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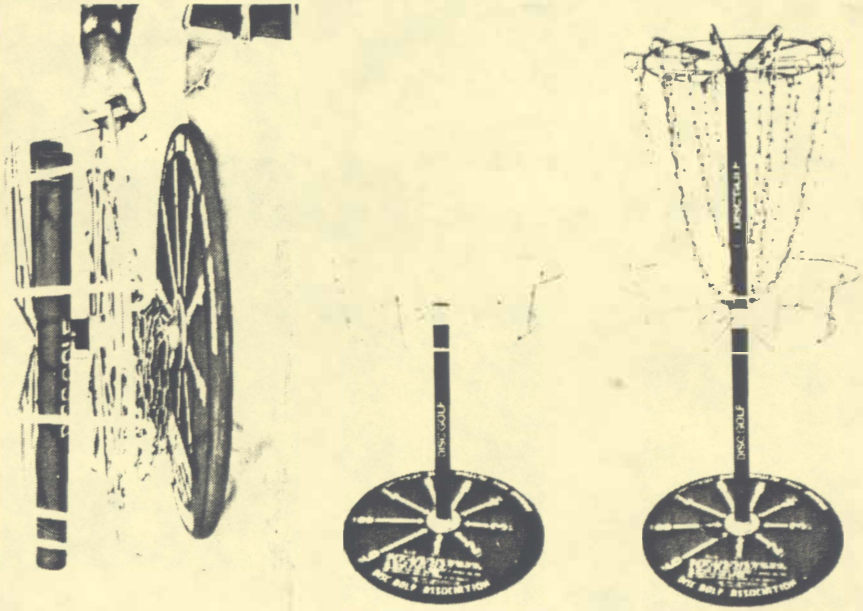

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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Owing to severe complications in my personal life, you have been spared reading an issue of this publication for quite a while. I hope you enjoyed the respite, but now the TSFC Newsletter is back, and you'll again be subjected to news and opinions, ads and results, coming events, art and all the rest of the stuff you've come to dread over the years. The Philadelphia Frisbee Club, our parent club, was formed TEN YEARS AGO, so look for some special Happy Tenth goings-on this year-- you know the type--"Where were YOU in 1976?". I forget where I was, so don't ask. You'll doubtless be thrilled to know that the TSFC will again sponsor the full range of disc events this year, from one-day al cheapo $5 golf meets to full-on three-day Overall extravaganzas like OCTAD.

OK, OK, I'll tell you where I was all these months: Some of you may have discerned a certain penchant for drinking rather copious quantities of spiritous beverages on my part. I decided, (on my own, I'll have you know) that it was time for a change, soo I checked myself into a rehab to dry out. To make a long story short, it seems to have worked, the result being I'll have no excuse for atrocious golf scores or anti-social behaviour in the future. So it goes.

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3-22-87	Brandywine, DE	Rich Hughes	302 834 8040
4-11-87	Sedgely Woods, Phil, PA	Jim Powers	215 363 0464
4-19-87	Brandywine, DE	Rich Hughes	302 834 8040
4-25-26-87	Virginia Beach, VA PDGA Dogwood	Tony Conrad	804 497 1908
5-2-87	Warwick Park, PDGA 87 PA	Darby Williammee	215 933 5123
5-9-10-87	Baltimore, MD Druid Hill PDGA	Norm Eckstein	301 462 1867
5-16-87	Brandywine, PDGA 87, DE	Rich Hughes	302 834 8040
5-23-25-87	OCTAD 87, Cedar Beach, Allentown, PA Major Draw PDGA 87 Tournament, Overall events: golf, distance, MTA, GUTS, and Freestyle, Jim Powers 215 363 0464		
6-6-7-87	Mt. Kisco, NY (Overall events) PDGA	David Jones	914 737 3939
6-14-87	Lewiston (Niagra Falls),PDGA NY	Royce Racinowski	716 482 8697
6-21-87	Carpenter, PDGA 87, DE	Rich Hughes	302 834 8040
6-27-87	Sedgely Woods, Phil, PA, PDGA 87	Jim Powers	215 363 0464
7-11-87	College Park, Calvert Road, PDGA	Dave Griffin	703 631 0833
7-18-87	Akron, PA, PDGA 87	Merrill Detweiler	717 394 7044
7-25-87	French Creek, PDGA 87, PA	Skeeter Hoffman	215 582 5196
8-1-87	GUTS & Golf Warwick	Darby Williammee	215 933 5123
8-8-9-87	Rochester, NY, PDGA 87,	Royce Racinowski	215 482 8697
8-15-87	Rutgers, NJ, PDGA 88		
8-23-87	Brandywine, DE, PDGA 88,	Rich Hughes	302 834 8040
8-25-29-87	Toronto, Ontario, 1987 PDGA Championships, Bob Blakely 416 533 3521, Ken Westerfield 416 694 3950		
9-5-87	Sedgely Woods, Phil PA	Jim Powers	215 363 0464
9-12-13-87	Baltimore, MD, PDGA 88 (Pine Grove)	Steve Alpern	301 377 4845
9-26-87	Carpenter, DE, PDGA 88	Rich Hughes	302 834 8040
10-3-4-87	Warwick/French Creek PDGA 88 Open	Jim Powers	215 363 0464
10-11-12-87	Marlyand State Champ. PDGA 88,	Norm Eckstein	301 462 1867
10-17-87	Stephens City VA Sherando Park PDGA 88	Hunt Hyde	703 662 6507
10-18-87	Mount Kisco, NY PDGA, 3rd Holloween,	David Jones	914 737 3939
10-18-87	Carpenter, DE Pro Am	Rich Hughes	302 834 8040
10-24-25-87	Calvert Road, PDGA 88,	Rick Conner	301 474 4422
11-22-87	Brandywine, DE Pro Am	Rich Hughes	302 834 8040
12-20-87	Carpenter, DE Pro Am	Rich Hughes	302 834 8040

SEDGELEY WOODS 11-8-86

Rank	Name	R 1	R 2	Total
1	T. J. Barber	54	52	106
2	Dale Crawford	54	53	107
3	David Stembel	53	54	107
4	Mark Cicchetti	53	55	108
5	Richhi Ross	53	55	108
6	Derek Jones	56	56	112
7	Karlton Taylor	55	57	112
8	Darby Williammee	58	57	115
9	Barry Noakes	61	54	115
10	Jim Powers	57	58	115
11	Bob Dean	61	57	118
12	Merrill Detweiller	55	63	118
13	Frank E. Senk Jr.	58	64	122
14	David Dickson	57	56	113
15	Gary D. Peterson	60	55	115
16	Tom Mikell	59	59	118
17	Richard Dibeler	61	59	120
18	John Slouf	63	60	123
19	Craig Stevens	72	57	129
20	Avery Lofton	63	62	125
21	Paul Fein	65	68	133
22	Ernie Thweatt	65	73	138
23	Judy Carnevalino	71	74	145
24	Mary Anne Jerow	70	79	149
25	Joanne Hannigan	89	81	170
26	Renale Westkamp	88	86	174

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THERE WERE A TOTAL OF FIFTY-ONE PARTICIPANTS AND A PRETTY GOOD SIZE CHEERING SECTION. EVERYONE HAD GREAT FUN. WE SHOT A LOT OF DARTS AND DRANK A LOT OF BEER. CAN'T WAIT UNTIL NEXT YEAR!

CONGRAOULATIONS AND TROPHIES GO TO THE WINNERS.

HOLE IN ONES FOR ED NESBITT AT LUMS POND HOLE #5 AND KEVIN RABER AT CARPENTER HOLE #9.

BEST DISC WINNERS WERE PETE DERAYMOND AND SHANNON WINN WITH A BLAZING 14 UNDER PRO PAR FOR 18, WITH THREE PAIRS TIEING FOR SECOND WITH 13 UNDER PRO PAR! (WHO SAYS DRINKING IMPAIRS DRIVING!)

MENS PRO	SCORE
1. TONY SMITH	89
2. IRV GORDON	91•
3. KEN REYNOLDS	91
4. RICH ROSS	93
5. BILL LIVINGSTON	95
6. STEVE WINCHESTER	97
7. GEORGE HALTERMAN	98
8. NORM ECKSTEIN	99
9. STEVE GORDON	99
10. DAVE HOLLAND	99
11. JEFF SWEETMAN	99
12. RICH GORDON	100
13. KEVIN LIMBERS	100
14. STEVE PALA	100
15. PAUL RADA	101
16. SKIP TINSMAN	102
17. RICH ATKINS	103
18. MIKE BERHEIDE	103
19. PETE DERAYMOND	103
20. STEVE MARTIN	103
21. JEFF DURHAM	105
22. ED NESBITT	105
23. JAY JONES	106
24. SHANNON WINN	106
25. MARK FORSYTHE	107

WOMENS PRO	SCORE
1. KATH PETERS	124
2. ANNE WALTER	126
3. PATTY TRASK	127
4. KAREN HUGES	134

AMATEURS	HC18	SCORE
1. SUNNY ODGERS	79	58
2. JEFF BOZARTH	51	69
3. ROY ARTERBRIOGE	45	71
4. NICK MCGEORGE	30	75
5. MARK TINSMAN	35	80•
6. KEN PELLINI	21	80
7. LINDA ROSS	44	80
8. CINDI HANSEN	58	81
9. ED NESBITT	24	81
10. KEVIN RABER	20	81
11. KURT DUBENDORF	17	82
12. BOB SANDOW	20	83
13. SAM BERRY	18	84
14. ANDY KROLL	29	86
15. MIKE SIMONE	23	87
16. MARK LESTER	24	88
17. BILL EATON	20	89
18. DAVE MOORE	25	89
19. BOB YOUNG	18	90
20. MIKE TALLEY	14	98

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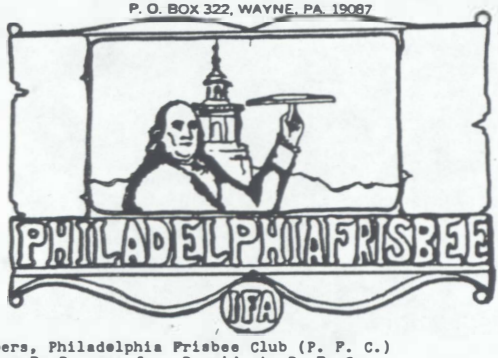

To : Members, Philadelphia Frisbee Club (P. P. C.)
From: James B. Powers, Jr., President, P. P. C.

Wellcome to the Philadelphia Frisbee Club. I am happy to say that the club membership is growing, and will top the 100 mark any day.

How did this club come about? - many members asked - so here it is, a brief history of the Philadelphia Frisbee Club.

I first became interested in Frisbee through the sport of "ULTIMATE FRISBEE". As co founder of the University of New Hampshire (UFO) Ultimate frisbee team (spring 1974) and founder of the Penn. State U. Ultimate Frisbee Team (fall 1974, 1977 Eastern Champions), I became familiar with the ground work needed to form new frisbee organizationa. Upon my graduation from Penn. State U. (Aug. 1976), I decided to form a broad based Frisbee Organization in the Philadelphia area, patterned after the Los Angeles Frisbee Club. After 4 months in the Canadian and U.S. Rocky Mts. (contemplating all this), and a week stop over at I.P.A. HQ, Los Angeles, Calif. I finially found my way back to the city of Brotherly Love - Philadelphia, all fired up and ready to go! The first Frisbee article was published in the Suburban and Wayne Times the third week in December 1976 - proclaiming the begining of "The Valley Forge Frisbee Club" - yes that was the name of our club for a whole 3 weeks. The first person to join this one man club was Joe D'Annunzio - present treasurer. The first official meeting of the PPC (VFFC) was held Jan. 3, 1977 - people attending, Joe D'Annunzio, Steve Mayock, John Schaberg, Mike Powers and my self. The club was regiatered with the International Frisbee Association as an affilate club - Jan. 15, 1977.

As the club grew through the dark cold months of the Winter of 1977 - we tried to set records for the nuber of shattered disc/hr. in the sub zero atmoaphere. The first official PPC competition came at the second annual Penn. State U. St. Valentines Day Ultimate Frisbee Tournament. The PPC lost to a tough premiere Bucknell Ultimate team 41 to 21 (2/12/77) indoors, but bounced back to beat Carnegie Mellon U. 23 to 12. Please read the report on the complete Spring Ultimate

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Frisbee action for the PPC plus a complete listing of all the games played at the Eastern Nationals, played April 29, 30 and May 1, 1977.

As theweather thawed out other areas of frisbee activity also began to spring to the fore - frisbee golf (see report of frisbee golf), freestyle, MTA, Accuracy, TRC, and Distance. Today I am happy to say, that the PPC is actively competing in all areas of frisbee competition with the exception of Guts. So there you have it, the history of the PPC.

Sedgeley Woods DDGA 9-6-86

rank	name	rnd #1	rnd #2	rnd #3	total
1	Hunt Hyde	51	48	49	148
2	Joe Mela	53	48	48	149
3	Clark Putman	51	48	52	151
4	Ed Melloy	50	53	50	153
5	Darby Williamnee	52	48	53	153
6	Teel Barber	52	53	48	153
7	Ken Reynolds	52	50	52	154
8	Barry Noakes	57	55	46	158
9	Keith Brace	47	56	56	159
10	Joe McNamara	56	52	52	160
10	Erik Dienemann	53	55	52	160
10	David Jones	53	53	54	160
13	Billy Bloom	55	53	53	161
13	Steve Winchester	57	52	52	161
15	Irv Gordon	53	57	52	162
16	Frank Senk	52	52	59	164
17	Rick Foss	59	51	55	165
17	Rich Gordon	55	55	55	165
17	Tom Mohn	56	54	55	165
17	Karlton Taylor	54	57	55	165
21	Dave Tomaszewski	55	56	56	167
22	Steve Martin	53	55	60	168
23	Shannon Winn	56	56	57	169
24	George Halterman	59	58	60	177
25	Skip Tinsman	62	57	59	178
26	Sander Hemphill	61	57	61	179
27	Dave Holland	59	63	58	180
28	Jeff Durham	61	64	61	186
women					
1	Denise Brace	65	66	63	194‡
2	Mary Proud	66	67	61	194

‡won playoff

NEW YEAR'S DAY TOURNAMENT

Joe McNamara # 2841	Norristown, PA	52
Teej Barber # 976	Edgewater Park, NJ	53
Karlton Taylor # 3027	Philadelphia, PA	53.1
Dave Stembel # 969	Philadelphia, PA	53.2
Dale Crawford # 2842	Norristown, PA	54
Frank E. Senk, Jr. # 3345	Philadelphia, PA	55
Tom Mikell	Philadelphia, PA	56
Dave Holland	Willmingon, DE	57
Marc Kaplan (A)	San Diego, CA	57
James B. Powers, Jr. # 165	Downingtown, PA	57
Darby Williammee # 1838	Phoenixville, PA	57
Steve Winchester # 3224	Bear, DE	57
Gary D. Peterson	King of Prussia, PA	58
Rick Ross # 2920	Lancaster, PA	58
Mark Cicchetti # 2844	Southampton, PA	59
Big Rick Atkins	Wayne, PA	60
Tom Mohn # 118	King of Prussia, PA	60
John Sanville	Doylestown, PA	60
Richard Dibbler (A)	Pottstown, PA	63
Steve Martin # 3269	Willminton, DE	64
Charles Casale	Doylestown, PA	65
Paul & Martel Fein	Philadelphia, PA	67 - 5
Judy Carnevalino (AW)	Norristown, PA	68
Stuart Schock	Cherry Hill, NJ	68
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Michael C. Bradford	Coopersburg, PA	71
Mary Anne Jerow # 3250	Mont Clare, PA	71
Edward Zimmermann	Philadelphia, PA	81 - 3
Ellen Glendinning	Philadelphia, PA	83

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT, TSFC/PAFC
by: Jim Powers

Hello disc enthusiasts in the Tri State (Delaware, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania) Area. I hope the cold dark days of winter have not dulled your interest in disc activities, including Ultimate, Disc Golf and just having a fun toss. Remember the warm days of summer golf at Brandywine, Warwick and Sedgley Woods? How about the steaming Ultimate games in the Philadelphia Summer Ultimate league or the weekend tournaments at Lums Pond. Yes the warm weather is on the way back and the TSFC has a full slate of tournaments ready for you in 1987.

The year 1986 will be remembered as the year the flying disc (Frisbees are a registered trademark of Wham-O) players in Delaware, New Jersey and Pennsylvania joined together to form a new organization, the TRI STATE FRISBEE CLUB. Special thanks are due to Shannon Winn for his efforts on this newsletter, Darby Williammee for his endless efforts in Disc Golf, Rich Hughes, Steve Winchester and friends for bringing disc golf to Delaware, Dave Stembel for his organizational support, the Lancaster Lazers (Rich Ross, Merrill Detweiller) for expanding the Akron disc golf course, The Dead Dogs (Skeeter Hoffman, Bob Young, the Tomaszewski brothers and friends, for their tireless efforts in building the new course at French Creek (yes French Creek is now open to the public!), Steve Nelson for promoting Ultimate, and you for participating in tournaments in 1986.

The year 1987 marks an important anniversary for members of the Philadelphia Area Frisbee Club. Back in January of 1977 the PAFC was formed. Early members included Joe D'Annunzio, Rick Vlam, Maxwell Smith, Denny Cornman, John Schaberg and Paul Fein. Actually the PAFC first name was the "Valley Forge Frisbee Club". An article was published in the third week of December 1976 in the Suburban and Wayne Times announcing the formation of the Valley Forge Frisbee Club. The name only lasted three weeks! At the first official meeting of the VFFC held on January 3, 1977 five people were present: Joe D'Annunzio, Steve Mayock, John Schaberg, Mike Powers and myself. One of the first actions taken was to change the name to the Philadelphia Frisbee Club, and the name was registered with the International Frisbee Association as an affiliate club on January 15,1977. The PFC was primarily an Ultimate centered club. The PFC lost it's first game to Bucknell U. 41 to 21 at Penn State U. on 2-12-77 (an indoor tournament) but bounced back to beat Carnegie Mellon 23 to 12 (remember when Ultimate games were played to time!).

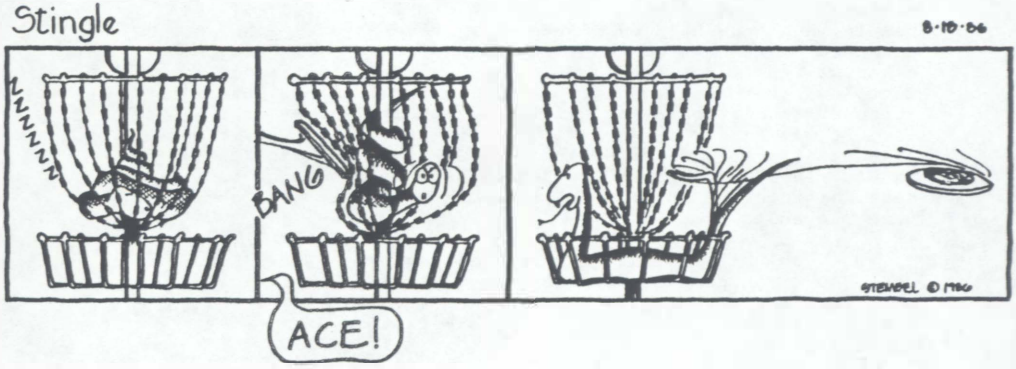
How many of you remember the Rose Tree Park World Double Disc Court Tournament hosted by the PFC in the fall of 1977? Well the TSFC/PAFC is looking to do it again this year to mark the 10 year anniversary of this exciting game. Stay tuned for more information.

The "COMING UP" section of this newsletter contains a

full list of tournaments for 1987. Take special note of the winter tournament series at Sedgley Woods in Philadelphia and Brandywine Creek State Park in Delaware. Note day light savings time will be returning early this year thanks to changes made by the Federal government. The month of March will have extended day light hours for your disc enjoyment. Important dates include PDGA 1987 Pro Tour events at Warwick (5-2-87), Brandywine (5-16-87), and the OCTAD (PDGA Regional Tournament) on May 23-25, 1987.

Two serious matters face our members in 1987. The first issue concerns the escalating number of foul and arguments during Ultimate games. I propose the following solution for Ultimate games played at the Sectional, Regional and National play off level. Discussion of fouls called during an Ultimate game should be limited to one representative from each team who were on the field when the foul was called. If the foul is unresolved after 30 seconds observers on the sideline will make an immediate and binding ruling. Play resumes with a check. What do you think? Write the UPA, P.O. Box 7575, Greenwich, CT 06836 and let them know!

The second issue is the nullification of the PDGA elections of officers and a specific restriction in the PDGA constitution by the PDGA board. I urge all PDGA members to ask for a full accounting of the boards actions. The board accepted the ratification of the PDGA constitution, but did not accept the vote on "Option One" which restricts membership on the PDGA board to individuals who's primary livelyhood is NOT from the manufacture or sale of disc golf equipment or golf discs. I ask all members of the TSFC to write the PDGA and ask why, and second to vote in the second election now underway. Third I ask all PDGA members to question the authority of the board to take the actions they have taken. Write to the PDGA Newsletter, Allen Pier, R.R. # 312, Peru, IN 46970.



Congratulations Santa Barbara Lady Condors and Chicago's Windy City 1986 UPA National Champs!

The Nationals - Open Division

By Andy Borinstein

Chicago's Windy City, repeated their success of 1983, as they captured their second National Ultimate Championship by handily defeating the defending champs, the San Francisco Flying Circus, 21-13. Windy was undefeated in tournament play and defeated most opponents by six or more goals. The women's division was won by the Condors of Santa Barbara for the third consecutive year. They defeated the Nemeheads, a combination team from Chicago and East Lansing, 19-7.

Pool Play

Foul weather, in the form of a cold, driving rain storm, greeted the competitors as play opened in Houston on Thanksgiving Day for the 1986 UPA National Ultimate championships. Pool A consisted of the Flying Circus, the St. Louis Tunas, New York's Kaboom!, Mr. Pouce from North Carolina and Atlanta's Chain Lightning. Pool B was made up of Windy Titanic from Boston, the Santa Barbara Condors, Texas Heat (formerly the Dallas Sky Pilots), and New Jersey's R&B, who were making their first appearance at the Nationals.

Thursday's Results

In Pool A, Atlanta avenged last year's loss to Pouce with 21-14 victory. On the day's most exciting action, Kaboom! bested the Tuna's 17-13. The game, played on a field that was made into a muddy swamp by Houston's inclement weather, seemed to benefit the New Yorkers. In the first half, Kaboom! jumped out to a one goal lead which was maintained throughout the first half. This lead was stretched to three by hard defensive play, a patient offense and sloppy play by the Tunas. The half ended with Kaboom! leading 11-8.

Everything that went right for New York in the first half seemed to disappear in the second half. The Tunas shifted into a higher gear and played a much tougher man-to-man. They battled back by forcing Kaboom! into defensive mistakes which they converted into scores. After a critical Kaboom! throwing error on the St. Louis goal line at the beginning of the second half, the Tunas scored three straight to tie the game at 11. Kaboom! responded with one of their own to take a 12-11 lead. At that point, the New Yorkers returned to the play that established their lead in the first half. The Tunas would close to 14-13, but Kaboom! scored on their ensuing possession and used their last time out to force the game into captivity. After the play stoppage Kaboom! zoned and the Tunas failed to break it. Kaboom!'s 17-13 victory (the club's 300th since forming in the spring of 1983) became critically important as New York, The Tunas and the Circus battled for the right to play on Sunday at Rice University.

In Pool B, Windy City had little trouble with R&B as they ran away with the contest, 21-11. And Titanic defeated a scrappy Texas team, 21-15.

Friday's Play

The Circus began tournament play by trouncing Kaboom! 21-11. It was one of the worst defeats New York had ever been handed. It was also one of the most bizzare. The game was close throughout the first half. Kaboom! took a two goal lead as the Circus had trouble adapting their Stanford offense to the muddy field conditions. Kaboom! was on their way to 3-0 lead when a turnover was committed and the Circus scored. Circus scored the next two and both teams traded goals through much of the remainder of the first half. However, the Circus was able to stymie their hated New York rivals by throwing both a man (with different traps and forces) and a zone defense. In the wind, the zone proved to be most effective—Kaboom! scored only once. The half ended with the Circus up 11-9.

The second half seemed like it would be close. Kaboom! quickly scored two straight points to tie the game and forced the Circus into another turnover on the next possession. But New York failed to convert and the Circus scored the first of what would be ten straight points to close out the game at 21-11. After taking a 12-11 lead, Kaboom! could not handle Circus' shifting box zone. They tried swinging, throwing over and throwing long to beat the defense but nothing worked. Circus cruised into their next game against Mr. Pouce (which they won 21-14) and Kaboom! was left to figure out how they could advance to Sunday's play.

As Kaboom! was taking a licking, so was Atlanta, Texas and Titanic. Atlanta was defeated by the Tunas, Texas by the Condors and Windy City handed Titanic only their third defeat of the season with a 21-12 win. From most accounts, City dominated the game from the game's initial pull. They ran hard and their man-to-man forced Boston to commit many errors which led to Windy scores. The game was essentially over at the half with Chicago leading 11-6.

In Friday's final games, the Condors routed R&B, 21-4; Kaboom! beat Chain, 21-9; Circus defeated Pouce; and Windy had its closest encounter of the entire tourney against Texas. In that contest, Windy led by three at the half, but Texas stayed close and closed within 20-18 before City scored the game winner.

Thus after two days of play the pool standings saw the Circus atop Pool A with a 2-0 record. They were followed by Kaboom! at 2-1, the Tunas at 1-1, Atlanta at 1-2 and Pouce, 0-2. There were many scenarios for figuring out who would advance to Sunday's play but the most important involved the Circus-Tunas game scheduled for 10 AM Saturday. If the Tunas won they would advance and could possibly win the pool if they won their remaining game against Pouce and Circus lost to Atlanta. In this situation Kaboom! provided that they won their last game against Pouce, would finish second. If Circus lost their two Saturday games and Pouce won theirs, four teams would be 2-2 but Pouce would win the pool and point spreads would determine second place. If the Tunas lost, Kaboom! would finish second in the pool behind the Circus.

In Pool B, Windy was 3-0, Condors 2-0 (they had played their easiest games), Titanic 1-1, Texas 1-2 and R&B 0-2. As in Pool A, the outcome of this pool was very much in doubt. If Windy won, they would win the pool. If the Condors defeated Chicago and Boston, Santa Barbara would win the pool and Windy would finish second. If the Condors defeated Windy but lost to Titanic, there would be a three-way tie and point spreads would come into play. Finally, if the Condors lost their first game to give Windy the pool, second place would come down to the last game match-up with Boston. And this is exactly what happened.

Saturday's Action

For the second day in a row, overcast skies met the competitors as they played for the first time at Rice University. At this site, most of the fields were in the same condition as the one's at the Sharpstown Middle School. That is, they were either underwater or they were covered with mud. However, two fields had good drainage and were grass covered and fast. On one of these fields, the Tunas and the Circus were battling it out.

In that game, the Tunas jumped out to a three-goal lead which they held for most of the first half. They increased the margin to 14-10 when the Circus got back on track. The defending champs went on another goal scoring streak while employing their zone defense. They took an 18-14 lead before the Tunas finally scored which led to a scoring spree of their own. The Tunas man-to-man defense overwhelmed the Circus and came within one point of victory at 20-18.

As the other games ended (Windy defeated the Condors by seven, Titanic overwhelmed R&B and Kaboom! after trailing most of the game, barely got by Mr. Pouce who played their best game of the tourney, 18-16), the Circus-Tuna sideline swelled with the anticipation of a St. Louis upset. At 20-18, the Circus calmly worked the disc downfield to close within one. A time-out was called and the Circus zone was used again. The Tunas handled well against it until they reached the far sideline. There, one of the Tunas grounded a pass to a wide open receiver and San Fran converted to tie the game at 20. On the pull, the Circus showed zone again, but the Tunas were tentative in their handling. A pass from a slot to a handler was blocked by Howard Jaffe who was playing front. The disc found its way to Tom Funkhouser who rifled a sidearm pass to a wide open receiver for the win. With the win, the Circus assured themselves the top spot in the pool. Their opponent would be the winner of the Titanic-Condor game. The Circus win also assured Kaboom! a semi-final placing. Windy City would be their opponent.

As Circus struggled in their last pool game against Chain (Chain played extremely well and built up a four goal lead which held up for most of the game) which they eventually won, 21-19, the Titanic—Condor game was a real burn burner.

At first, it looked like the Condors would run away from their Boston rivals. They jumped out to a 5-1 and 6-2 lead, only to see Titanic battle back to tie the score at 7. Teams traded goals for the rest of the half, with the Condors taking the half, 11-10. In the second half, Boston opened up a two goal lead as both teams ran hard and dove often on the grass. But the Condors battled back to a 19-19 tie. Boston scored on their next possession and forced the Condors to turn the disc over near their end line. They quickly scored and moved into the Semis against the Circus.

On the tournament's other games, the Tunas defeated Pouce, 21-14 and Texas beat R&B.

Sunday's Semifinals

Both Chicago and San Francisco cruised through their semifinal games to advance to the finals. Both teams led at the half, 11-6 and eventually won the game by an identical 21-14 score.

The Kaboom! Windy game was a repeat from last year's semi which the New Yorkers won by two. In this contest, both teams were very well behaved in what was a clean game. City with their 29-man roster proved too much for Kaboom! whose offense failed to show up for the tournament. Chicago jumped out to a 5-3 lead and never looked back. Kaboom! closed within four, twice in the second half, but Windy utilized their long game to neutralize any chance of a comeback.

From most accounts of the other semi, Titanic fell behind early and was never able to get back into the game. The Circus executed their offense by cutting well and getting open on the dry grass field. With their victory they advanced to defend their title against a large squad of psyched Chicagoans who were more than pumped to win.

The Finals

The final game for the UPA National Championship was played at the track stadium at Rice University. All fans were in the stands. Only players, observers and camera crews were allowed on the field. The finals had all the makings of a great game. In the last few years, the Circus and Windy have been the two most consistent teams in the sport of Ultimate. Windy won the championship three years ago and have been semi-finalists the past two years. Circus, the defending champions, lost in the finals at Santa Barbara in 1984. In addition, both teams were undefeated in this tournament.

But, the finals opened in a way that typified most of the other tournament games that involved Windy. That is, Chicago scored first and kept the other teams at bay throughout the rest of the first half. They jumped out to a 4-1 lead which was increased to 10-6. For the first time in the game, the Circus defense stiffened and capitalized on two Windy errors to close to 10-8. That was as close as they would come. Windy scored the final goal of the half and took away Circus' advantage at the beginning of the second half to lead 12-8.

When on defense, Circus tried their zone, but in the calm and sunny 70 degree temperature, it was ineffective. Windy easily threw over it and scored. As the game wound down to its anticlimactic finish many of the Circus players seemed as if they did not know what hit them. But, Windy steam-rolled all the teams they faced in Houston and never looked back. With Mike Glass, Mike O'Dowd, Joey, CVB and Pat Tower all having great tournament games, Windy will be tough to beat in '87.

Women's Division

By Kathy Pufahl

Teams represented at the 1986 Women's Nationals, in order of final standings were, "Lady" Condors (5-0), Nemehead (4-1), San Diego Safari (3-2), Boston Smithereens (2-3), Washington D.C. Cool Mama Seven (1-4) and Florida Shakti (0-5). Each team performed admirably, exhibiting both dedication to the spirit of the game and exceptional athletic ability. Regardless of the final outcome, each competitor should feel a sense of pride and satisfaction in her performance and also in having had the privilege of competing in the National tournament.

The participation of a sixth wild card team in this year's round robin play contributed a new and interesting element to the tournament. With the exception of the Condor's games, competition was more evenly matched throughout the weekend than in recent memory. As the last round approached on Saturday, there was potential for a three-way tie to occur in either first or second place due to the tough competition between the top teams.

The first Thanksgiving Day round was a rainy one as Cool Mama Seven (CMS) and Nemehead battled for the lead in an exciting game. Nemehead having difficulty with the CMS zone faced an early game deficit but managed to come back and go ahead by two at half. Each team traded points throughout the second half as the downwind advantage had become a factor. Nemehead scored the final upwind goal to win 15-12.

Condor Women faced their most difficult game of the tournament first round on Friday against Nemehead. Nemehead took an early lead but the Condors battled back to win the game 15-11.

Safari played their first game in National tournament history against Shakti, four-time National competitor. The highly skilled California team easily handled the Florida women in a 15-1 decision.

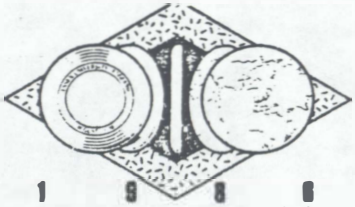
Safari had a more difficult time in their second game trailing Nemehead 8-2 at half. The strong Nemehead zone appeared too much for the Safari team. The second half was, however, a much different game. Safari outscoring Nemehead 8-7 only to lose the game 15-10. Play in the second half had tremendous spectator appeal. It was an exciting display of determination and competitive drive on the part of both teams.

The Smithereens and Safari both went into their Saturday morning game with a 1-1 record. Smithereens had beaten their Washington rivals 15-6, and had lost to the Condors 15-4 the previous day. It was a must win game for either team with Safari coming out on top 15-9. Smithereens had an early 3-0 lead but found themselves down 8-6 at half never to regain the lead.

CMS nearly caused the upset of the tournament by leading Safari through most of the first half. Safari managed to pull ahead of a 10-10 tie to win 15-10. CMS arrived in Houston with a largely inexperienced team and should be commended for doing so well against teams with a great deal more playing experience.

The final round, Safari-Condors and Smithereens-Nemehead, was a crucial one for all teams involved. If Safari or Smithereens had won, second place would have been awarded on the basis of point spreads (there was potential for two different three way ties to occur). Safari had a strong first half against the Condors and only trailed by one at half. They were, however, substantially outscored in the second half and lost 15-7. Smithereens lead Nemehead 8-7 at the half and played a fine second half only to lose 15-12.

In the final game, under bright sunny skies, Nemehead came out strong and took an early 3-0 lead but when the Lady Condors started scoring, they could not be stopped. They scored seven in a row before Nemehead could get back on the scoreboard. The Nemehead team tried valiantly to stop the Condors with a zone defense but still found themselves trailing 10-5 at half. The Condors converted virtually every turnover in the second half into a goal and quickly won the game 19-7. In each of the two games the Nemehead played against the Condors, they scored more points than any other team during the course of the tournament. That is in itself an accomplishment. The Lady Condors were simply dazzling and are well deserving of the Championship title.



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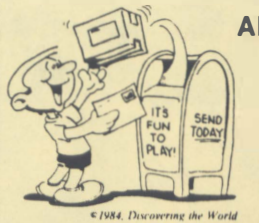

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