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AMAZING STORY OF HOW YANKEE BOARD MEMBERS WERE VISITED BY GIANT SPACE ALIENS DEMANDING CHANGES TO THE CURRENT QUALIFIER SYSTEM IN EXCHANGE FOR RELEASING TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS BEING HELD HOSTAGE

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AT A REVOLUTIONARY

OR IS REVOLUTIONARY TOO STRONG A WORD FOR A PROCESS THAT WILL FOREVER CHANGE THE WAY NEW ENGLANDERS LOOK AT SPRING?

APPROACH TO QUALIFIERS

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OH, AND YOU CAN ENJOY COMPLETE, FAIR AND IMPARTIAL COVERAGE ABOUT JUST WHO THE TWO PEOPLE ABOVE ARE BY TURNING TO PAGE 6

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B-AVP E-GROUP

by Joshua Wachs



The Boston Area Volleyball Players (B-AVP) email list was formed in order to discuss the Boston Area Volleyball scene, including but not limited to: places to play, area tournaments, local happenings, team formation, questions about reffing, as well as any other questions about local volleyball organizations.

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YANKEE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

By Joe Loyall, Yankee Secretary

Tuesday, November 13, 2001

Lincoln-Sudbury High School, Sudbury, MA

Board Attendees

Judy Katalina, Joe Loyall, Ann Riedl, Ray Labbé, Debbie Finnigan, Jennifer Nicoletti, Art Palmer

Other Attendees

Mike Broderick, Ned Santee, Dan Spiewak, Tom Sweeney

Meeting started at 7:12 PM

Secretary Report (Joe)

- Minutes from the last meeting were reviewed and accepted with one change to correct the spelling of Debbie's name.

Treasurer's report (Dan for Josh)

- Financials are in good shape, current balance sheet was provided to attendees.
- Moving to Quickbooks for the accounting software.

TD report (Debbie)

- Jamie Marcoux is losing JWU for a few weeks. Needs to change some dates.
- Higher level tournaments are frequently missing a team or two to fill. Coeds are filling really early. Lower levels are filling fine.

Referee report (Ned)

- Ned thanked the TDs for running referee friendly tournaments early in the season, such as friendships, when referees weren't plentiful.
- Things are going well. No rule disputes except for those on the meeting agenda.
- A referee problem did occur at a Women's C+ at KJHS, where it was obvious that a referee didn't want to be there. A lot of problems happened at that tournament (discussed below). The referees were talked to about this and the matter has been settled.
- Some referees don't speed the coed tournaments along, taking too long between matches, taking frequent

breaks. This makes the tournaments run longer and costs the TDs extra money. Ned said that some referees are better than others are at managing time. It is important for TDs to pay attention to this.

NERVA report (Judy)

- Nothing to report.

Ratings report

- No ratings chairs present. No report.

Newsletter report

- Deadline for the next issue is December 1. Tom Farmer needs to mail out a "to do" list.

Rick Pierce committee (Ann)

- Ray, Ann, Tom Sweeney, and Helen Taylor are the committee. Nomination deadline is Nov. 21. Have received very few nominations.

Web Update (Tom Sweeney)

- We've had 11,000 hits, with a lot more hits from outside the region.
- Twelve other regions are using our referee test.

Registrar report (Judy)

- Things are going well.

Old/New Business

- Renaming CR tournaments. The minutes from the last meeting indicate that tournament renaming at B- and above pertains to all tournaments. The next tournament draft will rename the Coeds.

- "No Food" policy at North Meadow Health Club. Some board members believe that NMHC is banning food from the entire building, while others believe that NMHC is only banning food from the gym while allowing it in the common lounge area. Debbie will talk to Paul Santos to get this straightened out.

- Nationals Gift Survey. Debbie received eleven responses: seven positive and four negative. The negatives are overwhelmingly saying that the money should not be spent on a smaller group of the constituency. We don't have enough information or enough feedback from the membership to make a decision one way or the other now. Debbie will try to get more information.

- National rating mappings. The board believes that the ratings used last year seemed to be pretty good. The ratings committee, especially Shirley and Paul, needs to meet with Dave Castañon to create the Nationals mappings in time for the Winter newsletter (deadline December 1).

- Men attack at RC B-. Some board members believe that we should go with the USAV rulebook. Others believe that USAV doesn't pay tremendous attention to RC and point to the decision to allow attacks at Nationals last year. In any case, Yankee voted last summer to allow men to attack from behind the attack line at CR B- and above this year. Some board members believed that this obligates us to stick by the rule this year and not revisit it again for next year.

Motion (Ray/Jennifer)

Continue to allow men to attack from behind the attack line at CR B- and above tournaments, but allow the referee chair to define the language of the rule implementation.

(4 for, 0 against, 3 abstain) Motion carries.

Ray Labbé will conduct an informal poll to ask the membership about the 10' attack rule at CR B- and above.

- Rating changes. Ray is of the opinion that men's ratings changes are well published and women's are not as well published. Ray will talk to Paul and Shirley and try to get the ratings changes made more public.
- KJHS tournament conformance. The KJHS site did not conform to USAV equipment guidelines and required administrative work was not completed in a timely manner. Discussions were held by the board to come to a resolution on this issue. An appeal was made to NERVA of tournament director sanctions with the result that several conditions were outlined to bring those tournaments into compliance.

- The spring tournament draft is on November 30.

- Tom Sweeney introduced an updated version of his new Yankee Qualifier and Championship proposal. The board discussed the points of the proposal, making some changes and clarifications. The new system will be used for qualifiers and championships this year. There will be two sessions of the upcoming tournament draft on November 30. The first will draft up to qualifiers. The second will draft tournaments during qualifier season. They will have separate skeletons.

- The next meeting will be on January 9, 2002, location TBD. We will try to publicize the agenda beforehand, via the BAVP, along with the names and e-mails of board members for people that want to express an opinion on any of the agenda items.

The annual meeting will be February 28, 2002.

Action items

- Tom Farmer to send out a list of newsletter items to the appropriate people.

- Debbie to contact Paul Santos about NMHC and their policy on food at tournaments.

- Debbie to try to get more feedback about Nationals gifts.

- Shirley and Paul Bradford to meet with Dave Castañon about Nationals mappings.

- Ray to conduct an informal poll about men attacking at B- and above tournaments.

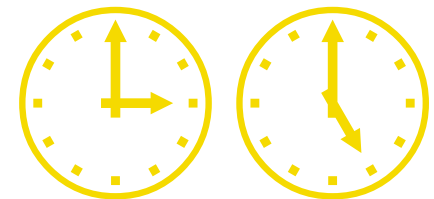
- Ray to talk to Shirley and Paul Bradford to get ratings changes made more public.

- Judy to compose a letter about the KJHS issues.

- Tom Sweeney to update the qualifier/championship description for the spring draft.

- Joe to update the Yankee Rules and Policies document.

- Joe to publicize the next Yankee Board meeting agenda prior to the next meeting.



IT'S 20 BELOW... WHAT ELSE YOU GONNA DO? YANKEE SPRING 2001 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Date:	Y/U	Type	Level	Location	Cost	Max # Teams	Start Time	Contact	Notes	Date:	Y/U	Type	Level	Location	Cost	Max # Teams	Start Time	Contact	Notes	
19-Jan	Y	W	B	NMHC	\$130	10	9:00	Santos		23-Feb	Y	M	C+	SC	\$110	6	1:00	Bullock	AF	
20-Jan	Y	M	B	CCRIW	\$130	10	9:00	Palmer		23-Feb	Y	W	C+	KJHS	\$130	10	9:00	Cohen		
20-Jan	Y	W	C	STJ	\$120	6	9:00	Cummings	AF	23-Feb	U	M	A/AA	WNA	\$125	10	9:00	Nelson		
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26-Jan	Y	W	BB	PMC	\$130	10	9:00	Fafard		23-Mar	U	W	AA/A	MIT	\$130	10	9:00	Klemas	BP	
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2-Feb	Y	M	B	NMHC	\$130	10	9:00	Santos		4-May	Y	CR	B	KJHS	\$130	10	9:00	Cohen		
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16-Feb	U	W	A/AA	LSHS	\$130	5	9:00	Katalina												
16-Feb	Y	M	BB	KJHS	\$130	5	9:00	Cohen												

KEY: AF = Accelerated Format (1/2 Day); NAF = Not accelerated format (1/2 Day, Teams work or play every round. No down time.); CR = Coed/Reverse Coed; RCO= Reverse Coed Only (*no* men's net, men can attack behind 3m line); Y/U = Yankee or USAV format; M/W = Men's or Women's; BP = Annual Beanpot Tournament (NOTE: teams chosen based on strength - *not* first-come/first served)

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(AND WHERE DO I GO EXACTLY?)

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400 East Ave., Warwick, RI
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END - Endicott College

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KJHS - Kennedy Jr. High School
 Lexington St., Waltham, MA

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RICK PIERCE AWARD RECIPIENTS

*by Ray Labbé,
At-Large Representative*

*Photo courtesy
Steve Webster*



This year's female Rick Pierce award recipient most people know as a player or coach.

She started playing volleyball in Pennsylvania in grade school and continued to play all the way through college when she played intramural volleyball at Penn State.

Out in Indiana she formed and coached a team at her company. For many of the players this was their first introduction to volleyball. In Boston, she has played a variety of levels with Tooltime, DVC and Stray Cats among others.

On court she is vocal but supportive. Always looking to bring out the best in herself and her teammates. From all her coaching she has a lot of "sayings" to help newer players remember some of the basic techniques and she's not afraid to use them!

She has coached the Marian High School girl's team the past four years and is responsible for a program that has been very successful (including the school's first league title and first State Divisional semifinal appearance). She has taught the girls about enjoying volleyball – not just playing volleyball. She has also coached the Stray Cats women's program for the past three years and all the women say how patient and supportive she is. As well as starting a family, she is entering her second year coaching the Metrowest 16s girl's JO team. Her first year she helped her local team qualify for the Regional tournament for the first time in recent memory making the finals of every local tournament they entered.

In summary, as both a coach
and a player, her #1 goal is for herself
and everyone she interacts with
TO ENJOY VOLLEYBALL
and be the best that they can be.

She is an excellent example of good sportsmanship and someone who dearly loves the sport of volleyball. This year's female Rick Pierce award recipient is:

PAULINE JURASINSKI

**YANKEE
ANNUAL MEETING
FEBRUARY 28, 2002**
Location TBD

This year's male Rick Pierce award recipient most people know as a competitive player. Since moving to Boston, he has played with Juice Guys and ASC as well as a variety of Coed teams. Before moving to Boston, he played in the Albany area for many years. His first USAV Nationals was in Springfield, and he's been hooked ever since. He often reminisces about the days when he used to be on the court 4 to 5 days a week!

Now for some information people may not be aware of that I think shows he is exactly the type of individual who embodies the qualities that made Rick Pierce so special. While in Albany, he was a volleyball player, coach, referee and promoter.

He played at the A/AA level in Albany with a team called Brothers Grimm. As a coach, he worked with the Albany High School girls' team and he also coached a women's BB club and a Capital District VBC junior girls' team. He was also a volleyball "promoter" in the Albany area. While working at the Schenectady YMCA, he expanded their volleyball program, and when he moved to the Clifton Park YMCA as Youth Activities Coordinator, he started a program there that is still going strong to this day. He also helped expand 'existing volleyball' and still brings Boston area teams to the RugRats Charity Tournament at the Albany YMCA every January.

In Boston, he not only plays at the upper levels of Yankee – he also plays in intermediate leagues as well as 'community' pick up at Cambridge Rindge and Latin. The unique quality about him as a player is that he fits in at any level – he has just as much fun diving for balls at an A/AA tournament as he does diving for balls at Cambridge R&L. He adjusts his game according to the situation and sees every opportunity to play, regardless of level, as just that – an opportunity to play. He also elevates his fellow players, teammates and opponents alike, no matter where he is. He never has anything negative to say about any player, choosing instead to focus on each person's strengths and perhaps suggesting areas where there is room for improvement. He looks at each person in the context of the level at which he or she plays. He rarely "loses his cool" on the court. I believe this is the definition of sportsmanship.

As a Regional referee he aims to reach the highest level of competence, consistency, fairness and professionalism. His goal is to continue improving. He referees USAV tournaments and college matches. He sees every match he referees as a learning opportunity, looking to better his skills all the time.

He currently takes time from a very busy schedule to work at an elementary after-school program in Cambridge. He proposed having a volleyball class, and got it approved. Right now, he's teaching volleyball to a group of elementary school kids (grades 4-6).

Whew! There is so much more to say about what he does for volleyball. Let me end with a few quotes that friends have said about him: "a selfless player – in improving himself, he looks to improve other people."; "He is supportive, kind, energetic, and just looks to make volleyball a fun time for everyone present."; "He is respectful of everyone involved in the game (players, coaches, referees, fans). And this is the way he carries himself in all arenas."

This year's male Rick Pierce award recipient is the epitome of what this award represents and that man is:

DARRYL BULLOCK

YANKEE'S NEW QUALIFIER SYSTEM

FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

By Tom Sweeney, Yankee WWW Editor

At the November Yankee Board meeting the board elected to use a new qualifier process for the Yankee Championship Tournaments. This qualifier process will be used for the 2002 Yankee Championship season and will be evaluated for use in future seasons.

Over the years, members have voiced opinions on a number of perceived problems with the old qualifying process. Some of these problems included qualifier tournament schedules that weren't used in regular season tournaments. Teams weren't able to play together as much as they would like. If a team had an early qualifier and they did not qualify, they were done for the season. Players not interested in playing in qualifiers were not able to play after March. Referees didn't get paid at tournaments, and tournament directors couldn't run tournaments for their clubs after the middle of March.

The new qualifier system will hopefully solve these issues and more. Instead of running the Qualifiers in March and April and then the Championships in May, the Yankee Board will now only run the championships in late April and the month of May. The regular season Tournament Directors will now run "standard" tournaments in the Spring season which will be qualifiers. Teams will register for these tournaments as either a Championship or non-Championship team with the Yankee Championship Tournament Director (Judy Katalina). Then on Friday a week prior to the tournament, the teams will be selected for the tournament with Championship teams getting preference over non-Championship teams.

To become a championship team, a team representative needs to send a check to the Yankee Championship Tournament Director for the championship of that level. Then when the team plays in their first qualifier tournament their roster becomes frozen for that level. They may add players to the roster as they like as long as those players are not on another roster for that same level. In addition, the team roster can have one person listed as inactive for a particular tournament. This in effect allows a team roster to be up to +6 on paper, but scaled back to +3 at a particular tournament.

Teams will make the championship based upon their best result at any qualifier for that level. Championship Teams will receive Yankee Championship Points based upon their finish at a qualifier with results at larger qualifiers weighted more heavily than smaller qualifiers. So a 2nd place team from a 5-team qualifier will not have as good of a chance to be in the championship as the 2nd place team from a 10-team qualifier. The qualifying teams will be seeded into 5-team pools at Championships with the top 20% of the qualifying teams receiving a late start at championships.

The advantages for this new qualifier system include:

- Tournament Directors decide what/when they want to run at their own gym.
- Teams that want to play more tournaments before the US Open as a team can do so.
- Individuals can still play as many levels as they want to.
- 5 team seeded pools for all levels at championships.
- More play time for upper level teams during March-May. Other team levels would play at least the same amount as they do under the old qualifying system.
- The old qualifier tournament schedules will become extinct for the most part.
- More of a team feel to the end of the year.
- Referees get paid the day of the tournament in March/April.

Details about this new format are now published on the Yankee website (<http://www.yankee.org/scheds/02quals.html>). If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact myself or the members of the Yankee Board.

SPRING 2001 YANKEE QUALIFIER TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

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9-Feb	CR	C+	LSHS	\$140	10	9:00	Yankee TD	Katalina		13-Apr	M	C	OHAC	\$130	5	9:00	Yankee TD	Sweeney	
9-Feb	W	C-	LSHS	\$130	5	9:00	Yankee TD	Katalina		13-Apr	M	C-	CCRIL	\$130	10	9:00	Yankee TD	Palmer	
16-Feb	M	A	KJHS	\$130	5	9:00	Yankee TD	Cohen		13-Apr	M	BB	KJHS	\$130	10	9:00	Yankee TD	Cohen	
16-Feb	M	C	LSHS	\$130	10	9:00	Yankee TD	Katalina		14-Apr	CR	C	CCRIV	\$140	10	9:00	Yankee TD	Palmer	
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23-Feb	CR	C-	STJ	\$140	10	9:00	Yankee TD	Cummings		20-Apr	W	C	PMC	\$130	10	9:00	Yankee TD	Delamater	
23-Feb	W	A	PMC	\$130	10	9:00	Yankee TD	Delamater		20-Apr	M	AA	CCRIL	\$130	10	9:00	Yankee TD	Palmer	
2-Mar	M	C	KJHS	\$130	10	9:00	Yankee TD	Cohen		20-Apr	M	C-	STJ	\$130	10	9:00	Yankee TD	Cummings	
2-Mar	W	C	SC	\$130	10	9:00	Yankee TD	Chong		21-Apr	W	C-	LSHS	\$130	5	9:00	Yankee TD	Katalina	
3-Mar	W	B	NMHC	\$130	10	9:00	Yankee TD	Santos		21-Apr	CR	C+	LSHS	\$140	10	9:00	Yankee TD	Katalina	
3-Mar	M	B	NMHC	\$130	5	9:00	Yankee TD	Santos		27-Apr	W	B	MIT	\$130	5	9:00	Yankee TD	Duke	
3-Mar	M	C-	STJ	\$130	5	9:00	Yankee TD	Cummings		27-Apr	M	AA	END	\$130	10	9:00	Yankee TD	Byram	
3-Mar	W	C-	STJ	\$130	5	9:00	Yankee TD	Cummings		28-Apr	M	B	NMHC	\$130	10	9:00	Yankee TD	Santos	
9-Mar	M	C+	LSHS	\$130	10	9:00	Yankee TD	Katalina		11-May	M	C+	CCRIL	\$130	6	9:00	Yankee TD	Palmer	NAF
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17-Mar	CR	C-	STJ	\$130	10	9:00	Yankee TD	Cummings											
23-Mar	CR	C	LSHS	\$140	15	9:00	Yankee TD	Katalina											
24-Mar	CR	B	CCRIV	\$140	10	9:00	Yankee TD	Palmer											

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CHAMPIONSHIPS

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 11-May MB; WC+; WA
 12-May CC-; CB
 18-May MC+; WB; WC-
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Sunday, Dec. 9, Men's C, Lincoln-Sudbury HS

Semis: Hard Angle def 5 Giants and a Sprout
Mental Block def Loonie Toons
Finals: Hard Angle def Mental Block

Saturday, Dec. 8, Men's A/AA, Kennedy Jr. HS

Semis: WVC-Squirrel def WVC-Slow Hand; RI def JG-Darryl
Finals: WVC-Squirrel def RI

Saturday, Dec. 8, Women's B, Pine Manor College

Semis: Free Agents def DVC; Finals: Free Agents def MIT

Saturday, Dec. 8, Women's C, Pine Manor College

Semis: Stray Cats def Challengers; Finals: Volleyholics def Stray Cats

Sunday, Dec. 2, Men's B, Northmeadow Health Club

Semis: Sixpack def Upper Cape; Kung Pow def Stem Cells
Finals: Sixpack def Kung Pow

Sunday, Dec. 2, Women's B, Northmeadow Health Club

Semis: Tool Time def Twizzlers-Black
Finals: Twizzlers-Red def Tool Time

Saturday, Dec. 1, Coed B, Johnson & Wales University

Semis: BNYCE def Team Maggee; Drop the Hammer def Volleyholics
Finals: Drop the Hammer def BNYCE

Saturday, Dec. 1, Coed C, Johnson & Wales University

Semis: Toad L Chaos def Scared Hitless
Finals: Avengers def Toad L Chaos

Sunday, Nov. 25, Coed C+, Lincoln-Sudbury HS

Quarters: Huskies def Sixpack; Avengers def Smack
Semis: Tsunami def Avengers; Clash def Huskies
Finals: Clash def Tsunami

Saturday, Nov. 24, Men's C-, Saint Johns Gym – Not Reported**Saturday, Nov. 24, Women's C-, Saint Johns Gym – Not Reported****Sunday, Nov. 18, Women's C+, Boston University**

Semis: BU Black def Volleyholics; Twizzlers Red def Not Too Short
Finals: BU Black def Twizzlers Red

Sunday, Nov. 18, Women's C-, Saint Johns Gym – Not Reported**Saturday, Nov. 17, Men's USAV A/AA, Lincoln-Sudbury HS**

Semis: WVC Penguino def Shot Block
WVC Slowhand def Juice Guys Daryl
Finals: WVC Penguino def WVC Slowhand

Saturday, Nov. 17, Men's B, Endicott College

Semis: Spicy Tuna def Huskies; Avengers def NSVBC
Finals: Avengers def Spicy Tuna

Saturday, Nov. 17, Men's C+, Lincoln-Sudbury HS

Semis: Clash def Boston Boom; Volleyholics def ASC
Finals: Clash def Volleyholics

Saturday, Nov. 17, Men's C, Orchard Hills Athletic Club

Finals: Volleyholics def Pioneer Valley

Saturday, Nov. 17, Women's BB, Rochester HS

Semis: Set Me Beth def Metropolis; Farm Animals def Set Me Julie
Finals: Set Me Beth def Farm Animals

Saturday, Nov. 17, Women's C, Orchard Hills Athletic Club

1st: Volleyholics - Short People Rule; 2nd: Dig This

Sunday, Nov. 11, Men's C+, Northmeadow Health Club

Semis: Pirates def Mavericks; Finals: Sixpack def Pirates

Sunday, Nov. 11, Women's B, Northmeadow Health Club

Semis: Twizzlers-Red def Not Too Short; Twizzlers-Black def DVC
Finals: Twizzlers-Red def Twizzlers-Black

Saturday, Nov. 10, Men's C, Lincoln-Sudbury HS

Semis: Spicy Tuna def Wolfpack
Mental Block def 5 Giants and a Sprout
Finals: Spicy Tuna def Mental Block

Saturday, Nov. 10, Women's C, Lincoln-Sudbury HS

Semis: Stray Cats Kim def Stray Cats Kathy
Finals: Stray Cats Kim def Tsunami

Saturday, Nov. 10, Coed B-, Kennedy Jr. HS

Semis: Hit Me def Team Wookiee; Sneaker Pimps def Ugh!
Finals: Hit Me def Sneaker Pimps

Sunday, Nov. 4, Men's B, Northmeadow Health Club

Semis: Toon Town def Sixpack; North Shore 2 def Juice Guys
Finals: North Shore 2 def Toon Town

Sunday, Nov. 4, Men's C, Saint Johns Gym – Not Reported**Sunday, Nov. 4, Women's B, Northmeadow Health Club**

Semis: Twizzlers-Black def DVC
Finals: Twizzlers-Red def Twizzlers-Black

Saturday, Nov. 3, Men's AA, Northmeadow Health Club

Semis: WVC-Slow Hand def GVC-M
Juice Guys-Chuck def WVC-Penguino
Finals: WVC-Slow Hand def Juice Guys-Chuck

Saturday, Nov. 3, Women's C+, Kennedy Jr. HS – Not Reported**Sunday, Oct. 28, Men's B, Saint Johns Gym – Not Reported****Sunday, Oct. 28, Men's C+, Johnson & Wales University**

Semis: Pirates def Loonie Toons; Newport def All for One
Finals: Pirates def Newport

Sunday, Oct. 28, Men's C, Saint Johns Gym – Not Reported**Sunday, Oct. 28, Coed B, Johnson & Wales University**

Semis: Queen and her court def Ugh!
Finals: Emptih def Queen and her court

Saturday, Oct. 27, Men's USAV A, Braintree HS

Semis: Juice Guys - Darryl def Juice Guys
Finals: MIT - Tom Natt def Juice Guys - Darryl

Saturday, Oct. 27, Men's C-, Orchard Hills Athletic Club

Semis: Mad Dawgs Gary def Princess
Finals: Mad Dawgs Gary def Mad Dawgs Woolf

Saturday, Oct. 27, Coed BB, Kennedy Jr. HS – Not Reported**Saturday, Oct. 27, Women's C+, Boston University**

Semis: Boston University def Downtown VC
Volleyholics def Twizzlers Red
Finals: Boston University def Volleyholics

Saturday, Oct. 27, Women's C-, Lincoln-Sudbury HS
Semis: Stray Cats Bite def LS Ice; Finals: Safe Sets def Stray Cats Bite

Sunday, Oct. 20, Women's B, Northmeadow Health Club
Semis: Twizzlers-red def Ya Mama; Tool Time def MIT
Finals: Twizzlers-red def Tool Time

Saturday, Oct. 20, Women's C, Kennedy Jr. HS – Not Reported

Sunday, Oct. 21, Men's B, Lincoln-Sudbury HS
Semis: Avengers def Bulletproof; Not So Much def Hit Me
Finals: Not So Much def Avengers

Sunday, Oct. 21, Men's C, Saint Johns Gym
Semis: Spicy Tuna def Mental Block; Northern Lights def Hard Angle
Finals: Spicy Tuna def Northern Lights

Sunday, Oct. 21, Women's BB Scramble, Lincoln-Sudbury HS
Semis: Team Meg def Team Julie
Finals: Winning Jelly Mutts def Team Meg

Sunday, Oct. 14, Women's C+, Northmeadow Health Club
Semis: L-cubed def Mass Express; Twizzlers-Black def Tool Time
Finals: L-cubed def Twizzlers-Black

Sunday, Oct. 14, Women's C-, Marian HS
Semis: #5 def Stray Cats-Nancy; Finals: Alumni Rule def #5

Saturday, Oct. 13, Men's B, Kennedy Jr. HS
Semis: ASC-Don def Juice Guys; ASC-Bill def Rondeau-1
Finals: ASC-Bill def ASC-Don

Saturday, Oct. 13, Men's C-, Saint Johns Gym
1st: Bates Motel; 2nd: SDVC

Saturday, Oct. 13, Women's C-, Saint Johns Gym
Finals: Avengers Kris def Stray Cats Ann

Sunday, Oct. 7, Women's C+, Pine Manor College
Semis: Toad L. Chaos def Volleyholics; Twizzlers def Set Me Cats-Ann
Finals: Twizzlers def Toad L. Chaos

Saturday, Oct. 6, Men's BB, Kennedy Jr. HS
Semis: ASC def MIT; Finals: ASC def Tom Natt

Sunday, Sept. 30, Coed B, Braintree HS
Semis: Duende def Mixed Nuts; Finals: Hit Me def Duende

Sunday, Sept. 30, Coed C, Marian HS
Semis: Bulletproof def Volleyholics
Finals: Bulletproof def Toad L Chaos

Sunday, Sept. 22, Coed C+, Northmeadow Health Club
Semis: Volleyholics def Duende; Baby Got Back def BulletProof
Finals: Volleyholics def Baby Got Back

Saturday, Sept. 22, Men's Scramble, Saint Johns Gym
Semis: Miller Lite def Mixed Up; Clash def Mango
Finals: Clash def Miller Lite

Saturday, Sept. 15, Men's C, Orchard Hills Athletic Club
Semis: Spicy Tuna def Mad Dawgs Woof
Finals: Spicy Tuna def Mental Block

As compiled by Tom Sweeney, Yankee WWW Editor

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

PLAYER RATING CHANGES

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WOMEN

Lindsay Allen	B+	Christine Radczinski	B-	John Gunagan	B-
Melissa Alpers	A-	Marybeth Saucie	B-	John Harper	A+
Lijin Aryandan	B	Loretta Sherblom	C	David Hildebrandt	C
Keri Bertonelli	C	Shannon Spriggs	B-	Gabe Howard	B-
Kristen Bloomer	B-	Jen Teahan	B-	David Hyde	B+
Jessica Butler	B-	Meg Vitter	B	Wes Jedrzejczek	B
Sheri Cook	C	Emily Vitti	C+	Pat Kasanenko	B-
Beth Delamater	B+	Carrie Weigner	C	John Krammes	B+
Janet Dewsnap	C+	Kendra Welch	B+	Kevin Lawless	B-
Lauren Donovan	B-	Wingsze Yuen	C+	Josh Matt	C+
Kerry Doyle	B-			Scott McLeod	B
Christy Dunster	C	MEN		John McMillan	B-
Heather Fredericks	B-	Jesse Amsel	C+	Tom Natt	A-
Regan Gough	B+	Austin Applegate	B+	Steve NG	B-
Deirdre Grant	B-	Sam Aregood	B-	Gary Patch	B+
Jean Gullickson	B	Anto Aryananda	C+	David Phin	C+
Bridget Gurtler	B-	Luke Barron	A-	Martin Renken	C+
Mo Hovnanian	B-	Steve Benoit	C+	Jay Rightmyer	B
Christi Kelsey	A-	Darryl Bullock	B+	Dave Rose	B
Christie Kittredge	C+	Patrick Burns	C	York Schroder	A-
Sam Lampert	B	Jason Campbell	C-	Bill Seeley	A-
Marlo LeVangie	B	Trevor Chapin	B-	Paul Shao	B-
Lisa Mahr	C	Joe Cibotti	B-	Wayne Sieskowski	C+
Robyn Mays	B	Zak Drew	B-	Ken Stone	B-
Stacy Melaragno	B+	Jon Driscoll	B	David Tran	C+
Deb Ommundsen	B-	Jason Gilmartin	B+	Hung Truong	B
Michelle Plant	B-	Calvin Girard	B	Xavier Vargas	B-
Mindy Plog	B-	Jeff Goodwin	B+	Dale Wiggins	B
		Jeff Grace	B	Albert Wong	B-
				Kin Yun	B-

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A/AA No limit
B/BB No more than 3 B+, the rest B or below. In addition, you will not be allowed to have all 3 B+ ratings in one gender. (ie; you may not bring a team of 3 B+ women and 3 B men or vice versa)

MEN'S

AA No limit
A 1 A, 4 A-, the rest below (an A+ will be allowed IF they take fewer A/A- players)
BB 3 B+, the rest B or below (no players higher than B+)
B 2-3 B, the rest B- or below (no players higher than B)

WOMEN'S

AA No limit
A 4 A-, the rest B+ or below (an A will be allowed IF they take fewer A- players)
BB 2 B+, 4 B, the rest B- or below (no players higher than B+)
B 1 B, 4 B-, the rest C+ or below (no players higher than B)

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