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Women's Copper Division Singles:

Ruth McLaughlin from Sudbury began the tournament winning her first match against Pat Emery from Sault Ste. Marie and never looked back. She went on to defeat Nancy L'Esperance and Linda Cliche from Rouyn-Noranda and in her next outing beat Caroline Aubin from Bearn, Quebec to advance to the final. From the losers side of the bracket, Aubin bounced back and defeated Joanne Michaud from North Bay in the semi finals and earned another shot at McLaughlin in the final.

Aubin won the first set of the final, forcing a sudden death match. In the end, it was McLaughlin who emerged the champion of the Women's Bronze Division. Finishing in third place was Joanne Michaud from North Bay.

Copper Division Singles:

Ryan Baxter from North Bay was the victor, going through the tournament undefeated. Baxter opened the day with a win over Michelle Wilding from Sault Ste. Marie. Baxter then defeated Rob Lennon from Stratford, Guy Giroux from Rouyn-Noranda, Alfie Behrens from Sault Ste. Marie, Brent Xilon and Phil Telenko of Sudbury to advance to the finals.

On the 'B' side of the bracket, Guy Giroux battled it out to see who would get another shot at Baxter in the final. Giroux emerged the victor and defeated third place finisher Phil Telenko by a score of 4-3 setting up the championship final.

In the final, Baxter only needed the first set to be declared the champion after defeating Giroux by a score of 4-2.

Bronze Division Singles:

Stratford's Chris Tidman advanced to the finals with no losses. On his road to the final he defeated Norris Valiquette from Sudbury, Cal Conway from Sault Ste. Marie, Tanya Aultman from North Bay, Yvan Gingras from Rouyn-Noranda, Steve Spencer and in the quarter finals defeated Nicole Proulx from Sudbury knocking her to the 'B' side of the bracket.

To get another shot at Tidman in the finals, Spencer had to square off against his fellow Sudbury player Nicole Proulx. Spencer emerged the victor by defeating Proulx 4-1 and advance to the final match.

In the finals, Tidman wasted little time being declared the champion as he defeated Spencer in the first set by a score of 4 games to 2.

Silver Division Singles:

In the strongest division, it was Sudbury taking the top three spots. Wayne Brunelle emerged the victor by defeating Andy Aupin in two sets.

To get to the finals, Brunelle defeated Jack Reid from Toronto, Stephane Drouin from Bearn, Quebec, Martial Royer from Rouyn-Noranda before facing Andy Aupin from Sudbury and knocking him to the losers side of the bracket. Brunelle did the same in his next outing to teammate Frank Servant and defeated him by a score of 5-1 and also sent him to the losers bracket.

Aupin and Servant went head to head to see who would battle Brunelle for the top gun title. In a hard fought battle, Aupin emerged the winner by a close score of 5-3 and another shot at Brunelle.

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In the final, Aupin took the opening match by a score of 5-2 to force a sudden death match. Brunelle was the victor defeating Aupin 5-1 and was declared the champion.