

Fall 2023 FLakey Awards

Note: To be eligible for awards A, B, or C, a player has to be a scheduled player (not just a sub) and has to have played at least 3 times for self (not as a sub). Results below exclude weeks for players during which they played as a sub.

X| = not eligible

A1. Highest Rated Players – THIS SEASON (top 25)

Cabrera, David	15.15
Nicholl, Jack	14.85
Urshan, Andrew	14.56
Lyons, Jay	14.55
Van Horn, Doug	14.17
Nolan, Tim	14.05
Bier, Barney	13.87
Narayan, Rama	13.70
Edsen, Jerry	13.56
Dhillon, Raj	13.52
Gibbons, Steven	13.39
Wolf, Steve	12.65
Brooks, John	12.20
Michelson, Jon	12.18
Maguire, Bob	11.95
Andreyuk, Steve	11.83
Berberich, Steve	11.67
Ray, Kevin	11.58
Ercal, Fikret	11.30
Tharian, Denny	11.28
Faucheux, Cliff	11.00
Disch, Steve	10.79
Lum, Art	10.19
Kelley, Tyler	10.08
Schaefer, Craig	10.05

Congratulations to first-time winner, **David**, as this past season's Urshan Award winner.

Congratulations too to Jack as a silver medal winner, his seventh time making the list below.

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)

Season	Rating	Player	Rating	Player
2008.2	14.77	Matt Fagala	14.36	Ed Sher
2008.3	14.81	Chris Hahn	13.79	Joe Brumley
2009.1	14.43	Chris Hahn	14.21	Joe Brumley
2009.2	14.40	Tom Strutz	14.16	Gary Lerner
2009.3	14.41	Chris Hahn	14.29	Gary Lerner
2010.1	15.25	Chris Hahn	14.65	Matt Fagala
2010.2	14.51	Matt Fagala	14.40	Gary Lerner
2010.3	14.49	Kevin Ray	14.44	Matt Fagala
2011.1	14.17	Matt Fagala	14.14	Steve Hawkins
2011.2	13.43	Gary Lerner	13.22	Joe Brumley
2011.3	14.69	Steve Hawkins	14.50	Gary Lerner
2012.1	14.82	Steve Hawkins	14.59	Kevin Ray
2012.2	13.66	Canaan Sonnenschein	13.40	Justin Freed
2012.3	14.76	Joe Brumley	14.25	Gary Lerner
2013.1	14.36	Gary Lerner	14.02	Dan Mullen
2013.2	13.74	Gary Lerner	13.25	Mike Wieser
2013.3	14.75	Gary Lerner	13.83	Charles Olagbegi
2014.1	14.77	Gary Lerner/Kevin Ray	14.33	Dan Roddy
2014.2	13.96	Gary Lerner	13.44	Matt Fagala
2014.3	14.48	Canaan Sonnenschein	14.32	Dan Roddy
2015.1	14.88	Andrew Urshan	14.44	Gary Lerner
2015.2	14.33	Andrew Urshan	13.68	Tim Nolan
2015.3	15.16	Andrew Urshan	14.25	Canaan Sonnenschein
2016.1	15.06	Andrew Urshan	14.48	Tim Nolan
2016.2	14.40	Andrew Urshan	14.18	Canaan Sonnenschein
2016.3	14.54	Andrew Urshan	14.34	Jack Nicholl
2017.1	14.73	Nicholl, Jack	14.54	Andrew Urshan
2017.2	14.65	Andrew Urshan	14.47	Canaan Sonnenschein
2017.3	15.10	Andrew Urshan	14.15	Ben Martin
2018.1	15.02	Andrew Urshan	14.49	Jack Nicholl
2018.2	15.03	Drew Cheyney	14.70	Jack Nicholl
2018.3	15.24	Drew Cheyney	14.51	Canaan Sonnenschein
2019.1	14.97	Jack Nicholl	14.45	Andrew Urshan
2019.2	14.74	Tim Nolan	14.31	Ben Meyer
2019.3	15.11	Tim Nolan	14.96	Andrew Urshan
2020.1	14.86	Tim Nolan	13.93	Eric Wonsidler
2021.3	14.80	Tim Nolan	14.73	Jack Nicholl
2022.1	15.13	Ben Meyer	15.04	Andrew Urshan
2022.2	15.51	Tim Nolan	14.75	Ben Meyer
2022.3	14.92	Tim Nolan	14.91	Ben Meyer
2023.1	14.93	Andrew Urshan	14.11	David Cabrera
2023.2	14.86	Ben Meyer	14.73	Tim Nolan
2023.3	15.15	David Cabrera	14.85	Jack Nicholl

B1. Most Improved (based on change from prior season's ratings or, if a new player, initial expectations)

Edsen, Jerry	+2.41
Andreyuk, Steve	2.40
Brooks, John	1.90
Gibbons, Steven	1.39
Cabrera, David	1.04
X Unnerstall, Chris	0.98
Steuby, Tom	0.96
Lyons, Jay	0.89
Faucheux, Cliff	0.86
Dhillon, Raj	0.64

Great job guys.

Twenty of the 41 players ended up with rankings higher than before (or than expected), the top ten of which are shown above. And 21 of our 41 players had rankings lower than before (or than expected).

B2. Biggest Improvement During Season

Of our 41 players, 25 played the minimum-needed 3 times in both the first and second halves of the season. Of those 25 qualifiers, these had a second-half rating that exceeded their first-half the most:

Gregerson, Will	+2.36
Steuby, Tom	+1.31
Tharian, Denny	+1.15

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

Cabrera, David	62.9%
X Unnerstall, Chris	58.4%
Urshan, Andrew	57.2%
Wolf, Steve	56.7%
Ray, Kevin	55.9%
Nicholl, Jack	55.5%
Lyons, Jay	54.2%
Nolan, Tim	53.5%
Westrich, Dave	53.4%
Gibbons, Steven	52.9%

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

All Time Top Win Percentages (since 2008,Summer)

Season	Win%	Player
2008.2	60.0%	Ed Sher
2008.3	60.0%	Chris Hahn
2009.1	56.3%	Billy Niemann
2009.2	57.4%	Gary Lerner
2009.3	58.2%	Eric Wonsidler
2010.1	60.7%	Chris Hahn
2010.2	61.7%	Gary Lerner
2010.3	58.8%	Alberto Romero
2011.1	61.4%	Eric Wonsidler
2011.2	56.0%	Gary Lerner, Mike Wieser
2011.3	56.7%	Steve Hawkins, Tom Strutz
2012.1	56.7%	Gary Lerner
2012.2	57.0%	Harish Sundaram
2012.3	55.8%	Dan Mullen
2013.1	58.9%	Gary Lerner
2013.2	57.2%	Canaan Sonnenschein
2013.3	60.7%	Gary Lerner
2014.1	60.6%	Kevin Ray
2014.2	58.9%	Gary Lerner
2014.3	55.0%	Mike Gregory
2015.1	58.3%	Jerry Edsen
2015.2	57.6%	Andrew Urshan
2015.3	57.5%	Andrew Urshan
2016.1	58.3%	Andrew Urshan
2016.2	61.1%	Mark Roddy
2016.3	60.8%	Jack Nicholl
2017.1	59.2%	Don Anson
2017.2	57.9%	Andrew Urshan
2017.3	58.5%	Andrew Urshan
2018.1	58.5%	Andrew Urshan
2018.2	68.0%	Drew Cheyney
2018.3	64.5%	Drew Cheyney
2019.1	63.4%	Jack Nicholl
2019.2	62.2%	Cliff Faucheux
2019.3	62.3%	Andrew Urshan
2020.1	56.7%	Don Anson
2021.3	64.5%	David Mitchell
2022.1	61.1%	Jerry Edsen
2022.2	63.8%	Tim Nolan
2022.3	59.7%	Ben Meyer
2023.1	56.4%	Andrew Urshan
2023.2	58.6%	Tim Nolan
2023.3	62.9%	David Cabrera

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 A - 10 games (2:Nicholl, Jack 3:Nolan, Tim)
- Court B - 10 games (15:Narayan, Rama)
- Court C - 10 games (3:Gibbons, Steven 20:Wolf, Steve)
- Court D - 10 games (15:Maguire, Bob)
- Court E - 10 games (14:Weinberg, Larry)
- Court F - 10 games (3:Westrich, Dave 8:Shanker, Mike)

Round 2

- Court A - 14 games (14:Cabrera, David 8:Cabrera, David)
- Court B - 14 games (13:Nolan, Tim)
- Court C - 14 games (20:Singh, Harry)
- Court D - 14 games (10:Gregerson, Will)
- Court E - 16 games (13:Westrich, Dave)
- Court F - 14 games (15:Comens, Mike 7:Steuby, Tom 10:Westrich, Dave)

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 A - 12 games (Ben Meyer 2022.3)
- Court B - 11 games (Wieser 2008.2, Michelson 2009.3, Mullen 2010.1, Fagala 2010.3, Nopachai 2013.2, Nicholl 2016.19, Nolan 2022.3 & 2023.1, Urshan 2023.2)
- Court C,D - 12 games (Dan Mullen 2008.3)
- Court E - 12 games (Jack Nicholl 2016.2 and Steve Matthews 2022.1)
- Court F - 12 games (Billy Niemann 2012.3, Weinberg 2022.3)

Round 2

- Court A - 15 games (Chris Hahn(twice), Matt Fagala, Danny Levy, Tim Nolan, Andrew Urshan, Jack Nicholl, Ben Meyer 2022.1, and David Cabrera 2023.1)
- Court B - 16 games (Canaan Sonnenschein 2013.2, Tim Nolan 2015.2)
- Court C,D - 17 games (Matt Fagala 2013.2, Mark Wright 2022.2)
- Court E - 16 games (Paul Harris 2009.1, Todd Gaughan 2010.1, Trevor Rees 2017.3, Chip Brewer 2022.3, Dave Westrich 2023.3)
- Court F - 16 games (Jon Michelson 2011.1, Yudovich 2015.1)

E. Best Week

Who had the best individual week this season (most total wins in the week)?

Rank	Wk#	Wins	Player
1	19	22	Lum, Art
1	4	22	Brooks, John
1	2	22	Nicholl, Jack
4	15	21	Willis, Cliff
4	13	21	Westrich, Dave

How about the best weeks of all time (or at least since Fall 2021 (aka 2021.3))? [Max possible is 30.]

Rank	Wins	Player	Season
1	25	Oetjen, Joe	2023.2
2	24	Niemann, Billy	2021.3
2	24	Mitchell, David	2021.3
2	24	Meyer, Ben	2022.1
5	23	Brewer, Chip	2021.3
5	23	Nolan, Tim	2022.1 (twice)
5	23	Michelson, Jon	2022.2
5	23	Urshan, Andrew	2022.3, 2023.2

F. Most Versatile ... or Most Nomadic

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

- 25.0% Lum, Art
- 25.0% Gibbons, Steven
- 25.0% Faucheux, Cliff
- 24.5% Schaefer, Craig
- 24.0% Tharian, Denny

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

- 14.1% Michelson, Jon
- 12.5% Faucheux, Cliff
- 10.0% Ray, Kevin
- 6.7% Willis, Cliff
- 6.7% Gregerson, Will

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

- 6.7% Gregerson, Will
- 4.4% Andreyuk, Steve
- 4.0% Berberich, Steve
- 3.6% Michelson, Jon

G. Spin Results for this Season

	Spins Won	Spins Lost	Spin +/-	Player
Luckiest	5.5	0.0	5.5	Edsen, Jerry
	6.0	2.0	4.0	Gregerson, Will
	3.5	0.0	3.5	Tharian, Denny
	5.5	3.0	2.5	Van Horn, Doug
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	2.0	5.0	-3.0	Nolan, Tim
	3.0	7.5	-4.5	Schaefer, Craig
	0.0	4.5	-4.5	Disch, Steve
Unluckiest	2.5	10.5	-8.0	Michelson, Jon

Holy cow, folks. That now makes it 3 out of the last 4 seasons that Jon Michelson was unluckiest.

Luckiest ever:	Raj Dhillon	2023.Fal	6.5 - 0.0 = +6.5
Runners-up:	Jon Michelson	2016.Fal	7.5 - 2.0 = +5.5
	Denny Tharian	2023.Sum	6.5 - 1.0 = +5.5
	Jerry Edsen	2023.Fal	6.5 - 0.0 = +6.5

Unluckiest ever:	Canaan Sonnenschein	2019.Fall	1.0 - 11.5 = -10.5
Runners-up:	Jon Michelsons	2023.Fall	2.5 - 10.5 = -8.0
	Jon Unnerstall	2017.Spring	0.0 - 7.0 = -7.0
	Chris Michelson	2022.Fal	2.0 - 9.0 = -7.0

Total for 2-consec. seasons: Canaan Sonnenschein 3.3 - 15.5 = -12.2 for seasons ending 2019.Fal

2-consec. Runner-up: Jon Michelson 3.5 - 15.5 = -12.0 for seasons ending 2023.Fal

↑ Spin result measurement started 2016.Fall

H. Miscellaneous Awards [remember - nominations are welcome]

- o **Bob Levy Award** (friendly on and off the court, reliable, consistent – a model MNT citizen) – Jon Jonz, Doug Ritter, and Denny Tharian
- o **"Anson/Bufalo" award** (Most Frequent Sub) – Larry Kaiser and Harry Singh (10 times each)
- o **Most philanthropic** (most times got sub) – John Brooks (5 times)
Runners up – Kent Evans and Rama Narayan (5 times each)
- o **Most likely to put a new grip on his racket right before play:** Tim Nolan
- o **Most likely to make a surprise line call an adjacent court:** Will Gregerson
- o **Most likely to use a tape measure:** Bob Maguire

I got lots of suggestions for the Bob Levy award. That shows we have lots of great guys in the league. Thanks folks for the suggestions (which make up some of the content in "H").

Congratulations to all the FLakey winners.