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CELEBRATING A CENTURY OF EXCELLENCE

RMAC NAMES ALL-TIME TENNIS TEAMS

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. -- **June 17, 2009** -- The top six men's and women's tennis players as well as the best head coaches in RMAC tennis history have been selected to help celebrate the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference's 100th anniversary in 2009. The RMAC is the fourth oldest conference in the country, and the most historic in the western U.S.

The RMAC All-Time tennis teams were selected by representatives from schools that currently participate in the sport of tennis. Official records for RMAC men's tennis date back to 1973, while women's tennis started in 1978. It is known that the RMAC sponsored the sport of men's tennis as early as 1920.

Former Nebraska-Kearney player William Jacome leads the men's team. Jacome was a four-time RMAC Player of the Year. He is believed to be the only four-time player of the year in any sport in RMAC history. Jacome led the Lopers to four straight RMAC regular season championships.

Leading the women's team is former Southern Colorado player Daniela Ivana. She was a three-time RMAC Player of the Year and was named first team all-RMAC eight times (four in singles and four in doubles).

The RMAC All-Time Men's Coach is Wayne Nelson, who led Mesa State from 1955 through 1989. That includes 14 years in the RMAC starting in 1975. Nelson was also the Mavericks longtime athletic director and men's basketball coach.

The RMAC All-Time Women's Coach is Bob Scott from CSU-Pueblo, a three-time RMAC Coach of the Year. Scott led the Thunderwolves to three RMAC titles, including back to back championships in 2005 and 2006, his last year's as head coach.

As part of the Centennial Celebration, all-time teams are being selected in 19 RMAC sports. The RMAC's Centennial Celebration will take place on July 11, 2009 at the Cheyenne Mountain Resort in Colorado Springs. A new all-time team will be recognized each month leading up to the celebration.

RMAC Tennis All-Time Teams

RMAC Men's Tennis All-Time Team

Top Player - William Jacome, Nebraska-Kearney
Carey Brading, Southern Colorado (CSU-Pueblo)
Sascha Ruckelshausen, Metro State
Russ Shurts, Colorado Mines
Thomas Calhoun, Southern Colorado (CSU-Pueblo)
Dudley Reichman, Mesa State
Coach - Wayne Nelson, Mesa State



**RMAC MEN'S TENNIS
ALL-TIME COACH
Wayne Nelson
Mesa State**

- 1975-1989
- 2 RMAC Championships (1982, 1985)
- Head tennis coach at Mesa State from 1955-1989
- Spent 18 years as head men's basketball coach
- Mesa State Athletic Director for 26 years
- Inducted into MSC Hall of Honor

RMAC Women's Tennis All-Time Team

Top Player - Daniela Ivana, Southern Colorado (CSUP)
Rebecca Meares, Metro State
Teri Mayeda, Mesa State
Jessica Meares, Metro State
Katie Fitzgerald, Colorado Christian
Dolinda Von Drumpt, Mesa State
Coach - Bob Scott, CSU-Pueblo



**RMAC WOMEN'S TENNIS
ALL-TIME COACH
Bob Scott
CSU-Pueblo**

- 1999-2006
- 3 RMAC regular season championships
- 2 RMAC tournament championships (2005, 2006)
- 3-time RMAC Coach of the Year
- 34-5 (.872) in RMAC head to head matches

RMAC Men's Tennis All-Time Team



**RMAC MEN'S TENNIS
ALL-TIME PLAYER
WILLIAM JACOME
Nebraska-Kearney**

- 2005-2008
- 4-time RMAC Player of the Year
- 4-time First Team All-RMAC
- 148 career victories
- Led UNK to four RMAC regular season titles



**RMAC MEN'S TENNIS
ALL-TIME TEAM
CAREY BRADING
SOUTHERN COLORADO (CSU-PUEBLO)**

- 1975-1979
- 3-time RMAC singles champion
- 3-time RMAC doubles champion
- 3-time NAIA District VII singles champion
- 3-time NAIA District VII doubles champion



**RMAC MEN'S TENNIS
ALL-TIME TEAM
Sascha Ruckelshausen
Metro State**

- 2007-2009
- RMAC Player of the Year (2009)
- 2-time RMAC Academic Player of the Year
- 51-15 (.773) career singles record
- Led Roadrunners to three RMAC tournament titles



**RMAC MEN'S TENNIS
ALL-TIME TEAM
Russ Shurts
Colorado Mines**

- 1973-1976
- 4-time RMAC singles champion
- Led Orediggers to RMAC title (1974)
- RMAC doubles champion (1974)
- NAIA District VII singles champion (1976)



**RMAC MEN'S TENNIS
ALL-TIME TEAM
Thomas Calhoun
Southern Colorado (CSU-Pueblo)**

- 1996-1998
- RMAC Player of the Year (1996)
- 2-time All-RMAC in doubles
- NCAA DII regional singles champion (1998)
- NCAA DII regional doubles champ (1997)



**RMAC MEN'S TENNIS
ALL-TIME TEAM
Dudley Reichman
Mesa State**

- 1980-1982
- All-RMAC (1982)
- RMAC singles champion (1982)
- RMAC doubles champion (1982)
- 2-time NAIA all-District VII

RMAC Women's Tennis All-Time Team



**RMAC WOMEN'S TENNIS
ALL-TIME PLAYER
Daniela Ivana
Southern Colorado (CSU-Pueblo)**

- 1998-2001
- 3-time RMAC Player of the Year
- 4-time First Team All-RMAC in singles
- 4-time First Team All-RMAC in doubles
- 2-time All-American (2000, 2001)



**RMAC WOMEN'S TENNIS
ALL-TIME TEAM
Rebecca Meares
Metro State**

- 2000-2004
- RMAC Player of the Year (2004)
- 3-time First Team all-RMAC (No. 1 singles)
- 3-time First Team all-RMAC (No. 1 doubles)
- Named RMAC Coach of the Year (2009)



**RMAC WOMEN'S TENNIS
ALL-TIME TEAM
Teri Mayeda
Mesa State**

- 2005-2008
- RMAC Player of the Year (2007)
- RMAC Academic Player of the Year (2008)
- 2-time First Team All-RMAC (No. 1 doubles)
- First team all-RMAC (No. 1 singles) (2007)



**RMAC WOMEN'S TENNIS
ALL-TIME TEAM
Jessica Meares
Metro State**

- 2000-2004
- 2-time First Team All-RMAC (No. 2 singles)
- 3-time First Team All-RMAC (No. 1 doubles)
- 12th in nation for doubles (2003-04)
- Academic All-RMAC



**RMAC WOMEN'S TENNIS
ALL-TIME TEAM
Katie Fitzgerald
Colorado Christian**

- 2000-2003
- 2-time RMAC Player of the Year (2002, 2003)
- 2-time First Team All-RMAC (No. 1 singles)
- Honor Student-Athlete (2003)
- Graduated with 3.6 GPA



**RMAC WOMEN'S TENNIS
ALL-TIME TEAM
Dolinda Von Drumpt
Mesa State**

- 1990-1994
- No. 1 singles player
- 2-time All-RMAC
- 2-time team MVP
- 4-time Academic All-RMAC