

MEN'S 1-WALL PRO HANDBALL TOUR
SMALL-BALL POINTS RACE 2004
YEAR #4

2004 POINTS SYSTEM

The three criteria for the small-ball points system are

- (1) Points – Achievement
- (2) Points - Quality Wins and
- (3) Differential Points.

➤ **POINTS - ACHIEVEMENT**

NON-MAJOR TOURNAMENT POINTS

<i>Did Not Play (DNP)</i>	-	<i>0 point</i>
<i>Participant</i>	-	<i>5 points</i>
<i>Quarterfinalist</i>	-	<i>25 points</i>
<i>Semifinalist</i>	-	<i>50 points</i>
<i>Finalist</i>	-	<i>75 points</i>
<i>Winner</i>	-	<i>100 points</i>

MAJOR TOURNAMENT POINTS

<i>Did Not Play (DNP)</i>	-	<i>0 point</i>
<i>Participant</i>	-	<i>5 points</i>
<i>Quarterfinalist</i>	-	<i>50 points</i>
<i>Semifinalist</i>	-	<i>75 points</i>
<i>Finalist</i>	-	<i>100 points</i>
<i>Winner</i>	-	<i>125 points</i>

➤ **POINTS - QUALITY WINS**

1. *Victory against #1 seeded player – 10 points*
2. *Victory against #2 seeded player – 8 points*
3. *Victory against #3 seeded player – 6 points*
4. *Victory against #4 seeded player – 4 points*

➤ **DIFFERENTIAL POINTS = POINTS SCORED ÷ POINTS ALLOWED**

Note: Differential Points will only be considered in the Round 16, Quarterfinals, Semifinals and Finals.

2004 TOURNAMENT SUMMARY – MEN'S 1-WALL PRO SINGLES (SMALL-BALL)

Pro Stop #1	Coney Island Invitation	May 1, 2004	Sala defeats Roberts (25-23)
Pro Stop #2	ATH Pro Ball Singles #1	May 15, 2004	Jagnandan defeats Sostre (21-4, 21-4)
Pro Stop #3	Mayor's Cup (Major)	July 17-18, 2004	Jagnandan defeats Sala (18-21, 21-5, 11-9)
Pro Stop #4	USHA Nationals (Major)	August 5-8, 2004	Jagnandan defeats Wright (17-21, 21-7, 11-2)
Pro Stop #5	Utopia Open	August 14, 2004	Sala defeats Jagnandan (25-22)
Pro Stop #6	Marty O'Malley Classic	Sept. 25, 2004	Sala defeats Jagnandan (25-14)
Pro Stop #7	ATH Pro Ball Singles #2	October 2, 2004	Jagnandan defeats Sala (21-9, 21-17)
Pro Stop #8	H.E.S. Invitational	October 31, 2004	Jagnandan defeats Wright (25-20)
Pro Stop #9	YMCA Invitational	December 11, 2004	Jagnandan defeats Wright (25-20)

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Pro Tour Stop #5 - "A Star is Born"

August 14, 2004 - 2004 Utopia Open (Utopia, Queens)

TOURNAMENT DRAWSHEET

Rankings were based on the USHA One-Wall Ranking System

ROUND 32		ROUND 16		QUARTER		SEMIFINAL		FINAL		CHAMPION	
(1) Satish Jagnandan Jonathan Iglesias	25 02	(1) S Jagnandan R. Retian	25 09	(1) S Jagnandan E. Maisonet	25 15	(1) S Jagnandan V. Lopierre	25 02				
Robert Smallwood Raul Retian	16 25										
Milton Jones Paul Angel	25 19	M. Jones E. Maisonet	05 25								
Patrick Chui Eddie Maisonet	14 25										
Robert Sostre Victor Lopierre	21 25	V. Lopierre J. Ayala	25 07	V. Lopierre (4) T. Roberts	25 20						
Phong Nguyen Jesus Ayala	19 25										
Andy Rousseau Angel Vasquez	F F	A. Rousseau (4) T. Roberts	22 25								
Louis Diaz (4) Tony Roberts	13 25										
(3) Joe Kaplan Joe Hollander	25 5	(3) J. Kaplan A. Rebaza	25 16	(3) J. Kaplan W. Polanco	24 25	W. Polanco (2) C. Sala	14 25				
Paul Williams Alvaro Rebaza	20 25										
Jonathan Lee Karreem Wilkerson	21 25	K. Wilkerson W. Polanco	12 25								
Michael Schneider William Polanco	10 25										
Yuber Castro Larry Tse	25 11	Y. Casto S. Zavoytskiy	25 14	Y. Castro (2) C. Sala	24 25						
Stan Zavoytskiy Mike Lopez	25 14										
Frank Rivera Emmanuel Fuentes	25 19	F. Rivera (2) C. Sala	17 25								
Jason Morgan (2) Cesar Sala	25 19										

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TOURNAMENT SUMMARY

by Satish Jagnandan

In every tournament, there are always surprises and upsets. The 2004 Utopia Open sponsored by Leecon Construction Inc. was no exception as players and spectators saw the emergence of 19 year-old Victor Lopierre. In his third Open Singles small-ball tournament, the young Phnom defeated accomplished veterans Robert "Iceman" Sostre, Jesus Ayala and Tony Roberts, on route to a semifinal showdown with number one seed, Satish Jagnandan (who handily defeated Jonathan Iglesias, Raul Retian and Eddie Maisonet). Lopierre's inability to read and return Jagnandan serves proved to be the difference in a 25-2 defeat. After the game, Lopierre said he "felt lost out there" but will not let this loss tarnish his wonderful performance. The other half of the draw saw number two seed, Cesar Sala narrowly defeating opponents Jason Morgan, Frank Rivera, Yuber "PeeWee" Castro and Willie Polanco. Sala's resilience and resolve helped him survive a determined Castro, who served for the match at 24-24 in the quarterfinals.

Over the past two years the best rivalry in the sport has been Satish Jagnandan and Cesar Sala. This rivalry has surpassed the legendary big-blue battles between John "Rookie" Wright and "Lefty" George Figueroa. These competitors have met five times over the past two seasons – (three semifinals and two finals) with Cesar winning on three occasions. This past weekend (August 14, 2004), Sala defeated Jagnandan, the 2004 Mayor Cup and USHA National champion 25-22 in an epic battle of serve and defense. The match seesawed back and forth with no player enjoying more than a three point advantage. Many consider Jagnandan the premier offensive player in the game today but Sala frustrated his rival with an array of passing shots and spectacular retrieves. With Jagnandan clinging to 22-19 lead, Sala saved his best for last, forcing Jagnandan into two costly unforced errors on his way to serving out the match. Many spectators commented, "this was the best handball game they had ever witnessed". The mutual respect between these players was evident throughout the match with both players applauding each other's shots and effort and even calling faults and two-bounces on themselves.

This is the first professional competition sponsored by Jonathan Lee's Leecon Construction Incorporation. The total purse for the 2004 Utopia Open was \$1,450 (1st - \$1,000, 2nd - \$250, 3rd - \$100, 4th - \$100), which rivaled some of the more established tournaments like the 2004 Mayor's Cup (\$700) and the 2004 USHA Nationals (\$1,500). The next tournament sponsored by this company will be held in the spring of 2005 with a total purse of **\$3,500** (1st - \$2,000, 2nd - \$1,000, 3rd - \$250, 4th - \$250). Leecon Construction Incorporation is looking forward for your participation in the future to make this tournament the most prestigious on the pro handball tour.

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INDIVIDUAL POINTS BREAKDOWN

Individual Points Breakdown is based on the Men's 1-Wall Pro Handball Tour Points System

Players	Achievement	Quality Wins	Differential	Total Points	Players
Cesar Sala	100	10	1.30	111.30	Cesar Sala
Satish Jagnandan	75	0	1.83	76.83	Satish Jagnandan
Victor Lopierre	50	6	1.00	57.00	Victor Lopierre
Willie Polanco	50	4	1.29	55.29	Willie Polanco
Yuber "PeeWee" Castro	25	0	1.26	26.26	Yuber "PeeWee" Castro
Joe Kaplan	25	0	1.20	26.20	Joe Kaplan
Eddie Maisonet	25	0	1.33	26.33	Eddie Maisonet
Tony Roberts	25	0	0.96	25.96	Tony Roberts
Andy Rousseau	5	0	0.88	5.88	Andy Rousseau
Raul Retian	5	0	0.36	5.36	Raul Retian
Milton Jones	5	0	0.20	5.20	Milton Jones
Jesus Ayala	5	0	0.28	5.28	Jesus Ayala
Alvaro Rebaza	5	0	0.64	5.64	Alvaro Rebaza
Kareem Wilkerson	5	0	0.48	5.48	Kareem Wilkerson
Stan Zavovskiy	5	0	0.56	5.56	Stan Zavovskiy
Frank Rivera	5	0	0.68	5.68	Frank Rivera
Paul Angel	5	0	0.00	5.00	Paul Angel
Patrick Chui	5	0	0.00	5.00	Patrick Chui
Louis Diaz	5	0	0.00	5.00	Louis Diaz
Emmanuel Fuentes	5	0	0.00	5.00	Emmanuel Fuentes
Joe Hollander	5	0	0.00	5.00	Joe Hollander
Jonathan Iglesias	5	0	0.00	5.00	Jonathan Iglesias
Jonathan Lee	5	0	0.00	5.00	Jonathan Lee
Mike Lopes	5	0	0.00	5.00	Mike Lopes
Jason Morgan	5	0	0.00	5.00	Jason Morgan
Phong Nguyen	5	0	0.00	5.00	Phong Nguyen
Mike Schneider	5	0	0.00	5.00	Mike Schneider
Robert Smallwood	5	0	0.00	5.00	Robert Smallwood
Robert "Iceman" Sostre	5	0	0.00	5.00	Robert "Iceman" Sostre
Larry Tse	5	0	0.00	5.00	Larry Tse
Paul Williams	5	0	0.00	5.00	Paul Williams
Players	Achievement	Quality Wins	Differential	Utopia Open	Players