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CHAPTER I
THE PROBLEM

Introduction

One of the truly integral parts in the development of organized recreation has been an effective competitive sports program. Competitive sports programs for the people of Northern California have been no exception. These programs have contributed to the overall growth of the competitive play movement in Northern California and on the whole have provided a full range of activities for both men and women. The Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies (S.A.N.C.R.A.) has provided a broad base for the development of competitive sports programs; however, a review of literature indicates a lack of historical accounts for competitive sport organizations. As famous historian Thomas Woody once pointed out, "Institutions, movements, men and women, associated with the development of play and physical education, are waiting for an historic interview."¹

Providing extramural levels of competitive play became a common crusade in Northern California cities around the latter part of the 1960s. This crusade was pursued by organizations and individuals who worked to engender public support for the movement. The result was the creation of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies. Due to the influence of S.A.N.C.R.A., Northern California recreation and park departments have acted to provide extramural sports programs.

Statement of the Problem

The primary intent of this historical study is to trace and record the history of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies, 1969-1975. The establishment of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies will be considered to be the culmination of the efforts of certain persons and organizations to publicly provide competitive sports programs for various levels of ability in the Northern California area.

Purpose of the Study

The Social Science Research Council has said:

...the historian is not and cannot be concerned with all that did happen. He is and must be concerned with those particular events that did happen which turn out to be 'basic' for his history. He is not concerned with the entire past, with all its infinitesimal detail; he is concerned with the basic or significant past...The historian must thus choose among the various possibilities of the present that tendency, that predicted future, which he judges to be dynamic or controlling. He chooses as his principle of selection the 'real pattern of events,' what is 'working itself out.'...the historian's choice of a principle of selection necessarily involves a certain choice of allegiance, an act of faith in one kind of future rather than another.2

One of the important functions of a recreation department is to provide an effective competitive sports program. Significant contributions to this important program phase have been provided by the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies.

Considering the importance of the competitive sports program, recreation supervisors with sport management as a primary or sole responsibility, recreation administrators, recreation educators and

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students of recreation could benefit from the results of a historical study of the Sports Association of Northern California Agencies during the period of its existence from 1969 to 1975.

Need for the Study

A historical study of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies has not been made to this date. Such a study should be of value as a contribution to public knowledge of an important phase of sports programming. This study will provide a factual account of the historical development of S.A.N.C.R.A., an opportunity to discover trends, the factors which influenced these trends and an interpretation of the changes that took place during the span of this report. This investigation provides those responsible for competitive sports programming in Northern California recreation agencies background material for future decisions regarding competitive sports.

Every organization should have a record of its previous years. Such a record will allow others to study the organization's past history of achievements, failures and traditions. The persons involved in formulating the current policies will need to know what was done in the past. They will need to know the bases for previous decisions. The policy makers should know and understand the decisions and traditions of earlier years just as they should be able to project into the future. A historical study hopefully may supply some of this needed information, present an overview of material and locate areas or ideas for further study or research. This study may also serve as a valuable aid to the members of S.A.N.C.R.A., to give them an understanding and appreciation
of the organization's early development and contribution to recreation programming.

Definitions of Terms Used

Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies (S.A.N.C.R.A.). An organization of recreation league directors and administrators in Northern California who have banded together to form an association that offers post-season tournaments, player medical protection, and cooperation between cities and areas in standardizing regulations, playing rules, etc.

Northern California. A division of California covering the territory from the Oregon border to and inclusive of Fresno, California.

Sports Supervisor. One that is charged with the administration of recreational sports programs.

Competition. The act or process of participating in organized sport.

Local Sports Program. The organized athletic program of the recreational service department; a program of participation in all branches of organized sport for teams, groups, or individuals. Program content would include basketball, tennis, golf, softball, etc.

Recreation. Activity engaged in during leisure and primarily motivated by the satisfaction derived from it.3

Extramural Sports Program. A competitive contest offered outside the boundaries of a city or recreation agency. Commonly performed by athletes of amateur status, but not to be confused with scholastic competition.

Delimitation of the Study

This study will be delimited to Northern California. No attempt is made to elaborate on the related histories of Southern California or of Central California except where these are necessary factors to be included.

Theoretical

This study makes no attempt to become involved with a detailed, scientific study of competition in sports or with physical education itself. The study deals with the broader, non-technical aspects of organizational development.

Limitations

This study is concerned with only the history of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies. Where either state or national influences are felt and reflected in Northern California they will be included in the history that concerns this study.

Sources of Data

The following serve as sources of basic data to be used in the study: newspapers, periodicals, books, bulletins, minutes of board and association meetings, personal letters, personal interviews, annual reports, budgets, honors and awards made, attendance records, contracts, photographs, and special studies. Data for the study will be analyzed through the principles of historical criticism.

Procedure

The historical research method was chosen for the thesis since it serves the purpose of the study most effectively.

A chronological order will be followed to systematically give a pattern to the research and to present the data. Chronology also appears most appropriate to the study since it seems to highlight the concept of organizational change with regard to the element of time, especially in predictions of future transitions.
The procedures of historical research will be followed in the formulation of a problem, the collection of primary and secondary source materials mentioned in the "Sources of Data" section of the thesis and in the application and interpretation of the findings.
CHAPTER II
SURVEY OF RELATED LITERATURE

Introduction

The availability of literature used in the research of this study was somewhat limited in scope. Large amounts of unpublished works were used with reference to the historical background of the study. Those matters concerning the most contemporary events were obtained from non-academic sources.

Unpublished Materials

Of importance to this particular study was the outstanding insight afforded by the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies "Guide," years 1971-73. These booklets were a great source of material wealth in the areas of organization, administration and athletic results. Each copy was well edited and very readable.

S.A.N.C.R.A.'s Public Relations Program Binder, written primarily during 1973, is an adequate expression of the many facets of athletic tournament organization and follow-up. The information in this work presents an over-all view of S.A.N.C.R.A. and can be considered an exceptional source.

"Sportscene," developed by the Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation, aptly describes S.A.N.C.R.A.'s forerunner in California amateur athletics. It is highly unlikely that S.A.N.C.R.A. would have existed without the aid of S.C.M.A.F.
"S.A.N.C.R.A. Sayings" served as the primary source of publication of tournament results. Written on an infrequent basis, many thoughts, feelings and experiences are abbreviated but stated in an adequate manner. These works were most helpful and they did lend an insight into the expansion of S.A.N.C.R.A. in size and stature.

**Interviews**

Keen insight into the operation of S.A.N.C.R.A. was gained through several interviews with key figures in the recreation field. Five people were interviewed and each person provided his account of S.A.N.C.R.A.'s history.

John Williams of Santa Clara, the first elected President of S.A.N.C.R.A., knew of most changes that S.A.N.C.R.A. had undergone in its brief history. Williams' expertise was primarily in the area of the expansion of S.A.N.C.R.A., particularly as the expansion applied to size and economy.

Glenn Lyles of Mountain View was also one of the early pioneers of the S.A.N.C.R.A. movement. Lyles expounded considerably on the financial success of S.A.N.C.R.A. and he also gave a factual account of the South Bay Area Association's overall success.

Bill Skinner, Assistant Director of Fairfield, was the expert on the North Bay Area Association's formation and disbandment. This work was not helpful in the area of tournament results; nevertheless, it did lend an insight into several other program elements.

Rick Putnam provided me with the most information, as far as interview material was concerned. His description of the origin of the organization, programs, awards and tournaments were extremely
accurate. Additionally, Mr. Putnam was able to relate his experiences as East Bay Area Association President and as Nor-Cal S.A.N.C.R.A. President.

Larry Wolfe, Recreation Supervisor for Santa Clara and the last of the Nor-Cal S.A.N.C.R.A. Presidents, was able to describe the later developments, successes and failures of S.A.N.C.R.A. He was also able to compare S.A.N.C.R.A. to its Southern California counterpart, S.C.M.A.F. Many of his views were the same as those of John Williams.

Minutes

The Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies history is additionally substantiated on various points by official agendas, memoranda and minutes from Nor-Cal Board of Director and Area Association meetings and personal correspondence from various S.A.N.C.R.A. members concerned with the welfare of the association. This information was obtained from the S.A.N.C.R.A. files and the personal files of Mr. John Williams and Mr. Glenn Lyles.

Previous Studies

Studies have been located which trace various sports associations and their history; however, from all available evidence, it appears that there have been no previous studies on the subject of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies. Those persons familiar with various aspects concerning S.A.N.C.R.A., as the organization is most often called, have no knowledge of any other research concerning this study. Therefore, it is safe to assume that this is original in

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4Rick Putnam, San Leandro Recreation and Parks Department, San Leandro, California, 835 - 14th Street, City Hall, personal interview, February 19, 1976.
its subject matter, and that there exists no other such works presently in progress.

Related Studies

The available master's theses, which were closely related to the S.A.N.C.R.A. problem, aided in establishing some of the procedures for the development of this study.

"A Brief History of the Captain Weber Days Sports Spectacular 1961-1970" by Charles A. Buettner was a detailed account of an athletic festival that sought to foster future athletic endeavors and many other worthwhile causes. The use of personal interviews in the study was similar to those used in the S.A.N.C.R.A. research. Buettner's work was helpful in establishing the physical composition of this thesis.

"A History of the Men's Pacific Northwest Regional Softball Tournament from 1944 to 1964" by Aldo N. Anderson was a concise history of this specific event and can be an authoritative source for anyone who desires to research the formation of such a tournament or the history of softball in the Northwest portion of the United States. The sources used by Mr. Anderson in his research were quite similar to those in this study. These sources included personal correspondence, official minutes from committee and board meetings, results from past tournaments and financial reports from the governing bodies.


"A Brief History of the California Relays" by Albert Biancani

covered a multitude of events within one sporting event. In regard to its effect on this research, it was helpful in relation to the organization of this study. The most impressive portion of Mr. Biancani's thesis organization was his descriptive use of sub-headings in the table of contents. These indicate to the reader the intent of the section about to be studied. It was in this regard that the latter thesis was much more impressive. A chapter separation similar to the above thesis was found to be necessary.

Summary

It is evident that the lack of material compiled in a source concerning contemporary sports and recreation organization in Northern California warrants the present endeavor. It is quite fortunate, as the evidence indicates, that information was readily available on the entire history of S.A.N.C.R.A.; however, the quest for information on the years following 1973, presented quite a task due to the lack of reliable sources. The most useful sources were found in the personal interviews of those people who have helped make this subject area possible.

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CHAPTER III

1969

A. The Development of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies

In early 1969, John Williams of Santa Clara, began his preparations in starting the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies. By his own admission, Williams virtually stole the idea for S.A.N.C.R.A. from another successful organization, the Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation. ¹ Williams had previously been a member of S.C.M.A.F. while employed in Southern California and he hoped to incorporate some of S.C.M.A.F.'s ideas into the Santa Clara sports plan.

"S.C.M.A.F. owes its origin to softball, a sport that grew to such popularity during "The Depression" in Southern California that formation of a Southern California Softball Association was necessary to create some semblance of order out of a chaos of confusion. Following World War II, the need for recreation and sports activities to answer leisure-time needs led to further meetings of the softball association. At the second of these meetings, the membership decided to jump into the total sports picture, hoping to bring unity to all sports conducted by recreation agencies.

The Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation was formed in 1946 to answer what was described as 'a need for an established comprehensive organization to provide guidance and services to people and agencies involved in the many facets of athletics.' Unity of

¹Interview with Mr. John Williams, Former President of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California, in his office, October 2, 1975.

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effort was the primary need, of course, but the founders of S.C.M.A.F. inculcated in their objectives a dedication to sportsmanship, sound character and promotion of citizenship and physical fitness. Original members of that first gathering recall that inter-city and area-wide competition in the major sports were the initial fruits of this federation, alerting everyone to the advantages that could accrue from such an organization.

S.C.M.A.F. has now become a positive force in both the athletic and recreation movements in Southern California and is represented by 121 public recreation agencies and over sixty industrial recreation groups, all divided into eight broad geographical sections. Membership in the Federation is available in three classifications: 'Active,' for persons having supervisory positions in sports and athletic programs; 'Associate,' for those of mentorship rank at universities, colleges, athletic organizations and clubs; and 'Special Member,' for anyone interested in the advancement of sports.

Today's needs have been modified and S.C.M.A.F.'s main objective is no longer the shaping of tournaments, but the provision of educational and training opportunities for those involved with athletic activities. Of course, tournaments, championships and leagues continue to be a major responsibility.

The committees devote many thousands of man-hours annually to provide rule books (on major sports, revised yearly), conduct major championships, plan educational seminars and training institutes. One of these functional committees was responsible for amending the State
Insurance Code, allowing the formation of the Players' Medical Benefit Fund, which financially cares for athletes injured while participating in athletic programs.

Training and certification of officials, another activity forced to adulthood by necessity, has now become part of a full-statured program. S.C.M.A.F. registration cards and uniform emblems are regular gear for most Southern California officials. Schools for officials and lectures from the nation's sports experts are annual events.

Aside from promoting individual knowledge and skills, S.C.M.A.F. has also become beneficial to recreation agencies and community athletic groups. Member teams and organizations are assured standardized playing rules and equitable eligibility regulations, while recreation professionals find printed resource material, yearbooks and educational and training programs at their fingertips.

Private agencies and sponsors have discovered their dollars have tangible and local rewards if expended in the Federation. Although new members and new committees introduce ideas and programs to meet the challenges of another era, those ethics and standards formed when problems screamed for remedial answers, have remained unaltered.²

B. Events Leading Up to the Establishment of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies in 1969

February 25, 1969 was the date when twenty-nine recreation directors, superintendents, and supervisors from Northern California met in San Francisco to discuss the organization of a new sports group in an

²Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation, Sportscene, Los Angeles, The Federation, Spring, 1969, p. 1. (Printed brochure)
attempt to better meet the needs of the recreation sports participants playing in public agency sponsored leagues in Northern California. Several steering committee meetings were held throughout the Bay Area during the Spring of 1969. It was at these meetings that the S.A.N.C.R.A. name, seal, constitution, structure and many other facets of the soon to be born infant were studied, revised, changed again and finally completed. Along the way, there were several conferences and letters of correspondence with S.C.M.A.F. officials.

C. New Officers

The first S.A.N.C.R.A. Board of Directors was elected at the first S.A.N.C.R.A. General Membership Meeting on November 19, 1969, at "Original Joe's" in San Jose. Those elected at the San Jose General Meeting were: President, John Williams, Santa Clara Parks and Recreation Department; Vice President, Skip Thomas, Richmond Recreation and Parks Department; Secretary, Gale Wilson, Hayward Area Recreation District; and Treasurer, Maynard Law, Milpitas Recreation Department. Also elected was Glenn Lyles of Mountain View, as the South Bay Representative.³

D. Executive Board Meetings

Major highlights of 1969

1. The benefit fund and insurance program was in a state of "limbo" and the need for the membership to actively promote

its benefits was discussed. It was suggested that a committee be formed to further study the program. 4

2. It was decided that the main function of the general membership meetings should be the promotion of S.A.N.C.R.A. 5

E. Membership

The initial membership fees for S.A.N.C.R.A. were set at $10.00 and $25.00. The yearly membership fee entitled all members to receive S.A.N.C.R.A. materials, to attend S.A.N.C.R.A. general meetings and to enter participants in tournament competition and the medical protection fund. The agency did not, nor could not join. Only the individual represented his agency and his participants. The various classes of membership were as follows:

1. Active

Individuals who have supervisory responsibility for a sports and athletic program in a public recreation agency, industrial firm, school district, or armed forces recreational unit shall be eligible to be Active Members. The voting rights of active members shall not be restricted. They shall be eligible and entitled to hold any elective or appointive office in the Association.

Annual Dues...........$10

4Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, December 18, 1969, Richmond, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

5Ibid.
2. Associate

Individuals who are responsible for a sports or athletic program in any university, college, athletic association, athletic club, private school, recognized youth-serving agency, private athletic association or club, state or national recreation association, or church shall be eligible to become Associate Members. No associate member shall be eligible to hold any elective office in the Association, nor shall he have the right to vote on any matter.

Annual Dues...........$10

3. Special

Any person, company, or organization desirous of assisting the Association in promoting its objectives, aims, and goals, and who is unable to qualify for membership under subdivisions No. 1 or No. 2, shall be eligible to become a Special Member. A special member shall not have the right to vote on any matter nor be eligible to hold any office in the Association, nor be eligible to be the chairman of any committee thereof.

Annual Dues...........$25

The first membership list for S.A.N.C.R.A. in 1969 revealed that the South Bay registered fifteen active members; the East Bay, four; the North Bay, four; and the Valley, three. Additionally, there were two associate members and one special member.  

6Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, December 18, 1969, Richmond, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
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7 Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, December 18, 1969, Richmond, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
NOTE:

* Denote Committee Chairman

** Associate Member

G. Year End Summary

The original purposes for which the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies were formed:

1. To direct and control inter-city and inter-agency athletic competition between youth and adult teams representing various public recreation agencies (cities, districts, schools, etc.).

2. To conduct athletic tournaments similar to those sponsored by the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU), Amateur Softball Association (A.S.A.), Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation (S.C.M.A.F.), California Interscholastic Federation (C.I.F.), etc.

3. To prescribe eligibility rules for participants.

4. To act as a resource organization for professional recreation personnel and their respective public agencies.

5. To publish and disseminate playing rules, clinic materials, publicity material, etc. for use by the various member public recreation agencies.

6. To conduct clinics and training sessions in various sports.

7. To sponsor group insurance programs for the protection of program participants similar to organizations mentioned in #2 above.

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8. To organize a player's mutual medical benefit fund and act as the administrator of this fund for the medical protection of sports participants.

9. To sponsor group insurance programs for athletic officials employed by member agencies.

There were four active area associations conducting S.A.N.C.R.A. activities in 1969. The area associations were the South Bay, the East Bay, the North Bay and the Valley. S.A.N.C.R.A. ended the 1969 year with a balance of $257.76 in its treasury.
CHAPTER IV

1970

John Williams, Skip Thomas, Gale Wilson and Maynard Law were the first officers selected in 1970 to organize and make viable a Northern California - S.C.M.A.F. type organization serving Northern California sports participants. These men were expected to be busy during the coming months in making the organization a viable thing.

The South Bay Area Association, as the first area group to register five active members representing three or more public recreation agencies, elected Glenn Lyles, Recreation Supervisor of the Mountain View Parks and Recreation Department as their area association president. This qualified Lyles to represent the South Bay Area (San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara County and the Monterey Bay Area) as a member of the Board of Directors. At the outset of 1970, the North Bay and the East Bay Associations needed more members to qualify them for a seat on the S.A.N.C.R.A. Board of Directors. The Valley Association was in need of two more members.

Executive Board meetings were being scheduled on the third Thursday morning of each month. Meeting locations rotated between the home cities of the various board members.¹

A. Executive Board Meetings

As expected, there were several key issues that confronted the 1970 S.A.N.C.R.A. Board of Directors. Chief interests were centered

¹Interview with Mr. Glenn Lyles, Former Treasurer of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies, 201 Rengstorff Avenue, Mountain View, California, in his office, October 2, 1975.
upon financial matters. It was resolved at one meeting that S.A.N.C.R.A. Board of Directors' members could authorize expenditures of up to $25.00 without Board approval and approval was given to print the first newsletter. It was also decided by the Directors that future financial reports be prepared by each area having a bank account and to be submitted to the Treasurer at least one week prior to a scheduled Board meeting. This was to be the responsibility of the Area Association President.

Additional emphasis was placed upon the advancement of S.A.N.C.R.A. in 1970. It was quickly established by the Board that the public relations committee was to proceed with the development and printing of a recruiting flyer at whatever costs were necessary. It was also resolved that S.A.N.C.R.A. would advance the sum of $100.00 to the East Bay Area Association as an initial deposit in their checking account and that 50¢ of the $2.00 S.A.N.C.R.A. fee for each softball team registration would be returned to the respective area association treasury.

2Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board. Minutes of the Meeting, January 22, 1970, Milpitas, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

3Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board. Minutes of the Meeting, March 19, 1970, Mountain View, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

4Loc. cit.

5Ibid.
Possible realignment of the S.A.N.C.R.A. organization was another concern of the Board of Directors. A study was directed for a possible re-districting move under which San Mateo County, with several active members, could be established as a Peninsula Area Association, combined with San Francisco County. This move would be coupled with combining the North Bay and the Valley into one area, at least on a temporary basis.6

B. Area Association Reports

East Bay Association

The first ever meeting of the East Bay Area Association took place in Fremont on April 16, 1970. Of primary importance at this meeting was the election of East Bay officers. Hank Dutra of Fremont was elected as the East Bay's first official President. Dutra had been previously appointed by the S.A.N.C.R.A. Board of Directors to serve as the East Bay's representative to the S.A.N.C.R.A. Board. This action was permitted under the S.A.N.C.R.A. constitution and by-laws.

Dutra suggested that an interior committee be appointed to fill the remaining offices for the rest of the year. This committee was to conduct all East Bay Area Association business in lieu of the Board. Its purpose was to organize the East Bay Area members and increase membership prior to the election of permanent officers for the next election period. The elected committee consisted of Mike

6 Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, July 9, 1970, Fremont, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
Orr, Livermore (Vice President), Gale Wilson, Hayward (Secretary-Treasurer) and Mr. Dutra.\footnote{East Bay Area Association Board of Directors, Minutes of the Meeting, April 16, 1970, Fremont, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.}

The 1970 softball tournaments held in the East Bay area went reasonably well, considering it was the East Bay's first attempt at S.A.N.C.R.A. softball. It was the consensus opinion of the members that there was considerable room for improvement, particularly in the area of communication. The lack of communication also caused postponement of the joint meetings between East Bay S.A.N.C.R.A. members and the C.P.R.S. sports supervisors.\footnote{East Bay Area Association Board of Directors, Minutes of the Meeting, October 1, 1970, Hayward, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.}

The East Bay, with fifteen paid active members, was also on solid financial footing in 1970 with a total of $432.53 in its account at the end of the year. Because of this financial solidity, the East Bay members agreed to pay Nor-Cal S.A.N.C.R.A. the $100.00 that was advanced to them during their organization and formation period.

\textbf{South Bay Association}

The South Bay, with a strong contingent of twenty-nine active members, did more than its share of the work in 1970. The South Bay was S.A.N.C.R.A.'s pioneer area association and they were also the first to develop competition at the youth level. The South Bay sponsored a county-wide playground track meet in the summer of 1970. They were also far above all other areas in terms of adult...
team registrations. There was a total of 533 registered softball teams by S.A.N.C.R.A. in 1970 and 311 of these teams came from the South Bay.

South Bay officers for the 1970 term were as follows:

President - Glenn Lyles, Mountain View
Vice President - Ron Neveau, San Mateo
Treasurer - John Williams, Santa Clara
Secretary - Ken Mitchell, Sunnyvale

There was a balance of $237.34 in the South Bay treasury at the conclusion of 1970.

Other Area Associations

The new Peninsula Area Association held their first area meeting and elected Bill Wooten as Chairman for their first year. They had twelve active members registered.

The North Bay, under President Bill Skinner of Fairfield, did not conduct an "A" slow pitch tournament, but they did send a team representative to the S.A.N.C.R.A. finals. All other softball tournaments were considered successful with five cities participating. Much of the North Bay's business was done by phone, rather than meetings, in 1970. The Valley Area Association was virtually inactive in 1970 and in fact, failed to register a single team for softball.

C. Committees

Nominations Committee

At the July 9, 1970 General Board Meeting, held at the Fremont
Inn, the Nominations Committee met and drafted a slate of officers for the coming year. Those on the committee were Jim Pekkain, Hank Dutra and Glenn Lyles. Candidates drafted were: President; John Williams, Mike Orr and Gale Wilson, Vice President; Bill Skinner, Gale Wilson, Ron Neveau and Hank Dutra, Secretary; Maynard Law, Robert Black and Stan Wilson, Treasurer; Glenn Lyles, Ken Mitchell and Jim Mallery.

A letter was mailed to all candidates in September asking if they would run on the ballot. The following declined their nomination: John Williams, Bill Skinner, Hank Dutra, Robert Black, Stan Wilson and Jim Mallery. Ballots were mailed to all members the week of October 19, 1970, requesting they be returned by October 30.

On November 3, 1970. Jim Pekkain and Glenn Lyles met in Newark to tabulate the ballots. The final count was:

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Nominations Committee Recommendations

1. Ballots not be sent to non-voting members.

2. All ballots be mailed out three weeks prior to deadline.
3. A member can be drafted for only one office.

4. After the slate is drafted by the Nominations Committee, it should be mailed to all members.

5. A job description be made for every office and mailed to candidates.

6. Letter to each department head to obtain department function.

7. A brief resume on each nominee.

**Insurance and Medical Committee**

The initial insurance program did not meet with the success that S.A.N.C.R.A. members had hoped for. The Board discussed the different aspects of the insurance problem and directed the Insurance Committee to meet and discuss the situation and make their recommendations to the Board at a later meeting. In effect, the Insurance Committee recommended the following plans for both softball and basketball:

**Softball**

The Insurance Committee of S.A.N.C.R.A. approved and recommended the following plan of insurance for baseball and softball for 1970. Use of this plan was entirely voluntary but available only to members.

1. **When They are Covered**

This plan covers members against specified losses resulting directly and independently of all other causes, from accidental bodily injury which is sustained (a) while participating as a member of the team in a scheduled game or practice session, or (b) while traveling directly to or from such game or practice.
2. **Maximum Benefits**

$1,000.00 Accidental Death and Dismemberment

$1,000.00 Accident Medical

100.00 Dental Limit

3. **Team Cost Baseball**

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* If the claim is $50.00 or less, the Company (Gagliardi Brothers Insurance) pays all. If over $50.00, the Company will coordinate benefits with other insurance.

NOTE: An additional $2.00 per team to the above insurance is used to cover the S.A.N.C.R.A. registration fee. These fees are turned over to the federation each month to pay for postage, supplies, etc.

5. **General Exclusions and Limitations**

This policy does not apply to (a) intentionally self-inflicted injuries, suicide or attempted suicide whether sane or insane; (b) expenses incurred for the services of physicians, surgeons or nurses engaged by or employed by the policyholder or team; (c) injury sustained while in or
on any aircraft, except, boarding or alighting from an aircraft operated by a passenger airline on regularly scheduled passenger trip over its established route; (d) expenses incurred for repair or replacement of existing dentures, partial dentures, braces, fixed or removable bridges or other artificial restoration; (e) expenses incurred for the repair on braces; (f) hernia of any type.

Basketball

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1. **When They are Covered**
   This plan covers members against specified losses resulting directly and independently of all other causes, from accidental bodily injury which is sustained (a) while participating as a member of the team in a scheduled game or practice session, or (b) while traveling directly to or from such game or practice.

2. **Maximum Benefits**
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   $1,000.00 Accident Medical
   $50.00 Dental Limit
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### D. Tournaments

**1970 Nor-Cal S.A.N.C.R.A. Basketball Tournaments**

The Red Kettle of San Rafael, the Bold Knight of Santa Clara and Western Electric of Sunnyvale took the titles in the A, B and C
divisions respectively, during the first annual S.A.N.C.R.A Classification Basketball Championships held March 20, 21, 22 at Buchser High School in Santa Clara.

"A" Division

Center Roosevelt Green hit a twelve-foot hook shot with one second left on the clock to give the Red Kettle a 56-54 upset win over the East Bay Municipal Utilities District of Oakland in the championship game of the A division. The champions reached the finals by virtue of a 62-61 victory over Valley Fair Realty of Santa Clara. East Bay Mini reached the finals by defeating Monterey Fisherman's Wharf, 67-59.

The East Bay five jumped off to a 28 to 23 half-time lead but Bob Miles of the Red Kettle quintet "caught fire" in the second half with fifteen points to bring his team back into the contest and set the stage for Green's game-breaking shot. Miles led the scoring parade with twenty-six points.

"B" Division

In the B division, the Bold Knight Restaurant, led by Jerome Redick's sixteen points, handed the Mill Valley Recreation Department a 51-46 defeat in the championship game. The South Bay Champions from Santa Clara reached the finals when the Valley Area representative was forced to withdraw. Mill Valley reached the championship game when they defeated Marv & Joe's Sporting Goods, 77-61. The two teams battled to a 23-23 tie at the half, but some hot shooting by Redick
and Jack Shable allowed the Bold Knight five to build up its fifteen point victory.

"C" Division

Western Electric spotted the K. G. Club of Sacramento an early 12-2 lead before bouncing back to capture a 72-60 win in the finals of the C division. The winners took a 30 to 21 lead in at halftime. Daryl Leonard of the winners led all scorers with nineteen points. Jim Weathers led the K. G. Club with eighteen points. Western Electric defeated Elmhurst Christian Church of San Leandro 73-59, to gain the finals berth, while the K. G. Club reached the finals by virtue of a 50-40 win over Cal's Steak House of San Rafael.

The financial recap for the 1970 basketball tournaments was as follows:9

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1970 Nor-Cal S.A.N.C.R.A. Softball Tournaments

"B" Fast Pitch

Round Table Pizza of Fremont dropped Jack Barone Distributors of Santa Clara, 5-2, to win the Santa Clara County "B" Fast Pitch title for 1970 on August 23rd in Santa Clara. Round Table, playing

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out of San Jose, won four games en route to its win in the fifteen
team tournament. John Williams of Santa Clara was tournament director.

"A" Slow Pitch

Liquor Land of Daly City reeled off four straight wins to grab
to their Nor-Cal Championship win in Richmond. Liquor Land defeated
Redwood Pool of Redwood City 7-6, to clinch the win in the nine team
tournament. Bill Paulsen of Redwood City hosted the tournament.

"A" Fast Pitch

Pitcher Danny Martinez paced his San Jose Refinishing team-
mates to the S.A.N.C.R.A. Nor-Cal 1970 "A" Fast Pitch Softball title
with a one-hit 3-0 shutout win over South County Athletics of Hayward
and the East Bay, at Santa Clara's Central Park, September 5th. John
Williams of Santa Clara hosted the playoff series. The East Bay
representatives met Fairfield of the North Bay in the preliminary
playoff game, dropping the North Bay club in eight innings, 2-1.

San Jose pitcher Martinez also had an outstanding series of
performances in the South Bay championships, allowing only one run in
his team's three games. Second place in the eleven team South Bay
tournament went to Malachi's Rams of Mountain View. The South Bay
tournament was hosted by Mike Console of San Jose.

1970 SOFTBALL WINNERS

| "A" Fast | 1st            | San Jose Refinishing | Santa Clara |
|          | 2nd            | County Athletics    | Hayward     |
| "B" Fast | 1st            | Round Table Pizza   | San Jose    |
|          | 2nd            | Larry's Pizza       | Tracy       |
"A" Slow 1st Liquor Land Daly City
2nd Sham's Pizza Concord

"B" Slow 1st Flyswatters Los Gatos

Generally speaking, S.A.N.C.R.A.'s first attempt at conducting Softball tournaments was successful. Several problems were encountered, mainly relating to problems of misinformation and poor communications. Publicity was not bad, but could have been improved, especially at the local level.\textsuperscript{10}

E. Year End Summary

S.A.N.C.R.A. did as well as could be expected during their first full year of operation, but there was still a great deal of room for improvement, with many eligible cities still non-members. S.A.N.C.R.A. registered fifty-four active members, seven associate members, one special member, 575 softball teams and 118 basketball teams in 1970.

The first basketball tournaments went very well, but there were several requests for team participation that had to be turned down due to facility limits and lack of time to properly set up the program. The 1971 area tournaments were to be opened to as many teams as wished to participate.

President John Williams listed the following goals for S.A.N.C.R.A. in 1971:\textsuperscript{11}

\textsuperscript{10}Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies, S.A.N.C.R.A. Sayings, Santa Clara, The Association, Spring, 1971, p. 3. (Printed brochure)

\textsuperscript{11}Interview with Mr. John Williams, Former President of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California, in his office, October 2, 1975.

2. To establish a workable yearly calendar.

3. To establish a budget.


5. To establish a state playoff system.

6. To secure liability insurance.

In-coring President Mike Orr also listed his established goals for 1971. They were as follows: 12

1. The Player Mutual Benefit Protection Fund must be studied and established functionally during 1971.

2. Officials' certification must be finalized during 1971 to the point of being able to provide S.A.N.C.R.A. with sanctioned and registered officials.

3. Expansion to include more sports such as volleyball, track and field, flag football, badminton, etc. Other areas such as teens, boys and girls sports and playgrounds should be explored. Also, women's activities should be given more consideration.

4. Better cooperation must be developed between member cities on enforcing universal penalties for player misconduct.

5. Work must be done in the area of controlling placement of teams and individuals in various city leagues, so that both leagues and tournaments will develop more consistency.

Activities

Activities Conducted during 1970

1. Monthly executive board meetings.

2. Occasional committee meetings.

3. Three (3) general membership meetings for conducting the business of the organization, discussing activities and listening to educational speakers from various sports organizations or on subjects of interest to the membership.

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4. Adult basketball tournaments for "A," "B" and "C"
caliber recreation agency teams.

5. Adult softball tournaments for "A" and "B" caliber fast
and slow pitch softball teams from recreation agency
leagues.

Activities Planned during 1971

1. Monthly executive board meetings.

2. Occasional committee meetings.

3. Local area association meetings.

4. Four (4) general membership meetings for conducting the
business of the organization, discussing activities and
listening to speakers from various sports organizations
on subjects of interest to the membership.

5. Dissemination of official rules and other educational
material to members.

6. Preparation of educational materials for training of sports
officials and coaches.

7. Adult basketball tournaments for "A," "B," "C" and "D"
caliber recreation agency teams.

8. Adult softball tournaments for "A," "B" and "C" fast
and slow pitch teams from recreation agency leagues.

9. Youth tournaments in basketball, golf and tennis.

Projected Officers' Schedule

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No officer was related in any way to the creator of the organization, to any person who has made a substantial contribution to the organization, or to a corporation controlled by such contributor or controller.

No officer of the corporation received any salary or expense allowance, except as repayment for authorized expenses incurred with the approval of the executive board.

The year of 1971 seemed to hold great promise for S.A.N.C.R.A. members. It appeared that the area associations would expand and become more self supporting. More precision tournaments seemed to be on the horizon also; thus, many of John Williams' dreams were about to become a reality. John's leadership and competency as President in 1970 would invite more South Bay Area Association members to display initiative in 1971.
CHAPTER V

1971

The reign of John Williams as the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies President came to a close as Mike Orr was elected by the S.A.N.C.R.A. general membership to a one-year term. Mr. Orr was employed as a Recreation Supervisor for the City of Livermore at the time of his election. Mike had previously served as Vice-President of the East Bay Area Association in 1970.

Mr. Orr, thirty-two, became a resident of Northern California in January, 1970, when he moved to Livermore to accept the position of Recreation Supervisor for the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District. Prior to that, he had been an Arizona resident for twenty-five years. He obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in Recreation from Northern Arizona University. In Flagstaff, Arizona, Mike held the position of Aquatics Supervisor from 1969 to 1970.¹

A. New Officers

The Castaway Inn in San Mateo was the site for the November 12, 1970, S.A.N.C.R.A. Installation Dinner which marked the installation of the 1971 S.A.N.C.R.A. Executive Board. Rich Robertson, San Francisco Giants pitcher, was the special speaker for the evening's crowd of some fifty-one S.A.N.C.R.A. members and wives.

Installed were new President, Mike Orr, Livermore; Vice president, John Williams, Santa Clara; Secretary, Maynard Law, Milpitas; and Treasurer, Glenn Lyles, Mountain View. Secretary Maynard Law was forced to resign upon moving to Southern California, but Bill May of Union City was appointed by the Executive Board to assume Law's duties. Another appointee of the Executive Board was Barbara Sampson, Mountain View, who served as S.A.N.C.R.A.'s first Director of Women's Activities. Also taking their place on the 1971 Board were North Bay Area Association President, Bill Skinner, Fairfield; Peninsula Area Association President, Bill Wooten, Redwood City; Paul Thiltgen, South Bay Area Association President from Santa Cruz; and Gale Wilson, East Bay Area Association President, Hayward.²

B. Executive Board Meetings

The 1971 S.A.N.C.R.A. Executive Board was involved in several monumental organization changes. Despite increased communication with S.C.M.A. officials, the proposed state playoffs in softball were cancelled for 1971.³ It was resolved that the Board would endeavor to limit activities and concentrate on three important areas:⁴


³Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, May 6, 1971, Union City, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

⁴Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, August 5, 1971, Fairfield, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
1. Running successful tournaments.
2. Producing two newsletters per year.
3. Conducting good general meetings.

Following Glenn Lyles' investigation of securing a recreation intern or part-time typist for S.A.N.C.R.A. business, President Orr was authorized to hire a part-time secretary to work with the membership chairman. This was done to assure every team that they would receive promised rule books and two newsletters per year.\(^5\)

Finally, the Board, meeting as a nominating committee, nominated the following individuals for office in 1972:\(^6\)

- President - Paul Thiltgen, Santa Cruz
- Vice President - Bill Wooten, Redwood City
- Past President - Mike Orr, Livermore
- Secretary - John Williams, Santa Clara
- Treasurer - Glenn Lyles, Mountain View

C. Area Association Reports

**East Bay Association**

A general membership meeting was held on November 17, 1970, in Pleasant Hill for the installation of 1971 officers. They were:

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\(^5\)Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, September 16, 1971, Livermore, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

\(^6\)Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, November 2, 1971, Vacaville, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
President - Gale Wilson, Hayward
Vice President - Hank Dutra, Fremont
Secretary - Wes Asmussen, Hayward
Treasurer - Mike Orr, Livermore

The meeting also attracted sixteen non-members from the East Bay Area of which five had already joined to increase the East Bay Area membership. 1971 plans called for volleyball, tennis, and flag football tournaments in addition to basketball and softball. Also, the East Bay expected to branch into the area of boys and girls sports with three playground supervisors as members. Playground track and softball tournaments were also to be attempted during the summer of 1971. Teen programs such as excursions and concerts were also to be developed during 1971 with the addition of two teen supervisors in the East Bay membership. A successful teen snow trip was held in December and a girls track club was developed for the summer period.\textsuperscript{7}

The East Bay Association completed the 1971 year boasting twenty-three active members and two associate members, an increase of eleven members over the 1969-70 period. The East Bay conducted successful basketball and softball tournaments in various East Bay cities with representatives advancing to the Northern California finals. A total of forty-one teams participated in the East Bay Basketball tournaments. Agencies belonging to the East Bay Area

Association included Berkeley, Concord, Dublin, El Cerrito, Fremont, Hayward, Livermore, Oakland, Pleasant Hill, Pleasanton, San Leandro, Union City and Walnut Creek.

South Bay Association

The South Bay Association was represented by fourteen agencies in Santa Clara, Santa Cruz and Monterey counties. The South Bay Association officers for 1971 were as follows:

President - Paul Thiltgen, Santa Cruz
Vice President - Ken Mitchell, Sunnyvale
Secretary - John Galos, Los Gatos
Treasurer - John Williams, Santa Clara

The South Bay Association had a full schedule of activities over the year. In addition to the men's basketball and softball tournaments, youth golf, youth tennis and 7th and 8th grade basketball tournaments were scheduled.\(^8\)

This year's basketball tournament involved forty-six teams who participated in four classifications. The "A" League was conducted in Palo Alto, with Santa Clara Lumber the winner; the "B" League was held in Santa Cruz, with Lozano's of San Jose the winner; the "C" League was played in Mountain View, with Butalico of Santa Clara victorious; the "D" League was held in Sunnyvale, with I.V.C. of Santa Clara the winner.\(^9\)

\(^8\) Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies, S.A.N.C.R.A. Sayings, Santa Clara, The Association, Fall, 1971, p. 3. (Printed brochure)

\(^9\) Ibid.
There were six softball tournaments scheduled with ninety-seven teams participating. In the fast pitch competition, the "A" tournament was conducted in San Jose, with Longoria Insurance of Santa Clara the winner; the "B" tournament was held in Santa Cruz, with the Los Banos Merchants being victorious, and the "C" tournament was played in Santa Clara, with Western Electric of Sunnyvale winning. In the slow pitch competition the "A" tournament was scheduled in Mountain View, with O.K. Construction of Mountain View the winner; the "B" tournament was played in Palo Alto with Western Electric of Sunnyvale winning and the "C" tournament was conducted in Los Gatos and Milpitas with South Seas of Santa Clara victorious.10

The first annual S.A.N.C.R.A. Junior Golf Tournament had more than 100 boys participating in seven local qualifying rounds with thirty-two winners progressing to the finals, which were conducted at Pacific Grove Municipal Golf Course. The winner in the twelve and under bracket was Frank Rombli of Monterey, the thirteen and fourteen year old was John Kent of Gilroy, the fifteen and sixteen year olds was Craig Nagareda of Gilroy and the seventeen and eighteen year olds was Mark Bettencourt of Gilroy.11

Over 200 boys and girls participated in four qualifying tournaments for the First Annual S.A.N.C.R.A. Junior Tennis


11 Ibid.
Tournament, with the winners advancing to the finals which were conducted at Rinconada Park in Palo Alto.\textsuperscript{12}

The South Bay Tournament Chairmen were as follows:

- Men's Basketball - John Williams, Santa Clara
- Men's Basketball - John McCarthy, Palo Alto
- Women's Softball - Barbara Sampson, Mountain View
- Youth Golf - Earl Arnett, Pacific Grove
- Youth Tennis - John McCarthy, Palo Alto

Agencies belonging to the South Bay Association included Gilroy, Los Altos, Los Gatos, Milpitas, Monterey, Mountain View, Pacific Grove, Palo Alto, Salinas, San Jose, San Lorenzo Valley, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz and Sunnyvale.

\underline{Peninsula Association}

S.A.N.C.R.A.'s newest area, the Peninsula Area, functioned quite well during 1971. Bill Wooten of Redwood City was elected President and Dick Austin of Menlo Park elected as Secretary-
Treasurer.

The Peninsula's first activity was the Area Association Basketball Tournament. Pacifica hosted the "D" Daly City the "C" and Redwood City the "A" and "B" tournaments. The Peninsula Area also hosted the Nor-Cal S.A.N.C.R.A. Finals on March 19, 20 and 21, 1971, in Redwood City.\textsuperscript{13} Participating agencies in the

\textsuperscript{12} Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies, S.A.N.C.R.A. Sayings, Santa Clara, The Association, Fall, 1971, p. 3. (Printed brochure)

Peninsula Area included Burlingame, Daly City, Foster City, Menlo Park, Pacifica, Redwood City, San Carlos, San Mateo and South San Francisco.

**North Bay Association**

In 1971, the North Bay Association of S.A.N.C.R.A. was striving to increase its membership. Under the leadership of President Bill Skinner, eight cities became involved in S.A.N.C.R.A. These cities consisted of Chico, Davis, Fairfield, Red Bluff, Sacramento, Santa Rosa, Vacaville and Woodland.

D. Committees

**Officials Certification Committee and Insurance Committee**

The first S.A.N.C.R.A. Baseball and Softball Umpire's Manual was made available as part of an umpire's training kit in early March, 1971. Cost for the kits was $4.00 each. The Manual contained umpiring mechanics, written tests, suggestions for practical tests and a recommended plan of study.\(^{14}\)

The S.A.N.C.R.A. Officials Certification Committee and Insurance Committee also made arrangements for an officials insurance program. The basic information of such a package included a cost of $2.00 per official, per season. A maximum coverage of $1,000 each for loss of life, loss of sight and dismemberment and accident medical treatment was also contained in the package deal. Dwight Martin, Recreation Superintendent from Santa Clara, was the 1971 Committee Chairman.

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S.A.N.C.R.A. - Amateur Softball Association Relations Committee

A meeting was held on Wednesday, November 24, 1970, at the Holiday Inn in Sunnyvale to discuss S.A.N.C.R.A. - A.S.A. relations. Those present for S.A.N.C.R.A. were Mike Orr, John Williams (Committee Chairman) and Bill Wooten. The A.S.A. was represented by Earl Carmichael, A.S.A. Pacific Coast Area Vice President and Metro Santa Clara Commissioner and Red Morton, A.S.A. State Commissioner for Northern California.\(^{15}\)

Key topics of discussion included the following:

1. The heart of an A.S.A. commissioner's job is to register as many teams in his area with the Amateur Softball Association as he possibly can. During the 1971 season, some agencies permitted teams in their jurisdiction to drop their A.S.A. registration while registering with S.A.N.C.R.A. This could cause hard feelings and lack of cooperation.

2. S.A.N.C.R.A. was attempting to appeal to participants of all sports at the lower levels where organizations such as the A.S.A. did not offer as many benefits to participating teams. In sports other than softball, there appeared to be no problem of jurisdiction at that time. Both organizations offered, or intended to offer: rule standardization and printed rule books; team

\(^{15}\)Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies - Amateur Softball Association Relations Committee, Minutes of the Meeting, November 24, 1970, Sunnyvale, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
insurance plans; umpire certification; officials insurance; tournaments; clinics, etc.

3. A.S.A. was concerned that problems in Southern California where S.C.M.A.F. was very strong and successful would be repeated in Northern California.

4. It was agreed by all committee participants that all members of S.A.N.C.R.A. and the A.S.A. promote and encourage every possible team to register with both S.A.N.C.R.A. and A.S.A.

1971 S.A.N.C.R.A. Softball Committee

The 1971 S.A.N.C.R.A. Softball Committee was comprised of John Williams (chairman), Mike Orr (East Bay), Bill Skinner (North Bay), Bill Wooten (Peninsula) and John McCarthy (South Bay). This Committee made several recommendations and proposals to the Executive Board for further consideration. The course of action recommended included:

1. All area tournament directors' duties should be specifically designated.

2. Rules must be emphasized and more vigorously.

3. In some cases officials charged as much as $8.50 per man, per game, this season. In other cases, the officials were receiving much more than their usual season fee of $6.50

16 Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Softball Committee, Minutes of the Meeting, September 29, 1971, Santa Clara, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
4. S.A.N.C.R.A. should adopt a hard and fast procedure for teams who show up at the game without softballs.

5. The entry fee for 1971 was $17.50 per team. The cost breakdown reveals that $6.50 goes for first game umpires, $3.35 per team to Nor-Cal or Nor-Cal finals' trophies. This leaves only $7.65 for the Area Tournament Director to buy area trophies and pay any required park attendants, scorers, etc.

6. Nor-Cal slow and fast pitch finals should again be split in two locations for the 1972 season.

7. Entry blanks and flyers should be mailed directly to all teams.

8. A printed list of do's and don'ts should be prepared for distribution to park attendants responsible for conducting tournament games.

9. Committee members discussed state playoffs with S.C.M.A.F. and were of the unanimous opinion that competition in 1971 would have presented almost impossible challenges. It was the feeling of the committee that statewide competition was still a few years away and should be considered only after S.A.N.C.R.A. has been able to consolidate and organize activities more thoroughly.

E. Tournaments

1971 Nor-Cal S.A.N.C.R.A. Basketball and Softball Tournaments

The second annual Northern California S.A.N.C.R.A. Basketball Tournament came to its conclusion Sunday, March 21st at Redwood
City's Sequoia High School. The tournament qualifying rounds, in which over 100 teams of "A," "B," "C" AND "D" League classifications participated, were conducted in different cities throughout the Bay Area with the sixteen finalists advancing to the Nor Cal championship tournament conducted in Redwood City. Following are the accounts of the action at the finals.

"A" League

Elmhurst Christian Church of Hayward, paced by the outside shooting of Roy Rogers and Ken Scott, defeated a hustling Santa Clara Lumber team from Santa Clara by the score of 87-84 to capture the 2nd Annual S.A.N.C.R.A. Basketball "A" Division Tournament at Redwood City's Sequoia High School on Sunday, March 21st.

Elmhurst, ahead by nineteen at the half, had to come from behind in the waning moments to salvage the victory. Roy Rogers sank two free throws and Ken Scott three free throws in the final minute of play to insure the victory.

In the preliminaries, Elmhurst Christian Church led by Al Baker's twenty-eight points defeated Paradise Pharmacy from San Rafael to advance to the finals. In the other preliminary, Santa Clara Lumber defeated Mr. Roberts of Redwood City, 93-68. Santa Clara Lumber, champions of the South Bay S.A.N.C.R.A. Division, were paced by Gary Anderson's twenty-six points.17

"B" League

M. E. Callaghan, Ins., champions of the Livermore City

Recreation Department League and winners of the East Bay "B"
S.A.N.C.R.A. tournament, put it all together Sunday, March 21st
at Redwood City's Sequoia High School to capture the 2nd Annual
S.A.N.C.R.A. Nor-Cal Basketball Tournament Championship. The
Livermore five defeated Lozano's of San Jose 88-60 to earn the title.

Great shooting led by Jerry Stevenson, Paul Cutteridge and Bill
Windbigler all who ended up with over twenty points each, allowed their
team to end the first half with a 49-24 lead. A devastating fast
break by the Callaghan five forced the Lozano team to resort to un-
sportsmanlike tactics throughout the second half. Good teamwork by
Callaghan's was the key to their earning the title.

In the preliminaries, Callaghan's led by Paul Cutteridge's
twenty-three points and Ron Rodrigues' eighteen points from the
outside, defeated the Raiders from Redwood City, 88-63. Lozano's,
paced by Milky Johnson's seventeen points, defeated Harry's Hof
Brau from Redwood City to gain the finals against Callaghan's. 18

"C" Division

Curley & Red's of Half Moon Bay defeated a fine Fairmount
Ave. Merchants team from El Cerrito 69-66 on Sunday, March 21st,
at Sequoia High School in Redwood City to capture the 2nd Annual
S.A.N.C.R.A. "C" League Basketball Tournament Championship. Paced
by the outside shooting of Chuck Short and Bob Gaines, Curley &
Red's built up a slight six point lead at the half and then held
on to fight off a determined Merchants team from El Cerrito.

18Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies,
(Printed brochure)
Alan Robinson led the Merchants scoring by hitting twenty-four points.

In the preliminaries, Curley & Red's led by Bob Gaines' twenty-nine points, had to battle to the end to defeat a fired up Butalico team from Santa Clara, 82-74. Ken Helmbacher paced Butalico by scoring twenty-four points. In the other preliminary, the Fairmount Ave. Merchants with three members hitting in double figures, defeated the K-G Club from Sacramento, 44-43.¹⁹

"D" Division

Kerri's Coffee Shop of Pacifica, led by the scoring of Dick Drake, who scored a tournament high of forty-two points in the championship, won the 2nd Annual S.A.N.C.R.A. "D" Classification Basketball Tournament by defeating a scrapping Long's Drugs from San Leandro 83-65 Sunday, March 21st, at Redwood City's Sequoia High School. Jim Flores of Long's Drugs scored a tournament total of seventy-one points in two games to lead all scorers. The fast moving Kerri's five, paced by Drake's twenty-eight points in the 1st half, built up a commanding lead the Long's team couldn't overcome.

In the preliminaries, Kerri's had to defeat a strong I.V.C. team from Santa Clara 75-60 to advance to the finals. Fred Brown and Dick Drake paced Kerri's scoring by hitting twenty and twenty-five points respectively. In the other preliminary, Long's Drugs scored a tournament high of 110 points to defeat the Ampex team from Redwood City, 110-69. Jim Flores paced Long's by scoring thirty-

five points. 20

1971 Nor-Cal S.A.N.C.R.A. Softball Tournaments

The second annual Northern California softball tournaments came to an end with the slow pitch championships being played in Santa Clara and the fast chuckers playing in Mountain View. The local qualifying tournaments saw over 150 softball teams playing for berths in the finals.

Tallac Lounge Captures "C" Slow Pitch Nor-Cal Title

Tallac Lounge of Sacramento, behind the hitting of Jim Blomberg, defeated South Seas of Santa Clara 9-3 to capture the 1971 "C" Slow Pitch Nor-Cal Championship in play at Santa Clara's Central Park. 21

Lumberjack of Sacramento Nabs "B" Slow Pitch Crown

It took extra-innings but the Lumberjack of Sacramento nipped Hamilton's Barber Shop of Oakland, 14-13, to garner the 1971 "B" S.A.N.C.R.A. Slow Pitch title. The Lumberjack trailed Hamilton's for the entire game before rallying to tie in the 7th inning and then going ahead for good in the top of the 8th frame. 22

Daly City Dagos Go All The Way In "A" Slow Pitch

The never-say-die Daly City Dagos of the Peninsula Association edged Mountain View's O.K. Construction, South Bay champs, in a thrilling 11-9 championship game win in "A" Slow Pitch play. The


21Ibid. 22Ibid.
game was tied at 9-9 in the 5th inning before the Dagos put
two singles together with an O.K. error to score two runs in the
final frame.23

"A" Fast

Conner Construction of Fairfield made their long trek to
Mountain View worthwhile as they defeated Longoria Insurance of
Santa Clara, 8-1 for the Northern California "A" Fastpitch
Championship. Conner Chucker Gary Vaughn allowed only two base
hits while recording eleven strikeouts and giving up three charity
trips.

Leftfielder Ken Peterson led Conner's hitters as he had a
perfect night at 4-4, topping off his three singles with a 7th
inning two-run round tripper to put the game out of reach. All
told Conner clubbers racked out eleven hits.

Longoria knocked out South County A.C. from Alameda in the
Semi-Finals 11-3 but couldn't put the hitting or pitching together
against Conner. Conner pulled a bye in the first round and were
ready to unload. Longoria pitcher Joe Flores pitched both games
but didn't have hitting support in the finals.24

"B" Fast

First baseman Chuck Hildebrandt ripped a single in the
bottom of the 8th inning to score lead off hitter Jake Dieter

23Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies,
(Printed brochure)

24Ibid.
from 3rd as Stone trophies from San Mateo erased a thirteen
strikeout pitching effort by Ed Padilla of Los Banos, to post
a 4-3 title game victory. Stone defeated Young Plumbing 16-8
to gain the finals berth while Los Banos rapped twelve hits to
defeat Livermore's Team Shop 7-4 in their Semi-Finals encounter.  

"C" Fast

Three doubles proved too much for Al's Tax Service as
Messetti's of Fremont walked off with a thrilling 4-2 victory in
the title contest. Al's recorded two digits when Bob Kane and
Bill Rotan hit round trippers with the bases empty. Messetti's
capitalized on five errors to push across their total output.
Messetti blanked Western Electric of Mountain View 5-0 in their
semi-final contest while Al's bombarded the Golden Pheasant of
Sunnyvale 21-3 in the lead up contest.  

Area association basketball tournament directors for 1971
were East Bay Area: Hank Dutra (Fremont), North Bay Area: Bill
Skinner (Fairfield), Peninsula Area: Ron Neveau (San Mateo) and
South Bay Area: John Williams (Santa Clara). Nor-Cal Basketball
Chairman Bill Wooten of Redwood City reported $353.00 in receipts
were taken in from the tournament, with $160.30 in expenses,
leaving a balance of $192.70.

25 Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies,
(Printed brochure)

26 Ibid.
1971 area association softball tournament directors were
East Bay Area:  Mike Orr (Livermore), North Bay Area:  Bill
Skinner (Fairfield), Peninsula Area: Mickey Corso (Daly City)
and South Bay Area: John McCarthy (Palo Alto). Nor-Cal Soft-
ball Chairman was John Williams of Santa Clara.

F. Year End Summary

S.A.N.C.R.A. President Mike Orr stated in the Fall, 1971
edition of "S.A.N.C.R.A. Sayings" that "In the year 1971 the
S.A.N.C.R.A. organization conducted highly successful tournaments
in both basketball and softball. Accomplished were such things as:
greater team participation (over 300 basketball and over 700 soft-
ball teams registered S.A.N.C.R.A. in 1971), better intra-league
classification, and the establishment of a Nor-Cal disciplinary
code which is honored by all participating S.A.N.C.R.A. agencies."27
He also labeled 1971 as "a year for expansion and maturity" and
1972 as "the year for refinement."28 Mr. Orr was correct in that
S.A.N.C.R.A.'s membership did expand considerably and that there
were several successful tournaments conducted; however, many of
the Executive Board's goals were not accomplished during 1971.

One of the main objectives of S.A.N.C.R.A. during 1971 was
to provide state-wide tournaments for teams below the champi-

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27 Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies,
(Printed brochure)

28 Ibid.
California Municipal Athletic Federation was of course included in this package. All of these proposed state-wide tournaments were eventually cancelled because they were not deemed feasible by S.A.N.C.R.A. officials at the time. Another S.A.N.C.R.A. goal that never materialized during 1971 was the registration of 1,000 softball teams. Unfortunately, an effective women's program for S.A.N.C.R.A. never came about in 1971 either.

Highlighting the 1971 S.A.N.C.R.A. calendar year was the continued leadership provided by the South Bay Area Association. Dominating leadership from such key figures as John Williams, Glenn Lyles and Paul Thiltgen held the South Bay in a place of prominence among fellow area associations. The South Bay showed the way by conducting S.A.N.C.R.A.'s first annual tournaments in junior tennis and junior golf.

1972 was apparently the year that more than one area association would climb to the front. The organization of S.A.N.C.R.A. had been the burden of the South Bay; however, 1972 found more agencies and people eager to accept the workload of a striving association. S.A.N.C.R.A. had also become solid financially and this could be attributed to the fact that each area association was able to recruit new members in 1972.
CHAPTER VI
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Past Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies President Mike Orr had stated that:

...in 1972, bigger and better tournaments will be offered with such improvements as certified S.A.N.C.R.A. officials, more wide-spread tournaments, and greater and more diversified team participation. 1972 will also see a growth in S.A.N.C.R.A. agency membership complimented by more and better services.¹

With this statement, Mr. Orr had set the stage for what he felt the year 1972 would bring to S.A.N.C.R.A.

A. New Officers

Newly elected officers taking their place on the 1972 S.A.N.C.R.A. Executive Board included President, Paul Thiltgen, Santa Cruz; Vice President, Bill Wooten, Redwood City; Secretary, John Williams, Santa Clara; Treasurer, Glenn Lyles, Mountain View; Women's Activities, Barbara Sampson, Mountain View; Past President, Mike Orr, Livermore. Area association presidents for 1972 consisted of East Bay, Rick Putnam, San Leandro; North Bay, Jim LeDoux, Sacramento; Peninsula, Jim Valenti, San Mateo; and South Bay, Ken Mitchell, Sunnyvale.

B. Executive Board Meetings

Most of the 1972 S.A.N.C.R.A. Executive Board's actions dealt with the formation of committees and the appointment of

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chairpersons. One such action was President Paul Thiltgen's appointment of John Welch as chairman of the youth activities committee. At the same time, Thiltgen directed John Williams of Santa Clara to contact an attorney in regard to S.A.N.C.R.A. incorporation.

Other prominent issues covered by the 1972 Board included a renewal with the National Recreation and Park Association for liability insurance coverage of the S.A.N.C.R.A. Board members. Work was also completed on S.A.N.C.R.A.'s first budget. A final proposal showing a $5,375.00 budget was accepted.

The Board agreed to scratch the celebrity golf tournament for 1972, while women's activities were to be organized by Glenn Lyles and Barbara Sampson. The Board voted for S.A.N.C.R.A. to not become officially associated with the C.P.R.S. Supervisors' Section.

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2Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, January 6, 1972, Livermore, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

3Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, February 3, 1972, Santa Clara, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

4Ibid.

5Ibid.

6Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, March 2, 1972, San Mateo, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

7Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, April 6, 1972, Fairfield, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

8Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, June 1, 1972, Aptos, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
The California Park and Recreation Society's annual conference was another item that was discussed fully by the 1972 S.A.N.C.R.A. Board. President Thiltgen was given the responsibility of coordinating plans for S.A.N.C.R.A. members to conduct a session on sports programming at the yearly C.P.R.S. Conference. 9 The Board also voted that the 1973 S.A.N.C.R.A. President be allotted $200.00 for the purpose of conducting and advertising a S.A.N.C.R.A. hospitality room at the C.P.R.S. Conference. 10

Finally, newly elected President Rick Putnam of San Leandro appointed Jim Valenti as chairman of the new public relations committee. Bill Wooten was appointed as vice chairman. 11

C. Area Association Reports

**East Bay Association**

The 1972 officers for the East Bay were as follows:

President - Rick Putnam, San Leandro

Vice President - Mike Orr, Livermore

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9Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, September 21, 1972, Fairfield, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

10Ibid.

11Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, December 7, 1972, Mountain View, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
Secretary - Jim Sigman, Fremont
Treasurer - Gale Wilson, Hayward

The East Bay became a hotbed for adult flag football in 1972. Several East Bay agencies banded together and selected a set of common rules. An East Bay flag football tournament was held on November 18 and 19, 1972. This tournament was for East Bay members only, and not a Nor-Cal wide event. The East Bay also planned to conduct a flag football clinic for all interested agencies in May, 1973.

The East Bay Association ended the 1972 year showing sixteen active members in their ranks. Agencies belonging to the East Bay included Berkeley, Concord, Dublin, El Cerrito, Fremont, Hayward, Livermore, Newark, San Leandro, Union City, Walnut Creek, Oakland, Pittsburg, Pleasant Hill and Pleasanton.

South Bay Association

Elected officers for the South Bay in 1972 were:

President - Ken Mitchell, Sunnyvale
Vice President - John McCarthy, Palo Alto
Secretary - Rich Bunnell, Gilroy
Treasurer - Ron Mueller, Milpitas

The South Bay continued to be very active in S.A.N.C.R.A. functions. The financial status of the South Bay was so good, that the members elected not to accept their 1972 softball team rebates from the Nor-Cal Association in order to strengthen the Nor-Cal organization. The association also purchased a
thirty-five mm slide set on umpire training for use by member agencies.12

The South Bay conducted several outstanding tournaments in 1972. There were over 100 teams participating in the adult softball tournaments. Additionally, junior tournaments were held in both basketball and tennis. A pilot junior olympics program was also tried.

The South Bay Association easily led the way in membership for 1972. The final membership report revealed that there were thirty-one active members in the South Bay. Member agencies of the South Bay were as follows: Cupertino, Gilroy, Los Altos, Los Gatos, Milpitas, Monterey, Mountain View, Pacific Grove, Palo Alto, Salinas, San Jose, San Lorenzo Valley, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz and Sunnyvale.

Peninsula Association

Peninsula officers for the calendar year of 1972 were as follows:

President - Jim Valenti, San Mateo

Secretary/Treasurer - Dave Barry, Pacifica

Tournament play was prominent in the Peninsula for 1972. There were twenty-three entries in their basketball tournaments and twenty-eight teams played in the various softball classifications.

12Interview with Mr. Glenn Lyles, Former Treasurer of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies, 201 Rengstorff Avenue, Mountain View, California, in his office, October 2, 1975.
Peninsula membership was registered at fifteen active members. The participating agencies in 1972 included Burlingame, Daly City, Foster City, Menlo Park, Pacifica, Redwood City, San Carlos, San Mateo and South San Francisco.

**North Bay Association**

The only elected officer for the North Bay in 1972 was Jim Le Doux of Sacramento. Le Doux served in the capacity of President. The year 1972 was one of several firsts for the North Bay. The North Bay conducted its first ever basketball tournament in Sacramento with twenty-two teams entered in "B," "C" and "D" classifications. The first ever treasurer's report was presented at the March 2, 1972, Board of Directors meeting in San Mateo. The report, given by Bill Skinner, revealed that the North Bay had a balance of $108.75 at that time. Additionally, there were forty-three softball teams competing in various classifications in the 1972 North Bay softball tournaments. Agencies belonging to the North Bay Association in 1972 included Chico, Davis, Fairfield, Red Bluff, Sacramento, Santa Rosa, Vacaville and Woodland.

D. Committees

**Officials Certification Committee**

Dwight Martin of Santa Clara once again was the chairman of the S.A.N.C.R.A. Officials Certification Committee. Official's

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13 Interview with Mr. Bill Skinner, Former North Bay Area Association President of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies, City Hall, Fairfield, California, at a professional conference in Fairfield, November 11, 1975.
kits for umpire training and certification were made available at $4.00 each. These kits contained exams, answer sheets, mechanics book, rule books and a clinic guide. Official certification patches and identification cards were sent to all officials successfully completing the course. There were a total of seventy-four kits purchased by softball umpires in the 1972 season. There were no basketball officials' training kits offered for this season because very few requests for basketball officials' training help had been received; however, basketball officials' accident insurance was made available at a $2.00 seasonal fee.

**1972 S.A.M.C.R.A. Softball Committee**

Members of the 1972 Softball Committee were as follows:

Jim Le Doux, North Bay

Mike Orr, East Bay

Bill Wooten and Jim Valenti, Peninsula

Ken Mitchell, John Williams and Ron Mueller, South Bay

Tournament chairmen were appointed by President Thiltgen as follows:

Slow Pitch - Ron Mueller, Milpitas

"A" Fast Pitch - Bill Wooten

"B" and "C" Fast Pitch - Mike Orr, Livermore

Area tournament chairmen were appointed by Area Association Presidents, and they were as follows:
East Bay - Bob Royle, Newark
North Bay - Jim Le Doux, Sacramento
South Bay - Tom Osborne, Palo Alto
Peninsula - Bill Wooten, Redwood City

The following committee recommendations were accepted and passed into action by the S.A.N.C.R.A. Board of Directors:

1. Entry fee remains at $17.50, including fees and $6.50 for first game officials' fees.
2. Deadline for entries was set at Wednesday, July 26, 1972.
3. Dates for Nor-Cal playoffs were set at August 25, 26 and 27, 1972.
4. John Williams, acting Secretary, was assigned the task of preparing team entry and roster sheets.
5. Fourteen trophies to be awarded at each Nor-Cal tournament function.

The S.A.N.C.R.A. Executive Board unanimously agreed to cancel this year's "A" Fast Pitch tournament and encouraged all teams of that caliber to enter the new A.S.A. Class "A" Fast Pitch Regional Tournament in Hayward. The decline of fast pitch teams was becoming more evident and the feeling was that S.A.N.C.R.A. would probably be fortunate to have a maximum of three or four teams entering its "A" fast pitch event in the 1972 season. Only three teams participated in 1971.

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Interview with Mr. John Williams, Former President of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies, City Hall, 1500 W. Harburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California, in his office, January 23, 1976.
E. Tournaments

1972 Nor-Cal S.A.N.C.R.A. Basketball Tournaments

The following people served as chairmen of the 1972 S.A.N.C.R.A. basketball tournaments:

Nor Cal - John McCarthy, Palo Alto
East Bay - Hank Dutra, Fremont
South Bay - Ken Mitchell, Sunnyvale
Peninsula - Dave Barry, Pacifica
North Bay - Jim Le Doux, Sacramento

The "A" division tournament was held Nor-Cal wide in Palo Alto. Le Blanc Engineering of San Jose emerged as the eventual champion. For the first time, games at the Nor-Cal level were all held on the same day. Other champions included: Class "B," Valley Fair Insurance of Santa Clara; Class "C," Regina's of Oakland; Class "D," Country Maid of Sacramento. The 1972 basketball tournament participation was as follows: South Bay, fifty-seven teams; East Bay, forty-seven teams; Peninsula, twenty-three teams; and North Bay, twenty-two teams.

1972 Nor-Cal S.A.N.C.R.A. Softball Tournaments

After a month of action, some 200 softball teams finally narrowed down to five men's and two women's team winners in 1972 softball championship play. 1972 Men's slow pitch action saw an exciting day of final round games ably hosted by Ron Mueller and the Milpitas Recreation Department. Nor-Cal slow pitch winners were: Class "A" - McGill Insurance, Fairfield; Class "B" - United Airlines, San Mateo; Class "C" - Geremia Pools, Sacramento.
The South Bay Area dominated men's Nor-Cal fast pitch competition in the two exciting tournaments hosted in Livermore by the Recreation District and tournament director Mike Orr. Nor-Cal fast pitch winners were: Class "B" - Jurado's Lounge, Mountain View; Class "C" - Western Electric, Sunnyvale.

The first annual women's softball championships were conducted in Mountain View by tournament director Glenn Lyles. Winners were: "B" Slow Pitch - Sterling Carpet, San Carlos; "B" Fast Pitch - Chug-a-Lug, San Jose.

The 1972 Area Association qualifying tournaments were under the leadership of these directors:

East Bay - Bob Royle, Newark
North Bay - Jim Le Doux, Sacramento
Peninsula - Bill Wooten, Redwood City
South Bay - Tom Osborne, Palo Alto
Women's - Barbara Sampson, Mountain View
Slow Pitch - Ron Mueller, Milpitas

1972 Youth Activity Tournaments

John Welch served as coordinator of S.A.N.C.R.A.'s 1972 youth tournaments. The South Bay was the only area association reporting a full slate of activities for 1972. The South conducted separate tournaments in basketball, track, golf and tennis. All of these were reportedly successful.

F. Year End Summary

The year 1972 proved to be one of success and prosperity
for S.A.N.C.R.A. Past President Mike Orr had predicted this success as early as the Fall of 1971. Orr stated that:

...in 1972, bigger and better tournaments will be offered with such improvements as certified S.A.N.C.R.A. officials, more widespread tournaments, and greater and more diversified team participation. 1972 will also see a growth in S.A.N.C.R.A. agency membership complimented by more and better services.15

Orr concluded his assessments by labeling 1972 as "the year for refinement."16 The efforts of President Paul Thiltgen and his Executive Board helped S.A.N.C.R.A. to achieve these goals in 1972. Some of the major things accomplished by S.A.N.C.R.A. in 1972 included:

1. An operating budget was established for S.A.N.C.R.A.
   This was a first.

2. The first tournaments ever for women at a Nor-Cal level were established.

3. Adult flag football interest was starting to generate in several areas.

4. Membership Committee Chairman Bill Skinner reported that there were seventy-nine active members and two special members for S.A.N.C.R.A.

5. Treasurer Lyles reported that S.A.N.C.R.A. ended the calendar year of 1972 with a total balance of $1,055.58.

6. The General Meetings were a huge success in all instances.


16 Ibid.
7. Youth activities started to take hold. The South Bay expanded into several levels of sport.

Women's activities had apparently taken root in the South Bay in 1972. Glenn Lyles was the Tournament Director in Mountain View for two women's softball tournaments. The classifications used were "B" fast pitch and "B" slow pitch. Both of these tournaments represented a first for S.A.N.C.R.A. in that they were the first established women's competition in tournament play. It was anticipated that more would be done in the area of women's and girls' activities for 1973. Projected activities included basketball and volleyball.

Although the South Bay Association continued to be the pace-setter for S.A.N.C.R.A., other area associations made great progress in 1972. One such area, the North Bay, perhaps made the most significant progress of all. Although operating with only a partial slate of officers, the North Bay Association achieved success in both basketball and softball tournament play. The efforts of President Jim Le Doux and Membership Chairman Bill Skinner had apparently given the North Bay a sound financial basis and an active membership that totaled sixteen people.

S.A.N.C.R.A.'s year of 1973 was an interesting one in that it was the first year in the association's brief history to feel the energy crisis crunch. The 1973 Executive Board expected severe limitations to be placed upon their existing Nor-Cal tournament format. The advent of adult flag football and volley-
ball indicated that S.A.N.C.R.A. teams would experience further travel problems.

1973 was the year that S.A.N.C.R.A. gained its first public relations file. Most members agreed that this was something that was long overdue.
CHAPTER VII

1973

A follow-up on the 1972 year would have been hard for any incoming official; however, new President Rick Putnam set out to do just that. Putnam, during his 1973 term of office, was employed as a Senior Recreation Supervisor for the San Leandro Parks and Recreation Department. He had previously served as chief official of the East Bay Area Association in 1972. During his term of office as Association President, he had brought much progress to the area. It was eagerly anticipated that Putnam would sustain this enthusiasm with the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies in 1973.

A. New Officers.

The 1973 Nor-Cal Executive Board Members were introduced and installed by Past President Thilgen at the Villa Chartier Restaurant, San Mateo, on December 2, 1972. Special guest John Isenbarger of the San Francisco 49'ers and his wife were introduced to a crowd comprised of forty-nine S.A.N.C.R.A. members and their guests.¹

Installed were President - Rick Putnam, San Leandro; Vice-President - Jim Valenti, San Mateo; Past President - Paul Thilgen, Santa Cruz; Treasurer - Glenn Lyles, Mountain View and Secretary - John Williams, Santa Clara. Also named to the

¹Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies General Membership Meeting, Minutes of the Meeting, December 2, 1972, San Mateo, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
1973 Executive Board were North Bay Area Association President, Mike Leitner of Chico; Peninsula Area Association President, Dave Barry of Pacifica; South Bay Area Association President, John Galos of Los Gatos; and East Bay Area Association President, Jim Sigman of Fremont.

B. Executive Board Meetings

The financial status of S.A.N.C.R.A. was very prominent in the affairs of the 1973 S.A.N.C.R.A. Board of Directors. At one meeting, Treasurer Glenn Lyles was directed to transfer $500.00 from the general fund to the Association's savings account and he was also directed to renew the N.R.P.A. Liability policy covering S.A.N.C.R.A. Board members for 1973.  

Committee appointments were also quite numerous in 1973. President Putnam appointed Jim Sigman and Mike Leitner as co-chairmen of S.A.N.C.R.A. flag football activities and Leitner was also designated as the 1973 volleyball chairman for S.A.N.C.R.A. The Board was also proud to announce that the S.A.N.C.R.A. social at the C.P.R.S. Conference was a success with some 200 people attending.

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2 Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, January 11, 1973, Pacifica, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

3 Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, February 1, 1973, Sacramento, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

4 Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, April 5, 1973, Aptos, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
The Executive Board established a policy of honorariums for guest speakers at all future engagements. It was decided that guest speakers would be paid on the basis of $25.00 for luncheon meetings and $50.00 for evening meetings. Public relations gestures were continued by the 1973 Board, as they approved an appropriation of $100.00 for the softball chairmen to produce a newsletter following the 1973 softball season.

C. Area Association Reports

East Bay Area Association

The East Bay reached several highs and lows during the year of 1973. At a January 4, 1973, East Bay Area meeting several members expressed an interest in building up the Area Association treasury in order to expand youth activities. Other members expressed an interest that S.A.N.C.R.A. would develop a library of materials on program development to assist member agencies in planning, budgeting and team classification.

It was further reported that at a June 7, 1973, East Bay meeting that some of the major topics of discussion were Association program and lack of agency participation; however, the East Bay

5Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, July 5, 1973, Fairfield, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

6Ibid.

7Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, January 11, 1973, Pacifica, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
conducted a membership meeting on November 1, 1973, in Dublin with twenty-two members and guests present. As S.A.N.C.R.A. President Rick Putnam put it, "The turn-out and interest shown were very encouraging to all." 

1973 officers were as follows:

President - Jim Sigman, Fremont
Vice President - Bob Caporusso, Pleasanton
Secretary - Bob Rayl, Newark
Treasurer - Fred Framstead, El Cerrito

There were nineteen active members in the East Bay during 1973. Agencies belonging to the Association included Berkeley, Concord, Dublin, El Cerrito, Fremont, Hayward, Livermore, Newark, San Leandro, Union City, Walnut Creek, Oakland, Pittsburg, Pleasant Hill and Pleasanton.

South Bay Association

Despite the fact that there was a major change of officers in the South Bay for 1973, the Association continued to be a dominating influence upon S.A.N.C.R.A. activities. President John Galos of Los Gatos and Vice President Paul Smith of Cupertino resigned from their S.A.N.C.R.A. offices because they both accepted jobs with other recreation agencies.

The final slate of officers for the Association ended up thusly:

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8 Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, November 8, 1973, Chico, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
9 Ibid.
President - John McCarthy, Palo Alto
Vice President - Ed Rosston, Santa Cruz
Secretary - Lyle Norton, Sunnyvale
Treasurer - Ron Mueller, Milpitas

A few of the things accomplished by the South Bay's twenty-eight active members during 1973 included:

1. The purchasing of a set of softball umpire training slides for use by member agencies in training officials.

2. The development of a workable exponent classification system for teams.

3. The development of a standardized official's evaluation form.

4. Various area cities agreed to host youth basketball tournaments, ranging from elementary through high school.

5. The Nor-Cal basketball finals were in Sunnyvale in their new community gymnasium. Overall, the tournament went fairly well.  

6. There were fifty-eight basketball teams entered in tournaments.

Treasurer Ron Mueller reported a balance of $744.26 in the South Bay treasury as of December 6, 1973.  

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10 South Bay Area Association Board of Directors, Minutes of the Meeting, April 5, 1973, Aptos, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

11 South Bay Area Association Board of Directors, Minutes of the Meeting, December 6, 1973, Palo Alto, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
to the Association in 1973 included Cupertino, Gilroy, Los
Altos, Los Gatos, Milpitas, Monterey, Mountain View, Pacific
Grove, Palo Alto, Salinas, San Jose, San Lorenzo Valley, Santa
Clara, Santa Cruz and Sunnyvale.

**Peninsula Association**

The Peninsula Association was very successful in the year
of 1973. Financially, a treasury balance of $422.43 was reported
as late as December, 1973. Officers for the Peninsula Association
in 1973 were as follows:

President - Dave Barry, Pacifica

Secretary-Treasurer - Ray Wagner, Burlingame

There were twenty teams entered in the Area basketball
tournaments and they were well conducted at a number of Peninsula
gyms. Softball was also very big for the Peninsula, with
approximately 292 teams being registered. Bill Wooten, of
Redwood City, served as the 1973 area softball chairman. One
of the highlights of the softball season was the starting of a
low-key, housewives slow pitch league in Pacifica.13

Agencies belonging to the Peninsula Area Association in
1973 included Burlingame, Daly City, Foster City, Menlo Park,

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12 *Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies
Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, December 13, 1973, Redwood
City, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams,
1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or
typescript.

13 *Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies
Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, May 3, 1973, San Mateo,
California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500
Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
Pacifica, Redwood City, San Carlos, San Mateo and South San Francisco. There were fifteen active members in the Association for 1973.

**North Bay Association**

The North Bay continued to prosper in 1973. On February 1, 1973, it was reported that they were leading in the number of active members in S.A.N.C.R.A. and on December 13, 1973, it was reported that the North Bay had more money than any of the other area treasuries. The Association showed a balance of $850.67 in their treasury. 14

Tournaments were also extremely popular with the North Bay in 1973. On November 10, 1973, an Area Flag Football tournament was held in Sacramento. 15 Additionally, twenty-seven teams participated in Northern basketball tournaments. Successful softball tournaments were also staged.

A proposal from the North Bay Area Association to split the area into two area associations was presented to the S.A.N.C.R.A. Executive Board in 1973. Association members felt that extensive traveling distances made communication and participation extremely

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14 Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, December 13, 1973, Redwood City, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

15 Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, November 8, 1973, Chico, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
difficult.\textsuperscript{16}

There were nineteen active members in the North Bay for 1973. Officers for the year were as follows:

President - Mike Leitner, Chico
Vice President - Jim LeDoux, Sacramento
Secretary-Treasurer - Bill Skinner, Fairfield

Membership agencies in the Area Association for 1973 included Chico, Davis, Fairfield, Red Bluff, Sacramento, Santa Rosa, Vacaville and Woodland.

D. Committees

\textbf{Awards Committee}

The Awards Committee, Chairman John Williams, Paul Thiltgen and Mike Orr, reviewed other awards programs such as S.C.M.A.F. and C.P.R.S. and developed an attractive awards program for S.A.N.C.R.A. in 1973. The nomination of potential recipients of these awards was to be made within the framework of the adopted criteria, enumerated herein:

1. \textbf{Awards for Past Presidents.} The policy of awarding gavel plaques to each S.A.N.C.R.A. Nor-Cal Association President at the conclusion of his year in office was continued with plaques similar to those awarded past presidents.

\textsuperscript{16} Interview with Mr. Bill Skinner, Former North Bay Association President of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies, City Hall, Fairfield, California, at a professional conference, November 11, 1975.
2. **Awards to Nor-Cal Executive Board Members.** The policy of awarding small awards to each Executive Board member at the time he leaves the S.A.N.C.R.A. Nor-Cal Association Board was continued. Awards were chosen by the retiring President.

3. **Honorary Membership.** A former active or associate S.A.N.C.R.A. member who has retired or left the field of recognition may be awarded an Honorary Membership, provided the individual has displayed outstanding leadership, accepted Nor-Cal Association responsibilities and performed significant services for the Association for a minimum of five (5) years.

4. **Special Recognition.** This award is given to organizations or individuals who are not active or associate members of S.A.N.C.R.A. Recipients must have made an outstanding contribution to the Nor-Cal Association.

5. **Achievement Award.** The Achievement Award is a first step award. The Achievement Award is given for an exceptional contribution to the Association by an Active or Associate member for a single effort or activity, or for an outstanding service to the Association during a calendar year. Examples of activities for which this award may be given are:

   a. Performed an outstanding job as committee chairman.
   b. Performed an outstanding job in conducting a Nor-Cal Association program or activity.
   c. Made an outstanding contribution to a recognized publication regarding the Association.
d. Made a significant contribution to his/her Area Association.
e. Introduced a new idea, activity or concept benefitting the Association.

6. **Recognition Award.** The Recognition Award is a second step award. The Recognition Award is given to an active or associate member of the Association who has met at least three (3) of the following criteria:

a. Performed an outstanding job as a committee chairman.
b. Performed an outstanding job in conducting a Nor-Cal Association program.
c. Made an outstanding contribution to a recognized publication regarding the Federation.
d. Introduced a new idea, activity or concept benefitting the Association or the general sports public.
e. Held an active or associate membership and displayed sustained interest in the Association for at least three (3) years.
f. Made a significant contribution to his/her Area Association.
g. Received a S.A.N.C.R.A. Achievement Award.

7. **S.A.N.C.R.A. Award.** The S.A.N.C.R.A. Award is the highest S.A.N.C.R.A. citation or award. The S.A.N.C.R.A. Award is given to an active or associate member of the Association who has met at least five (5) of the following criteria:

a. Shown outstanding leadership in the Association through committee work, committee chairmanship or as an officer for at least three (3) years.
b. Accepted responsibilities and performed services over and above normal in the Association program.
c. Introduced new ideas or practices with successful and effective results within the Association.
d. Has maintained high moral standards.
e. Attended a majority of the Nor-Cal Association general meetings during the past year.
f. Has held an active or associate membership in the Association for at least five (5) years.
g. Received a S.A.N.C.R.A. Recognition Award.

   a. Achievement Award. Hank Dutra's 1972 award was designated as an Achievement Award in all future records of S.A.N.C.R.A. awards.

   b. Recognition Awards. Bill Skinner and Gale Wilson's 1972 awards were designated as Recognition Awards in all future records of S.A.N.C.R.A. Awards.

Those S.A.N.C.R.A. members receiving awards in 1973 included:

1. Achievement Award

   Jim Le Doux, City of Sacramento
   Ron Mueller, Milpitas City-School Recreation Department
   Jim Sigman, City of Fremont

2. Recognition Award

   Bill Wooten, Redwood City

3. S.A.N.C.R.A. Award

   Glenn Lyles, Mountain View

Women's Activities Committee

Glenn Lyles of Mountain View and John Williams of Santa Clara comprised the 1973 S.A.N.C.R.A. Women's Activities Committee. Lyles served as chairman. The S.A.N.C.R.A. Executive Board encouraged each area association to include at least one woman on their association board of directors. Also, a candidate for a woman's representative on the Nor-Cal board was being sought.

Softball continued to be the main sport offered to women in S.A.N.C.R.A.; however, John Welch of Mountain View did plan a women's basketball tournament for 1974. A six team, women's "B" fast pitch tournament was held in Mountain View and Santa Clara
conducted a seven team, women's "B" slow pitch tournament. They were also organized a "housewife's" slow pitch softball tournament.

Youth Activities Committee

The Youth Activities Committee chairman for S.A.N.C.R.A. in 1973 was Bob Workman of Los Altos. Workman also served as youth track chairman. Other youth activity chairmen assisting Workman were as follows:

Golf - John McCarthy, Palo Alto
Tennis - Larry Wolfe, Santa Clara
Softball - John Williams, Santa Clara

The 1973 summer youth activities program for S.A.N.C.R.A. was very successful. Forty junior golfers played in the Nor-Cal finals at Palo Alto and thirty-two junior tennis players played in Santa Clara's Nor-Cal finals.  

S.A.N.C.R.A. Committee Structure

The following committee chairmen and/or committee members were appointed by President Putnam:

Awards
John Williams (Chairman)
Mike Orr
Paul Thiltgen

Basketball
Lyle Norton (Chairman)
Bob Caporusso
Mike Orr
Jim Le Doux
Jim Valenti
Bill Wooten
Glenn Lyles

17 Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, September 13, 1973, Santa Clara, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

18 Ibid.
Finance
Bill Paulson (Chairman)
Jim Valenti
John Williams
Glenn Lyles

Officials
Dwight Martin (Chairman)
Jerry Agrella
John Williams

Public Relations
Jim Valenti (Chairman)

Women's Activities
Glenn Lyles (Chairman)
John Williams

Football
Jim Sigman (Chairman)

Program Development
Jim Sigman (Chairman)
Bob Rayl

Softball
Ron Mueller (Chairman)

Youth Activities
Bob Workman (Chairman)

E. Tournaments

1973 Nor-Cal S.A.N.C.R.A. Basketball Tournament

The S.A.N.C.R.A. Nor-Cal basketball finals were held in Sunnyvale on March 31 and April 1, 1973. The "A" division finals saw the Drip Drops of Oakland defeat Country Maid of Sacramento, 84-70. In the "B" division finals, Long's Drugs of Hayward routed Jordan's of Redwood City by a score of 74 to 54. "C" division champions were Lidd Exxon of Fremont, as they nipped Walt's Photo of Benicia, 67-65. The class "D" tournament was won by Castle Seed Co. of Sacramento. Castle Seed defeated Minton's of Sunnyvale, 54-53. 375 basketball teams registered with S.A.N.C.R.A. in 1973.

1973 Nor-Cal S.A.N.C.R.A. Softball Tournaments

"D" Slow Pitch

Travis Air Force Base, from the host city of Fairfield, captured the "D" Slow-Pitch title with an easy 20-5 win over
Village Host, representing the South Bay. Travis made the finals with a much more difficult 6-5 win over El Ranchito (East Bay) as they picked up two runs in the bottom of the seventh for the win. Village Host had made the finals, as they just did get by the Pot Shots (Peninsula), 3-2. What looked to be a good match up in the finals, never turned out that way as Travis A.F.B. took a 9-2 lead after the second inning and went on from there for the easy win. Ron Slaven and Jim Felty provided most of the punch for the winners. Slaven homered, tripled and doubled twice while Felty homered and singled twice.19

"C" Slow Pitch

Bay Area Sporting Goods, representing the East Bay, captured the "C" Slow-Pitch title as they dumped the Pasttime Club (Peninsula) in the finals, 15-7. The Sporting Goods team advanced to the finals as they beat Shadow Brook (North Bay) earlier in the day, 11-8. The Pasttime Club posted a 9-6 win over Hewlitt-Packard C.S.C. (South Bay) to place themselves in the finals.20

The championship game appeared to be a close one early in the going as the score was knotted 3-3 going into the bottom of the third. In the bottom of the third, Bay Area Sporting Goods came up with four runs on four singles and an error to take a 7-3 lead. The Sporting Goods team went on to score rather freely

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in the later innings for the relatively easy 15-7 win and the Nor-Cal "C" Division Crown. 21

"B" Slow Pitch

Play resumed once again on Sunday, August 26, in Fairfield as the Far Outs, representing the East Bay, won the "B" Division Nor-Cal Slow-Pitch title in wild and wooly fashion with a 24-23 victory over Lucky Tappers, representing the Peninsula Association. The Far Outs advanced to the finals earlier in the day by beating El Sombrero (North Bay), 13-12 in extra innings. With the score tied 12-12 the Far Outs came up with a run in the top of the eighth inning and then held on defensively in the bottom of the eighth for the win. Lucky Tappers advanced to the finals with an easy 20-8 win over City of Los Altos (South Bay). The championship game was really something unbelievable. Scoring at will in the early going, the Far Outs took an 18-0 lead going into the bottom of the third inning. Lucky Tappers finally scored two runs in the bottom of the fourth. The Tappers then scored six runs in the fifth to lead 23-8, which looked more than comfortable at the time. But, the Tappers scored thirteen times in the bottom of the fifth on thirteen hits and two errors to trail only 23-21. It just wasn't quite enough, as the Far Outs eventually won the "B" Division Nor-Cal Championship in a most unbelievable fashion, 24-23. Ron Rasmussen had a big day at the plate for the Far Outs with two homeruns, two doubles and a single. Rocky Bell also homered twice for the Lucky Tappers. 22


22 Ibid.
"A" Slow Pitch

First National Bank of Sacramento, representing the North Bay, posted a 14-12 win over Rawitzer's Golf Shop, representing the South Bay. First National Bank also won the "A" Slow Pitch Nor-Cal title in 1972.

First National Bank advanced to the finals in easy fashion with a forfeit win. Rawitzer's Golf Shop made the finals by beating W & W Tool & Die (Peninsula), 18-12.

In the championship game, First National Bank took a 7-0 lead through three innings of play and never trailed as they went on to the win. However, Rawitzer's did make it close as they scored eight times in the top of the seventh inning, still leaving them two runs short. Denny Kidwell homered, doubled and singled twice while Gary Bell homered, doubled and singled for the winners. Mike Gervason homered and singled twice for Rawitzer's Golf Shop. 23

"B" and "C" Fast Pitch

Orange Park in South San Francisco provided the setting for the Nor-Cal "B" and "C" Division Fast Pitch Finals on Saturday, August 25. In the "C" Division, Hobbits Habbits of San Rafael took the Nor-Cal Crown with a 7-3 win over Anthony Mitley's of Sunnyvale. Mitley's advanced to the finals with a 5-3 win over Thompson Toyota of Redwood City, while Hobbits advanced easily.

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with a forfeit win. The championship game was a strange one. The pitcher for Hobbits Habbits failed to show up for the game; not having a substitute pitcher, they had to throw slow pitch. The amazing thing is that they won the championship game with a 7-3 win in a great defensive performance. 24

Dry Creek Ranch of Red Bluff took the "B" Nor-Cal Fast Pitch Crown with a tight 2-1 win over Round Table Pizza of San Mateo. Round Table advanced to the finals with a 6-4 win over Buy-The-Bucket of Santa Clara. Dry Creek Ranch gained the finals with a 1-0, tenth inning win over Pepperidge Farms. Charles Smith threw a fine two hitter for Dry Creek in the win. In the championship game, Smith came back in the bottom of the seventh inning to preserve the 2-1 win over Round Table Pizza for the "F" league title. 25

F. Year End Summary

1973 proved to be a year of accomplishments that would lead to several changes in S.A.N.C.R.A. The biggest proposed change - and one that would become a reality in 1974 - was from the North Bay Area Association President Mike Leitner. Leitner's proposal was to split the North Bay area into two area associations. The new area, to be called North Valley Area Association, was justified through these facts:


1. Attendance in most sports was almost non-existent from Yuba City to Redding, basically due to travel.

2. Between Yuba City and Redding, numerous tourneys in many sports were being hosted to encompass teams on a classification basis.

3. Many communities in the North Valley area had part-time directors and full year sport activities.

4. There were numerous agencies that could replace the ones that would form the new association.

5. The new association had several communities to draw from - some of which were current S.A.N.C.R.A. members.

6. The energy crisis, travel, times of tournaments and locations of Nor-Cal finals would limit teams from the North Valley Area in participation numbers.

7. Teams from the outlying North Bay Association did not wish to travel to Chico, Red Bluff and Redding to play.  

1973 and 1974 Presidents Putnam and Barry agreed on the assignment of all past S.A.N.C.R.A. presidents to a special committee to consider this re-districting request.

Other deviations from previous years' format in S.A.N.C.R.A., although not carrying as much impact as Leitner's proposal, were as follows:

1. Umpire training kits were not prepared for distribution

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26 Personal correspondence from Mr. Mike Leitner, former North Bay Area Association President of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies, Chico, California, dated December 3, 1973.

2. A public relations file was developed for S.A.N.C.R.A.

3. Both volleyball and flag football were being pushed at the area and Nor-Cal tournament levels.

Due to Dwight Martin's resignation as committee chairman and an apparent saturating of the market in 1972, it was decided by the Officials' Certification Committee to not prepare 1973 umpire kits; however, it was anticipated that kits would again be available for all agencies in 1974. Several new programs were introduced to the S.A.N.C.R.A. format in 1973. President Putnam appointed Jim Sigman and Mike Leitner as co-chairmen of adult flag football and Leitner was additionally appointed as volleyball chairman. Both Sigman and Leitner were successful in researching and developing some common rules for S.A.N.C.R.A. flag football and volleyball. November 16-17, 1973, were dates set aside for S.A.N.C.R.A. Nor-Cal flag football tournament finals in Fremont. Volleyball was expected to be another Nor-Cal tournament in 1974. Also, Jim Valenti developed a complete file in 1973 to advertise the S.A.N.C.R.A. public relations program. It was hoped that Valenti's public relations package would inform prospective members and agencies of S.A.N.C.R.A.'s purpose for existence.

There were also some problem areas that confronted the S.A.N.C.R.A. Executive Board in 1973. Despite the fact that the North Bay Area Association experienced an all-time first for S.A.N.C.R.A. (they led in the number of active members listed for
February), many North Bay members were concerned about the travelling distance between agencies. Another such area, the East Bay, had members express discontent over the lack of agency participation.

The S.A.N.C.R.A. calendar year of 1974 would prove to be one that lacked the overall success of previous campaigns. The North Bay found itself struggling to survive in 1974, after enjoying considerable success in the past. A general lack of leadership plagued all the area associations and this indicated that there existed a definite need for reorganization. Fortunately, the members were enjoying themselves more and they would be treated to some fine social moments in 1974.
CHAPTER VIII
1974

For all practical purposes, it seemed that President Dave Barry would inherit a year of unrest in the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies. Possible reorganization and considerable lack of interest were two key issues confronting him at the outset of 1974. Barry, who was employed as a Recreation Supervisor in Pacifica, had previously held two offices in S.A.N.C.R.A. In 1973, he had been president of the Peninsula Area Association and in 1972, he had served in the capacity of secretary/treasurer for the Peninsula. Because of his vast knowledge in S.A.N.C.R.A. affairs, it was hoped that he could rectify a staggering organization.

A. New Officers

The 1973 Awards and Installation Banquet served as the starting point for President Dave Barry's term of office. The banquet was held on December 8, 1973, at the Newell House in Walnut Creek. Special guest for the evening was Don Porter, Executive Director of the Amateur Softball Association of America. The guest speaker was Stan Clark of California State University at Hayward, who addressed the forty-eight members and guests present.

Installed were new President Barry, Pacifica; Vice President,
Mike Leitner, Chico; Secretary, Roger Val, Cupertino; and Treasurer, Glenn Lyles, Mountain View. Also joining the Nor-Cal Board of Directors were Past-President Rick Putnam and the four area association presidents. These presidents were as follows:

North Bay - Walt Woodard, Benicia

East Bay - Bob Caporusso, Pleasanton

South Bay - Bob Workman, Los Altos

Peninsula - Mike Ciardella, Burlingame

B. Executive Board Meetings

It was revealed to the 1974 Board that a new organization in the central valley was being formed similar to S.A.N.C.R.A. At the same time, S.A.N.C.R.A. was gaining a fifth area association of its own. The new Far North Association proposal was easily passed by a majority of the S.A.N.C.R.A. membership.

Appointment issues continued to be of concern to S.A.N.C.R.A.'s Executive Board. Carol Simonson of Foster City was appointed as S.A.N.C.R.A.'s Women's Activity Director. Ms. Simonson was

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2Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, February 7, 1974, San Jose, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

3Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, October 17, 1974, Los Altos, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

4Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, September 26, 1974, Vallejo, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
expected to add new dimensions to a sagging women's athletic program. It was also decided by the Board that all area association presidents should appoint somebody to represent themselves and the local associations if they were unable to attend a business meeting.\(^5\)

As one of its final actions, the Board decided to cut back on the 1975 proposed budget for S.A.N.C.R.A.\(^6\) These financial cuts were as follows:

1. Wages - basketball and softball officials, $350.00
2. Publications and Printing - football rule books, $200.00
3. Conference and Travel - C.P.R.S. Conference, $100.00

C. Area Association Reports

**East Bay Association**

President Bob Caporusso and his area were able to survive very well in 1974. First, there were forty-seven teams entered in the East Bay qualifying basketball tournaments. Secondly, there was a balance of $514.42 reported in the association treasury as of September 12, 1974.\(^7\) Additionally, the East Bay

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\(^5\)Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, June 13, 1974, San Leandro, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

\(^6\)Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, December 5, 1974, Cupertino, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

\(^7\)East Bay Area Association Board of Directors, Minutes of the Meeting, September 12, 1974, Dublin, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
worked in conjunction with the *Oakland Tribune* in setting up a "Tournament of Champions" that involved elementary, high school and adult age groups.

Softball tournament director Mike Orr stated he was disappointed with the number of teams that participated in 1974 competition. He suggested that supervisors do a better job getting the information to their prospective league teams. He said that several teams never received rule books this past season. It was then established by the members that a yearly calendar of Nor-Cal tournaments and activities be made up and distributed to all members in 1975. This would allow tournaments to be publicized well in advance.8

East Bay officers for 1974 were as follows:

President - Bob Caporusso, Pleasanton

Vice President - Bob Rayl, Newark

Secretary - Dave Seifert, Valley Community Services District

Treasurer - Fred Framstead, El Cerrito

Rick Putnam of San Leandro took over for Rayl as vice president when Rayl left the area for a job in Southern California. Additionally, Jim Sigman of Fremont assumed Framstead's duties as treasurer.

**South Bay Association**

The South Bay Area Association continued to display the type

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8East Bay Area Association Board of Directors, Minutes of the Meeting, September 12, 1974, Dublin, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
of attitude and leadership that S.A.N.C.R.A. was originally established for. Diversified programs, a healthy budget and constructive criticism were traits of the association. The South Bay's treasury balance of $1,290.39 was deemed outstanding by S.A.N.C.R.A. standards. Because of their sound financial basis, the members allowed Nor-Cal S.A.N.C.R.A. to retain the 50¢ fee that was normally returned to the area association on each team registration.9

It was also in 1974 that the South Bay submitted a list of problems for review by the S.A.N.C.R.A. Executive Board:10

1. Whether or not teams have to pay S.A.N.C.R.A. fee in registration.

2. Board members and area tournament chairman should be encouraged to do a better job.

3. Advised that the Executive Board look into changing the structure of tournaments to allow areas with more participation the opportunity to send more teams to S.A.N.C.R.A. tournaments.

4. Recommended that the Executive Board make a better effort to promote the advantages of S.A.N.C.R.A. and to encourage more membership in the organization.

9 South Bay Area Association Board of Directors, Minutes of the Meeting, May 16, 1974, Santa Clara, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

10 Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, October 17, 1974, Los Altos, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
Additionally, President Workman appointed a committee to study the costs and methods involved in obtaining trophies for youth activities. Approval from the president for purchasing trophies was made a necessity by all members.\footnote{South Bay Area Association Board of Directors, Minutes of the Meeting, May 16, 1974, Santa Clara, California, Located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.}

Area activities included youth basketball tournaments for children ranging from elementary through high school ages. There were also four women's teams entered in the South Bay Women's Basketball Tournament at Gilroy.

The association's elected officials for 1974 were as follows:

- President - Bob Workman, Los Altos
- Vice President - Rich Bunnell, Gilroy
- Treasurer - Larry Wolfe, Santa Clara
- Secretary - Ed Rosston, Santa Cruz

Marty Ruberry of Sunnyvale replaced Rosston as Secretary before the completion of the 1974 calendar year.

Peninsula Association

The handling of Peninsula affairs in 1974 fell largely upon the shoulders of President Mike Ciardella. Ciardella discussed a key issue with the S.A.N.C.R.A. Executive Board during 1974. He asked that S.A.N.C.R.A. purchase the trophies for "Pee Wee Basketball Tournaments" in Millbrae, Pacifica,
Daly City and South San Francisco (Peninsula cities). The Board replied that all area associations should plan and budget for these types of tournaments at the beginning of the year.\textsuperscript{12} Ciardella's request stemmed from the fact that the association had a balance of only $370.85 in October of 1974. Team classification problems were also a source of concern to the tournament directors.

Peninsula Area Association officers for 1974 were as follows:

President - Mike Ciardella, Burlingame
Secretary/Treasurer - Brian Tibbits, Foster City

North Bay Association

The North Bay suffered from lack of leadership in 1974. The only elected official for the North Bay in 1974 was Walt Woodard of Benicia, who served as President. Unfortunately, Woodard failed to attend most of the S.A.N.C.R.A. Executive Board meetings; consequently, he was replaced in September, 1974, by an interim president, Jim Jackson of Vallejo.

Benicia, a North Bay Area Association city, was the host agency for the 1974 S.A.N.C.R.A. Basketball Finals, but the area had no participating teams at the S.A.N.C.R.A. Softball Finals.

\textsuperscript{12}Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, March 7, 1974, Benicia, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or Typescript.
Far North Association

The Far North Area Association, although getting a late start in 1974, became S.A.N.C.R.A.'s newest area association. The creation of the fifth area association was passed by the S.A.N.C.R.A. membership by a vote of thirty-eight to four. Boundary lines for the Far North ranged from Yuba City to Williams to Redding.\textsuperscript{13} The initial participating agencies consisted of Red Bluff, Anderson, Paradise, Oroville, Chico and Yuba City. Much of the initial groundwork for the creation of the association was done by Mike Leitner of Chico.

D. Committees

\textbf{Basketball Tournament Evaluating Committee}

A meeting of the Basketball Tournament Evaluating Committee was held in San Leandro on Thursday, October 24, 1974. In attendance were: East Bay - Fred Framstead, Stan Wilson, Rick Putnam; North Bay/Far North - Sam Crawford; Peninsula - Dave Barry, John Wong, Mike Ciardella; South Bay - Tom Osborne, Bob Workman, Larry Wolfe, John McCarthy.\textsuperscript{14}

The purpose of the meeting was to establish reasonable guidelines for the upcoming S.A.N.C.R.A. Basketball Tournaments.

\textsuperscript{13} Far North Area Association Board of Directors, Minutes of the Meeting, November 11, 1974, Chico, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.  

\textsuperscript{14} Personal correspondence from Mr. Rick Putnam, Former President of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies, San Leandro, California, dated October 28, 1974.
The following recommendations were presented for approval:

**Team Registration and Fees**

Agency Sports Supervisors would be responsible for notifying John McCarthy of the number of teams they wished to register with S.A.N.C.R.A. Upon notification John would mail to the Agency Supervisor rule books, team registration forms and sponsors' certificates. Registration and fees received after the published deadline would not be honored. Area basketball chairmen would assist John by encouraging agency supervisors to submit registration information as early as possible. It was recommended for implementation in Softball, 1975, that team registration fees be increased from $2.00 to $3.00.

**Nor Cal Finals**

The Nor Cal finals should be conducted as an eight-team consolation tournament. Teams would be selected for B, C and D divisions in the following manner:

1 team each from divisional tournament = 5 teams
1 team from Nor Cal Host City = 1 team
1 team each from the areas having the most and second-most number of teams participating in a particular classification = 2 teams

**TOTAL** 8 Teams

NOTE: "A" Division teams automatically qualify for Nor Cal finals.
Location of Nor Cal Finals:

A Division                     South Bay
B Division                     Far North
C Division                     East Bay
D Division                     Peninsula

Trophy Fees

The chairman of each Nor Cal division basketball tournament would have a maximum of $80.00 with which to purchase trophies. Each area would provide $10.00 per team, which it sends to the Nor Cal Finals.

It was the intent of this committee that these recommendations be adopted and effective immediately where possible. It was further felt that the type of consolidated effort displayed would do a great deal to rekindle interest and participation in S.A.N.C.R.A.-sponsored activities.

Awards and Citation Committee

The award winners of 1974, as announced by committee chairman Rick Putnam were as follows:

Achievement Award

Fred Framstead, El Cerrito
Glenn Lyles, Mountain View

Recognition Award

Mike Leitner, Chico
Bob Caporusso, Pleasanton

S.A.N.C.R.A. Award

John Williams, Santa Clara
E. Tournaments

1974 Nor-Cal S.A.N.C.R.A. Basketball Tournaments

The total number of teams registered in S.A.N.C.R.A. basketball tournaments for 1974 was 147 and this was slightly higher than the previous year, when 138 basketball teams were registered. All Nor-Cal finals were held in Benicia, with the previous year's format still applying with the exception of the class "A" tournament. It was reported that Sacramento already had an "A" tournament; therefore, the Executive Board decided that the first and second place teams from Sacramento would play the first and second place teams from the South San Francisco tournament to determine a winner. All area tournaments were reported as being most successful. Walt Woodard of Benicia was the 1974 Nor-Cal Basketball Chairman.

1974 Nor-Cal S.A.N.C.R.A. Softball Tournaments

All of the Nor-Cal Finals, with the exception of class "D" slow pitch had at least four teams entered in 1974. The new Far North Association and a host team were entered on a pilot basis per each classification and this helped take up the slack of the North Bay, which sent no teams to any of the tournaments. There was no class "A" fast pitch tournament due to lack of interest. There were a total of twenty-eight teams participating in the S.A.N.C.R.A. Nor-Cal Finals. Ron Mueller of Milpitas served as the 1974 Nor-Cal softball chairman.
"B" Fast Pitch

It was a joyous day for the locals in the "B" fast pitch championships held in Red Bluff. The city's own Tehema County Merchants emerged victorious with a 4-2 victory over the South Bay representative, Austin's 76 from Los Banos. There were five teams entered in the tourney. In first round action, the Merchants tipped Round Table Pizza of San Mateo, 4-1 and High Sierra, also out of Red Bluff, edged Dougans of San Leandro, 3-0. Austin's 76 drew a bye. In the loser's bracket, the Pizza boys from Round Table clipped Dougans, 3-0. In second round championship action, Austin's 76 rolled to an easy 10-0 victory over High Sierra, while the Merchants drew a bye. Dropping down to the loser's bracket, High Sierra got dumped right out of the tourney, suffering a 5-4 loss to Round Table Pizza. Back to the championship bracket and the Merchants trimmed Austin's 76, 7-6. Austin's earned another shot at the Merchants as they clubbed Round Table Pizza, 4-1, in the loser's bracket. The championship game was nearly a one man show as Merchant pitcher Gary Button stopped the 76ers on a handful of hits, and drove in the go-ahead run in the 4-2 victory.15

"C" Fast Pitch

Two teams representing the South Bay stole all the glory in the "C" fast pitch championships hosted by Palo Alto.

15 Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies, 1974-75 S.A.N.C.R.A. Tournament Highlights, Santa Clara, The Association, April, 1975, p. 3. (Printed booklet)
C & C Body Shop from Mountain View came up from the loser's bracket to edge Camelot Pizza of Sunnyvale, 6-5, in the title contest. First round action got underway with Thompson Toyota from the Peninsula getting routed by C & C Body Shop, 8-3 and Camelot Pizza bouncing the Chico Merchants, 13-6. Moving down to the loser's bracket, Chico eliminated Thompson Toyota in high style, posting an 8-3 victory. In the winner's bracket, C & C Body Shop lost to Camelot, 5-1. The body shoppers jumped down to the loser's bracket and squeaked by the Chico Merchants, 3-2, giving them another shot at Camelot. C & C nipped Camelot 3-2 in the first game and since it was a double elimination, the body shoppers were forced to subdue Camelot again in the finale, which they did, 6-5. In their jubilance, C & C Body Shop ran off with the official score book and there were no statistics available.16

"A" Slow Pitch

Shoe Fair of Daly City walked off with the "A" slow pitch championships hosted by Burlingame. Shoe Fair clobbered Carriage House of South San Francisco, 17-4, in the title game. In the first round action Shoe Fair earned the right to play in the championship game by trimming Red Lion Family Pizza from Paradise, 10-7. Carriage House advanced to the finals by nipping Santa Clara Pizza Shop, 9-8. It was all pizza in the

consolation game as Red Lion Pizza dumped their cousins from Santa Clara, 8-6. Don Carter led the slaughter against Carriage House for Shoe Fair in the title fray. Carter drilled three consecutive home runs to pave the way to victory. Carter was on base eight times in eight trips to the plate in the two game tourney. He collected seven hits and a walk. Tom Jones led Carriage House with three hits. 17

"B" Slow Pitch

In the "B" slow pitch finals, also hosted by Burlingame, the Cordillera A's out of Chico had to go nine innings before turning back the Orchid Room of San Carlos, 13-11. The Orchid Room advanced from the first round of play with a 7-3 victory over Slo-Motion Racing from Burlingame. The other first round match saw Valley Realty of Dublin whip Glo-Worm of Redwood City, 10-4. The A's drew a bye. Pitted against the A's in the second round, Valley Realty forced the game into extra innings before falling, 9-8. Meanwhile the Orchid Room took a 5-4 decision from the Howmet Weatherstoppers, to advance to the title game. Obviously crushed by their narrow defeat against the A's, Valley Realty forfeited against the Weatherstoppers in the consolation loser's bracket. Slo-Motion Racing thrashed Glo-Worm, 14-4, in the other loser's bracket match and then walloped the Weatherstoppers, 12-9, to capture the consolation championship. Jim Sharp led the Cordillera A's

to victory in the title game by banging out four hits, including a pair of triples. Danny Cicero contributed two hits for the Orchid Room in the losing cause.\footnote{Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies, 1974-75 S.A.N.C.R.A. Tournament Highlights, Santa Clara, The Association, April, 1975, p. 4. (Printed booklet)}

"C" Slow Pitch

Rags Liquors, representing San Jose, rolled over the Milpitas entry, Wildlife Sporting Goods, 13-4, to capture the "C" slow pitch championships held in Santa Clara. In the first round of play, Rags Liquors beat the Coastside Merchants out of Pacifica, 2-0 and St. Lawrence Church of Santa Clara romped to a 14-4 victory over Camillos Pizza of San Leandro. Wildlife Sporting Goods of Milpitas drew a first round bye. In second round play the Far North representative failed to show and Rags Liquors was awarded the victory via forfeit. Wildlife Sporting Goods did show and they walloped St. Lawrence, 12-6. In the loser's bracket the Coastside Merchants hung on for a 10-8 victory to eliminate Camillos Pizza. Since the Far North representative failed to show for its loser's bracket game, the Coastside Merchants took on St. Lawrence and defeated the church team 8-6 to capture the consolation championship. It was as one-sided as the score would indicate in the championship struggle as Rags Liquors routed Wildlife, 13-4.\footnote{Ibid., p. 5.}
"D" Slow Pitch

Baskin Robbins of Santa Clara came up from the loser's bracket to edge Gray Bar of South San Francisco, 5-4, to capture the "D" slow pitch finals hosted by Mountain View. There were only three teams entered in the tourney. Baskin Robbins rebounded from a 15-8 pasting at the hands of Gray Bar in the opening round to nip Bank of America from San Jose, 9-8 and Gray Bar, 8-6, in order to challenge Gray Bar again in the finale. John Taylor, Baskin Robbins pitcher, scored what proved to be the winning run in the championship game, as he singled in the fifth inning and scored on a fielders choice. Tom Henson and Dennis DeMello-Pine drilled back to back home runs in the fourth inning for the winners and Steve Zoller collected three hits to pace Baskin Robbins to victory. The losers made a run at it in their half of the seventh as Charlie Dunn clubbed a home run and consecutive errors by the Baskin Robbins infield put the go-ahead runs on base. Taylor pitched out of the threat by inducing Don Lippi and Tom Olmo to fly out.20

1974 S.A.N.C.R.A. Flag Football Tournaments

S.A.N.C.R.A. Flag Football chairman Jim Sigman of Fremont reported that thirteen teams participated in his 1974 tournament. The tournament was held in both Concord and Livermore and all

participating teams were from the East Bay Association. Despite the fact that several other areas had flag football leagues, such as Sacramento, none of those areas were asked to send teams to the tournament.

The final game was staged on December 14, 1974, in Concord. Carrol's Trophies of Fremont defeated Straw Hat Pizza of Livermore by the score of twenty-eight to twelve.

F. Year End Summary

The 1974 S.A.N.C.R.A. calendar year obviously lacked the overall quality of previous years. The area associations, especially the North Bay, were obviously without the strong leadership that they needed. As usual, the South Bay Area Association required little assistance, but the other Associations were not so fortunate. The North Bay was forced to install an interim president because of the fact that the elected president showed little or no interest. Additionally, the North Bay failed to send a single representative to the S.A.N.C.R.A. Nor-Cal softball championships.

The 1974 S.A.N.C.R.A. Executive Board was also confronted with various difficulties. At one meeting, all of the area association presidents failed to appear; therefore, the meeting was brief and accomplished little. The Board then recommended that each area have a representative present for all business meetings. The Nor-Cal Volleyball Tournament, held in Chico, drew few participants because of the travelling distance involved for most teams.
Despite these setbacks, S.A.N.C.R.A. did flourish in a number of other areas. One such item was the addition of a fifth area association, the Far North. The Far North appeared to be well organized and it held great promise for the future. It was also anticipated that the creation of the Far North would eliminate several travelling problems for members and teams. Youth activities, despite no apparent Nor-Cal chairman, were also extremely popular. Several areas, such as the South Bay and Sacramento, conducted successful basketball tournaments for both boys and girls in a variety of age groups. Additionally, there were thirty-one participants in the S.A.N.C.R.A. Junior Golf Tournament, with most of the representation coming from the South Bay.

Another successful S.A.N.C.R.A. event in 1974 was a high class summer social, under the leadership of Rick Putnam of San Leandro. The event was a "Champagne Dinner Cruise" staged in San Francisco and attended by thirty S.A.N.C.R.A. members and guests. The enjoyable evening was paid for by the respective area associations and it included a leisure cruise, cocktails and dancing.

Women's activities were also shaping up in 1974. Carol Simonson of Foster City was appointed as the director of women's activities and she immediately asked all area presidents to appoint a women's activities representative.21 Carol

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21Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, November 14, 1974, Pacifica, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
also asked that a women's activity survey be completed and returned by each area association. In 1974, both Mountain View and Gilroy did conduct women's basketball tournaments.

Nor-Cal S.A.N.C.R.A. ended 1974 with a total of $687.00, but it was obvious that other problems were more pressing than finances. The fact that a lack of communication existed between members and the fact that many members were receiving no communications at all, established the pattern that would hold forth in 1975. It seemed inevitable that the destruction of the organization would finally take place in 1975.
CHAPTER IX

1975

New President Larry Wolfe faced the insurmountable task of trying to regroup the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies' forces in 1975. The organization was clearly in need of more members; however, there were still several problems existing in handling the members already enlisted. It was hoped that S.A.N.C.R.A. would continue to exist and expand, but new methods of distributing communications and creating stronger leadership would be of first priority. Wolfe, because of his previous involvement with S.C.M.A.F., was considered as an ideal choice to make the changes that would be needed.

Wolfe, employed as a sports supervisor by the City of Santa Clara, had been involved in a number of S.A.N.C.R.A. activities in the past. He had served as treasurer for the South Bay Association in 1974 and he had also served on the youth activities committee in 1973. Wolfe's enthusiasm and the fact that he came from the South Bay, seemed to insure a healthy start for S.A.N.C.R.A. in 1975. Unfortunately, too much damage had already been done and there would be more in 1975.

A. New Officers

The Installation and Awards Banquet for S.A.N.C.R.A. was held at the Hyatt House in San Jose on November 30, 1974.
The guest speaker for the evening was Dick Berg, general manager of the San Jose Earthquakes soccer team. There were forty-nine S.A.N.C.R.A. members and their guests present to view the evening's proceedings.¹

Those officers installed for the 1975 term were as follows:

President - Larry Wolfe, Santa Clara
Vice President - Mike Ciardella, Burlingame
Secretary - Joe Serochi, Union City
Treasurer - Glenn Lyles, Mountain View

Also joining the Nor-Cal Board of Directors were Past-President Dave Barry and the Women's Activities Director, Carol Simonson, and the four area association presidents.

These presidents were as follows:

North Bay - Sam Crawford, Sacramento
East Bay - Rick Putnam, San Leandro
South Bay - John Weich, Mountain View
Peninsula - John Wong, South San Francisco
Far North - Phil Berg, Anderson

B. Executive Board Meetings

The search for new members in S.A.N.C.R.A. was still evident at the 1975 Executive Board meetings. The Board

¹Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies General Membership Meeting, Minutes of the Meeting, November 30, 1974, San Jose, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
decided that all area association presidents would encourage
new membership drives in their areas and refer them to the
membership chairman. It was anticipated that several
recreation professionals from San Francisco would be en-
listed in this membership campaign. To help the campaign,
the Board recommended that some action be taken to estab-
lish information sheets or booklets to be distributed to
all S.A.N.C.R.A. members, as done in the past.

The Board was also forced to deal with the regulation
of S.A.N.C.R.A. tournament structure. It was announced
that Nor-Cal volleyball competition would not be pursued in
1975. This action was taken to provide each association
a chance to develop their programs. Additionally, Glenn
Lyles reported that the softball registration fees would
be raised to $3.00 with $1.00 being returned to each area
association to help offset association costs.

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2Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies
Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, January 9, 1975, San
Leandro, California, located in the private files of Mr. John
Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed
and/or typescript.

3Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies
Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, February 5, 1975, Sacramento,
California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500
Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or
typescript.

4Ibid.

5Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies
Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, April 3, 1975, Aptos, Cali-
ifornia, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500
Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or
typescript.
In October, President Wolfe indicated that he had received five letters from the area association, with all but the North Bay indicating their desired involvement in Nor-Cal S.A.N.C.R.A.\textsuperscript{6} The Board decided that the Nor-Cal level of S.A.N.C.R.A. be dissolved effective January 1, 1976. The Board also decided that all existing monies be divided up proportionally by the overall team registrations that had been contributed to S.A.N.C.R.A. over the past five years; furthermore, that any area association disbanding receive their fair share by returning the money to some organization within that geographic area (i.e. P.A.L., Boy's Club, Y.M.C.A., C.P.R.S.).\textsuperscript{7}

C. Area Association Reports

Activity at the area level of S.A.N.C.R.A. was unfortunately slow in 1975. Most of the area associations were without representatives at the Nor-Cal Executive Board Meetings and some areas managed just a few area meetings as well. There were several youth tournaments conducted in 1975, including basketball, gymnastics, track and field, etc. However, many of the adult tournaments were either

\textsuperscript{6}Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, October 2, 1975, Union City, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

\textsuperscript{7}Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, October 16, 1975, Union City, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
of poor quality or had few participants.

On the positive side, Sam Crawford of Sacramento and Mike Leitner were successful in recruiting new members for the North Bay and Far North respectively. Unfortunately, many of these new members failed to produce during the course of the year.

Perhaps the North Bay Association was a prime example of the problems that were encountered by all S.A.N.C.R.A. area associations in 1975. At one executive board meeting, President Crawford expressed concern about the future of S.A.N.C.R.A. tournaments in the North Bay. He explained that the cost for preparation, scorekeepers, etc., could not be picked up by some departments in the North Bay. It was decided at an area meeting that the North Bay entry fees would have to include all costs, including scorekeepers and gym supervision. It was also common to see S.A.N.C.R.A. tournaments cancelled in 1975 because of lack of agency cooperation. The North Bay, for example, held no volleyball or softball tournaments in 1975.

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8 Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, March 13, 1975, San Mateo, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.

9 North Bay Area Association Board of Directors, Minutes of the Meeting, March 31, 1975, Vacaville, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
It came as little surprise when all five area associations announced their intentions to disassociate with S.A.N.C.R.A. at the Nor-Cal level. The North Bay Area members, in fact, voted to disband altogether.

Area association officers for 1975 included the following:

**East Bay**
- President: Rick Putnam, San Leandro
- Vice President: Pete Silak, Walnut Creek
- Secretary: Joe Serochi, Union City
- Treasurer: Fred Framstead, El Cerrito

**South Bay**
- President: John Welch, Mountain View
- Vice President: Ron Mueller, Milpitas
- Secretary: Wayne Jacinto, Sunnyvale
- Treasurer: Roger Val, Cupertino

**Peninsula**
- President: John Wong, South San Francisco

**North Bay**
- President: Sam Crawford, Sacramento
- Vice President: Dan Commons, Fairfield
- Treasurer: Gene Piscia, Napa
- Secretary: Ron Mikalis, Vacaville

**Far North**
- President: Phil Berg, Anderson
- Vice President: Bob Gibbs, Red Bluff
Secretary - Jon Aarstad, Oroville
Treasurer - Mike Trinca, Paradise

There were thirty-two members in the South Bay, nineteen in the East Bay, eighteen in the North Bay, eleven in the Peninsula and six in the Far North.

D. Committees

1975 Flag Football Committee

The S.A.N.C.R.A. Flag Football Committee, under the leadership of Chairman Jim Sigman of Fremont, made the following recommendations for the 1975 tournaments:

2. Send the 1975 rules to each area association by July and August.
3. Hold all tournaments earlier.
4. Decide all tournament locations by September.
5. Distribute announcements and entry forms by October.
6. Hold the Nor-Cal tournament the weekend of November 15, 1975.

1975 Women's Activities Committee

A women's activity survey, developed by Carol Simonson of Foster City, was distributed to all area associations at the conclusion of 1974, and compiled in

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Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies Executive Board, Minutes of the Meeting, January 9, 1975, San Leandro, California, located in the private files of Mr. John Williams, 1500 Marburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California. Mimeographed and/or typescript.
early 1975. The results of the survey supposedly revealed what was being done in women's sports. It was agreed by the women's committee that area and Nor-Cal tournaments in softball should be tried for women in 1975.

This committee was chaired by Carol Simonson of Foster City. Other area representatives included Mike Leitner, Chico (Far North); Fay King, Fairfield (North Bay); Beth Ferguson, Mountain View (South Bay); Vicki Methini, Concord (East Bay); Linda Koelling, Burlingame and Ken Lowe, San Francisco (Peninsula).

E. Tournaments

1975 Nor-Cal S.A.N.C.R.A. Basketball Tournaments

"A" Basketball Tournament

The Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies (S.A.N.C.R.A.) Nor-Cal "A" Basketball finals were held at Terman Junior High School Gym in Palo Alto with Mr. Roberts of Redwood City defeating Pacific Power Company of Palo Alto, 76-52, to capture the 1975 Nor-Cal crown. Mr. Roberts gained the finals by destroying the Bouncers from Sacramento, 97-72. Pacific Power Company entered the finals by defeating the Pleasanton Cheese Factory from Dublin, 57-46 and Peninsula European from Palo Alto, 61-44. Pleasanton Cheese Factory captured the Consolation Crown by racing past the Bouncers by a score of 84-69.11

"B" Basketball Tournament

The Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies (S.A.N.C.R.A.) Nor-Cal "B" basketball finals were held at Bidwell Junior High School gym in Chico with Bracco Distributors of Pacifica capturing the 1975 championship by defeating the Sportsmen of San Jose, 84-65. The winner consolation tournament brought respective B-League winners from each S.A.N.C.R.A. area there to decide the overall championship for the Northern part of the state.12

John Hancock averaged twenty points per game for the tournament, scoring twenty-two for Bracco Distributors in the final game to help with the victory. Dave Stephens and Keith Miles each added sixteen points in the winning effort. J. Cruz led the Sportsmen with twenty points and averaged twenty-seven per game for the tournament. Federal Savings of Gridley defeated the host team Marsupials, 72-67 for the consolation title.13

FIRST ROUND RESULTS:

Parker House (East Bay) 93 - Marsupials (Chico) 58
Bracco Distributors (Peninsula) 79 - Lake Auto Parts (Far North) 58
Minton Lumber (South Bay) 74 - Road Apples (North Bay) 54

13Ibid.
SECOND ROUND RESULTS:

Bracco Distributors 74 - Parker House 61
Sportsmen 73 - Minton Lumber 57
Marsupials 51 - Lake Auto Parts 40
Federal Savings defeated Road Apple by forfeit

CONSOLATION CHAMPIONSHIP:

Federal Savings 72 - Marsupials 61

CHAMPIONSHIP:

Bracco Distributors 84 - Sportsmen 65

"C" Basketball Tournament

The Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies (S.A.N.C.R.A.) Nor-Cal "C" Basketball finals were held in San Leandro with Kerrie's Coffee Shop of the Peninsula defeating Butalico of the South Bay, 77-65 to capture the 1975 Nor-Cal Crown. Crown Zellerbach of the East Bay nipped Oroville Bus Lines of the Far North, 59-57 to capture the Consolation Crown.  

The following eight teams qualified for the finals:
1. U.A.W. Local 76 - East Bay
2. Kerrie's Coffee Shop - Peninsula
3. Walt's Photos - North Bay
4. Oroville Bus Lines - Far North

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5. Butalico - South Bay
6. Crown Zellerbach - East Bay
7. K.B.L.F. - Far North
8. Sonics - South Bay

"D" Basketball Tournament

When Tipp Realty from Vallejo and Canyon Realty from Half Moon Bay met in South San Francisco, the subject certainly wasn't real estate. What was on their minds was the 1975 Northern California S.A.N.C.R.A. "D" basketball championship held at South San Francisco High School.15

The two clubs battled to a standstill in the first half with the Vallejo squad holding a slight lead, 28-27. That one point was as close as Canyon would get, however, as James Taylor and Thomas Johnson headed the deadly Tipp Realty fast break in the second half and opened up the lead to as many as sixteen to capture the title. Johnson and Taylor finished up combining for forty-two while Canyon's top scorer, Pete Peterson, popped in nineteen.16

Consolation honors went to Hittenberger's of Chico with a thrilling 52-50 victory over the Gap of South San Francisco. Mike Musgrave's twenty-five foot jump shot at

16 Ibid.
the buzzer was the margin of victory for the Chico Club.
John Sweet of Hittenberger's led all scorers with twenty-six while Dan Greggians was the Gap's high scorer with eighteen. 17

**A DIVISION**

CHAMPION - Mr. Roberts - Peninsula

RUNNER-UP - Pacific Power - South Bay

CONSOLATION - Pleasanton Cheese Factory - East Bay

**B DIVISION**

CHAMPION - Bracco Distributors - Peninsula

RUNNER-UP - Sportsmen - South Bay

CONSOLATION - Federal Savings - Far North

**C DIVISION**

CHAMPION - Kerrie's Coffee Shop - Peninsula

RUNNER-UP - Butalico - South Bay

CONSOLATION - Crown Zellerbach - East Bay

**D DIVISION**

CHAMPION - Tipp Realty - North Bay

RUNNER-UP - Canyon Realty - Peninsula

CONSOLATION - Hittenbergers - Far North

1975 Area S.A.N.C.R.A. Basketball Highlights

Far North "B" Basketball Tournament

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The Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies (S.A.N.C.R.A.) Far North "B" Area Basketball Championships were held in Oroville with Marsupials of Chico defeating Lake Auto Parts, 49-45, to capture the Far North "B" crown. Marsupials got to the title game by edging past Brainerd's by a score of 53-51, and defeating Pepsi Cola, 48-35. Lake Auto Parts entered the title match by nipping Dura Aluminum, 55-53 and The Redding Merchants, 56-54. Brainerds captured the Consolation Crown by defeating Federal Savings by a score of 75-55.18

FIRST ROUND

Redding Merchants 49
Lake Auto Parts 55
Marsupials 53
Pepsi Cola 58
Federal Savings 48
Dura Aluminum 53
Brainerd's 51
House of Color 31

SECOND ROUND

Lake Auto Parts 56
Marsupials 48
Federal Savings 69
Brainerd's 81
Redding Merchants 54
Pepsi Cola 35
Dura Aluminum 60
House of Color 39

CHAMPIONSHIP

Marsupials 49
Lake Auto Parts 45

CONSOLATION

Brainerds 72
Federal Savings 55

North Bay "C" Basketball Tournament

Walt's Photos of Benicia walked away with the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies (S.A.N.C.R.A.) North Bay "C" Area Basketball Championships held in Vacaville. Walt's defeated the Lumberjacks of Sacramento, 73-46, in the Championship game. Walt's opened the tournament by defeating Eucalyptus of Fairfield, 78-66 and defeated Green Tree of Vacaville, 75-74, in double overtime, to advance to the finals. The Lumberjacks had beaten the Nasty Remarks of Vacaville, 64-53 and Vaca Glass of Vacaville, 77-72, to meet Walt's.19

Peninsula "C" Basketball Tournament

The Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies (S.A.N.C.R.A.) Peninsula "C" Area Basketball Championships were held in Pacifica with Kerrie's Coffee Shop capturing the crown.

TOURNAMENT HIGHLIGHTS

MAGGOTS ACADAMAS 38 - OLYMPIAN OIL 34

John Cantero threw in twenty-eight points as the Acadama's Five defeated Olympian Oil.

OMNI INSURANCE 62 - KEFLEX CAGERS 40

Fine teamwork and the excellent shooting of Don Carriamazza and Walt Kohnert (seventeen and fifteen points

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respectfully) led Omni to an easy victory over Keflex Cagers.

KEITH'S TEXACO 61 - COLUMBIAN REDS 50

Mike Keough and Mike Furtch paced Keith's Texaco to an early round victory over the Columbian Reds.

OMNI INSURANCE 55 - MAGGOTTS ACADAMAS 50

Once again the combination of Don Carriamazza and Walt Kohnert led Omni Insurance to victory. Carriamazza poured in eighteen points and Kohnert popped in fourteen points.

KERRIE'S COFFEE SHOP 59 - KEITH'S TEXACO 52

Dick Drake's all around fine play led Kerrie's Coffee Shop to this hard fought victory.

CHAMPIONSHIP

KERRIE'S COFFEE SHOP 57 - OMNI INSURANCE 52

Dick Drake and Mike Kennedy combined for thirty-four points as Kerrie's edged past Omni Insurance to capture the crown. Walt Kohnert paced Omni with fourteen points. 20

Peninsula "D" Basketball Tournament

Half Moon Bay basketball fans have not had very much to cheer about in past years but today the city possesses the Peninsula "D" S.A.N.C.R.A. (Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies) champion in Canyon Realty. 21


21 Ibid.
Former Half Moon Bay Cougar stars Pete Peterson, Matt Pacheco and Ron Stockman along with their high school coach Chuck Short, led Canyon Realty past the Orchid Room of Redwood City, 63-52, in the championship game at El Camino High School.\footnote{22}

A shooting match between Pete Peterson and Mike Taylor of the Orchid Room highlighted the championship game that ended knotted in the first half, 36-36. Canyon jumped out to a 41-36 lead starting the second half and never trailed thereafter. Ron Stockwell's layup with 2:03 remaining iced the cake for the Half Moon Bay squad.\footnote{23}

Semi-final action had the Orchid Room crunching last year's champion Los Maestros of Redwood City, 69-52, behind Mike Taylor's twenty-one markers and Canyon Realty eliminating Smith and Dahl of Redwood City, 49-41.\footnote{24}

\textbf{South Bay "D" Basketball Tournament}

Gillmor Associates of Santa Clara, led by the scoring of Gary Gillmor, who scored eleven points in the championship game, won the 5th Annual S.A.N.C.R.A. South Bay "D" Classification Basketball Tournament by defeating Frank Carrol Electric of Santa Cruz, 41-36, at Wilcox High School in Santa Clara.\footnote{25}


\footnote{23}{Ibid.}

\footnote{24}{Ibid.}

\footnote{25}{Ibid.}
After trailing 21-17 at the half, forward Gary Gillmor, converted a pair of free throws with one minute remaining giving the Santa Clara based team a 37-36 advantage. An alert Sam Cohen then proceeded to pick-off the following inbound pass, scoring on an easy lay-up. Gary Hall added two more points at the buzzer to provide the winning margin.

1975 Nor-Cal S.A.N.C.R.A. Softball Tournaments

The 1975 S.A.N.C.R.A. softball season proved to be a bit of a disappointment as far as numbers of teams and number of tournaments held. Listed below is a breakdown of teams which participated in the various divisions of S.A.N.C.R.A. area tournaments in 1975:

"A" Slow - 19     Women's "B" Slow - 19
"B" Slow - 76     Women's "C" Slow - 30
"C" Slow - 75     Men's "B" Fast - 20
"D" Slow - 21     Men's "C" Fast - 51

Women's "B" Slow

Fairfield was the host site of both the Women's "B" and "C" Slow Pitch Nor-Cal Finals. In Women's "B" Slow Pitch action, Enterprise Sheet Metal of the Far North displayed exceptional defense in allowing only one run throughout the tournament to capture the Nor-Cal "B" league crown. Enterprise played flawless ball in their two games.

prior to the championship game winning by shut outs of 15-0 and 6-0. They then faced Stratmat Pizza of the North and faced a fine test before winning, 5-1. The Jerry Byrds of the Peninsula Association captured the Consolation Championship with an easy 17-4 win over Brewer's of the Northern Association.

Women's "C" Slow

The Women's "C" Slow Pitch Nor-Cal Finals also displayed some fine play and a very exciting championship game. Rely Construction of Milpitas (South Bay) and Velvet Touch of the Far North both scored big in their two opening games as they met for the "C" Championship. It was expected to be a big scoring game and that's how it turned out. Velvet Touch took an early lead and held on until the final inning when Rely came from behind to win the game and the championship by a 12-11 margin. Palo Cerdo Inn of the Far North captured the Consolation Championship with a 16-9 win over the Lady Bugs of the Peninsula Association.

Men's "A" Slow

The Men's "A" Slow Pitch Nor-Cal Finals were held on August 23 and August 24 in Milpitas. The tournament consisted of three teams from the Peninsula Association and three teams from the South Bay Association. The tournament brought together some fine offensive teams, however, the Santa Cruz Merchants had the defense along with the offense to capture
the "A" Slow Pitch Nor-Cal crown. The Folks (Peninsula Association) made probably the most heroic showing in the tournament. They won their first two games on Saturday with a 3-1 win over Round Table Farkles (Santa Clara) and then a 10-9 win over Head Shoes (South San Francisco). The Folks then came back to play the Santa Cruz Merchants in the first game Sunday morning and lost to the Merchants, 11-7. This sent the Folks into the loser's bracket. The Folks then had to play the very next game against the Locomotives and squeezed out a 10-7 win. Tired but victorious, they then went directly into their third straight game playing the Santa Cruz Merchants and faced with having to beat them twice for the championship. However, the Folks had just played too many innings as the fresh Santa Cruz Merchants took the "A" Slow Pitch crown with an exciting 10-8 win over the Folks.

Men's "B" Slow

The Nor-Cal "B" Slow Pitch Finals were held at Irvington Park in Fremont. The tournament included six teams. Voyager Water Dads from Menlo Park of the Peninsula Association went undefeated throughout the tournament to capture the "B" division championship. The Voyagers edged Shelley's Lounge of Sunnyvale (South Bay), 6-5 in the championship game. Terry Thomas of the Voyagers deserves congratulations for hitting four tournament home runs. Host team Royal's Liquors of Fremont captured the Consolation Crown with an easy 21-5 win over the House of Liquors.
Men's "C" Slow

South San Francisco was the site of the Men's "C" Slow Pitch Finals. The tournament had a full slate of eight teams. The Grand Slammers of Santa Clara and the Chocolate Chips of Oakland met in what proved to be a very exciting championship game. The score was tied 9-9 at the end of regulation play. The Chips were held scoreless in the top of the 8th. In the bottom of the 8th the Grand Slammers had two runners on and two outs when a wild throw to first on an easy inning ending play allowed a run to score and give the Grand Slammers a 10-9 win and the "C" crown. The action wasn't restricted to the championship game as Neisler Motor Parts of Redding beat the Wild Bunch of South San Francisco 11-7 for the Consolation Crown.

Men's "C" Fast Pitch

The Far North City of Chico was host site for the Men's "C" Fast Pitch Finals. The tournament proved to be a very lopsided affair as Village Lounge of San Leandro captured the crown with ease. Village Lounge scored a total of twenty-seven runs while allowing only three during the course of the weekend tournament. Village Lounge won the championship with an easy 17-1 win over the Omlette House of San Mateo. In the Consolation Championship game, E's Ranch Milk of Gilroy edged out a 6-2 win over Lake Club of Oroville.
F. Year End Summary

On October 6, 1975, President Larry Wolfe sent letters to all active S.A.N.C.R.A. members declaring that the organization of S.A.N.C.R.A. at the Northern California organizational level had been terminated. This official notice was to be effective as of January 1, 1976. The Executive Board had previously approved a motion to this effect on October 2, 1975. As President Wolfe explained it, "the reason for this action was basically the lack of member and association support at the Nor-Cal level. The Board meetings were not regularly attended by all representatives and the Nor-Cal events were not supported by all associations."27 Four of the area associations decided to continue operation on their own. The Far North, East Bay, Peninsula and South Bay indicated that they would conduct their association business as separate entities. The North Bay Association simply decided to disband. It was hoped by many that the decentralization of S.A.N.C.R.A. at the Nor-Cal level would serve as a booster shot for each area association.

The North Bay's basic problem in 1975 was a lack of agency participation at the area level. This was verified by several events:

1. A proposed sixteen team volleyball tournament, to be held in Vacaville, was cancelled due to a lack of entrants.

27 Personal correspondence from Mr. Larry Wolfe, Former President of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies, Santa Clara, California, dated October 6, 1975.
2. There were no softball tournaments held at all in the North Bay.

3. There were no softball teams registered by a North Bay agency in 1975.

The decline of the North Bay had really begun in 1974, due to poor leadership, but most of 1975's problems were internal and involved the association's member agencies. President Crawford had been successful in recruiting several new member agencies in early 1975; however, most of these agencies contributed nothing during the course of 1975.

There were several positive things accomplished by S.A.N.C.R.A. in 1975. The men's basketball tournaments, under the excellent guidance of Chairman Rick Putnam, were the most organized and successful S.A.N.C.R.A. tournaments to date. A total of 190 teams participated in S.A.N.C.R.A. divisional tournaments to qualify for the Northern California championships. Also, the women's activities of S.A.N.C.R.A. were stronger than ever before in 1975, thanks to committee chairperson Carol Simonson. Successful women's softball tournaments were held in Fairfield. This marked a Nor-Cal first for S.A.N.C.R.A. activities.

Other strong points for S.A.N.C.R.A. in 1975 included the formation of a new area association, a strong membership and a healthy treasury. The Far North Association, despite having only six active members, did a fine job for S.A.N.C.R.A. in 1975. They did their share in registering teams and the
members vowed to continue their involvement at the area association level in 1976. The overall S.A.N.C.R.A. membership had increased to eighty-eight members and there was a balance of $890.90 in the S.A.N.C.R.A. treasury, as of October 1, 1975. Finally, two class socials were conducted by S.A.N.C.R.A. members in 1975. Rick Putnam of San Leandro organized the "Tiburon Champagne Dinner - Boat Cruise" for June 19, 1975 and Mike Ciardella of Burlingame organized the "Steak Dinner and Gaming Night" of September 19, 1975.
CHAPTER X

SUMMARY, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Introduction

The final phase of this study was concerned with a summary of the developments which led to the establishment and the decline of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies. The conclusions were formulated upon the basis of what the historical facts pointed out and recommendations were made for further studies in areas that the author feels were pertinent to the growth of recreation in Northern California.

Summary

There were specific conditions and developments that led to the creation of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies. John Williams of Santa Clara first saw the need in early 1969 and with the help of other recreation professionals in the Santa Clara County area, he designed S.A.N.C.R.A. after its Southern California predecessor, the Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation. The unlimited amateur athletic league resources of Northern California, many of them unused and needing to be used, served as Williams' focal point to underline gaps in local recreation services.
The fact that a number of recreation agencies provided athletic leagues of various kinds and the fact that many cities and towns had established recreation systems underlined the need for systematic coordination of recreation efforts and the need for a single association to help local recreation agencies solve their league problems. John Williams described S.A.N.C.R.A.'s two main goals as follows:

1. Offering low-key post season tournament competition for the team competing in our recreational leagues that are not the major caliber teams - the "B" and "C" level teams.

2. Joining together to offer low-cost medical insurance or medical benefit funds for our participants.

John Williams, the first President of S.A.N.C.R.A., contributed many ideas on sports management for recreation and in the area of recreation philosophy during his two years in this capacity. Because of his efforts, during the formative years of S.A.N.C.R.A.'s existence, Northern California grew to be one of the leaders among the developers of organized amateur athletics. Because of Williams' finesse and many strong supporters of recreation the program for low-key tournament play continued.

The major achievements of Williams' administration were: the formulation of several working committees, the
establishment of low-key tournament play in both basketball and softball, the formulation of area associations, publication of rules and standards, administering both Board of Directors and General Membership meetings and the guidance given to local communities on recreation league matters.

Mike Orr succeeded John Williams as President of S.A.N.C.R.A. in December, 1970 and held this position until late 1971. Orr sought to concentrate on three important issues: running successful tournaments, producing two newsletters per year and conducting good general meetings. He was succeeded by Paul Thiltgen, who was elected for a term of office in 1972. During this time the first operating budget for S.A.N.C.R.A. was established and both women's and youth's activities were greatly improved.

Rick Putnam followed these two appointments as the 1973 S.A.N.C.R.A. President. The major organizational needs of S.A.N.C.R.A. at the time of Putnam's administration were: the creation of a new area association (the Far North); greater coordination between area associations and the NorCal level of S.A.N.C.R.A.; and more agency participation.

The 1974 S.A.N.C.R.A. President, Dave Barry, was also confronted with various organizational growing pains. All of the area associations did not display the membership enthusiasm that was once apparent in S.A.N.C.R.A.'s formative years. The strong points of S.A.N.C.R.A. during this time
were the social events and youth activities.

The study of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies concluded with the termination of Larry Wolfe's service as S.A.N.C.R.A. President, 1975. The organization at this time was once again feeling the lack of area association support.

It was on October 6, 1975, that President Wolfe sent the following letter to all S.A.N.C.R.A. members:

This letter is to serve you official notice that as of January 1, 1976, the organization of S.A.N.C.R.A. at the Northern California organizational level shall terminate. The Executive Board unanimously approved a motion to this effect on October 2, 1975. For those members who do not know the reasons for this action, let me explain: The reason for this action was basically the lack of member and association support at the Nor-Cal level. The Board Meetings were not regularly attended by all representatives and the Nor-Cal events were not supported by all associations.

Four associations have decided to continue operation on their own. Far North, East Bay, Peninsula, and South Bay will conduct their association business as separate entities. They will conduct their own programs, budget, membership, and rules and regulations. The four active associations have plans to meet quarterly in order to keep communication lines open to exchange ideas and information. The North Bay Association will no longer operate.

I encourage you to actively support your association. Indications are that the decentralization of S.A.N.C.R.A. at the Nor-Cal level could serve as a booster shot for each association. It would be great to see each association grow as a result of this action.¹

Specific contributions of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies, must include the

¹Personal correspondence from Mr. Larry Wolfe, former President of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies, Santa Clara, California, dated October 6, 1975.
devotion and the efforts that each president put into his individual responsibilities. These individuals were selected for their high caliber of professional and personal recreation integrity and they worked endlessly for the cause of recreation. Other contributions would include: compiling rules relating to amateur athletics in Northern California; conducting clinics and training sessions in various sports; serving as a resource organization for professional recreation personnel and their respective public agencies; establishing eligibility rules for participants; conducting low-key athletic tournaments; directing and controlling inter-city and inter-agency athletic competition between youth and adult teams representing various public recreation agencies; establishing comparative data on both team and player personnel; publishing an association newsletter for all members; recognized outstanding professional contributions by presentation of service awards; establishing a player and team disciplinary code; and conducting athletic competition for youth and women.

Conclusions

Within the limitations of the study, the following conclusions may be drawn:

1. Satisfactory progress has not been made in assuring that all Northern California recreation agencies, involved directly or indirectly with sports administration, coordinate their objectives,
planning efforts and services.

2. The Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies has been an important factor in the effective organization of recreation services in California and the Nation.

3. There is disagreement as to the role of S.A.N.C.R.A. at the Nor-Cal level in assisting area associations to meet their responsibility for the provision of tournament play.

4. With the dissolution of S.A.N.C.R.A., the area association's role has been redefined to one primarily concerned with studies, surveys and long-range plans of state-wide athletic competition and demands for better sports facilities and programs.

5. Local recreation agencies still have the need for certain types of recreation assistance from the Northern California level such as:
   a. Information on team and player standards.
   b. Appraising and evaluating resources for recreation.
   c. Information on liability and other legal problems.
   d. Assistance in recruiting and training sports officials.
e. Need of a clearinghouse for the exchange and dissemination of information regarding amateur athletics, including those related to programs, plans and services.

6. S.A.N.C.R.A. has made an attempt to consider all aspects of recreation league and tournament play within Northern California -- which is above and beyond all approaches made by any other recreation agency in the history of Northern California recreation pursuits.

7. The valuable records, reports and files that have accumulated during the history of S.A.N.C.R.A. need to be filed and recorded in an orderly fashion to assure their security and availability to the public, especially the researcher and the student.

Recommendation for Further Study

1. A study should be made to determine the role of amateur athletics in recreation. This could be done by surveying the various agencies, schools and associations that are concerned with amateur athletics. This should be done on a nationwide basis and should be a very deliberate process. Organized recreation leagues should serve as the focus of such a study.
2. A study should be made to determine the most efficient and effective means for sports administration of Northern California recreation agencies. Such a study could be accomplished by proceeding with an indepth analysis of each recreation agency's sports programs. This study would be restricted to the Northern California area. A consensus could then be reached as to what is most effective and what is most efficient.

3. A study should be made at the state level of the various disparate interests and recreation agencies responsible for athletic functions, in order to secure coordination of their objectives, planning efforts and services. A survey could be conducted on a statewide basis that would reveal the strengths and deficiencies of an agency's sports program. Duplication of services would not be a primary factor in this type of study; however, an answer should be sought in the area of better administrative coordination.

4. A study should be made of the economics of recreation leagues and tournaments in Northern California. This study could potentially reveal that it is not economically feasible to conduct amateur athletics on a full scale basis in Northern California. A survey would be sent to each recreation agency to
determine the costs that they incur from leagues and tournaments. Prime importance would be placed upon those leagues and tournaments that require travel time and distance.
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

THE SPORTS ASSOCIATION OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA
RECREATION AGENCIES

I

The name of this corporation shall be Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies (S.A.N.C.R.A.).

II

The purposes for which this corporation is formed are:

(a) The specific and primary purposes are:

1. To act as a resource organization to the recreationists and recreational agencies of Northern California;

2. To conduct competitive games and tournaments in all sports for participants in recreational sports activities;

3. To organize a player's mutual medical benefit fund and act as the administrator of this fund for the medical protection of recreational sports participants;

4. To sponsor group insurance programs for the protection of recreational sports participants;

5. To publish and disseminate such playing rules, teaching aids and promotional materials as may be of value to participants and directors of
recreational sports activities;
6. To conduct clinics and training sessions in various fields of sports activities;
7. To cooperate with and assist other local agencies such as public recreational agencies, schools, churches and industrial and military recreational agencies.
(b) The general purposes and powers are to provide wholesome outlets for leisure time activities and sports interest to Northern California sports participants, and to give those charged with the administration of recreational sports programs an opportunity to exchange ideas and philosophies which will contribute to the conduct of improved local sports programs.

III
This corporation is organized pursuant to the General Non-Profit Corporation Law of the State of California.

IV
The county in this state where the principal office for the transaction of the business of this corporation is located is Santa Clara County.

V
The names and addresses of the persons who are to act in the capacity of directors until the selection of their successors are:
VI

The authorized number and qualifications of members of the corporation, the different classes of membership, if any, the property, voting and other rights and privileges of members, and their liability to dues and assessments and the method of collection thereof, shall be set forth in the By-Laws.

VII

This corporation is one which does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to the members thereof and it is organized solely for nonprofit purposes. Upon the winding up and dissolution of this corporation, after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of the corporation, the remaining assets shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, foundation or corporation, which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, religious and/or scientific purposes and which has established its tax-exempt status under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. If this corporation holds any assets on
trust, such assets shall be disposed of in such manner as may be directed by decree of the Superior Court of the County in which this corporation's principal office is located, upon petition therefor by the Attorney General or by any person concerned in the liquidation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the persons hereinabove named as the first directors, have executed these Articles of Incorporation, this ______ day of __________, 1969.
CONSTITUTION
OF
THE SPORTS ASSOCIATION OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA
RECREATION AGENCIES

ARTICLE I
The name of this organization shall be the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies.

ARTICLE II
OBJECTIVES
The object or purpose of this association is to foster, promote, regulate, develop and conduct competitive sports; and to develop such rules and regulations as may be for the general good of the association.

ARTICLE III
MEMBERSHIP
Classes of membership in the association shall be ACTIVE, ASSOCIATE, SPECIAL, PARTICIPANT and HONORARY. The voting power, property rights and interests of each class of membership being unequal, shall be determined and fixed as herein set forth:
1. ACTIVE MEMBERS. Only such individuals who have supervisory responsibility for a sports and athletic program in a public recreation agency, industrial firm, school district or armed forces recreational unit shall be eligible to be an "ACTIVE MEMBER."
The voting rights of active members shall be not restricted. They shall be eligible and entitled to hold any elective or appointive office in the association.

2. ASSOCIATE MEMBERS. Individuals who are responsible for a sports or athletic program in any university, college, athletic association, athletic club, private school, recognized youth-serving agency, private athletic association or club, state or national recreation association, or church, shall be eligible to become Associate Members. No Associate Member shall be eligible to hold any elective office in the association, nor shall he have the right to vote on any matter.

3. SPECIAL MEMBERS. Any person, organization, or company desirous of assisting the association in promoting its objectives, aims and goals, and who is unable to qualify for membership under subdivisions 1 or 2 of this Article, shall be eligible to become a Special Member. A Special Member shall not have the right to vote on any matter, nor be eligible to hold any office in the association, nor be eligible to be the chairman of any committee thereof.

4. PARTICIPANT MEMBERS. Teams competing in any sports or athletic activity in a league promoted or conducted by the association and which shall have paid the
current registration fee fixed in the by-laws for such teams, and individuals engaged in individual competitive sports, and officials in all competitions, who shall have paid the current registration fee fixed in the by-laws for such individuals, shall be Participating Members for the duration of the specific season for such sport or activity. A Participating Member shall not be eligible to vote on any matter, nor be eligible to hold any office nor be chairman of any committee.

5. HONORARY MEMBERS. Honorary Members shall be such persons as shall have been so designated pursuant to the procedure set forth in the by-laws for the association. A person upon whom such Honorary Membership has been bestowed shall not be subject to the payments of dues. He shall not have the right to vote on any matter, hold office, or be a chairman of any committee. All members, excepting only Honorary Members, shall pay such dues, annually, as shall be fixed by the by-laws of the association, excepting Participant Members, such payment shall constitute the membership dues for the calendar year ending on December 31st of each year.

TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Termination of Membership. Any Active Member,
or Associate Member who shall cease to have such connection with a sports and athletic program as is required for a person to be such Active Member, or Associate Member, shall upon such cessation, be automatically terminated as an Active Member, or Associate Member of this Association.

Section 2. Membership Terminated by Delinquency in Dues. No Member of the Association who shall become delinquent in the payment of dues to the Association shall be eligible to continue as a member of the Association. Upon seven days written notice of such delinquency, such persons shall cease to be a member of the Association, unless payment of all delinquent dues and assessments is made prior to the expiration of such seven days. Any member may be removed from the association by 2/3 vote of all members in good standing.

ARTICLE IV
QUORUM
A Quorum at Annual, General, or Special meetings shall be considered as those present and eligible to vote, providing notification of such meeting has been sent to all members at least seven days prior to the date of such meeting.

ARTICLE V
GOVERNMENT
1. The Government and Leadership of the association shall be committed to the elected officers and Board of Directors.

2. The Officers of the Association shall serve as the Executive Committee.

3. The Officers and Board of Directors shall submit annually at a General Meeting of the Association such reports as are deemed necessary for the functioning of this association.

4. Amendments may be made to this Constitution at the Annual General Meeting by a two-thirds majority vote of those present and eligible to vote.

5. This association, through its Officers and Board of Directors, may, at its discretion, associate itself with any state or national association to further the advancement of the association.
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BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND DUTIES

Section 1. POWERS
The Board of Directors shall consider, promote, and transact the business of the Sports Association of Northern California Recreation Agencies, subject to the limitations within Articles of Incorporation, the Constitution, the By-Laws, and the General Non-Profit Corporation Laws of California, and/or subject to the instructions and approval of the general membership as expressed by vote at a regular general meeting.

Section 2. NUMBER AND QUALIFICATION
The Board of Directors shall consist of 14 members. The President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Past President and one woman, who shall serve as a Director for girls and women shall be members. In addition each area association will elect one Director to the Board of Directors.

Section 3. ELECTION AND TENURE OF OFFICE
The Directors shall be elected by secret ballot to serve one year, or by ballots cast by mail by the members entitled to vote thereon.

Section 4. MEETINGS
Meetings of the Board of Directors of the corporation, including special meetings, may be called by the president. When the president is absent, or is unable or refuses to act, meetings of the board may be called by any officer or by any two directors.

"Without call or notice, other than this by-law, the board of directors shall hold an organizational meeting once per year immediately following each annual election of director."

Section 5. QUORUM AND VOTE

"A majority (or any other number) of the authorized number of directors constitutes a quorum of the board of directors for the transaction of business."

"Every act or decision done or made by a majority (or any other number) of the directors present at a meeting of the board duly held, at which a quorum is present, is the act of the board of directors."

ARTICLE II
OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 1. OFFICERS

The elective officers shall be the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 2. ELECTION

All officers shall be elected by secret ballot at the Annual General meeting or by ballots cast by mail by the members
entitled to vote thereon.

Section 3. PRESIDENT

The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Association and shall, subject to the control of the Board of Directors, have general supervision, direction and control of business of the Association. He shall appoint and discharge temporary committees, appoint standing committees and call all meetings of the Association. He shall be ex-officio member of all committees.

Section 4. VICE-PRESIDENT

The Vice-President shall assume the duties of the President in his absence, and any specific assignment which shall be made by the President.

Section 5. SECRETARY

The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all general meetings which shall be an accurate and official record of all business transacted. The Secretary shall conduct all correspondence of the Association.

Section 6. TREASURER

The Treasurer shall receive all funds, and issue checks signed by at least two of the following officers: President, Vice-President and/or Treasurer. Shall make financial reports regularly to the Board of Directors, and at the annual general meeting. The report shall include formal audit.
ARTICLE III

COMMITTEES

Section 1. STANDING COMMITTEES

There shall be the following Standing Committees:

1. Policy
2. Men & Boys Sports
3. Women & Girls Sports
4. Membership
5. Insurance and Medical
6. Officials' Certification
7. Finance
8. Industrial
9. Public Relations
10. Nominations

Any other specific committees shall be at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IV

DUES

Section 1. MEMBERSHIP DUES

A. Active Members $10.00 annually
B. Associate Members $10.00 annually
C. Special Members $25.00 annually
D. Honorary Members Gratis
E. Participant Membership As fixed by annual or seasonal assessment.
The dues are for the calendar year and are due and payable by December 31 of each year.

ARTICLE V

REGIONS

Section 1. REQUIREMENTS

A. An Area Association shall consist of a minimum of five (5) active members of the Association and at least three (3) Recreation Agencies.

B. An Area Association shall organize and function under the Articles of Incorporation, the Constitution and the By-Laws, and under the direction of the Board of Directors.

Section 2. REPRESENTATION ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Each Area Association shall have one seat on the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

Section 1. AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

A. New By-Laws may be adopted, or these By-Laws be repealed or amended at any regular meeting of the corporation or at any special meeting called for that purpose.

B. All proposed amendments must be submitted in writing to the Board of Directors.
C. All amendments submitted to the Board of Directors must be deferred to the general membership within 60 days of receiving.

1. All proposed amendments must be mailed to the general membership at least 30 days prior to voting.

2. A ten-day voting notice must be given the general membership; giving date, time and location of meeting.

3. Amendments must receive a two-thirds vote of the active members present and eligible to vote.