21–12, 21–10)		
First Place:	Graham Palmore / Alan Green	Queens / Cliffside Par, NJ
Second Place:	Bill Lepping Sr. / David Greenholtz	Sayville / Great Neck
Semi-final:	Frank Drost / Malcolm Cohen	Queens
Semi-final:	Lou Radoslovich / Richard Binder	Queens

Tournament Results

Long Island Open

Over twenty years of play and the Long Island Open continues to draw the best of New York handball. This year players from Massachusetts, Connecticut and New Jersey joined the competition making this Long Island Open the best in the last ten years. Kendell Lewis of the New York Athletic Club continued to dominate East Coast Open competitions by slamming the Open Singles and Doubles with NYAC teammate Joe Kaplan.

Victor LoPierre of the Cross Island YMCA pulled out a close victory in the Juniors against fellow Cross Island YMCA player Michael Schneider.

NewComer Caleb Torres dominated the B Singles and B Doubles with partner Alex Pastor.

Congratulations to Melody Ruiz for her first four wall win with partner Victor LoPierre in the C Doubles competition.

Thanks to all the players for making the Long Island Open a successful event and special thanks to Kathy Barone and Fred Turbee for their tireless effort running the tournament control desk.

Start preparing now for the
2003 World Handball Championships
 October 17 & October 26
 Ireland

Call ICHA for more information (718) 703-7699

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HEALTH CORNER

from the wear and tear process. Sleep is the repair process. Deny it and the tachometer rises. Don't blow the engine. In summary, take care of your body and it will take care of you.

* Dori Ten is a certified registered physician assistant and National/World Handball Champion



13 BS-2002 Jr. National 13 year old runnerup John Westbay and champion Kevin Ward Jr.



2002 Jr. National 19 & under B singles champion Paul Angel and runnerup Elliel Torres.



2002 Jr. National 19 & under Open Doubles runnerup Kareem Wilkerson, Michael Schneider and champions Ference Dominguez and Victor LoPierre.



2002 Jr. National 19 & under girl's Doubles runnerup Irene Lai, Annie Huang and champions Alethia Mendez and Bernadette Cruz.



2002 Jr. Mayor's Cup 16 & under Girls Champion Coriell Hatcher and runnerup Emily Berliner.



2002 Jr. Mayor's Cup 19 & under Girls Champion Alethia Mendez and runnerup Carly Creed.

Letter from the Editor

Handball — A Community Service

Thirteen years ago, all I heard was handball was dying in New York City. If you asked most New Yorkers they vaguely remembered having a relative that played but did not know anyone still playing. What a heart breaker that was for me to hear. At that time I had been playing handball already for 20 years. I only had a National B singles one-wall title but thought one day I would improve my game enough to compete and win an Open Title. Since then I have won three National Open Doubles titles and place second in the World Doubles Championships twice. The possibility that an Open handball tournament might not exist was unacceptable to me - not because of damage to my ego but because I feared not being able to congregate with handball players who I had known for twenty years.

I have played one-wall handball since I was nine years old in the tough parks of Bedford Stuyvesant, Brownsville and East New York, Brooklyn. At age 15, thanks to the generosity of some older handball

players, I was introduced to four-wall handball at Union Temple in Flatbush, Brooklyn. These older players stressed the importance of achieving a good education and developing good work and personal habits. These older players unbeknownst to them were great role models who taught me great life lessons at an early age. The most important was the duty to give back to one's community. You see these older men businessmen knew me only from the one-wall courts, but thought enough of me to expose me to a new game: four-wall handball. They sponsored me for two years at Union Temple, took me to local tournaments and introduced me to players of very different backgrounds than my own.

Growing up in Bedford Stuyvesant Brooklyn my perception was pretty one sided for a many years. My participation in handball on local, regional, national and international levels has broadened my perception immensely. I now also realize that I have to give back to my community. That's why I founded the Inner City Hand-

ball Association. A part of the ICHA mission is to teach handball, but a big part is to teach discipline, self-motivation, self pride, respect for others and the importance of back to your community inspiring, others to teach and continue the cycle while having great fun.

Today handball especially in New York is far from dying, but for organized handball to flourish we need everyone to pitch in and give back a little to a lifetime sport that continuously develops human character. I am a volunteer and contributor to the sport I love, handball. If you also love handball, I invite you to join me and help volunteer and/or contribute to the 2003 handball season. ICHA needs volunteer site directors, clinicians, site helpers, office staffers, sponsors and contributors.

New York City has over 2000 one-wall handball. Join ICHA and learn to play or help teach teens how to play. Whether you are a player, ICHA volunteer or both the experience will be rewarding.

I thank those of you who have supported ICHA for the last thirteen years and hope that you will continue to support our efforts in years to come.



Paul Williams demonstrating American style handball to the Wales locals.

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2002 Jr. Mayor's Cup Champions

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Tournament Results

The 2002 Junior Big Blue Champions



BOY'S 19 & UNDER SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (21-18)		
First Place:	Paul Yagual	Brooklyn
Second Place:	Shaheem Nelson	Queens
Semi Final:	Raymond Faloye	Brooklyn
Semi Final:	Jamel Gordon	Brooklyn
GIRL'S 19 & UNDER SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (21-2)		
First Place:	Jennifer Rivera	Philadelphia
Second Place:	Annie Huang	Queens
Semi Final:	Crystal Pearson	Queens
Semi Final:	Daneisha Lloyd	Queens
BOY'S 16 & UNDER SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (21-3)		
First Place:	Jamie Rivera	Brooklyn
Second Place:	Robert Mendez	Queens
Semi Final:	Ronald Flores	Queens
Semi Final:	Sammy Nguyen	Brooklyn
GIRL'S 16 & UNDER SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (21-14)		
First Place:	Jade Cruz	Queens
Second Place:	Na Liu	Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Megan Chorm	Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Jessica Lin	Queens
BOY'S 13 & UNDER SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (21-19)		
First Place:	Gabriel Camacho	Philadelphia
Second Place:	Reinald Goyco	Bronx
Semi Final:	Kevin Ward	Brooklyn
Semi Final:	Santos Cruz	Philadelphia
BOY'S 19 & UNDER DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (21-12)		
First Place:	Paul Lorenzo / Carlin Rosa	Bronx
Second Place:	Victor Loperie / Kareem Wilkerson	Queens / Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Nick Roman / Jason Rodriguez	Manhattan
GIRL'S 19 & UNDER DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (21-13)		
First Place:	Tali Eifassy / Lina Teltelbaum	Queens
Second Place:	Daneisha Lloyd / Crystal Pearson	Queens
Semi-final:	Annie Huang / Kia Gelzer	Queens
Semi-final:	Cassie Chan / Christina Chai	Queens
BOY'S 16 & UNDER DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (21-0)		
First Place:	Gian Florendo / John Lau	Queens
Second Place:	Jamie Rivera / Christopher Quesada	Brooklyn
Semi Final:	Jonathan Iglesias / Ronal Flores	Queens
GIRL'S 16 & UNDER DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (21-16)		
First Place:	Sidney Ko / Na Liu	Brooklyn
Second Place:	Jade Cruz / Mimi Galvez	Queens
Semi-Final:	Sandra Lo / Nana Tam	Brooklyn

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BOY'S 19 & UNDER—FINAL SCORE: (15-3, 15-9)		
First Place:	Carlos Espinal	Brooklyn
Second Place:	Michael Schneider	Richmond Hill, Queens
Semi-final:	David Vega	Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Paul Angel	Brooklyn
19 & UNDER BOYS B SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-11, 11-15, 11-5)		
First Place:	Paul Angel	Brooklyn
Second Place:	Nicky Roman	Manhattan
Semi-final:	Anthony Caravello	Staten Island
Semi-final:	Adrian Granite	Rego Park, Queens
19 & UNDER BOYS DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-14, 15-11)		
First Place:	Carlos Espinal / Dennis Machuca Jr.	Brooklyn / Woodhaven, Queens
Second Place:	Eliel Torres / Victor LoPierre	Bronx / Forest Hills, Queens
Semi-final:	Ralph Luto / Nestor Noyola	Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Michael Schneider / Kareem Wilkerson	Richmond Hill, Queens / Brooklyn
19 & UNDER BOYS B DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-10, 9-15, 11-7)		
First Place:	Steven Chen / Gary Lee	Bayside, Queens
Second Place:	Benjamin Tran / Timothy Lum	Bayside, Queens
Semi-final:	Eric Uy / John Lau	Flushing, Queens
Semi-final:	Max Baranovich / Adrian Granite	Rego Park, Queens
19 & UNDER GIRLS DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-11, 15-9)		
First Place:	Alethia Mendez / Bernadette Cruz	Sunnyside, Queens / Bayside, Queens
Second Place:	Coriell Hatcher / Ebony Johnson	Queens / Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Christina Chai / Emily Berliner	Jamaica, Queens / Forest Hills, Queens
Semi-final:	Anna Fiero / Annie Huang	Brooklyn / Forest Hills, Queens
19 & UNDER GIRLS SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-11, 15-11)		
First Place:	Alethia Mendez	Sunnyside, Queens
Second Place:	Carly Creed	College Point, Queens
Semi-final:	Annie Huang	Forest Hills, Queens
Semi-final:	Bernadette Cruz	Bayside, Queens
16 & UNDER BOYS SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (13-10, 13-1)		
First Place:	Victor LoPierre	Forest Hills, Queens
Second Place:	Shermund St. John	Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Eric Uy	Flushing, Queens
Semi-final:	Jimmy Quach	Brooklyn
16 & UNDER GIRLS SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-10, 11-15, 11-0)		
First Place:	Coriell Hatcher	Queens
Second Place:	Emily Berliner	Forest Hills, Queens
Semi-final:	Christina Chai	Jamaica, Queens
Semi-final:	Jennifer Chiang	College Point, Queens

Tournament Results

Junior Mayor's Cup Championships

Eagerly awaiting the Junior Mayor's Cup Championships, college students no longer eligible for the High School Meet had their chance to shine. Carlos Espinal of City College slammed both 19& under singles and doubles in his last year of junior eligibility. Dennis Machuca was upset by newcomer Paul Angel of Kingsborough college. Angel took the 19 & under B singles but lost his opportunity to capture the A division losing to Bronx Science's Michael Schneider.

In the girls division Alethia Mendez dominated the girls division capturing both 19 & under singles and doubles with Bernadette Cruz. Mendez stopped 16 year old Coriell Hatcher quest for the slam by defeating Coriell and the talented Ebony Johnson in the 19 & under doubles.

Victor LoPierre the Cross Island phenomenon continues as in 4-wall handball to dominate his peers in one wall handball. It will be interesting to see how he fares in three wall handball.

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Requirement:

Create a portfolio using images (photos, video, computer), audio, or writing to explain lessons you have learned playing handball. Connect those lessons to ones you have learned elsewhere either in school or out.

Award Date: Thursday November 14, 2002	Submit Portfolio to: Inner City Handball Association, Inc. P.O. BOX 531 Baldwin, NY 11510 For more information Call: 718-703-7699 or E-mail: awards@icha.org
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Tournament Results

Mayor's Cup Handball Breaks Small Ball One- Wall Handball History Again

The Mayor's Cup Handball Tournament considered to be the biggest and best one wall event second only to the USHA One Wall Nationals proved to be the biggest by far this year with 530 entries, an increase of 115% over previous year's entries. Why the increase? This year's Mayor's Cup format was changed. Promoted and coordinated by the New York Handball Alliance (instead of the Inner City Handball Association), the Mayor's Cup was a cooperative effort with the NYC Sports Commission and NYC Parks and Recreation. In addition the tournament was free and preliminary matches were held in 4 locations instead of 2. The finals were held in Orchard Beach Bronx an A+ athletic venue.

Upsets...Upsets...Upsets... Making a slow comeback, Junior ICHA Champion Satish Jagnandan resurfaced after about a nine year absence from competitive play. Satish took out World Champion Cesar Sala and Junior adversary Kendell Lewis in the final day of play to meet up with veteran National Singles Champion Ed Maisonet. Maisonet tried...even took Satish to a tie breaker...but in the end youth prevailed and Satish captured his first Mayor's Cup Championship. Satish is a Bronx native with a Masters Degree in Physics....does he know those angles well. Indeed he does, but more than angles were needed in the Open Doubles final. Joe Kaplan and Cesar Sala snatch Satish's slam defeating Satish and Carlos Lopez 25-20. (One game match was played due to facility closing).

Congratulations to George Figueroa B Champion on defeating Ference Dominguez. Welcome to the Open.

In Women's Singles, Tracey Davis and Dori Ten battled their third consecutive year for the championship. Tracey preserved and broke the tie defeating Dori in two games 15-11, 15-12. Tracey then went on to capture the Women's Doubles championship for the second year with partner Gladys Miranda defeating Dori Ten and Barbara Canton 25-13.

OPEN SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-5, 5-15, 11-3)		
First Place:	Satish Jagnandan	Bronx
Second Place:	Eddie Maisonet	Glendale
Semi Final:	Joseph Kaplan	Brooklyn
Semi Final:	Kendell Lewis	Brooklyn
OPEN DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (25-20)		
First Place:	Cesar Sala / Joe Kaplan	Brooklyn
Second Place:	Satish Jagnandan / Carlos Lopez	Bronx
Semi Final:	Tony Roberts / Yuber Castro	Queens
Semi Final:	Kendell Lewis / Ervin Irizarry	Brooklyn/Bronx
WOMEN'S SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-11, 15-12)		
First Place:	Tracy Davis	Brooklyn
Second Place:	Dori Ten	Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Theresa McCourt	Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Brenda Pares	Brooklyn
WOMEN OPEN DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (25-14)		
First Place:	Gladys Miranda / Tracy Davis	Queens / Brooklyn
Second Place:	Dori Ten / Barbara Canton	Brooklyn / Manhattan
Semi Final:	Anna Calderon / Theresa McCourt	Brooklyn
Semi Final:	Sydell Smith / Rhonda Burchett	Brooklyn
B SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (25-6)		
First Place:	George Figueroa	Brooklyn
Second Place:	Ference Dominguez	Queens
Semi Final:	Armando Duchesne	Manhattan
Semi Final:	Ervin Irizarry	Bronx
B DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (25-6)		
First Place:	Victor Lopierre/ Herman Mendez	Brooklyn/Far Rockaway
Second Place:	Ben Spade/ Eddie Perez	Brooklyn
Semi Final:	Leonardo Medina/Joey Reyes	Bronx/Yonkers
Semi Final:	Mohammad Shakoor/Wayne Sparrock	Brooklyn
WOMEN'S B SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-8, 15-6)		
First Place:	Rhonda Burchett	Brooklyn
Second Place:	Dana Everett	Brooklyn
Semi Final:	LaDonna Cunningham	Rosedale
Semi Final:	Tina Johnson	Rosedale
WOMEN'S B DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-10, 15-8)		
First Place:	Melody Ruiz/Tina Johnson	Woodhaven/Rosedale
Second Place:	Tanya Brown/Lily Sostre	Brooklyn/Bronx
Semi Final:	Annie Huang/Irene Lai	Forest Hills/Brooklyn
C SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-5, 15-9)		
First Place:	Victor Lopierre	Forest Hills
Second Place:	Joseph Thompson	Brooklyn
Semi Final:	Ben Spade	Brooklyn
Semi Final:	Danny Rivera	New York
WOMEN'S C SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (14, 15, 7)		
First Place:	Tanya Brown	Brooklyn
Second Place:	Cynthia Johnson	Brooklyn
Semi-final:	LaDonna Cunningham	Rosedale
Semi-final:	Melody Ruiz	Woodhaven
MASTER SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-12, 15-8)		
First Place:	Danny Vera	Stone Ridge
Second Place:	Rogelio Casuso	Kings Park
Semi-final:	Alexander Mitsuda	Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Freddie Cole	Bronx
MASTER DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (13-15, 9-6)		
First Place:	George Brandenburg/Danny Vera	Stone Ridge/Newburgh
Second Place:	Stuart Kirzner/Al Weinstein	East Brunswick/Jackson
GOLDEN MASTER SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-11, 15-8)		
First Place:	Steven Kraft	Huntington
Second Place:	Frank Cordero	Bronx
Semi Final:	Carl Cohen	New York
Semi Final:	Tom Ming	Hartsdale
GOLDEN MASTER DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-13, 15-13)		
First Place:	Sal Cataudella/Grabowski	Rockville Centre
Second Place:	Frank Vignolia/Rocco Vignolia	New York/Bronx
Semi Final:	Joe Agosto/Abe Haiman	Bronx/Bronx
Semi Final:	Benjamin Brettner / Rob Weissbard	Brooklyn/Bronx
SUPER GOLDEN MASTER SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-10, 5-15, 11-5)		
First Place:	Luciano Radoslavich	Bayside
Second Place:	Bernard Haynes	Rutherford
Semi-Final:	Tommy Adams	Cambria Heights
Semi-Final:	Nathan Ostrager	Brooklyn
SUPER GOLDEN MASTER DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (15-12, 15-1)		
First place:	Mike Ferber /Bernard Haynes	Edgewater/Rutherford
Second Place:	Gil Hendler /Anthony D'Auria	Brooklyn/Levittown



Inner City Handball Association Membership Application

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Alethia Mendez proved that her dominance in junior girls handball was no fluke. As with the Junior Mayor's Cup Alethia captured the 19 and under girls singles title and the doubles with Bernadette Cruz.

Emily Berliner, a relative newcomer on the scene, lost out, for a second time the first place slot this summer; this time to Christina Chai. Tough break Emily, your time is coming.

Paul Angel congratulations and welcome to the big time A player.

Let's not forget the revival of the 13 and under Boys division. Congratulations to 13 year old National Champion Kevin Ward Jr. and all the 13 and under participants for their championship efforts.

Congratulations to ALL 2002 USHA Junior One Wall Champions.

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Tournament Results

Cross Island YMCA dominates the Boys Junior Nationals

Can four wall players really get the hang of one wall? The question that remains unanswered, but Ference Dominguez showed he did not forget his one wall roots. Ference just returned from Lake Forest College and some were doubting his ability to play one-wall after his four wall hiatus. Ference proved otherwise. Ference captured both 19 and under A singles and 19& under doubles with partner Victor LoPierre. Victor also captured the 16& under singles title. Both are Cross Island YMCA members most probably their first teen National Handball Champions ever. Congratulations.

19 & UNDER OPEN SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (21-8, 21-14)		
First Place:	Ference Dominguez	Queens
Second Place:	Paul Angel	Brooklyn
Semi Final:	Michael Schneider	Richmond Hill
Semi Final:	Nicky Roman	New York
16 & UNDER SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (21-10, 21-14)		
First Place:	Victor Lopierre	Forest Hills
Second Place:	Robert Mendez	Bayside
Semi Final:	John Lau	Flushing
Semi Final:	Peter mark	New York
16 & UNDER GIRL SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (21-14, 21-17)		
First Place:	Christina Chai	Jamaica
Second Place:	Emily Berliner	Forest Hills
Semi Final:	Mimi Galuez	Brooklyn
Semi Final:	Linna Fang	Jackson Heights
13 & UNDER SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (21-5, 21-3)		
First Place:	Kevin Ward Jr.	Brooklyn
Second Place:	John Westbay	Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Francis Neller	Staten Island
Semi-final:	Billy Morris	Staten Island
GIRLS 19 & UNDER SINGLES—FINAL SCORE: (21-8, 21-9)		
First Place:	Alethia Mendez	Sunnyside
Second Place:	Annie Huang	Forest Hills
Semi Final:	Bernadette Cruz	Bayside
B SINGLES - FINAL SCORE—(15-21, 21-12, 11-2)		
First Place:	Paul Angel	Brooklyn
Second Place:	Eliel Torres	Bronx
Semi-final:	Sammy Nguyen	Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Pedro buendia	Jackson Heights
19 & UNDER GIRL DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (21-8, 20-21, 11-7)		
First Place:	Bernadette Cruz / Alethia Mendez	Bayside / Sunnyside
Second Place:	Annie Huang / Irene Lai	Forest Hills / Brooklyn
Semi-final:	Linna Fang / Rosemarie Cua	Jackson Heights / West Hempstead
19 & UNDER DOUBLES—FINAL SCORE: (21-7, 21-10)		
First Place:	Ference Dominguez / Victor Lopierre	Queens / Forest Hills
Second Place:	Michael Schneider / Kareem Wilkerson	Richmond Hill / Brooklyn
Semi Final:	Alen Lui / Jimmy Quach	Ridgewood / Brooklyn
Semi Final:	Ronald Flores / Adrian Granite	Woodside / Rego Park

Tournament Results Big Blue Championship

In its third year, New York City Big Blue Championship sponsored in part by the United States Handball Association, NY Post, and WKTU and hosted by the NYC Parks and Recreation Department and NY Handball Alliance has broken its own record with 1200 entries in this year's tournament.

New champions emerged, and the unstoppable John "Rookie" Wright was finally stopped in an early preliminary round.

Robert "Iceman" Sostre proved again to be the most diversified wall sport athlete in this town by capturing the Open Singles championship in a dramatic 21-20 victory

against "King of the Court" George Figueroa. For those of you who don't know Robert Sostre, Sostre has captured USHA One Wall National "small ball" titles as well as Paddleball National and World titles. This Big Blue Championship title definitely keeps in the ranks of that elite group of top all around wall sport champions.

Unfortunately due to rain the finals was postponed to June 29 and played at Roy Wilkens Park in Queens but the turnout was still great.

The tournament was a monumental handball success.

The New York Handball Alliance is currently chaired by Paul Williams (ICHA President). Member groups in the Alliance are Inner City Handball Association, Our Own Handball Association, St. Albans Handball Association, and the United States Handball Association--One Wall Committee. The Alliance mission is to work more closely with NYC Dept. of Parks and Recreation to bring better handball events to the NY handball community. The Alliance encourages the presidents of all local handball associations and clubs to become members, in an effort to better serve the handball community of NY State. If you're a handball club leader and want more information on The New York Handball Alliance email nyalliance@icha.org.

Inner City Handball Association has 2003 Handball Related Volunteer and Pay Part-time Positions Available for Qualified, Self-Motivated, and Responsible Individuals that like working with children and adults.

Interested applicants must submit resumes.

ICHA and USHA memberships required.

USHA Teacher's and Referee's certification a plus.

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OPEN SINGLES - FINAL SCORE: (21-20)		
First Place:	Robert Sostre	Manhattan
Second Place:	George Figueroa	Brooklyn
Semi-finalist:	Emmitt Fitzpatrick	Queens
Semi-finalist:	Tyrone Snell	Queens
WOMEN OPEN SINGLES - FINAL SCORE: (21-13)		
First Place:	Veronica Figueroa	Brooklyn
Second Place:	Gladys Miranda	Queens
Semi-finalist:	Cinda Yordan	Queens
Semi-finalist:	Tarashia Simmons	Queens
OPEN MEN DOUBLES - FINAL SCORE: (21-18)		
First Place:	Henry Styles & Eddie Santiago	Brooklyn
Second Place:	Ray Lopez / Willie Polanco	Queens
Semi-finalist:	Ervin Irizarry / Robert Sostre	Bronx / Manhattan
Semi-finalist:	Anthony Roberts / Yubar Castro	Queens
OPEN WOMEN DOUBLES - FINAL SCORE: (21-20)		
First Place:	Gladys Miranda / Cheryl Howard	Queens
Second Place:	Dana Everett / Taraisha Simmons	Brooklyn
Semi-finalist:	Aud-rena Best / Theresa McCourt	Brooklyn
Semi-finalist:	Sydell Smith / Rhonda Burchett	Brooklyn
MEN B SINGLES - FINAL SCORE: (21-12)		
First Place:	Alex Molina	Queens
Second Place:	Sal Cotecchilli	Brooklyn
Semi-finalist:	Danny Santos	Brooklyn
Semi-finalist:	Paul Yagual	Queens
WOMEN B SINGLES - FINAL SCORE: (21-7)		
First Place:	Mimi Skipper	Queens
Second Place:	Bernice Torres	Queens
Semi-finalist:	Jennifer Rivera	Philadelphia, PA
Semi-finalist:	Melody Ruiz	Queens
B MEN DOUBLES - FINAL SCORE: (21-14)		
First Place:	Joe & Paul Yagual	Queens
Second Place:	Ben Brettner / Glen Winokur	Brooklyn
Semi-finalist:	David Rodriguez / Willie Baez	Bronx
Semi-finalist:	Joe Thompson / Tyson Cherry	Brooklyn
B WOMEN DOUBLES - FINAL SCORE: (21-10)		
First Place:	Shentah "China" Pizarro / Marie Rivera	Bronx
Second Place:	Makeeba Bailey / Christina Bunch	Brooklyn
Semi-finalist:	Corriel Hatcher / Lolita Tam	Staten Island
Semi-finalist:	Stacey Vasquez / Julie Santiago	Bronx
MEN C SINGLES - FINAL SCORE: (21-15)		
First Place:	Jamel Gordon	Brooklyn
Second Place:	Paul Angel	Brooklyn
Semi-finalist:	Omar Moran	Queens
Semi-finalist:	Richard Fabre	Queens
WOMEN CSINGLES - FINAL SCORE: (21-14)		
First Place:	Jennifer Pineda	Queens
Second Place:	La' Tonia Cummings	Queens
Semi-finalist:	Enitlan Shepherd	Brooklyn
Semi-finalist:	Corriel Hatcher	Staten Island