

***** Hog Classic 2006 – Tournament recap*****

After missing a year in 2005 due to a management change, Nick Xynidis brought back the annual Hog Classic. Attendance was good and the 104 entries were about the maximum we could handle with the 5 remaining (back wall glass) courts. With 5 courts matches started as early as 3 PM on Friday and the last scheduled match was at 3 PM on Sunday. Nick did his best to accommodate reasonable starting time requests, but a bye to the finals was not generally possible.

Local player George Graber spent many long hours manning the tournament desk with additional help from Andy Pawlowski, Bryan Sanderson and Nick Xynidis. The tournament ran on schedule most of the time and there was enough food at mealtimes for all players. It should come as no surprise that getting referees was always a problem. Hardly anyone wants to referee, but everyone want a good referee for their match. ...Go figure.

A few other local Club Boom players faired well in their divisions. Charles Rossop defeated 2 seasoned players in the “A” division. (see the tournament results section of the FRA web site). Gary Byriel also did well in the “C” division as this was his first sanctioned tournament. It was good to see a few of our local Juniors back on the scene. Amberchelle Yonkosky and both John and James Fanning played in the tournament which gave Trace Teschke someone to play in the under 12 division.

Thanks to all,
Andy Pawlowski