

# New stars emerging in adult tennis tourney

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## Youth displaying quality tennis, B3

Just to keep everything interesting, a few new players enter the city tennis tournament every year and play havoc with the seedings.

All of a sudden, there are brackets with first and second seeds missing before the semifinals start. The Ann Arbor area attracts new amateur stars every season.

So seeding isn't an easy job. Tournament director Dale Greiner doesn't have an ATP computer to look at when someone moves here. In the top singles divisions and the

brackets for players 40 and older, the same players stand out year after year.

Greiner has been perfect in more than one division. Men's 40-and-over singles quarterfinals featured the four top seeds defeating the four placed players. The top four seeds all reached the semifinals in Women's A Doubles and Men's AA Singles.

But the new stars have come to the forefront in other divisions.

Philip Emeagwal, a University of Michigan graduate student, may have come the farthest, both in distance and in victories so far in the tournament.

Playing in the Men's B Singles division, Emeagwal earned a place in the semifinals with a 6-3, 3-6, 6-2 victory over Greg

Huszczo on Friday. Emeagwal will play top seed Rod Bear this morning.

"I know he was in good shape," said Emeagwal. "I knew he liked to wear people out in the third set. I just had to use consistency."

Weather helped break a pattern of sorts for Huszczo. Each of his four matches in the tournament has gone to a third set. But Wednesday's downpour interrupted his quarterfinal match after one set. After winning the first set Friday, he lost his service two straight times to drop the match.

Both players tried to wear each other out, which amounted to a match time of al-

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## FEATURED MATCHES

Today's featured matches at the City Adult Tennis Tournament (all scheduled for Burns Park)

■ **Men's AA Singles:** Eric Johnson (1) vs. Tom Parsons (3), 11:20 a.m.; Mark Randolph (4) vs. Bill Godfrey (2), 11:40 a.m.

■ **Women's A Singles:** Emily Menella (1) vs. Julie Burckell (1) a.m.; Katie Eriksson (2) vs. Divita Berg, 11:15 a.m.

■ **Men's A Singles:** Steven Schwendeman vs. Eric Robinson, 9 a.m.; Mark Borys (4) vs. Greg Hansen, 9:45 a.m.

■ **Women's A Doubles:** Emily Bowen-Carl Miller (2) vs. Dorcy Mahaffie-Robee Roden (1), 2:30 p.m.; Michele Hunsbaker-Aron Booth (2) vs. Kristina Glueck-Kate Ewaldovich (4), 2:45 p.m.

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...out four hours. There were close to 10 deuces in the seventh game of the third set alone. Emeagwal finally won that game, which essentially clinched the match.

"I played a lot of racquetball this winter," said Huszczo. "That improved my conditioning. My strategy is to wear down an opponent in the first two sets, then come on strong in the third."

Emeagwal, a civil engineering student originally from Nigeria, was confident that strategy wouldn't work.

"With consistency, I try to bring out the worst in the other player," he said. "I want to make them make mistakes."

Another new player to the tournament isn't quite as new as

Emeagwal. He's Greg Hansen, a former Pioneer student who now plays for Oberlin College.

Hansen, in his first Ann Arbor adult tournament, defeated top seed Jeff Holman 1-6, 6-1, 6-4 in a Men's A Singles quarterfinal Friday.

"I was having trouble getting organized in the first set," said Hansen. "But he broke a string at the end of the first set, and had trouble getting used to a new racket."

Hansen broke serve in the first game of the third set (Holman had three double-faults in the game). Each player held the rest of the match.

"I let him back into the match," said Holman, who played for Huron, then EMU in the 1970s.

**MEN'S A SINGLES:** Hansen

plays fourth-seeded Mark Borys this morning. In Friday's play, Borys defeated Mike Psarouthakis, 6-4, 6-1.

In the other semifinal, Eric Restuccia will play unseeded Steven Schwendeman, who defeated placed player John Robinson 6-3, 7-5 on Friday. Earlier in the tournament, Schwendeman eliminated the second seed, Fred Bye.

**MEN'S B SINGLES:** Hansen's father, Bennett Wolper, defeated second seed Bruce Watkins 6-3, 3-6, 6-3. Wolper and Watkins used to be doubles partners and are quite familiar with each other's game. Wolper and Hansen are both still competing in the B Doubles.

**WOMEN'S B SINGLES:** None of the four winners Friday lost more

than four games. Top seed Chintana Paramagul advanced to play Sally DeLange and Jacki Koren advanced to play Valerie Twanmoh. Twanmoh, another newcomer to the tournament, defeated the second seed, Juanita Reid, in second-round play.

**MEN'S A DOUBLES:** The top two seeded teams advanced to the semifinals. Bill Godfrey and Eric Johnson, the No. 1 seeds, will play Mark Randolph and Tom Phillion this afternoon. Randolph-Phillion upset the fourth seeds, Alex Doll and Charles Watts, 6-4, 2-6, 6-2.

The second seeds, Jim Parsons and Craig Hammond, will play Jeff Devenow and Jim Holtman, who upset the third seeds, Jim Hamilton and Jon Bowdler, 6-3, 6-3.

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