



# news

## Hawaii World Team Tennis, Inc.

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### HAWAII LEIS ROSTER

#### DENNIS RALSTON

##### Player-Coach

**Born:** Bakersfield, California  
July 27, 1942

**Height:** 6'2"

**Weight:** 170 lbs.

**Profile:** Winner of 35 national net titles, Dennis was a member of the U.S. Davis Cup Team from 1960-1966 and the captain-coach since he was 29, the youngest man to hold that position. Dennis coached the team to victory in 1968-69, and as captain-coach, the squad won the cup in 1972 and 1973. Ralston was already ranked as number 1 in the U.S. for 3 years before he turned pro in 1966. At 18, he was the youngest player in history to win the Wimbledon doubles in 1960 with Mexico's Rafael Osuna.

In 1970 he was ranked 10th in the world. Dennis has won such titles as the NCAA Singles and Doubles, National Clay Court Singles and Doubles, U.S. National Doubles as well as the French National Doubles. A knee operation kept him out of action in 1972, but Dennis has been making a great return in 1974 by defeating Italy's number one player, Adriano Panatta in the Kemper Classic and in the Hawaii Leis' \$10,000 Invitational.

A right hander with an outstanding forehand volley, Dennis has defeated the best players in the game, such as Rod Laver, Ken Rosewall, Stan Smith and more. During the season he will be residing in Hawaii with his wife and 3 children.

Obtained through a three way trade, the Hawaii Leis couldn't ask for a more qualified coach or player.

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### ROSS CASE

Born: Toowoomba, Australia  
November 11, 1951  
Height: 5'8"  
Weight: 150 lbs.

Profile: An up and coming young player with victories over Tom Okker of the Toronto-Buffalo Royals, Roger Taylor of the Boston Lobsters and John Newcombe of the Houston EZ Riders, Ross was a member of the Australia Davis Cup Team in 1971 and 1972 and now the World Championship of Tennis pro troupe. In 1972, Case won the Queensland and South Australian Doubles with Geoff Masters. Ross and Geoff, who has signed with L. A., won the Australian Open Doubles in December 1973, and he is presently ranked among the top men in Australia. A right hander, Case will be used both in singles and doubles.

### VALERIE ZIEGENFUSS

Born: San Diego, California  
June 29, 1949  
Height: 5'8"  
Weight: 140 lbs.

Profile: Ranked number 10 in the nation for women's singles and number 2 in doubles with Wendy Overton of the Toronto-Buffalo Royals, Valerie has been a successful competitor for years. For 3 years running, she was the USLTA's Girls' Doubles Champion, 1965-1967, and in 1969 won the USLTA's Women's Doubles Champion with Mary Ann Eisel. In 1969, 1971 and 1972, she was a member of the prestigious Wightman Cup Team for the U.S. (1-0 in singles, 2-1 in doubles), and in 1972 was part of the U.S. Federation Cup team. She was undefeated with a 4-0 in singles. The 1973 Virginia Slims Circuit saw Valerie reach the semi-finals twice early in the season and then continue to reach the quarter-finals eight times in thirteen tournaments. A tall, strong right hander, Valerie will be the Hawaii's Leis' number one woman although because of her doubles prowess, she undoubtedly will team with player-coach, Dennis Ralston, in many of the mixed matches.

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ANN KIYOMURA

Born: San Mateo, California  
August 22, 1955

Height: 5'1"

Weight: 112

Profile: Young, petite, Ms. Kiyomura already has won 14 U.S. Junior titles along with the Wimbledon Junior title in 1973, where she defeated Martina Navratilova in the semis and Diane Fromholtz in the finals. Her 1972 victory in Philadelphia for the U.S. Nationals title ranked her number 1 Junior Girl player in the U.S. In 1972 Ann won the Hawaii State Open Championship. Since September of 1973, Ann has been playing internationally and joined the Virginia Slims six months ago. At present, Ann is ranked number 16 for women nationally and number 7 in doubles. The draft rights to Ms. Kiyomura were obtained in a trade with Golden Gate for Hawaii's Alex Metrevelli of Russia. A serve and volley player, the Hawaii Leis are looking forward to seeing some great action from Ann.



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### ADDITIONAL PLAYERS FOR HAWAII LEIS ROSTER

#### KRISTY PIGEON

Born: San Mateo, California  
August 15, 1950  
Height: 5'8"  
Weight: 128

Profile: Tall blonde, Kristy was one of the original 8 girls to form the Virginia Slims women's circuit in 1970. A south-paw, Kristy won the Junior Wimbledon title in 1968 and has also won the U.S. Junior singles and doubles title. She was ranked in the U.S. top ten for 4 years, reaching as high as number 6 in women's singles. Kristy was also a member of the winning Hightman Cup Team in 1971. She holds wins over Evonne Cawley of the Pittsburgh Triangles, Helen Gourlay of the E.Z. Riders and Wendy Overton of the Toronto-Buffalo Royals. Kristy has begun work on her PHD in Wildlife Biology. A creative artist and an avid sportswoman, Kristy clinches the strong force for the Hawaii Leis women.

#### BRIGITTE CUYPERS

Born: Cape Town, South Africa  
December 3, 1955  
Height: 5'5"  
Weight: 125

Profile: A new player to the international circuit, Brigitte is presently the 9th ranked woman and 3rd ranked junior in South Africa. Brigitte reached the finals in numerous South African finals and won the South African Junior mixed doubles in 1973. Last year was the first time Brigitte played the European circuit. A player with great potential, Brigitte is looking forward to working with player-coach Dennis Ralston.



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MICHAEL MACHETTE

Born: San Francisco, California  
January 27, 1951  
Height: 6'2"  
Weight: 172

Profile: Known for his cannon ball serve, Mike reached the quarter finals in doubles with Raul Ramirez at Wimbledon last year. In 1973, he was ranked 37th for men nationally and was number two on the University of Southern California team. Mike has defeated Dick Stockton of the E.Z. Riders and along with Dick won the National Junior doubles. He was also a member of the Junior Davis Cup team. This striking young man will be a great asset to the Hawaii Leis.



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#### Team Players:

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VALERIE ZIEGENFUSS  
ROSS CASE  
ANN KIYOMURA  
KRISTY PIGEON  
BRIGITTE CUYPERS  
MIKE MACHETTE

**Arenas:** Honolulu International Center (H.I.C.)  
777 Ward Ave., Honolulu, Hi. 96814; Tel: 536-7331.  
Director: Matthew Esposito; Dedicated in 1964; Parking-1,100  
autos. Capacity for tennis: 7,529; Usage: Booking by The  
Hawaii Leis will mark first time ever tennis is played at the  
H.I.C. Univ. of Hi. basketball team, pro boxing, pro wrestling,  
Ice Capades, Sumo wrestling from Japan, college/high school  
basketball tourneys.

McKinley High School Gym  
1039 S. King Street  
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