

# Dan Vera

Although Danny Vera was a strong 1-wall and 4-wall player as a younger man, he did not make his mark on the world of handball until he became of masters age. And then he became a New York masters champion extraordinaire. In 1-wall he was National Masters (40+) 1-wall Singles Champion five times: 2002, '03, '5, '06, and '07. In 2010 he was USHA National 1-Wall Golden Masters Singles Champion.

In the Albany Open 4-Wall Tournament, from 1994 to 2012, Vera won a dozen masters championships in Masters and Golden Masters categories. Eight were in doubles and four in singles.

When Vera played in 1-wall events, and people were impressed with his skills, those who knew 4-wall would exclaim, "You should see him play 4-wall!"

Vera had a strong natural left swing, very powerful for an opposite hand. With his strong right he served hopping hooks to all sectors of the court. Only the very best players could make decent returns of those serves. And decent returns did not come often.

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