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## Spring 2016 FLakey Awards

Note: To be eligible for awards A, B, or C, a player has to have played at least 3 times (for himself, not as a sub) during the season.

X↓ = not eligible

### A1. Highest Rated Players – THIS SEASON (top 10)

<b>Urshan, Andrew</b>	<b>15.06</b>
Nolan, Tim	14.48
Sonnenschein, Canaan	14.01
Hawkins, Steve	13.84
Fagala, Matt	13.40
Van Horn, Doug	12.92
Roddy, Dan	12.87
Rees, Trevor	12.83
Freed, Justin	12.74
Ray, Kevin	12.59

Congratulations once again to **Andrew**. He's now placed 1st FOUR seasons in a row ... enough to where maybe we should rename this the Urshan Award. Not yet though. After all, Gary Lerner won 5 (actually 4½) times in a row, and 6 overall. But, the judges are considering the matter.

Congratulations too to **Tim Nolan** as a silver medal winner (aka the "almost-Urshan Award").

Points are based on a system that tracks wins and losses giving higher credit for higher courts. The stats of subs don't count toward the points for each player. So whether you had a sub, or you served as a sub, those points don't affect your season points results. [FYI, if you're really curious about this, I do have ratings and results available that include "as-a-sub" results.]

### A2. Highest Rated Player – Top Player in PAST SEASONS

#### All Time Top Ratings (since 2008.Summer)

Top		
Season	Rating	Player
2008.2	14.77	Matt Fagala
<del>2008.3</del>	<del>14.81</del>	<del>Chris Hahn</del>
2009.1	14.43	Chris Hahn
2009.2	14.40	Tom Strutz
<del>2009.3</del>	<del>14.41</del>	<del>Chris Hahn</del>
<b>2010.1</b>	<b>15.25</b>	<b>Chris Hahn</b>
2010.2	14.51	Matt Fagala
<del>2010.3</del>	<del>14.49</del>	<del>Kevin Ray</del>
2011.1	14.17	Matt Fagala
2011.2	13.43	Gary Lerner
<del>2011.3</del>	<del>14.69</del>	<del>Steve Hawkins</del>
2012.1	14.82	Steve Hawkins
2012.2	13.66	Canaan Sonnenschein
<del>2012.3</del>	<del>14.76</del>	<del>Joe Brumley</del>
2013.1	14.36	Gary Lerner
2013.2	13.74	Gary Lerner
<del>2013.3</del>	<del>14.75</del>	<del>Gary Lerner</del>
2014.1	14.77	Gary Lerner and Kevin Ray
2013.2	13.96	Gary Lerner
<del>2014.3</del>	<del>14.48</del>	<del>Canaan Sonnenschein</del>
2015.1	14.88	Andrew Urshan
2015.2	14.33	Andrew Urshan
<del>2015.3</del>	<del>15.16</del>	<del>Andrew Urshan</del>
2016.1	15.06	Andrew Urshan

As you can see from above, Andrew had the first ever back-to-back 15+ rating and only the third 15+ rating since this particular system was adopted in mid-2008.

### B. Most Improved (based on change from prior season's ratings or, if a new player, initial expectations)

<b>Wieser, Mike</b>	<b>+2.36</b>
Wright, Mark	1.86
Nolan, Tim	1.16
Rees, Trevor	0.84
Freed, Justin	0.72
Van Horn, Doug	0.65
Levy, Bob	0.64
Gibson, Mike	0.52
Michelson, Randy	0.51
Hawkins, Steve	0.18

Great job guys.

Sixteen of the 33 players ended up with rankings higher than before (or than expected), the top ten of which are shown above. And 17 of our 33 players had rankings lower than before (or than expected).

### C1. Highest Win Percentage (all courts) - THIS SEASON

Urshan, Andrew	58.6%	
Hughes, Bill	57.8%	– see comment below
Lyons, Jay	56.0%	
Brewer, Chip	55.6%	
Roddy, Dan	54.9%	
Nolan, Tim	54.3%	
Ray, Kevin	53.8%	
Edsen, Jerry	53.8%	
Tesar, Tom	53.7%	
Unnerstall, Chris	52.9%	

### C2. Top Win Percentage (all courts) - PAST SEASONS

#### All Time Top Win Percentages (since 2008.Summer)

Top		
Season	Win%	Player
2008.2	60.0%	Ed Sher
<del>2008.3</del>	<del>60.0%</del>	<del>Chris Hahn</del>
2009.1	56.3%	Billy Niemann
2009.2	57.4%	Gary Lerner
<del>2009.3</del>	<del>58.2%</del>	<del>Eric Wonsidler</del>
2010.1	60.7%	Chris Hahn
<b>2010.2</b>	<b>61.7%</b>	<b>Gary Lerner</b>
<del>2010.3</del>	<del>58.8%</del>	<del>Alberto Romero</del>
2011.1	61.4%	Eric Wonsidler
2011.2	56.0%	Gary Lerner, Mike Wieser
<del>2011.3</del>	<del>56.7%</del>	<del>Steve Hawkins, Tom Strutz</del>
2012.1	56.7%	Gary Lerner
2012.2	57.0%	Harish Sundaram
<del>2012.3</del>	<del>55.8%</del>	<del>Dan Mullen</del>
2013.1	58.9%	Gary Lerner
2013.2	57.2%	Canaan Sonnenschein
<del>2013.3</del>	<del>60.7%</del>	<del>Gary Lerner</del>
2014.1	60.6%	Kevin Ray
2014.2	58.9%	Gary Lerner
<del>2014.3</del>	<del>55.0%</del>	<del>Mike Gregory</del>
2015.1	58.3%	Jerry Edsen
2015.2	57.6%	Andrew Urshan
<del>2015.3</del>	<del>57.5%</del>	<del>Andrew Urshan</del>
2016.1	58.3%	Andrew Urshan

"Andrew, Andrew, Andrew". Okay, enough about him. How about **Bill Hughes**, whose 57.8% win percentage earned on the lower courts would have been high enough to win this award about half of the past 23 seasons.

### D1. Most Wins in a Given Round by Court (includes subs) - THIS SEASON

shown for each is the week number and player name as "(w#:player)"

#### Round 1

Court 5 - 11 games (6:Nolan, Tim)  
Court 6 - 10 games (5:Nolan, Tim)  
Court 7 - 10 games (10:Nolan, Tim)  
Court 8 - 9 games (6:Andreyuk, Steve 11:Brewer, Chip 2:Albrecht, Peter 17:Levy, Bob)  
Court 9 - 11 games (8:Hughes, Bill)

#### Round 2

Court 5 - 15 games (7:Urshan, Andrew)  
Court 6 - 15 games (5:Sonnenschein, Canaan)  
Court 7 - 14 games (4:Niemann, Billy 7:Ivashuta, Sergey)  
Court 8 - 14 games (13:Meyer, Ben)  
Court 9 - 15 games (12:Unnerstall, Chris)

### D2. Most Wins in a Given Round by Court (includes subs) - ALL TIME RECORD

[ ALL TIME RECORD or at least since Summer 2008 (represented below by 2008.2)]

#### Round 1

Court 5 - 11 games (Nick Kruse 2008.2, Tim Nolan 2016.1)  
Court 6 - 11 games (Wieser 2008.2, Michelson 2009.3, Mullen 2010.1, Fagala 2010.3, Nopachai 2013.2)  
Court 7 - 12 games (Dan Mullen 2008.3)  
Court 8 - 11 games (Rehma 2008.3, Niemann 2009.1, Yudovich 2009.3 and 2011.1)  
Court 9 - 12 games (Billy Niemann 2012.3)

#### Round 2

Court 5 - 15 games (Chris Hahn 2010.1 and 2010.1, Fagala 2010.2, Danny Levy 2011.3, Tim Nolan 2015.1, Andrew Urshan 2016.1)  
Court 6 - 16 games (Canaan Sonnenschein 2013.2, Tim Nolan 2015.2)  
Court 7 - 17 games (Fagala 2013.2)  
Court 8 - 16 games (Paul Harris 2009.1, Todd Gaughan 2010.1)  
Court 9 - 16 games (Jon Michelson 2011.1, Yudovich 2015.1)

### E. Most Versatile ... or Most Nomadic

Spent at least this much of his time on 3 different courts

29.1% Meyer, Ben  
25.0% Wieser, Mike  
23.4% Roddy, Mark  
22.9% Ray, Kevin  
20.0% Wright, Mark

Spent at least this much of his time on 4 different courts

17.8% Gibson, Mike  
17.5% Unnerstall, Chris  
13.9% Roddy, Dan  
12.0% Tesar, Tom  
12.0% Lyons, Jay

Spent at least this much of his time on 5 different courts

8.3% Michelson, Jon  
3.4% Roddy, Mark

### F. Miscellaneous Awards [ remember - nominations are welcome ]

- o "Anson/Bufalo" award (Most Frequent Sub) – Well, **Don Anson**, of course with a whopping EIGHT times. **Mike Wieser** gave Don a run for his money though with 7 times.
- o **Most philanthropic** (most times got sub) – Hmm, **Tom Tesar** should have won this with 7, but OOPS, he failed to get a sub in the last week and finished getting credit for having a sub "only" 6 times. That puts him in a tie with **Jerry Edsen** and **Chris Unnerstall** (6 each).
- o **Most unapologetic** (meaning most likely to apologize to his partner after a lost point even though it was almost certainly the partner's fault) – **Canaan Sonnenschein**.
- o **Best new just-a-sub** – **Sergey Ivashuta**
- o **Flakey Ignorance award** (most Likely to not see that he was mentioned in the Flakeys) – **Sergey Ivashuta**
- o **Fastest big geographic transition** (for shortest time between being in New Delhi, India and getting on the MNT courts) – **Jay Lyons**

Congratulations to all the FLakey winners.