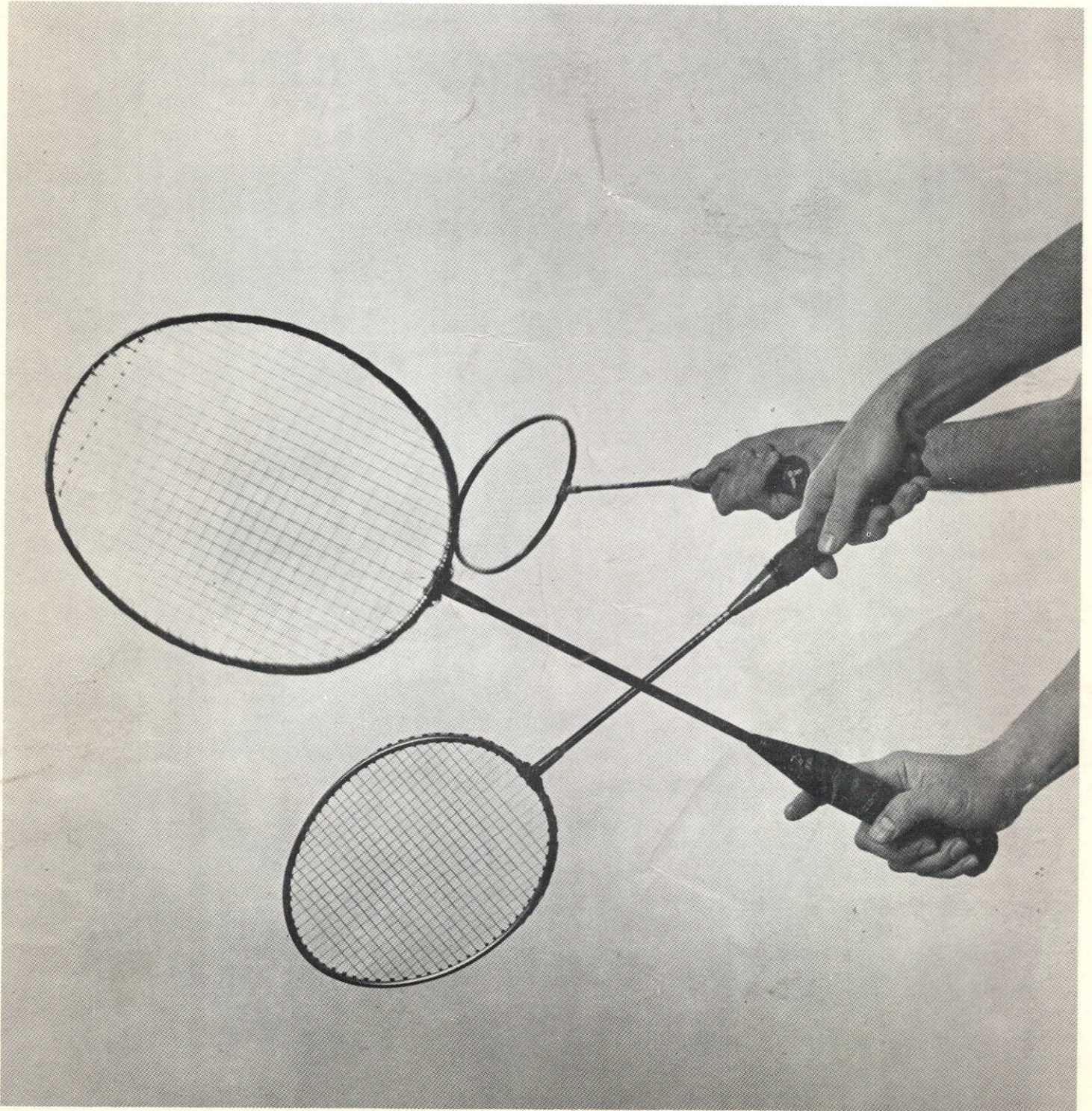


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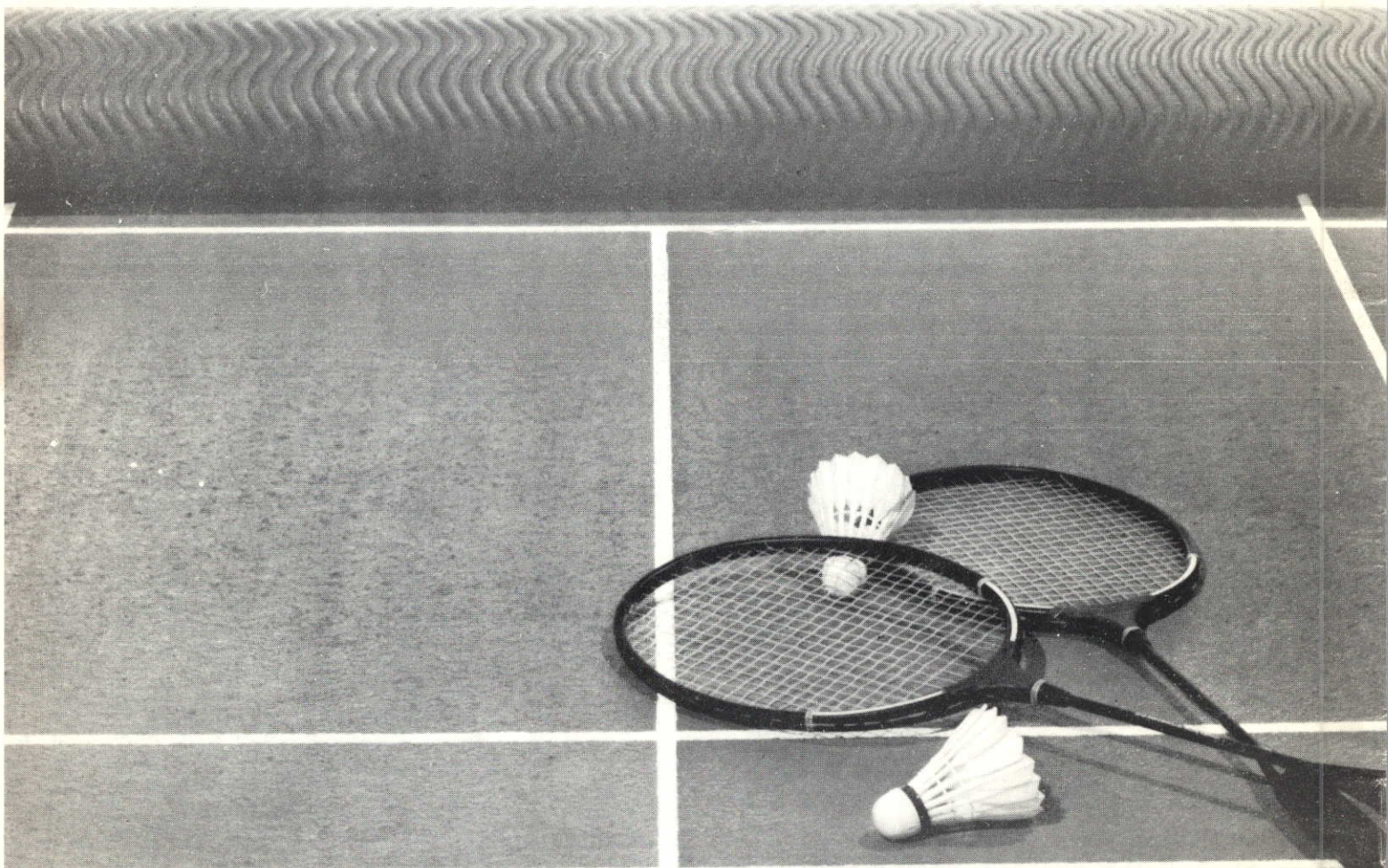
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From The Publisher's Desk

These are exciting times for badminton enthusiasts the world over. In just the last few years the world has seen; the birth of professional badminton, The Peoples Republic of China enter world competition to dominate Thomas and Uber Cup, the World Badminton Championships rotate every other year with the newly revised Thomas and Uber Cup formats, and more international calibre competitions than ever before in badminton history. There is no question that badminton is on the move to take its' rightful place in the world's athletic arena.

The United States has experienced exciting developments on the badminton scene also. The USBA has hired its' first ever full time paid executive director, the beginnings of a pro circuit with the advent of the USBA classic events, and the inception of **The Badminton Magazine**.

All these accomplishments still haven't been able to create the necessary explosion of interest in badminton in the United States that is occurring in the rest of the world. Why not? What is holding back the growth of badminton in the United States?

Part of the answer to this dilemma is that United States badminton needs new innovative ideas implimented by the USBA. **The Badminton Magazine** wants to utilize the energy and expertise of its' subscribers. In our next issue we will begin a new feature section in **The Badminton Magazine**. This section will be a public forum for discussion of new ideas, encouragement or constructive criticism for the USBA to gauge its' effectiveness in your region, and anything our subscribers want to get off their chest about badminton.

What do you think about a USBA membership only costing \$1.00? Maybe our membership would be 10,000 instead of 1,500.

How about a \$1.00 surcharge per entrant per USBA sanctioned tournament to raise desperately needed operating capital for the USBA? Maybe the USBA would be financially solvent.

How about a national coach to coordinate a viable junior development program? Maybe in ten years time the United States would be a power in Thomas and Uber Cup instead of a patsy.

What if the United States had a network of local, regional and national coaches with periodic training camps to improve the level of play in the United States? Canada has it. Maybe we would recapture the Devlin Cup.

Now it is your turn. All you have to do to help United States badminton is write down your ideas and comments and mail them to **The Badminton Magazine**. We will get your comments printed and forward your ideas to the people who can implement them.

The Thomas Cup

By: Tony Alston



(Lf. - Rt.) Coach Poole, Fogarty, Adams, Brady, Britton, Pontow, Alston.

In reporting on the 1984 Thomas Cup competition held in Toronto, I was told to try to capture the "flavor" of the event. Much to my relief as well as the readers', I'm therefore licensed to leave out the irrelevant stuff like the weather, what we ate and who won.

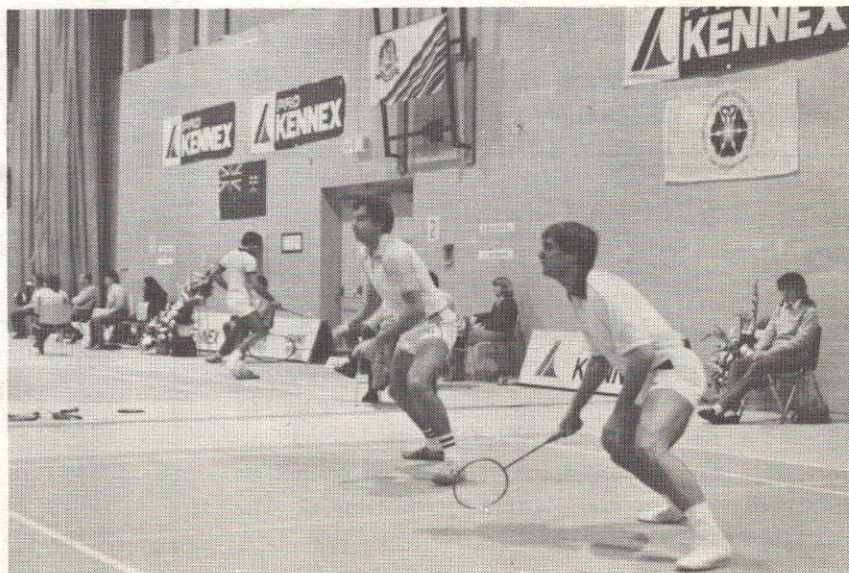
To begin with, I would like to say that I am very thankful to have been given the opportunity to play for the United States. Badminton by nature is a very individual sport. But most of the "me" feelings are disposed of once a team takes the court representing the U.S. I think the '84 team of Mike Adams, Danny Brady, Rodney Barton, Gary Higgins, John Britton, Bruce Pontow, Matt Fogarty, coaches Jim Poole, Martin Barnes, as well as myself, were particularly close. Everyone was sincerely pulling for each other, led by chief cheerleader, Danny Brady. It's a great feeling to have a bunch of guys behind you, yelling their tonsils out. I know it helped me.

If I had to pick an outstanding performer, or performers in this case, I would have to go with the doubles combo of Pontow and Fogarty. In my opinion, they were the best doubles team in Toronto. They won four of their five matches and the one match they did lose was a three gamer to the Japanese on the first night. However, I felt confident that if Bruce and Matt were given another

chance to play the Japanese the result would have been different.

The U.S. finished third overall in a tie between seven countries, not a bad showing, but we all felt we could have done better. We realized the odds were against us when our best all-around player, Gary Higgins, went down with a snapped achilles tendon on the first night of play. It was really

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No. 1 U.S. men's doubles, Matt Fogarty & Bruce Pontow.



(Lf. - Rt.) Coach Toutz, Kitzmiller, Britton, Kelly, Narcowich, French, Carton, Ortez

The Uber Cup

By: Joy Kitzmiller

On Sunday, February 19, eight U.S. women traveled to Toronto, Ontario to play in the 1984 Uber Cup Qualifying Playdowns. There was to be a field of five teams in our Panamerican zone -- Canada, Mexico, Nigeria, Peru, and, of course, the United States. Upon arrival, however, coach Vicki Toutz was informed that Nigeria unfortunately would not be represented, thus decreasing match play and removing another potential winning opportunity for the United States team.

There were *seven* players in the original line-up: Singles -- Cheryl Carton, Judianne Kelly, and myself; and Doubles -- Judianne Kelly - Traci Britton, Nancy Narcowich - Monica Ortez, with Ann French as backup. We were already missing two players as a result of injuries. Coach Toutz used this line-up in our first tie with Taiwan.

As our tie with Taiwan was not until Wednesday evening, we had

Monday, Tuesday, and most of Wednesday to practice as a team, adjust to the time change (as all of us are from the West), and see a few sights in Toronto.

On Monday, we practiced at the Granite Club, a place so ritzy that we were not permitted to enter or exit through the front door, because we were hopelessly underdressed! We entered instead through the underground garage, to remain hidden from the members' view. Regardless of how people enter the club, however, they all end up as equals in the locker room.

After practice, we went to the Eaton's Center (the major shopping center), where we ate at a place called Mr. Green Jeans. Everything offered was oversized, especially their quart-sized shakes. Ann and I modestly split a banana-chocolate concoction, while Cheryl singlehandedly downed a whole one. After shopping for a while, we all experienced Toronto's subway and bus systems. It cost us nearly five dollars per person to get back to the hotel!

Cheryl in action!



Just before our tie with Taiwan, there was an opening ceremony with a bagpipe player, which was fun, and gave us a taste of Canada's Scottish heritage. Immediately afterward, we started to warm-up as our matches were about to begin. Cheryl Carton was first out on the court, opposing Sherry Liu. Cheryl played consistently in the first game to win 11-7.

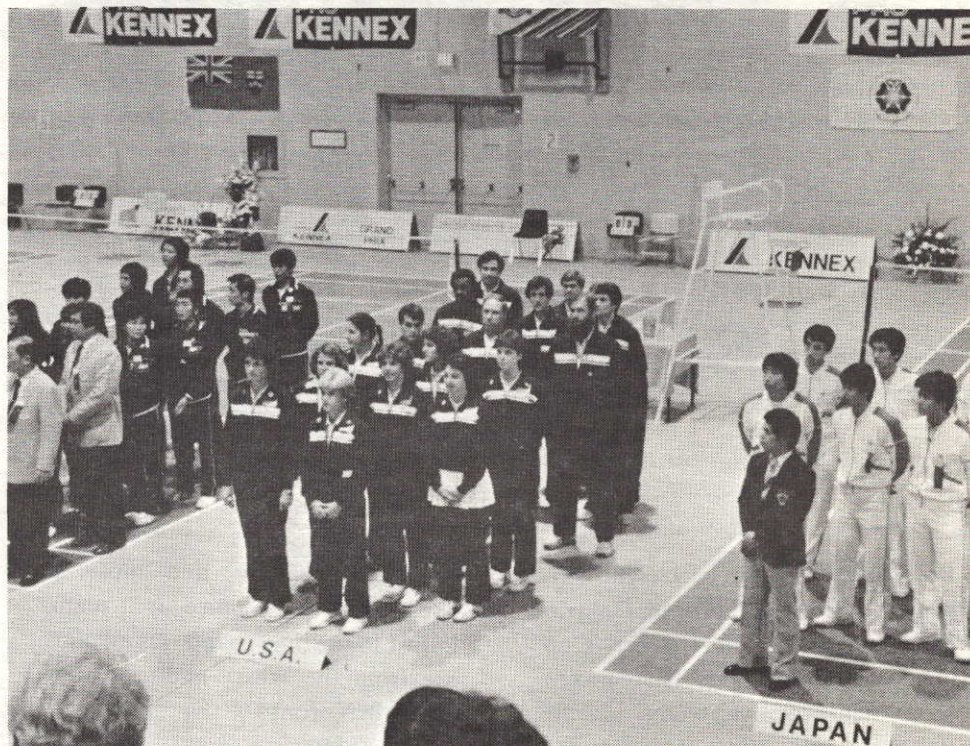
Liu came back strongly to take the second 11-6, and the third 11-5. Then Judy was up, and unfortunately did not play her best and lost 11-2, 11-2.

Next I played Yeuk-Chun in the #3 singles match. In the beginning of the first game, I did something strange to my foot but continued playing, only to lose 11-3. The second game, I fared better and lost by a smaller margin (11-8).

In doubles, Judy and Traci could not find a way to overcome the tenacity of their opponents Chai-Yee -- Choi-Ching, and lost our fourth match 17-14, 15-8. Nancy and Monica, although they played well, had the same problem against Sherry Liu -- Shou-Chi (15-0, 15-8).

Well, it was a disappointing 0-5 loss to say the least. It was even more disappointing for me when I discovered that the "something strange" that happened to my foot was actually an inversion sprain with a pulled ligament in my arch. I was not permitted to play Peru on Thursday.

Our tie with Peru was a much happier one. Cheryl beat Gloria Jimenez 11-8, 11-9, with very few problems. Similarly, Judy defeated Sylvia Jimenez 11-4, 11-5. However, Ann French, who had been working on doubles only for a long time, ended up in the #3 singles spot playing Ximena Bellido and lost 11-3, 11-7. Thus we were leading 2-1 upon entering the doubles matches. Here, Judy and Tracy cleaned up, winning 11-15, 15-6, 15-11 against Jimenez-Jimenez. Still, Nancy and Monica had to play, even though the tie had already been won (3-1). Alas,



Opening ceremonies in Toronto.

poor Nancy! She tore the ligaments in her knee while leading 5-0 in the first game against Carmen and Ximena Bellido.

Vicki was forced to make a new lineup for Canada, because of the loss of Nancy and the limits of my foot. The decision was as follows: singles had Cheryl playing #1, Judy playing #2, and Ann playing #3; doubles had Monica and Traci at #1 and Judy and I at #2. We played the Canadians on Friday evening. We lost the singles matches so quickly it was amazing, although Ann put up an impressive fight. Judy and I started out well, but could not keep up the pace; Julien and Cloutier had played together too long to have many weak points. Falardeau and Backhouse also demonstrated their power against

Traci and Monica by defeating them 15-5, 15-7.

The final results against Canada were: Julien defeated Carton 11-4, 11-1; Carter defeated Kelly 11-1, 11-3; Backhouse defeated French 11-3, 11-3; and Cloutier-Julien defeated Kelly-Kitzmiller 15-8, 15-3.

At the end of the competition the standings were: 1st place -- Canada, 2nd--Taiwan, 3rd--U.S.A., and 4th--Peru. Although the ultimate outcome of the competition was disappointing, the experience of world team competition was great for me, and I believe that this new format of playing several teams in the same place further enhances the excitement and importance of the Uber Cup competition.

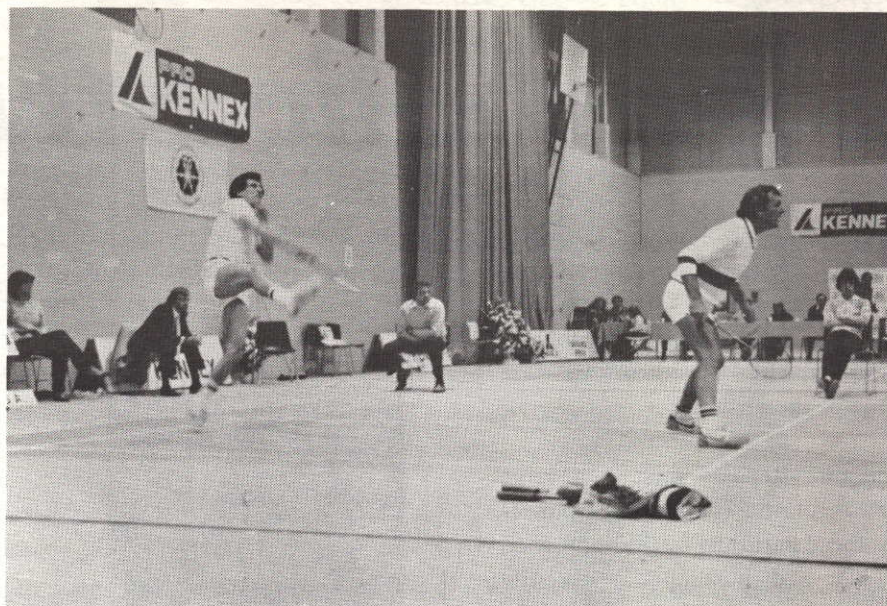
a drag because Gary had been training hard and is a good man to count on when the situation is tough. I know I speak for all the team when I wish Gary the best of luck on his road to recovery. In a closing thought, I would like to comment on what I feel must be done for the United States to regain it's former position of respectability in the Thomas Cup. The problem certainly does not lie with our doubles teams. I'm sure that the top teams in our country can play with anyone, as results will show.

The problem rests with us -- the singles players. It is no fun to point an accusing finger at yourself, but it's the truth. In our match with Canada, the tie was decided before our doubles teams set foot on the court, because we had lost all three singles. I think we have the potential to develop some good international singles players, and this is a must if we are *ever* to win our zone again. Hopefully, in the future the U.S. singles players will be able to take some of the pressure off the doubles teams. Only through hard work can this be achieved.

Overall the Thomas Cup in '84 was not too bad for the U.S. men. We did manage to upset Taiwan, which was fun, but there is so much room for improvement you could drive a truck through it! Let's hope in 1986 we do even better. I'd like to thank Yonex for its contribution of the team sweatsuits and thank the USBA for its support as well.



NICE TRY!



Pick-up doubles team of Mike Adams and John Britton.

Photos by: Judi Kelly

Thomas Cup Results

USA (0)	vs.	JAPAN (5)
Barton	15-13, 15-5	Hasagewa
Alston	15-5, 15-2	Matsuura
Higgins	15-2, 12-15, 12-8	Nishiyama * default
Adams-Brady	15-11, 15-7	Matasuno-Matsuura
Fogarty-Pontow	15-6, 14-17, 15-11	Miyamori-Inoue

USA (3)	vs.	CHINESE-TAIPEI (2)
Barton	15-10, 15-9	Han-Chia
Alston	15-12, 15-11	Huo-Chuen
Brady	6-15, 15-11, 15-1	Ka-Chuen
Adams-Britton	15-8, 18-13	Kung-Fu, Tzung-Lieh
Fogarty-Pontow	15-12, 15-8	Han-Chia, Shieh-Chi

USA (5)	vs.	NIGERIA (0)
Barton	15-7, 15-7	Egbeyemi
Alston	15-9, 15-2	Ogbo
Brady	15-9, 18-15	Tokosi
Fogarty-Pontow	15-2, 15-6	Ogbo-Tokosi
Adams-Britton	15-10, 15-1	Egbeyemi-Orakpo

USA (5)	vs.	MEXICO (0)
Barton	15-8, 15-11	F. DelaTorre
Alston	15-1, 15-10	Tapia
Brady	15-2, 15-7	E. DelaTorre
Fogarty-Pontow	15-11, 15-4	Jaramillo-Jaramillo
Adams-Britton	15-10, 15-7	Tapia-DelaTorre

USA (1)	vs.	CANADA (4)
Barton	15-5, 15-9	Butler
Alston	8-15, 15-13, 15-6	MacDougall
Brady	15-12, 15-5	Goss
Fogarty-Pontow	15-8, 15-6	Bitten-Dabelle
Adams-Britton	15-10, 15-8	Freitag-MacDougall

Anabolic Steroids

By: Patricia Cane

With the 1984 Summer Olympics coming closer, anabolic steroids are in the news again. What are they? Why do some athletes use them? Should you and I try them? Here are some of the answers.

Anabolic steroids include a large variety of the chemical substances produced naturally by the body, such as bile and hormones. Recently science has learned to copy these naturally and make them more readily available for medical uses.

Testosterone is probably the most widely talked about anabolic steroid being used by some male and female athletes. It is the male hormone that starts circulating in large quantities at puberty, causing boys to take on the characteristic male qualities of increased muscle mass, increased body hair, etc... as they grow to manhood.

Evidence has been offered to suggest that administering testosterone to animals and humans results in an increase in muscle weight (hypertrophy) and strength. Testosterone also has anabolic effects (nitrogen-retention and protein-building), and has been given to victims of starvation or to debilitated patients with chronic diseases to help induce a state of positive nitrogen balance.

The synthetic steroids that have been developed by medical science are less virilizing. And some weight lifters, shot putters, discus throwers, wrestlers, and football players have used them in the belief that they enhance performance by increasing muscle mass, strength, and body

weight, especially when taken along with a high protein diet. However, investigations have shown that



increased muscle strength occurs to a greater extent when drugs are administered before puberty or after

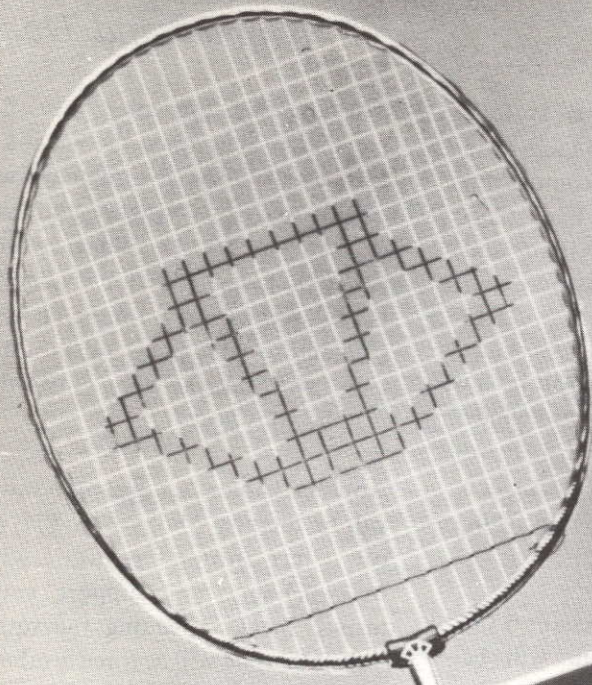
the age of 50. This is because the body's testosterone production is naturally low at those ages. But for young athletes in whom the natural secretion of male hormones is presumably still at a high level, there was no significant change in strength.

The adverse effects of anabolic steroids should suffice to warn all athletes against their use. Most notable are hepatic dysfunction, including cirrhosis of the liver and hepato-cellular carcinoma; decreased libido; testicular atrophy; gynecomastia (large breasts in males) salt and water retention; and hypertension which can cause premature heart attacks and/or strokes.

In women, anabolic steroids also may produce such signs of virilization as a beard, increased body hair, increased musculature and receding hair line, plus amenorrhea and sterility.

In short, folks, anabolic steroids are best left alone. They are of questionable benefit for enhancing athletic performance, and may pose potentially severe health hazards for men or women.

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Thomas and Uber

Got any plans for May? How about a quick trip to Kuala Lumpur, the capital of Malaysia, for the finals of the 1984 Thomas and Uber Cup Challenge?

Among the many international tournaments scheduled this year, the Thomas and Uber Cup is shaping up as the major event. Many European players are expected, although the defending champions Indonesians and Chinese teams are odds-on favorites to face one another in the Thomas Cup finals, as they have in so many recent international tourneys, with the Chinese ladies dominating the Uber Cup Challenge.

For the men's event, both the Indonesians and the Chinese will take to the courts with very powerful squads.

On paper, the Indonesians appear to have the #1 Thomas Cup team. They

are well balanced and led by four brilliant singles players in Liem Swie King, Ick Sugianto, Hastomo Arbi, and Eddy Kuniarwan. Even their doubles pairs like Christian and Bobby Ertanto and Kartono and Rudy Herryanto are world ranked.

Meanwhile, China's men will be no pushovers. Their top players include Han Jian, the All-England champion, plus Luan Jin, Chen Changji, Tian Bianyi, and Yang Yang.

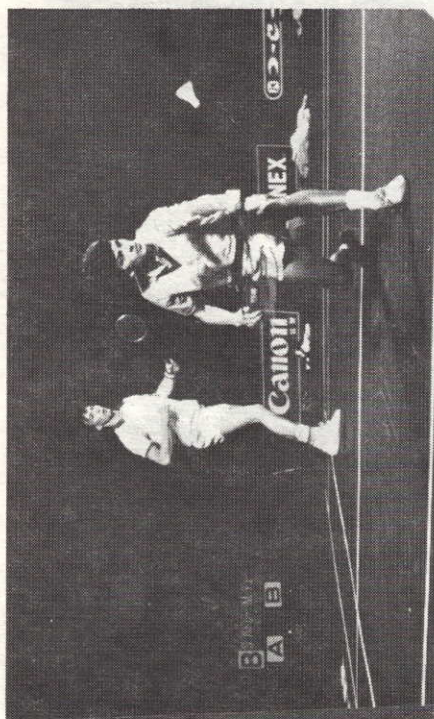
One factor favoring the Asians is the climate. Kuala Lumpur will be extremely hot in May, and a lot of the Asians are used to such weather. Many of the European players intend to come early for serious training for the final round, but it's unlikely they will be at their best for the matches in the newly renovated indoor Stadium Negara.

The 1984 Challenge will feature a

new one-day format -- just five matches to determine the winner of each event. The five matches will consist of three singles and two doubles matches. This contrasts with the old format of nine matches played over two days for the Thomas Cup and seven matches for the Uber Cup, which also is being cut to five matches this year.

Another Thomas Cup team to watch will be the host Malaysians. Playing on their home ground with overwhelming fan support could inspire them. Heading the squad from Malaysia will be three brothers, Misbun, Razif, and Jalani Sidek. The younger brothers, Razif and Jalani, were the 1982 All-England doubles champs. And Misbun has won many big tournaments in recent months, beating some of the world's best players.

The South Korean men also could pull an upset or two. In the past three



Dew & Baddley (England)



Han Jin (China)



Liem Swie King (Indonesia)

Kuala Lumpur and the 1984

Cup Challenge

By: Francis Cheah

years, South Korean players have risen from badminton obscurity and steadily improved.

Among the Europeans, Denmark appears likely to do well with its well-balanced singles and doubles teams, including Morten Frost Hansen, Jen Peter Nierhoff, Steen Fladberg, and Jesper Helledie. England and Sweden are worth watching as well as the competition unfolds.

For the Uber Cup, it's a lot more clear which ladies' team will take home the trophy. The Chinese are firm favorites. In fact, since being admitted into the International Badminton Federation in 1981, China has dominated virtually all women's events.

With world-class players like Zhang Ailing, Li Lingwei, Han Aiping, Xu Rong, and Wu Dixi -- plus a very large backup squad -- China appears unbeatable. Their team has an

answer to meet just about any kind of challenge.

The defending champion Japanese no longer have a strong enough team to win the Uber. And the English, Indonesian, and South Korean ladies, while enjoying some strong individual talents, aren't likely to be able to mount a serious threat.

The English have a good women's doubles team, the South Koreans some fine singles players, and the Indonesians are young and building strength. Perhaps an individual or two will upset her Chinese opponent, but no team seems likely to stop their overall squad.

This year's finals for both the Thomas and Uber will provide spectators with exceptional badminton competition, probably the best anywhere in international tournament play in 1984. If you want

to see the game played at its highest level, make your travel plans now for Malaysia in May.



About the author: Francis is single, 30 years old and was raised in Malaysia. He has traveled extensively through Europe and is currently a full-time badminton coach in Singapore. When not playing badminton Francis is an accomplished chef who cooks both Western and Asian foods.



Jesper Helledie (Denmark)



Sidek Brothers (Malaysia)



Razif Sidek (Malaysia)

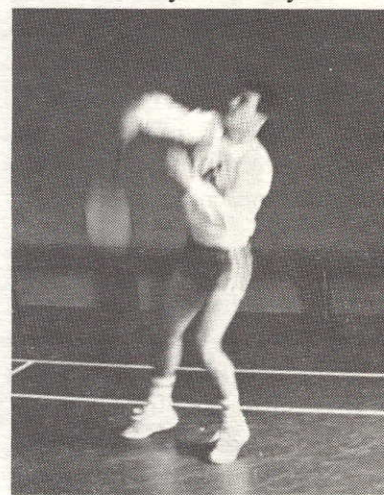
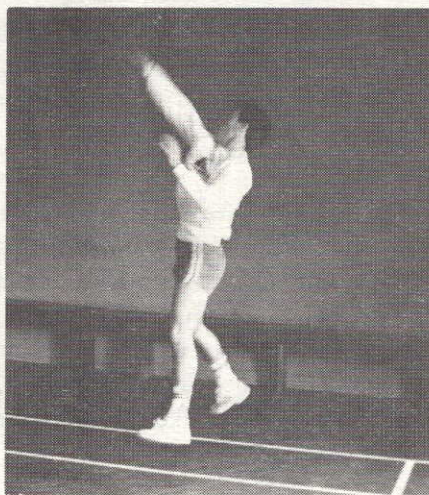
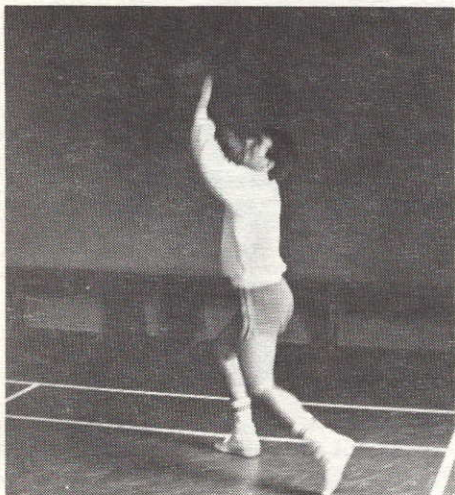
A QUICK CHAMPIONSHIP TIP - *from Tony Alston*

Is your singles game a bit anemic? How about a new shot for your doubles arsenal? Has your game reached a plateau with nowhere to go? Follow this tip from Thomas Cup member Tony Alston and inject new life into your offense.

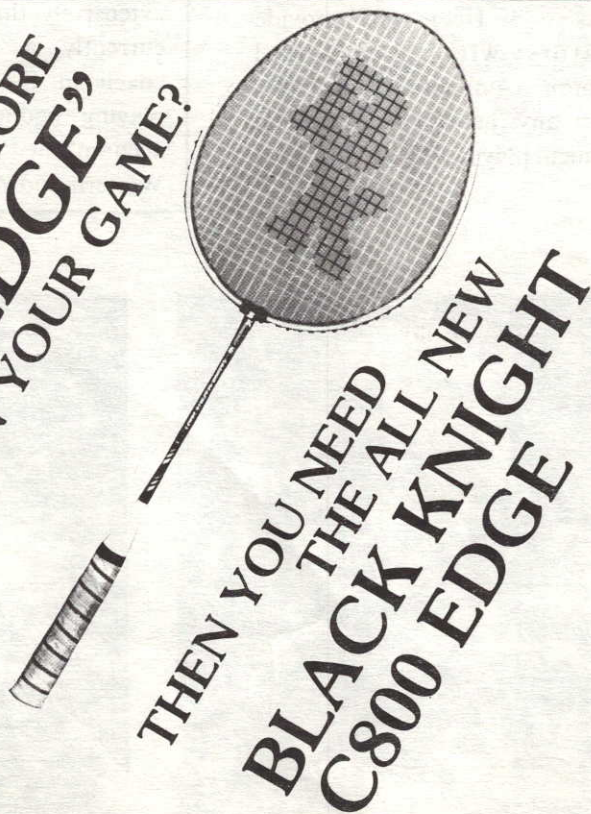
Cut off low flat clears to your forehand by jumping into the shuttle's flight path. Why wait and turn your shoulder when you can intercept the shuttle earlier? When executed properly this move allows you to control the pace of the game

and maintain aggressiveness rather than just react to your opponent's shots.

Remember, get to the shuttle quickly. And then mix up your shot selection to keep your opponent off balance and at your mercy.



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Dump The Doubles Serve

By: Bob Cook

The receiver raises up slowly on the balls of his feet, cocking the racket high above. The eyes rivet on the prey. The body instinctively freezes, coiled, ready to strike. A second passes, maybe two. Then pounce, slash, and it's over. Another one-shot doubles rally.

Night after night we perform this anachronistic ritual. Why? To appease the gods? To satiate some basic animal instinct? How did we reach this degraded state of existence where skill, strategy and conditioning no longer play a major role in determining the outcome of a badminton game?

Badminton's rules have changed very little since the 19th century. Even with the great improvement in playing skills, speed, and equipment the basic rules of the game and the dimensions of the court have remained intact for the most part.

The most dramatic rule change that I can remember was acceptance of the "wood" shot. For beginners and club players, it was a blessing -- longer rallies and alot less bickering.

Unfortunately for tournament and serious players the single biggest irritant and rally stopper has never been addressed -- the doubles serve. It is the *only* phase of the game where cheating is encouraged. To have a really effective service, you must start the serve as high as you can get away with. For this reason, tournament doubles always requires frequent service arbitration. Even with good referees, however, only the consistently blatant violations are called. And very few eyes are keen enough to catch a high "flick" serve (mine certainly are not).

For club players the problem is a little different, but nonetheless just as annoying. Many good but inexperienced players have high serves (especially in close games) without really being conscious of the fact. Do you stop the game and become a rule "nitpicker"? Generally speaking no, but it sure can bug you, especially if you lose.

The fundamental problem with doubles serving is that it has little relationship to other skills and aspects of the game. Doubles serving is a unique and foreign skill (especially backhand serving), which must be practiced for its own sake. Even more ridiculous is the arbitrary advantage taller people have in doubles serving. A 5-foot-tall person is permitted to strike the shuttle about 34 inches above the floor, while a six-footer is allowed an additional 8 inches (10 inches if he or she hikes up their shorts). No amount of speed, conditioning, or experience can compensate for this height advantage. Once the shuttle is in play, the height of a player become relatively unimportant, so why create an injustice at the initial stage? If we must continue having "doubles serves", then let's set a standard height limit for contacting the shuttle (say 100cm, or 3 feet, or maybe 10 hands).

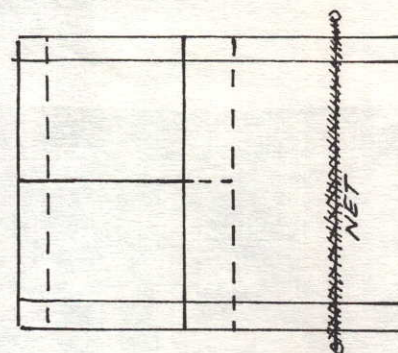
But let me be perfectly clear. I do not think we should try to fix up doubles serving by adding more rules. Good god, do you know how many rules we already have dealing with just delivering and receiving a serve? Foot position, shuttle height, shuttle contact, racket head height, set position, delivery time, type of swing, and I don't know how many more.

The same rules also apply to the singles game. In the past few years I've seen some over-zealous referees call shuttle height faults and foot

faults on deep singles serves. On a short serve I could understand, but on a deep serve what difference can it make how, when, and where the shuttle was contacted. They all come down the same.

The best solution to this entire predicament is to junk the doubles serve as we currently know it. Numerous alternatives come to mind, but let me propose the one I find appealing.

First, do away with the back doubles service line so that a deep serve could be the same as a singles serve. Second, move the front service line back far enough (say 18 to 30 inches) to discourage net charging and eliminate the need for pinpoint accurate short serves.



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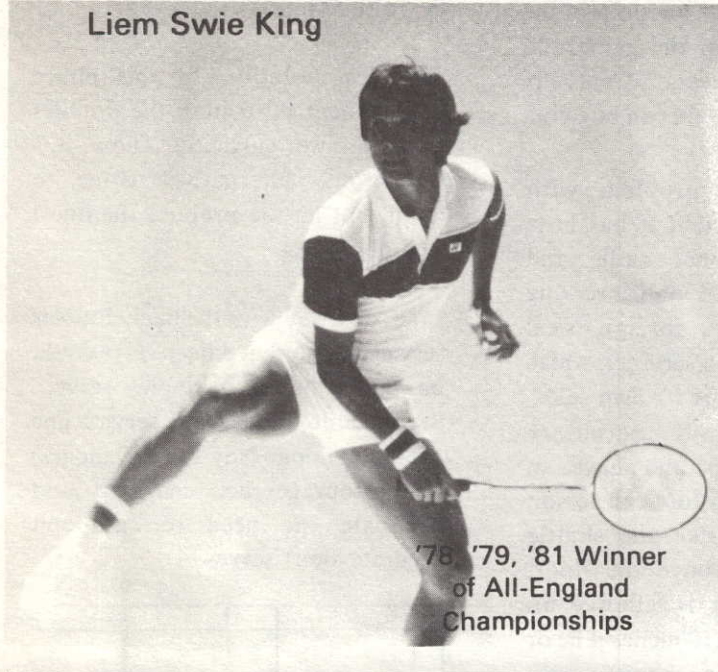
--- ELIMINATED LINES

Players could return to the basic full underhand swing for delivering good deep serves. And, with both the server and receiver standing further back in their courts, short serving would produce a more neutral opening for the rally than the current do-or-die situation. This change should result in a much better balance of short and deep services, with many more long rallies and alot less need for arbitration over players' serving styles.

Let's dump the doubles serve and get on with playing more badminton!

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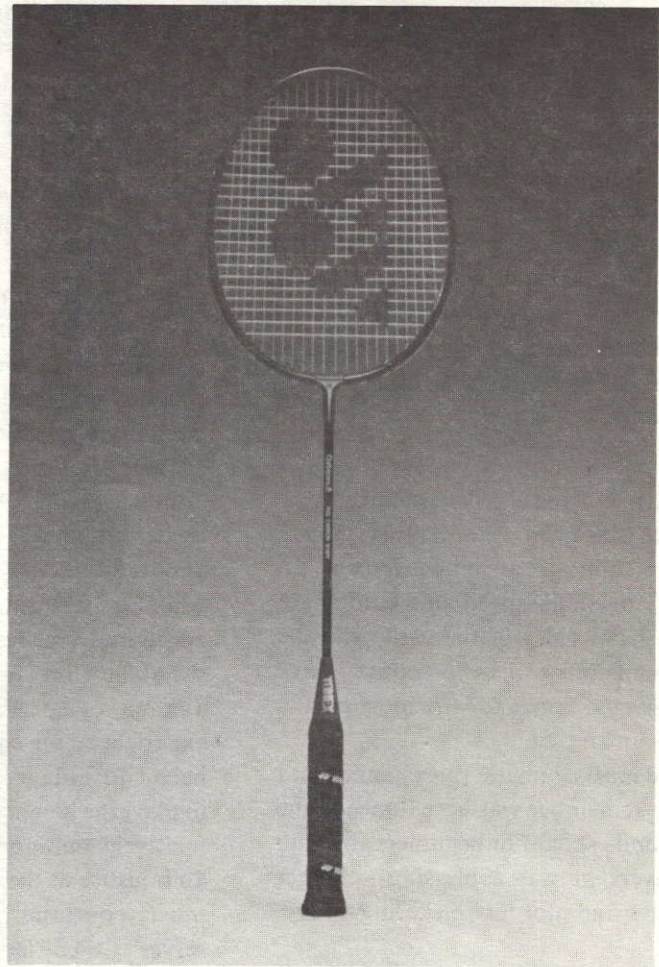


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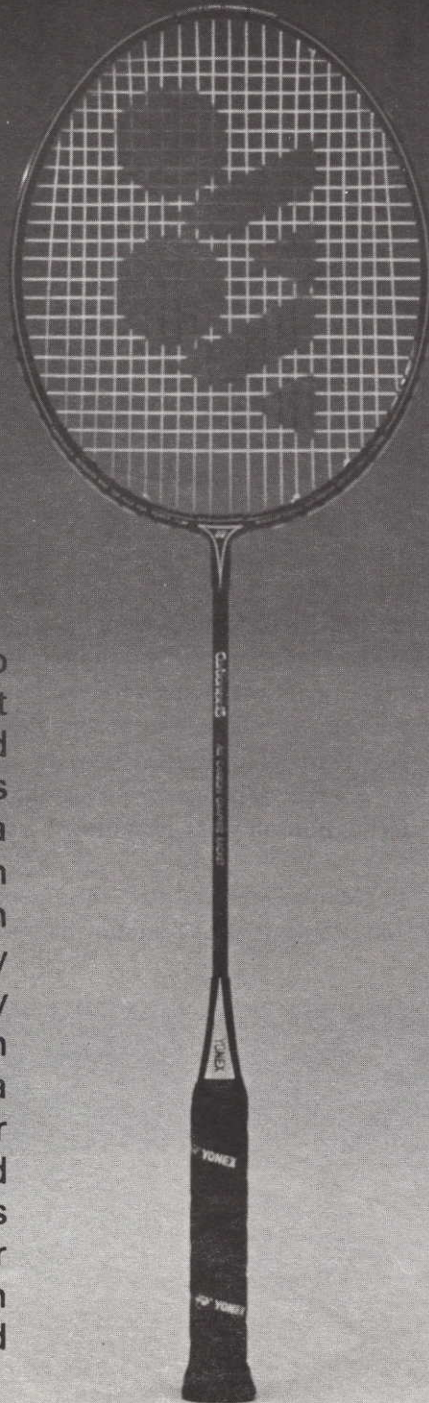
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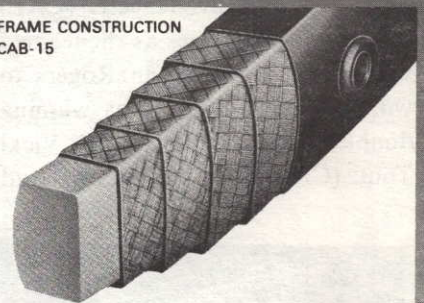
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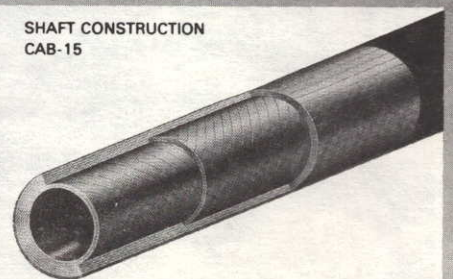


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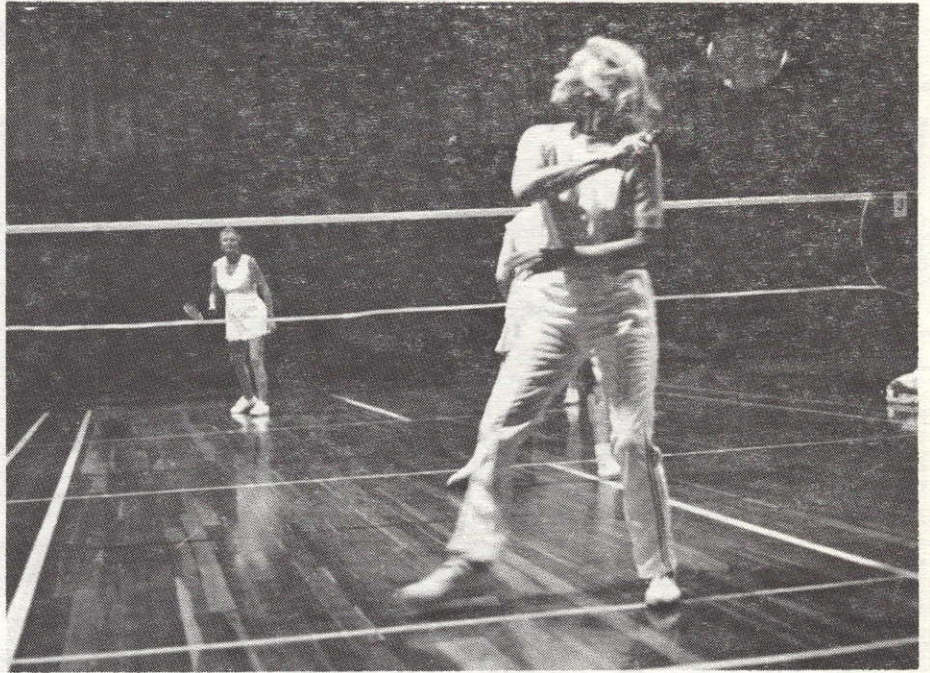
Players at the Senior Open in San Diego ranged in age from 35 years to 75+, but don't let the ages fool you. At times there was more action on the courts at the Federal Building January 19-21 than at a "hot" Vegas craps table!

Many new players, including Pat Armendariz, Roger Hedge, and Timmy Yuen, "came of age" this year and caused some excitement during the weekend.

In an excellent semi final match, Roger Hedge (CAL) went three games before succumbing to Tom Carmichael in the "Men's Singles - 40". Former Chinese badminton star and coach, Timmy Yuen, won the final from Carmichael 15-7, 15-11.

This year the Open featured it's first "Men's Singles - 70+" and Canadian Henry Paynter took the title by defeating Guy Johnson (GA).

Effervescent Kelly Tibbetts (CAL) scored triple victories as she teamed with U.S. legend Wynn Rogers to win "Mixed - 55+", plus winning doubles titles. She joined Vicki Toutz (CAL) in the "35" bracket and

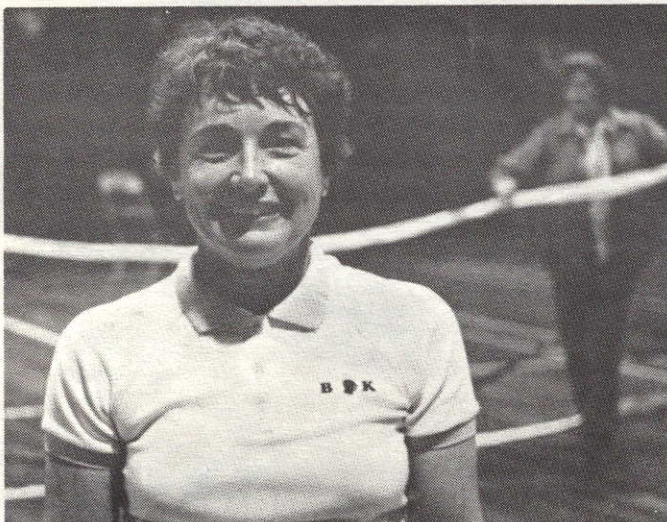


The amazing Kelly Tibbetts shows her stuff.

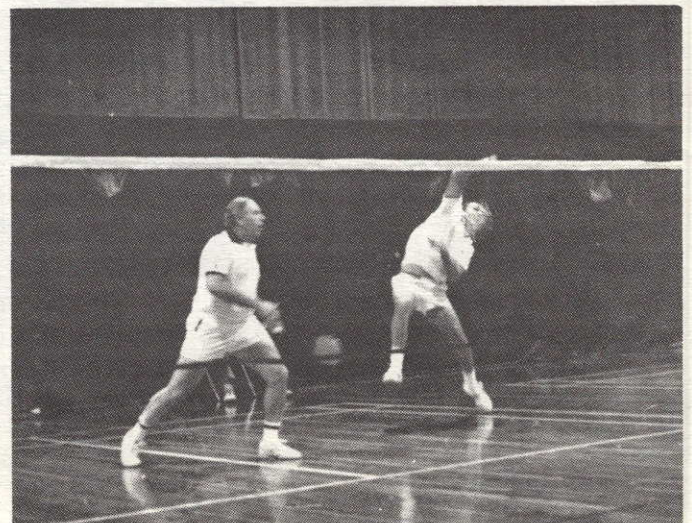
celebrated Canadian Claire Lovett (70 years plus) in the "55+" flight. The "55+" finals was a treat to watch as the four women had approximately 200 years of combined badminton experience. Minds were quicker than feet -- but, oh what beautiful shots!

In "Men's Doubles - 40+", the duo of Jim Poole (CAL) and Carmichael

demonstrated their excellent shot repertoire by defeating the younger team of Armendariz (CAL) and Yuen 15-7, 15-9. Poole also kept busy with wins in the "Mixed - 40" and "Mixed - 50" brackets. He and Toutz easily beat current U.S. Senior National champs, Carmichael and Starkey and, in an exciting and lengthy match, he teamed with



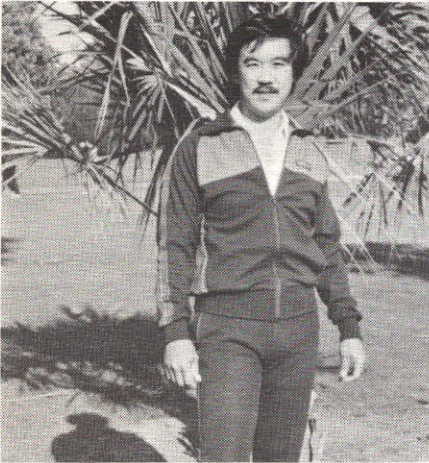
Tournament Chairperson, Charlene Starkey



Over 40 men's doubles winners, Jim Poole and Tom Carmichael.

Starkey to beat Abdul Shaikh (CAN) and Joyce Jones (WASH) 15-11, 16-17, 15-6.

Awards of gold and silver coins were presented to the winners and runners-up during a dinner dance.



Bringing home the gold, Timmy Yeun.

Chaired by current U.S. Senior Mixed and Doubles champion, Carlene Starkey, this tourney attracts many fine players from the U.S.A. and Canada. And at least one, Berit Hagtvedt, came from Norway.

"This tournament gives seniors *two* tournaments a year to play -- the Open and Senior Nationals," says co-chairperson Virginia Lyon, former ABA president. The idea for a U.S. Open was proposed and accepted by the USBA Board in 1979 after Carlene, Poole and Wally and Ann Foy tried the Canadian Senior Open and found it so enjoyable.

The 4th U.S. Senior Open was a great pleasure to watch... so many stars of badminton past, Wynn Rogers, Kelly Tibbetts, Larry Calvert, Waldo Lyon among others. It is indeed unfortunate more spectators could not find the time to enjoy these matches as there were probably over 100 title holders in the draw. The footwork might have been a little slower but the friendship and competitive spirit seemed ageless.

32nd Annual Dave Freeman Open

Despite the absence of many top players because the U.S. Thomas and Uber Cup squad was preparing to fly to Toronto, both the Men's Singles and Men's Doubles titles were sharply contested at this year's 32nd Annual Dave Freeman Open in San Diego.

Quick-footed Tony Alston was the singles winner, beating Guy Chadwick 15-1 and 17-15. Chadwick, however, showed why his 1984 singles ranking jumped to #8 from last year's #16 by narrowly defeating Arizona's Miles Munson in the semifinal round.

In Men's Doubles, John Britton continued to amaze onlookers -- as well as frustrate opponents -- with his talents. Despite playing with a broken right arm, Britton and Curt Stephen teamed to beat fellow Californians Bob Dickie and Bob Gilmour 15-4, 11-15, and 15-10 in the finals.

Britton has won four Men's Doubles titles at the Freeman, each with a different partner, and continues to be ranked as the #1 men's doubles player in the United States.

In Mixed Doubles, Danny Rubin and Diane Hales also needed three games to win the title. They defeated 1983 Challenge Cup champions Paisan Rangsitkpho and Teri Lira 17-14, 3-15, and 15-12 in the final.

Competition at this year's Freeman Open was lightest in the women's ranks, especially since many of the best singles players were absent.

Brenda Nobauer and Regina Rubin of Arizona took top honors in Women's "A" Doubles, which was contested on a round-robin basis. And Nobauer readily won the "A" singles crown by sweeping both games with her Arizona State University teammate Gina Weber, 11-7 and 11-8.

The 32nd Freeman Open was held February 18-20 at San Diego's Federal Building, and hosted nicely by Wally and Ann Foy and the San Diego Badminton Club.



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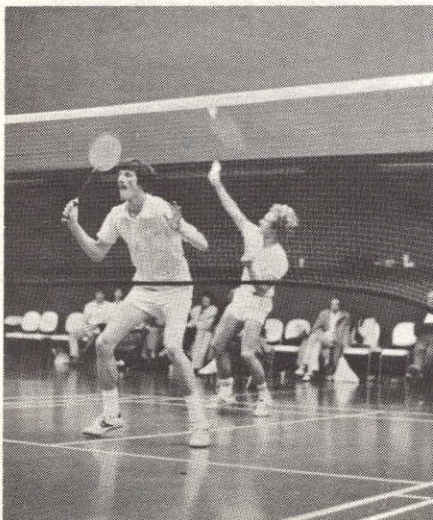
Oregon Invitational

By: David Levin

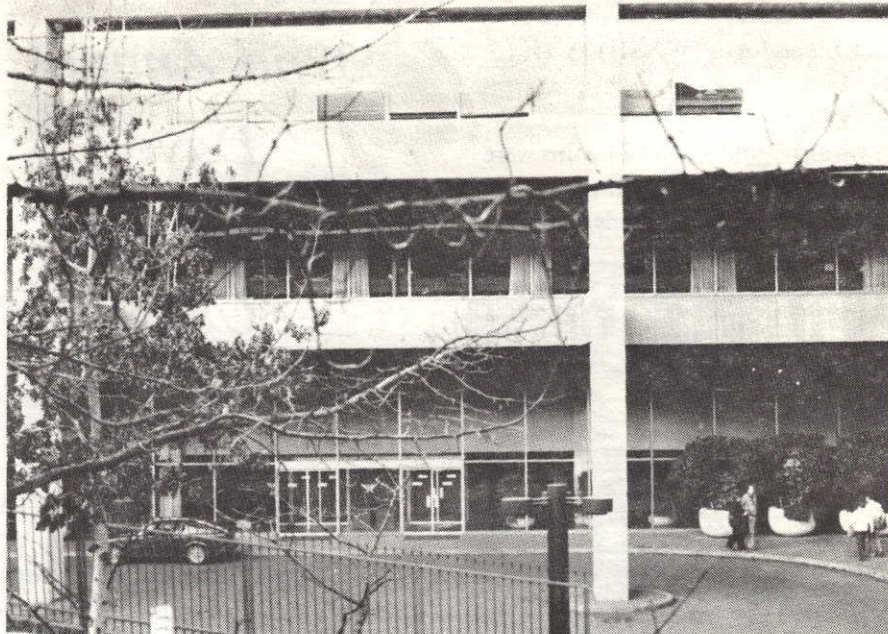
The 1984 Oregon Invitational tournament fielded 117 entrants, the largest draw in its 35 year history. They competed for titles in Open, "B", and "C" divisions as well as a Senior's flight.

The entire Pacific coast was represented, with entrants from San Diego, Los Angeles and San Francisco, plus Oregon, Washington and Vancouver B.C. There also was a nice international flavor to the tournament. In addition to more than 25 Canadian athletes, foreign exchange students from Denmark, Hong Kong, Malaysia and Portugal also participated.

While the top echelon U.S. players were not present, the Open division featured many evenly contested matches from the quarter finals onward. In Women's Singles, U.S. Open runner-up Claire Backhouse (CAN) easily frustrated her less experienced opponent, Joanne Cicrich (ORE) 11-3, 11-2. Men's Singles saw foreign exchange student, Per Bendix (DEN) demonstrate classic European singles style in defeating David Levin (CAL) 15-10, 15-4.



Washington's doubles team of Randy Ferrell and Per Bendix.



The beautifully equipped Multnomah Athletic Club.

In the Mixed Doubles finals, Doug Sharpe and Backhouse came on strong from a 0-9 deficit in the first game to beat fellow Canadians Byron Kid and Joyce Robertson 15-9, 15-3. Meanwhile, the excellent smash defense of Damian Chang and Phil Milward (CAN) was enough to beat Bendix and Randy Ferrell (WASH) in Men's Doubles 15-11, 15-7. In Women's Doubles, Backhouse and Robertson were too strong for Penny Graves and Eileen Morrison (WASH) and beat them in three games, 15-5, 13-15, 15-4.

The tournament was played January 13-15, at the Multnomah Athletic Club, located in downtown Portland under the shadows of Mt. Hood and Mt. St. Helens. The Club is a fabulous full-service athletic facility boasting 17,600 members and its badminton gym has three superb courts and room for spectators.

Lou Cicrich did a fine job organizing the tournament and holding a roast beef buffet dinner in one of the club's banquet rooms. Dinner, entry fees for three events, and one free shuttle for each match were included in the nominal fee of \$24.00 per entrant.

Publisher's Note: This tournament was throughly enjoyable. With each participant guaranteed at least three matches per event, the reasonable entry fees and delicious banquet, more emphasis was placed on creating long lasting friendships than on who would be the eventual champion. The athletes gave 100% effort while competing but kept perspective on the importance of winning or losing. I can't help but think if there were more tournaments like this badminton would have millions of participants rather than the few thousand who currently compete in this outstanding sport.

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The 54 participants in this year's Honolulu Open included seven Canadians, a raft-load of Californians, and one player from Seattle. They shared the spotlight, and some of the trophies, with players from Honolulu and Hilo.

Top honors in Men's Singles went to Jeff Desroches (CAN), who defeated Ron Yeh (HON), while Diane Hales (CA) beat defending champion Helen Rusich-Brown (CAN) for the Women's Singles title.

Yeh teamed with Wilfred Loui (HON) to take the Men's Doubles from Freman Lin (HON) and Pete Puchalski (CA). Meanwhile, Puchalski and Hales won the Mixed Doubles by defeating Yeh and Lorna Arita (HON).

The drop flight format was used again as in the past two tourneys. It enabled lower level players to test their badminton skills against the "A" and "B" players. After two or three rounds, most found their

3rd Annual Honolulu Open

proper niche in the Open flight or the "B", "C", "D", or Novice categories.

The Open was held at the University of Hawaii gym and the Aiea Recreation Center January 6-8 under the joint sponsorship of the Honolulu, Aiea, and University of Hawaii badminton clubs.



Open Men's Doubles winners, Ron Yeh and Wilfred Loui receive awards.

By: Darlene Jay-Heu



Hospitality chairman Wilfred Loui organized a pre-tournament round of golf, followed by a potluck supper at the University gym. During the supper break, the Outrigger Volleyball team shared the gym, giving the women a chance to get a close look at actor Tom Selleck, who worked out with the team. He's strong backer of our U.S. Olympic Men's Team and an avid volleyball fan and player. Hmmmm... too bad he's not interested in badminton!

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Collegiate Nationals

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Ten universities competed for individual championships as well as the men's and women's team title. The results are as follows:

Men's Team Standings:

Arizona State University (22 pts)
 U.C.L.A. (11 pts)
 Cal State, L.A. (5 pts)
 Cal State, Long Beach (3 pts)
 Claremont College (2 1/2 pts)
 Duke University (1 1/2 pts)
 Stanford (1 pt)

Women's Team Standings:

Arizona State University (13 pts)
 Stanford (9 pts)
 U.C.L.A. (8 pts)
 George Washington (7 pts)
 Cal State, Long Beach (5 pts)
 Cal State, L.A. (1 pt)
 Uni. of Calif. @ San Diego (1 pt)

ALL-AMERICAN - Men



ALL-AMERICAN - Women



Individual results are as follows:

Men's Singles

Rodney Barton (ASU) def. Tony Alston (UCLA) 12-15, 15-12, 15-8

Women's Singles

Joy Kitzmiller (Stan) def. Brenda Nobauer (ASU) 11-2, 9-12, 11-7

Men's Doubles

Alston-Curt Stephan (UCLA) def. Martin French-Miles Munson (ASU) 6-15, 15-7, 15-9

Women's Doubles

Nobauer-Regina Rubin (ASU) def. Celeste Ferrer-Georgia Sproul (UCLA) 15-12, 15-9

Mixed Doubles

French-Kitzmiller def. Carl Knudsen-Gina Weber (ASU) 15-7, 15-10

Selections for All-American also were made by a coaches committee headed by Don Paup.

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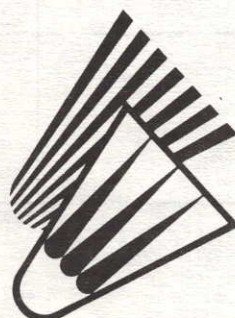


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Women's Singles -

Li Lingwei (China) def. Han Aiping (China) 11/5; 11/8

Men's Doubles -

R. Heryanto & H. Kartono (Indonesia) def. Martin Dew & Mike Tredgett (Eng) 15/11; 15/6

Women's Doubles -

Lin Ying & Wu Dixi (China) def. Yun Ja Kim & Sang Hee You (Korea) 15/8; 8/15; 17/14

Mixed Doubles -

Martin Dew & Gillian Gilks (Eng) def. Nick Tier & G.C. Gowers (Eng) 15/8; 15/3

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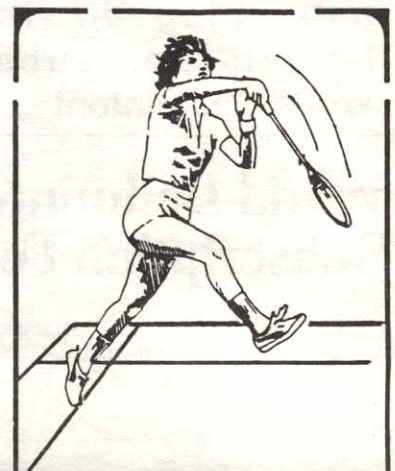
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Editor's Comments . . .

Hey, enough is enough!

How many times have you told someone that you play badminton and they looked at you funny? Or asked if it isn't too dark to play at night, or tell you how "Aunt Maude" was a terror with a racket at the last family picnic? Unfortunately, these comments are all too typical.

One of our greatest concerns as competitive badminton players is having the sport accepted in a credible manner by the public and media. I would like to share with you three instances in a two week period of January, on nationally broadcasted shows in which the sport of badminton once again was relegated to lemonades and backyards.

During an episode of *Magnum P.I.*, aired on CBS, the characters were enjoying several outside activities such as croquet, archery, and as you'd suspect, badminton. Not only was it being played outdoors, but the actor was dressed as Rudolph Valentino in the "Shiek". The writers apparently felt the game was so passive that the actor could be festooned in turban and long robes -- standard competitive clothing! Later that week on another CBS show, *The Wiz Kids*, a scene depicted two kids on bikes carrying rackets and "birdies" to play badminton. Another boy comes up and the two ask if he would like to join them in a game. "Nah," he replies, "badminton is a sissy sport!" A sissy sport -- sure, the writers of that script should ask how many hours Morten Frost Hansen or Prakash spend training to be sissies?

Perhaps the circumstance that angers me most was the nationally broadcasted radio show, *Paul Harvey News* from Chicago. Mr. Harvey demonstrated a completely negative point of view about badminton when describing universities and scholarships. He began by saying that some schools offered scholarships for cheerleading and some for rodeo riding. He then sniggered, "three universities actually give scholarships for badminton -- *badminton!* I attempted to phone him but naturally could not get through. I did mail the station a letter asking for a retraction.

These shows are watched and listened to by millions, who once again heard the sport of badminton maligned and depicted as outdoor recreation played by unathletic, sissy individuals. So instead of any dignity that the sport might have received by media exposure, badminton continued to move backward!

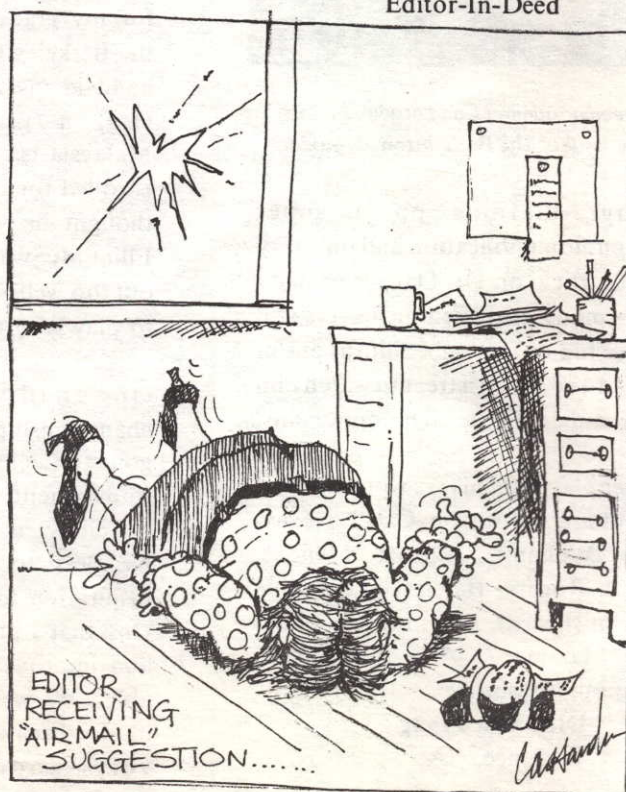
In the past few years the USBA has attempted but fallen short of creating much interest with corporate sponsorships or promotion and sadly building a solid group of USBA members. Of course the USBA is basically a volunteer organization with all the usual problems volunteer groups have, in getting things accomplished. But without a solid base of corporate interest or membership support, ignorant comments and actions will continue and continue.

We all can help to correct this. First, by realizing the tremendous effect media can have on public opinions. Imagine if viewers saw true competitive badminton rather than the perpetuated backyard type. Second, join and support the USBA and similar groups which promote competitive badminton -- strength is in numbers. And remember to speak out when people malign the sport, get mad!

If *all of us* take a little time to help change public opinions perhaps one day we will see Mike Walker selling Bud Lite or Cassandra asking, "where's the beef?"

Cassandra

Cassandra Sophia Salapatas
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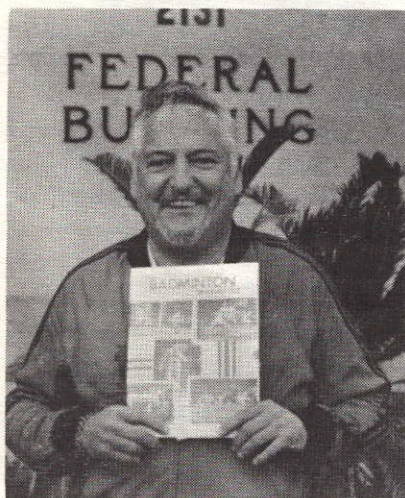


Let's Play

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Thank you for the October 1983 and January 1984 issues of **The Badminton Magazine**. You and Dave Pallack certainly spread me around. It was kind of embarrassing to see all those pictures and hear my quotes with so many "hells" and "damns". Unfortunately, since it was all taped, I cannot bring suit for defamation of character! Honestly, my family thought it was great and I can see Dave put a lot of time and effort into producing those articles.

David G. Freeman, M.D.
San Diego, CA



Freeman admirer Carl Loveday enjoying the last issue of **The Badminton Magazine**

Congratulations on a super badminton publication and on a very good article on Dr. Dave Freeman. I, as many other senior players still active today, remember him as one of a kind and it was a treat to watch him play and dominate all his opponents.

Other players of his era worth writing about are Joe Alston, Carl Loveday, Bob Williams, Marten Mendez, Wynn Rogers, Helen Tibbetts, Sue Devlin (Peard), Ethel Marshall, and Bea Massman. And this is only scraping the surface.

Dick Van Praag
Torrance, CA

I just received **The Badminton Magazine** and though it has been quite some time since I attended any of the tournaments in Southern California, I did play serious badminton until just a few years ago. This year would mark my 50th year in the game, but I had to stop recently when it was necessary to replace one of my hips. Some of the old-timers would remember me.

Osgood H. Hilton
Vallejo, California

Editor's Note: Ozzie Hilton tells us he got "hooked for life" on badminton after seeing Jess Willard and Bill Hurley play in a 1930's movie short title, "Good Badminton." Here are some additional reminiscences he shared with us from his 50 years as a competitor and fan.

In 1936 I attended summer session at the University of Munich in Germany and took my racket and birds with me, but at that time no one in Munich knew anything about the game. When I returned home in August I enrolled at Berkeley again for my graduate year and rejoined the Berkeley Club. Here fate took a hand in my favor when Hock Sim Ong, a graduate student from Malaysia via Cambridge University, enrolled for that year at Berkeley. I thought he would be teamed with Elliot McSwain, but they didn't work out too well, so I had the opportunity to play with the newcomer.

Ong had won the Danish championship a year before and had gone to the semis in the All-England tournament, so he was quite definitely a world-class player. Needless to say, it was such an inspiration for me to play with Mr. Ong that I played far over my head and improved my game immeasurably. We were undefeated that year in Northern California, but I played very poorly in the State

Championships and we lost in the semis. Ong won the singles from Chet Goss, and I believe he won the mixed also teamed with Shirley Stuebgen. Later Ong went to the Nationals in Chicago and lost in the finals to Walter Kramer.

When the war broke out in 1939, I returned to Vallejo where I managed to get a job teaching at the high school in 1940. In the spring of that year I won the men's doubles in the Northern California Championships teamed with John Holman. We defeated John Murphy and Joe Alston in the finals. I played Joe in the quarter finals in singles and beat him, but I must admit he was only about 14 at that time.

By the spring of 1942 I was in the navy as a lieutenant, junior grade, and spent the next two years in San Francisco. I did get plenty of badminton, however, as Thelma Kingsbury, the great All-England champion, had moved to San Francisco, and I played many games with and against her.

Suddenly in 1944 I received orders sending me to England, so off I went, not knowing that it was for the invasion of Normandie. Fortunately, I did have some time to myself while training in England with the Royal Navy and was able to play badminton occasionally at Wimbledon Badminton Club in South Mead. Carl Loveday was in England at the time, so I played him one night at the Wimbledon Club and took an unmerciful beating.

In the spring of 1944 I was sent to Paris just before the end of hostilities to prepare for duty in the occupation of Germany, so I was able to enter the French International Championships. Here I experienced my greatest thrill in badminton when, because of a very small entry, I was able to win all three

titles. I was especially lucky to have partners in men's and mixed doubles through the courtesy of an American colonel whose names escapes me. He said he was just a hacker and insisted that I take his partners. So I had the dream draw to end all dream draws and my name is in the international record book as the first American to win a foreign badminton title.

While winning the French titles has to be my greatest thrill in badminton, I would be remiss not to mention again my great good fortune in playing as a partner of Hock Sim Ong in 1936 and 1937 at Berkley and in playing during the time when Dave Freeman was dominating the game and Ken Davidson was the guiding light in badminton. Like so many others I believe that Dave Freeman was invincible. He could bring his game up to whatever standard was required. I played him once in singles in a Southern California tournament



Hilton with Ken Davidson during an exhibition.

and remember the score vividly, 15-7, 15-0. I am still proud of those seven points in that first game. It was also my great pleasure to play several exhibitions with Ken Davidson here in the San Francisco Bay Area. It was truly a thrill to watch him capture a completely disinterested audience after just a few of his great shots.

We would like to commend **The Badminton Magazine** for a very fine addition to the image of badminton represented in the January 1984 issue. Yes, the Dave Freeman interview was inspiring, and yes, the U.S. Open story captured the excitement of the event, but true inspiration and excitement was "revealed" in the USBA sweatpants advertisement!

Miss Judianne Kelly really has the stuff to promote our favorite game. Now we really know why she has been such a pleasure to watch perform.

If more women in badminton adopted Miss Kelly's unabashed enthusiasm, badminton would take it's right place as an All-American sport. And please, can we see more of Judianne sonn?!??

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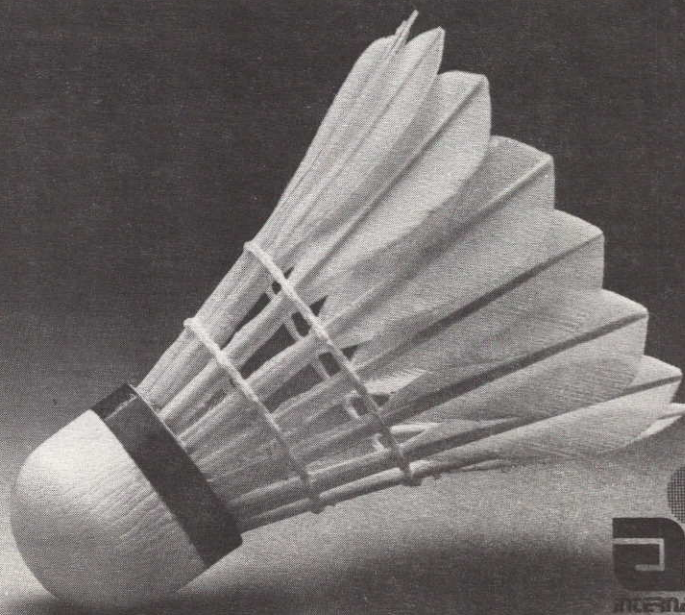
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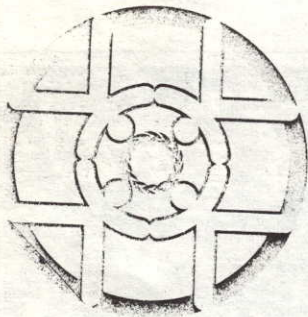
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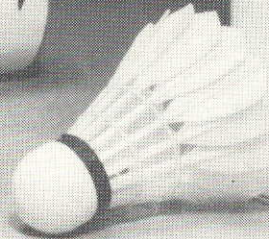
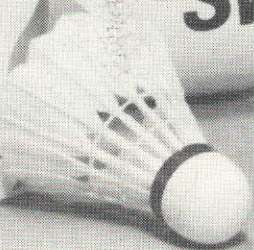
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