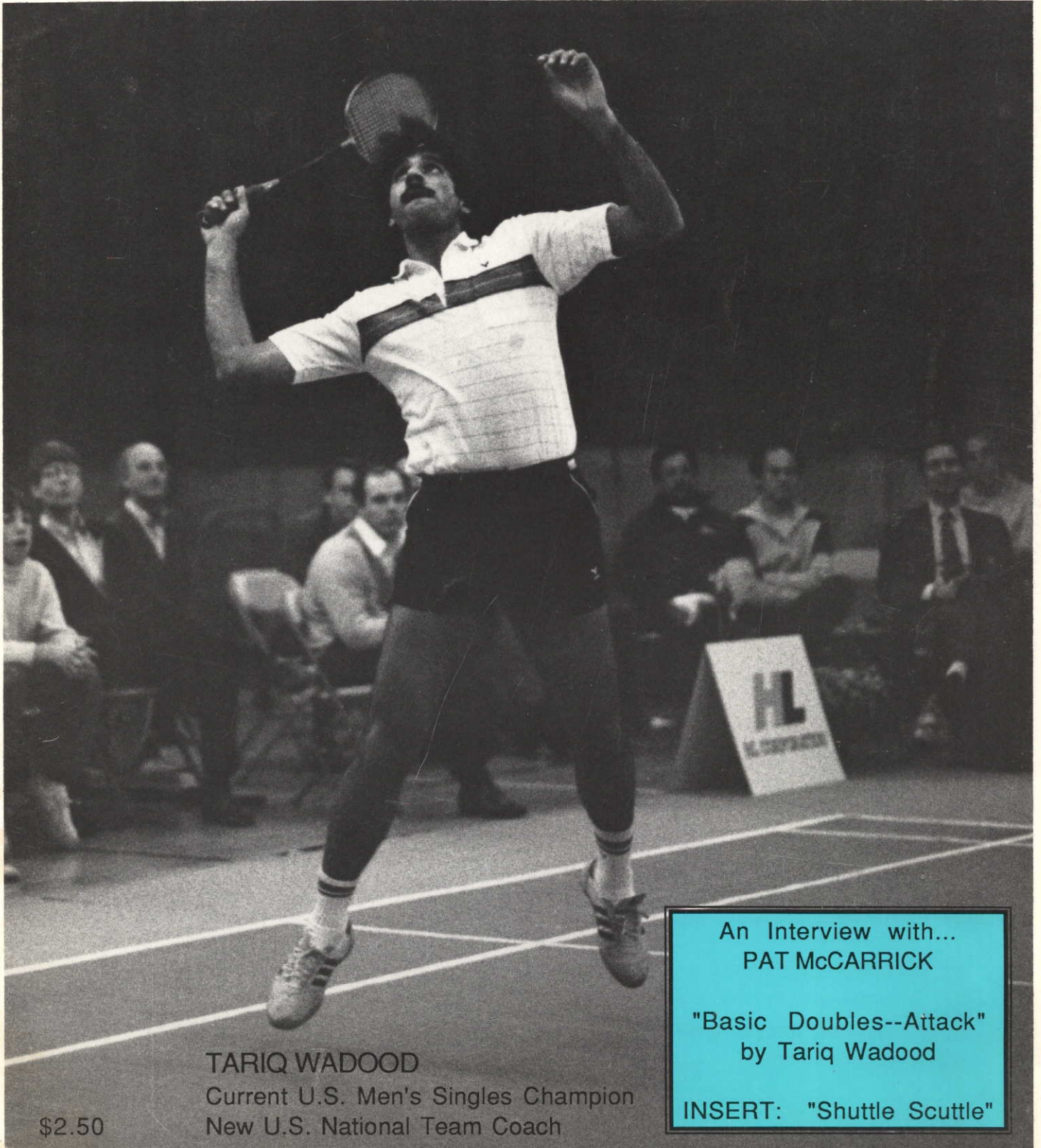


The BADMINTON Magazine

VOL. 2, NO. 4

NOV 1987



TARIQ WADOOD
Current U.S. Men's Singles Champion
New U.S. National Team Coach

\$2.50

An Interview with...
PAT McCARRICK

"Basic Doubles--Attack"
by Tariq Wadood

INSERT: "Shuttle Scuttle"

The Champions in the Now and Future Court of the Black Knight

From the beginning Black Knight's champions have won acclaim on every court in the land. Whenever Black Knight champions appear it is an occasion to sound a trumpet fanfare and introduce the new Black Knight challengers. For those of you who take your badminton seriously, here is a trio designed to win your complete acceptance.



Crown Bor-Knight

The champion of champions... ninety grams of superbly integrated graphite, Kevlar and boron, slim and swift as a rapier. This Sherwood Green beauty with a Stag Tan, Tru-Grip* handle is built to win. Virtually torque-proof, Crown Bor-Knight fits the hands of players who prefer a stiffer, stronger action. This is a precision weapon for contestants with the instincts to win.

*Tru-Grip, Black Knight's handle grip formula, responds to the moisture of the palm to increase non-slip performance.

Crown Aero-Star

Here we have a champion moulded in one piece from a Black Knight formula of graphite and Kevlar. It is a handsome challenger in blue, gold and silver weighing a mere 98 grams. Feather-light, with strength and endurance akin to Toledo steel, it deserves to be owned and used by dedicated players.

Whichever you choose, play a winner, play Black Knight.



**Black
Knight**

Exclusive distributors in the USA:

HL CORPORATION

P.O. Box 3327 Manhattan Beach, CA 90266
(213) 546-3652 1-800-HL-SPORT (outside CA only)

Crown Classic

The third of the new Black Knight champions is crafted to take on all comers. The Classic combines a titanium/aluminum head with a torque resistant shaft of braided graphite and boron. A real battler in colours of Sherwood Green, black and silver, it is designed for the thrust and parry of tournament play.

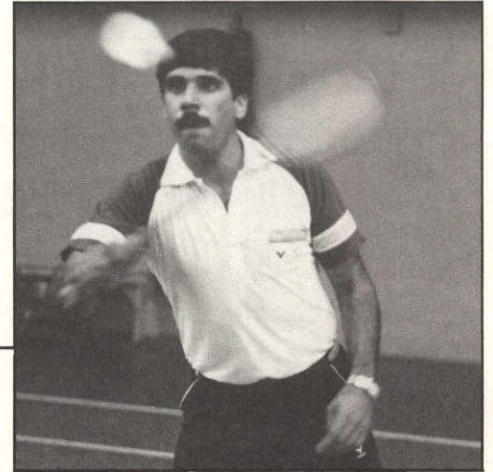
The BADMINTON Magazine

VOL. 2, NO. 4

NOV 1987



TABLE OF CONTENTS



FEATURES

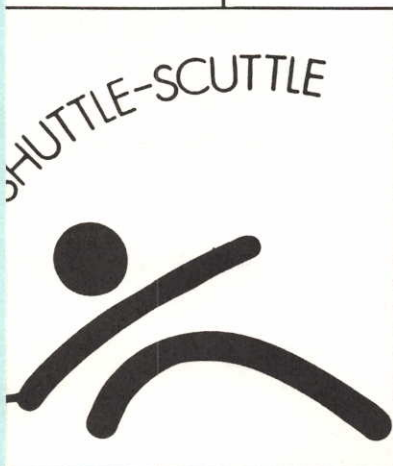
6

- 6 Interview with Pat McCarrick
- 9 Basic Doubles--Attack
- 11 SCBA Shuttle Scuttle
- 15 Player Profile: Timmy Yuen
- 16 USABA News
- 18 Across America
- 22 9 Point Scoring?

9

11

18

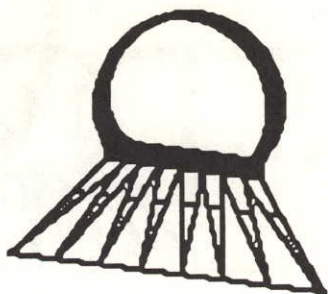


Cover Photo:
Courtesy of Warren Emerson



PUBLISHERS:
David H. Levin & W. Guy Chadwick
EDITOR: Joy E. Kitzmiller
LOGO DESIGN: Charles Elay
ISSN NUMBER: 0747-9069

BADMINTON MAGAZINE can be reached at P.O. Box 3796, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266. Title trademark is registered with all materials copyrighted. All written materials published in THE BADMINTON MAGAZINE are the exclusive property of THE BADMINTON MAGAZINE and cannot be reproduced without permission from THE BADMINTON MAGAZINE.



Publisher's Letter...

David H. Levin

To All CIF Badminton Coaches and Interested Parties:

I have addressed this letter to all California Interscholastic Federation badminton coaches because I need your help. Last year while attending the CIF-SS badminton championships I had the opportunity to visit with a number of the coaches present and discuss the feasibility of a California State High School Badminton Championships. We reached the conclusion that there is no reason not to have one.

Some of the benefits would be;

- 1) Improved standard of play and further development of badminton,
- 2) Increased media recognition of badminton,
- 3) An opportunity for the athlete to compete at a higher level of competition than previously experienced,
- 4) The opportunity for the best athletes to receive statewide recognition as "all-state" badminton players, and
- 5) The chance for the high school athlete to travel and meet other

student athletes from all over the state.

The only negative aspect of the idea was financial. But I have been partially able to alleviate this hardship through my affiliation with HL Corporation. I have been able to get a five year commitment from their High School Development department to offset the tournament expenses relating to facility rental, shuttlecocks, and awards. The students would still have to fund their travel expenses through whatever means their programs allow.

Overcome with enthusiasm for the possibility of this event, I contacted the state CIF office in May of this year. I was informed by commissioner Thomas Byrnes that the impetus for the creation of this tournament could not come from me, but must originate through CIF channels. In short he told me that the tournament could never happen unless the individual CIF sections request it.

I could run the tournament on my own but it would not have the same credibility as a championships endorsed by the state CIF office. This is the reason why I am writing this open letter. I need every coach who thinks that a California State Badminton Championships would be a valuable addition to your programs to contact your section advisory staff for badminton and your section commissioner for badminton and tell them how you feel about the idea. In addition, ask them to contact the state CIF office and express their desire for a state championships.

If we all work hard enough for this goal we will have a CIF California State Championships for 1988. If you want to talk to me further about how you might be able to help, please call me at (213) 546-3652.

Thank you,

David H. Levin

LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

Thank you for the nice coverage and pictures given to our individual and team championships in the August volume of your publication.

It was thoughtful to mention our Badminton Advisory Committee members in the article.

I enjoyed the article on Dr. Poole, who is an old friend and assists us in securing Cal State Dominguez for our championships.

Sincerely,

Dean Crowley, Associate Commissioner
California Interscholastic Federation--Souther Section

CORRECTION:

In last issues "1987 High School Champions Across America" p.24, CIF-SS Mixed Doubles Champions Eric Silaphet and Eileen Tang are from Covina High School, not Palm Springs High School-- our apologies.

ATTENTION BADMINTON ENTHUSIASTS!

HL CORPORATION is coordinating the building of a National Badminton Complex. Southern California is the most likely site with its abundance of co-ed high school programs and top national tournament players and coaches.

We are planning a facility worthy of media attention; 6-10 badminton courts, 3,000 - 5,000 spectator capacity for special badminton events, an expansive lounge and upper level viewing area, complete weight training and locker room facilities, a pro shop, and more.

This important project requires a coordinated effort by badminton enthusiasts that are professionals in many different fields. If you have applicable professional skills or suggestions, or an interest in investing, contact HL CORPORATION at your earliest convenience.

HL CORPORATION
P.O. Box 3327
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

THE OFFICIAL STRING
OF THE 1987 U.S. OPEN

MADE IN
USA
ASHAWAY
XT-21

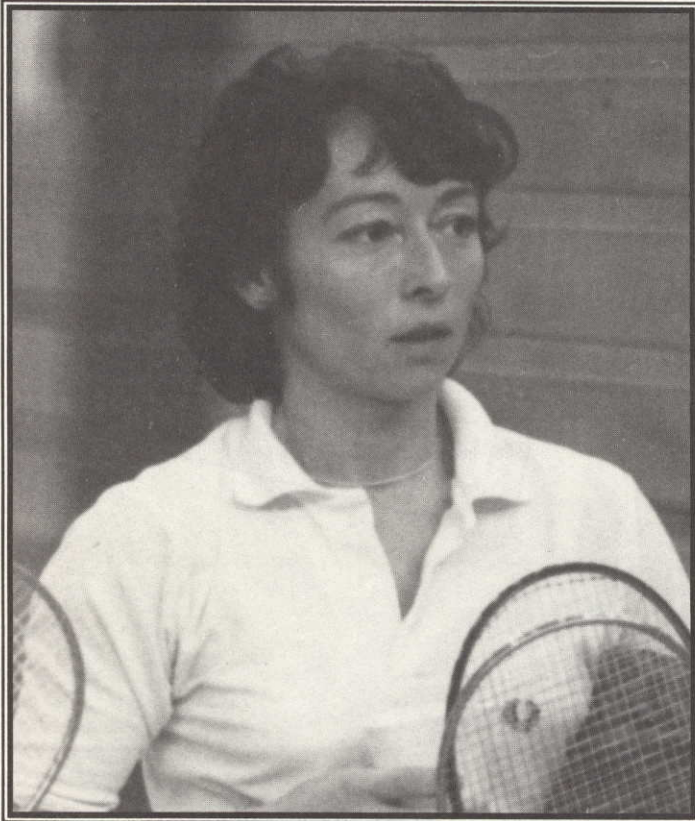
**More and more
professional
badminton players
are stringing
with Ashaway XT-21.
They tell us it
has the resilience of gut
without the frequent breakage of gut.**

If your game suffers because a "smash" can often lead to snapped gut—resting with Ashaway XT-21. It's our tough, resilient, 21-gauge badminton string. You may be surprised to find that confidence in your equipment leads to confidence in your game.

ASHAWAY[®]
RACKET STRINGS

An Interview with . . .

Pat McCarrick



Pat McCarrick, of Miller Place, New York, is a multi-talented sportswoman. She has been an Eastern ranked tennis player with the USLTA, reached the Nationals in softball 3 times and Lacrosse once, and has been the New York State 35 and over racketball champion. She has been a top ten USA women's singles and doubles badminton player for many years, and is serving her third volunteer term as a U.S. Badminton Association board member. She is the District Director of Physical Education for the Miller Place School District, and she has been a physical education teacher for 21 years. Perhaps her greatest accomplishment is her astounding coaching record. Her badminton team at Miller Place High School has compiled a 211-0 record since she started the program in 1972! She has worked with thousands of junior badminton players over the last 15 years and has developed many junior national champions and national standouts. In 1986, Pat received the coveted Ken Davidson Award for sportsmanship and contributions to the sport of badminton.

TBM: How did you get started in badminton?

PAT: I started playing at Syracuse University around 1963. I had a great smash but I didn't really know how to play. A classmate told me of a group of adults who played at the YMCA so I went there and met Dr. Louis K. Lu and Ron Johnson among others. Dr. Lu took me under his wing and got me playing in tournaments. But I never really made the commitment to try to be good until around 1972 when I began to work at Miller

Place. At that time I made the decision that badminton came first to all else.

TBM: Was anyone inspirational to you during your early career?

PAT: I used to drive two hours away to Connecticut after school to play with Rosemary McGuire who was a top ranked player at that time. Her willingness to even play with me was a great boost to my enthusiasm, and I gained confidence that I could play with the best. After my national ranking

with Neela Weber in doubles, Cynthia Kelly, also a top player at the time, asked me to be her partner. This was also a major step forward. So I would say Dr. Lu, Rosemary, and Cynthia were players who inspired me the most.

TBM: What were some of your best results?

PAT: I reached the semifinals at the San Diego National Championships (1977). I beat top ranked Madeline Steinbroner that year. Once I beat (multi- National

Champion) Pam Brady at the Connecticut Open - that was a big thrill. But what hurt me was that I never got to play as a junior, and I didn't start to play seriously until I was about 26.

TBM: When did you start coaching?

PAT: I started coaching in 1969 at East Islip Junior High. I made a varsity badminton team of our 9th and 10th graders and never lost a match there. I then went to Miller Place in 1972 and started that program. The club had only a few players and we started to send one or two to Nationals each year. When they came back with national rankings I was really inspired to the point where we have over 100 kids in the club and take 35-45 to Nationals each year. There were a few years not long ago when there wouldn't have been a Nationals if we didn't bring the troops.

TBM: How is the high school badminton in your area?

PAT: Badminton is doing poorly. We do clinics to help, so the level of play is getting better but the coaching is that of hiring a warm body to do the job. Athletic Directors here are still of the old school - basketball, football syndrome so there is not much push to make it a "real" sport or to include boys on the team which we have been trying to do for years.

TBM: What needs to be done to get badminton going in your area high schools?

PAT: We need people who have played to cry for badminton from within the school system - I cannot go to a school and get them to start a program but if someone is inside they can get the ball rolling. If badminton had more visibility in the media there would be more support.

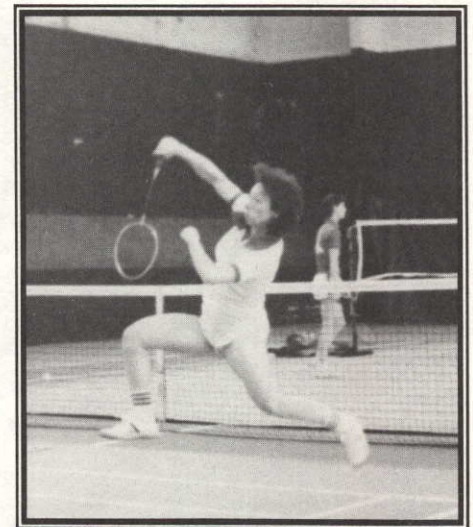
TBM: Do you see any progress occurring?

PAT: The Olympics is the biggest and most positive influence on badminton in years. The USBA has kept everything going - that has not been easy - in fact a major feat in itself. Geography in the USA is not our friend. Hopefully more progress will occur if we can get money from grants because of the Olympics. I see more people wanting to get involved; maybe their motives are selfish but that is human nature. There has to be a reward - a profit at the end of the tunnel - and the Olympics is the ticket that makes that possible. I also think the badminton players in the U.S. are getting better and more of them are younger.

TBM: How has being a USBA director for 3 terms effected your view of badminton?

PAT: It has made me more understanding of the problems involved in keeping an organization going. I also realize how much people take for granted. The tournaments just seem to run and the Nationals happen every year, and people try to avoid paying dues and want to know

"...most of all, promote the enjoyment of the game."



Pat McCarrick in action

what they get for their membership fee.

TBM: Do you have any basic coaching tips for us?

PAT: It is important to start with fun and games, without much emphasis on technique. When you have cultured desire you can begin to throw in lessons which will not fall on deaf ears. Then you can have achievement. There is nothing worse than to dampen enthusiasm with great details. So don't get technical too soon, play

'lead up' games immediately, use awards and motivational devices, and most of all, promote the enjoyment of the game.

TBM: Are you ever frustrated by working with so many kids?

PAT: The huge numbers of participants in my program has made it difficult for me to work one on one with any of the students at length. It is much easier to produce the very best if you are one coach working with one pupil. But one coach to one

hundred is a different story and a tiring one. When we narrow it to a few kids with desire, it seems we have no time, energy or money to help them all out.

TBM: How would you sum up your career thus far?

PAT: I am, and will be, a far greater coach than I ever was a player. So the fact that I have been able to keep junior badminton alive in this country just by producing sheer numbers of players is my claim to any accomplishment.



Pat McCarrick, in the center, with her travelling "troops" to the 1986 Junior Nationals

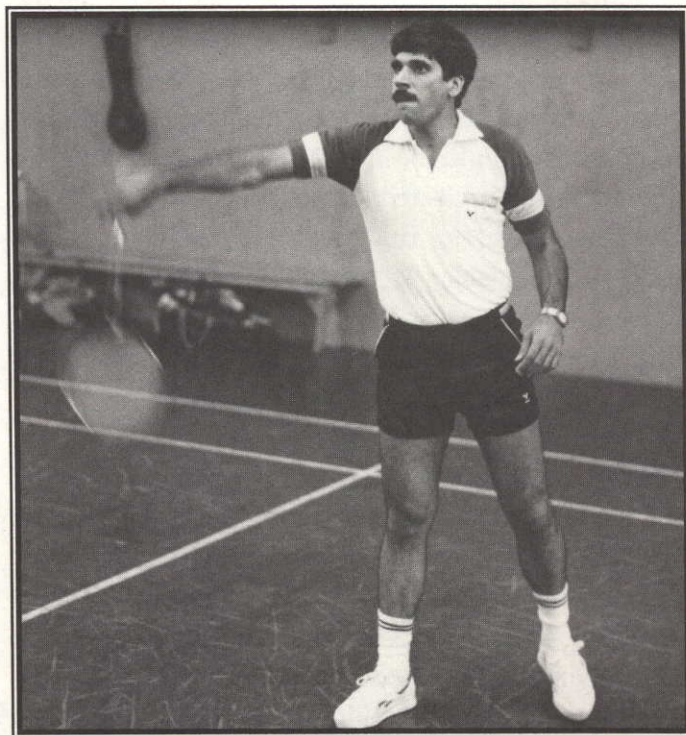
BASIC DOUBLES TACTICS-- ATTACK

by Tariq Wadood

At all levels of doubles play, the champions are those that can generate the most effective and consistent attack against their opponents. An effective attack begins with the serve and serve return, and ends with good teamwork on the offense.

THE SERVE: The most important thing in doubles is the serve and return of serve. The server should vary the location of the serve in order to prevent the opponent from attacking the serve. In recent years, a more frequent use of high "flick" serves mixed with the basic short serves are effective for keeping the service receiver from easily gaining the attack. Some top calibre servers can actually turn the normally defensive serve into an attacking shot by keeping their opponents surprised and off balance.

THE SERVICE RETURN: (Fig. 1) The receiver should position themselves on the balls of their feet as close to the service line as possible. Avoid lazy underhanded returns of serve which put no offensive pressure on the serving team. **WATCH THE BIRD** and be alert for every possible serve. Reach and lunge quickly to the net on short serves, and jump back and smash or drop "flick" serves. However, avoid "go-for-broke" service rushing -- you will give your opponent too many easy points unless you are successful a very high percentage of the time. Simply try to hit to a location which forces the serving team to play defense. Drops along the net, half-court pushes to the middle and to the sidelines (but not too close to the outside lines), and harder pushes down the middle or to the deep corners are the best returns. Like the serve, you should vary your service return to keep your opponents off balance.



TEAM HL Player/Coach TARIQ WADOOD

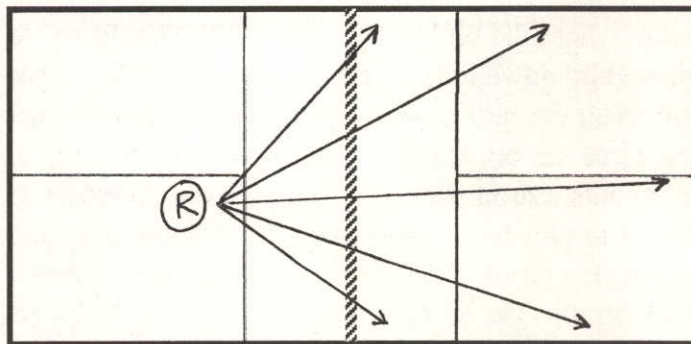


Fig. 1 -- Service Return Alternatives

DEFENSE: (Fig. 2) The objective on defense should be to get back the attack and to keep your attacking opponents off balance. The defensive team should stand side by side. The defender directly in front of the attacker takes all the birds that are hit to the side line and his body. The other partner takes all the smashes hit in the center or to the cross court. The drops are generally returned by the player towards whose court the shot is hit. To get back the offense the smashes should be blocked or pushed into the halfcourt area or cleared cross court. The attacker should be forced to run sideways to maintain his attack. If the attacker is moved sideways he will not be able to hit steep smashes and hence the defenders will get a better chance to play half court returns and get back the offense.

OFFENSE: (Fig. 3) The doubles offense is a bit more difficult to execute. In my opinion the success of the offense depends more on the player in the up or blocking position. A good forecourt player will win most of the rallies and keep the defensive opponents from playing effective counter-attacking shots. The player in the forecourt should stand about a foot and a half or two feet from the short service line. If the backcourt player (A) smashes from the left court, the forecourt player (B) should stand slightly towards the left court and should cut off any bird that is in the diagonal shaded portion of the court. "B" should never look back at his partner. Instead "B" should always look at his opponent. By doing so "B" will know where the bird is being hit. "B" should try to hit the bird down to force a high return. If "B" is not able to hit the bird down he should block it to the net and force the opponents to remain on the defensive. If "A" hits a drop shot, "B" should move in closer to the net to prevent the opponents from redropping and gaining the attack. "A" can hit smashes straight down the line, into the straight ahead opponent's body, or into the center of the court. Cross court smashes should be used very sparingly in doubles. The speed, angle, and the location of the smash should be varied to keep the defenders off balance. Power alone will not usually win, variety and consistency of attack will.

An experienced attacker will also look to see if the defenders have advanced to the forecourt. If so, an attacking clear can be used to force a weak return.

It is also essential for a doubles team to have good communication. This can be achieved by playing together for long periods of time. Partners should come to know each others weak and strong points; learn to cover for each others weak points, and set up your partner's strong points.

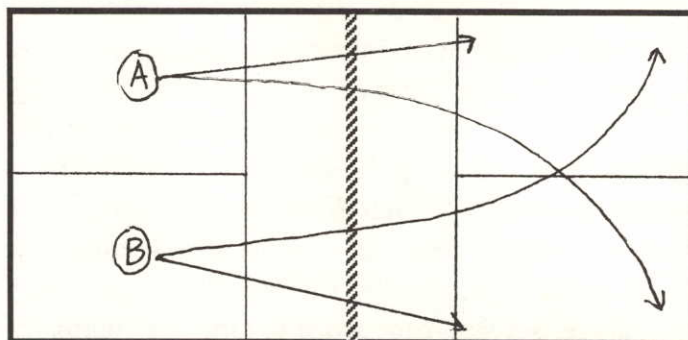


Fig. 2 -- Defensive Counter-Attacking Shots

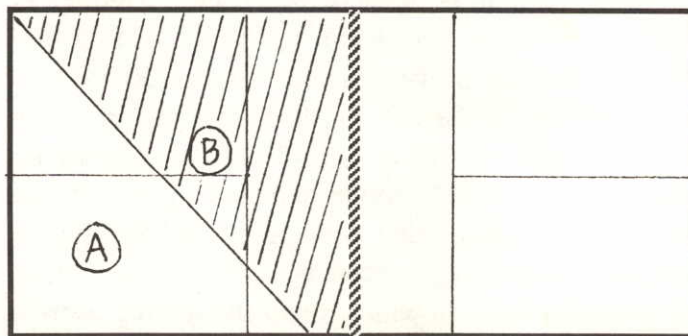


Fig. 3 -- Offensive Court Coverage Responsibilities



An independent publication by the Southern California Badminton Assoc., not affiliated with HL Corporation.

VOLUME 31, ISSUE #2
Autumn 1987 "Knee Deep in Badminton"

OFFICERS:

President: Cassandra Salapatas-Metz

Vice Pres: John Britton

Secretary: Lee Calvert

Treasurer: Hal Carlson

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Dave Anderson

Dee Cross

Bob Gilmour

Ginny Hales

Ed Matanga

Dennis Metz

David Ogata

Jim Poole

Paisan Rangikitpho

Kelly Tibbetts

EDITORIAL -- What's Happening?

A lot. SCBA had a fabulous September Board Meeting at MBBC. Good turnout, good reports, and a guest speaker - Ted Helweg of the National Development Committee. He talked about plans and progress with fund-raising and regional reorganization.

President Cass Salapatas-Metz has gotten the CA State Men's Singles trophy all clean and engraved. It looks just beautiful. Did you know it has a name? Yeah - the Irl Madden Trophy - donated by Loma and Hulet Smith in memory of a top A player from the Oakland area who died in the 60s. If you would like to see this clean and shiny trophy - it is on display in MBBC's great display cases. *We could use some help. Does anyone KNOW for sure who won the CA State Men's Singles in 81 and 82? If so, please contact Cass or a Board Member of SCBA. We would appreciate even clues.

On July 20, '87, on "Jeopardy", one of the topics was - 'In this sport men play for world titles in Thomas Cup and women in Uber Cup.' There was a buzzer and a proud contestant replied, "What is Backgammon?" What a blow to the game. No one else even had a clue.

Dean Schoppe is working on a plan to revive Challenge Cup play. New format would use 3 countries - Mexico, Peru, and U.S. He hopes to get it going for 87, but for sure 88 play.

CONGRATULATIONS to the newlyweds - Linda Safarik and Roger Tong. Linda's name will fit even better on draw sheets now.

One question is on all of your minds - where is 88 National Competition and when? Well, we can get pretty close to probable dates but the best word we got after the USBA meeting in mid-September was still that three sites are expressing interest - all in the

mid-West, and the fondest hopes are that plans will be finalized by the middle of October.

Get ready for the U.S. Open - this will be the last year it will be at MBBC. Wes Schoppe is working to go out with a bang. Looks like we will have players from about 20 Asian, American, and European countries.

Then, if you prefer the more mature type athletes, January 19-23 will feature 5 age brackets for the U S Senior/Master competition at MBBC. 35 and over will be the Junior-Seniors, and of course the Seniors, Masters, Grand-Masters and Golden Masters. This is ripe, seasoned, caring badminton players from several countries, wrapping themselves in their fanciest braces, and hurting all over the courts for five days. If you are slow, start filling out your entry blanks right away. The deadline is shortly after New Years.

-- Kelly

.....BADMINTON HISTORY LESSON.....

There must be a bunch of you out there who have no idea why or how Shuttle Scuttle began. And it is also very possible that you don't know about one lady whose work is the reason we have a good association for badminton in our area. Virginia Hill Mosdale - ever hear the name? - She and her first husband, Leroy, along with Bob Noble, my Dad, and the greatest badminton teacher ever, Guy Reed - formed a working foursome and did a load of work that created such a high standard for our game, you can still see the results in our calibre of play. Also, the fact that SCBA has maintained itself through good and bad times should be credited to their foresight. During the late 30s and into the WWII days, they kept tournaments growing and enthusiasm up.

Let me give you a more detailed picture. Virginia Hill worked every day on the paperwork of SCBA and kept officers and directors doing their jobs.

Leroy Hill worked as an executive during normal days, and at tournaments he took movies of the proceedings when he wasn't getting matches on the court.

Bob Noble worked for Edison Co. all day, took himself and me to badminton courts most evenings, and always took pictures of badminton players. (He took shots of all winners after semis, raced home to develop and print them, and bring them back at finals.)

Guy Reed spent his days teaching badminton in all areas of So. Cal., with certain days in San Diego and others in Santa Barbara (a hotbed of badminton in those days).

At tournament time, these four wonderful people put out entries, took in entries, did all necessary work including publicity and advance ticket sales. Can you realize that at most Pasadena tournaments around 1940, all seats were sold out and standing room only was the only way to see Dave Freeman compete?!!

The faithful foursome saw to it that the matches were played, publicity continued (we actually had reporters at the scene typing up results as they happened), and all details completed in very orderly and professional style.

In 1942, Guy Reed felt he had to leave the group to return to his British heritage and join in the war efforts. He never returned to Southern California. The effects of his teaching of nearly all the top players including Dave Freeman created a standard of excellence that put us on the U.S. badminton map, and has kept us going along strong playing lines. Bob Noble had to reduce his part in the SCBA due to a heart condition. Leroy Hill passed away.

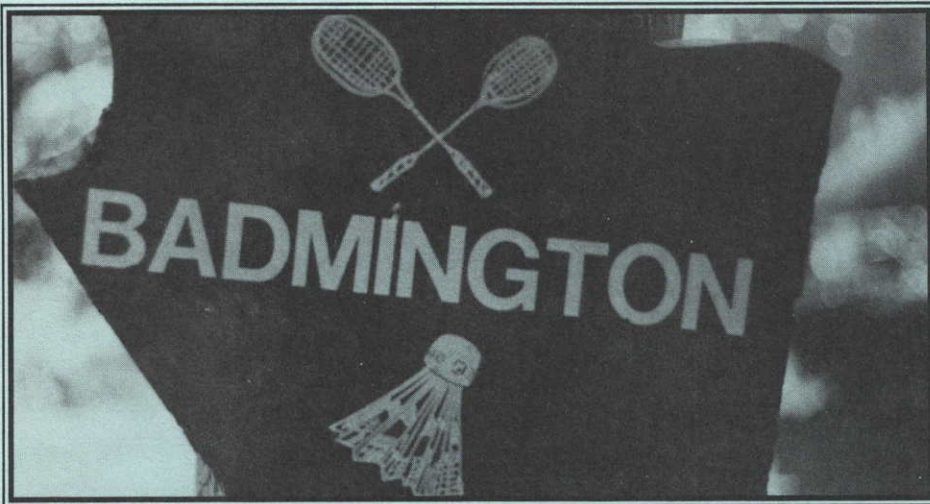
But Virginia never slowed down. She continued to guide SCBA into a pattern of activity that it kept high. In 1957, she decided it was

important to have some sort of newsletter contact with all SCBA members. So she put out a one page "report" including just vital treasurer information (she was the Secretary-Treasurer for SCBA from the very early days, and on, and on).

She felt it was a good idea to keep in touch, so she called me and told me she wanted me to keep this activity up. I went over to her house, did the second newsletter, ran it off on her mimeograph machine, addressed the copies on her ancient addressograph, licked stamps, and mailed off the one-page epic, now Volume I, Issue 2.

Through the years, the format and the name, and the methods have changed. It sure has gotten larger, covers far more types of badminton news, has pictures, regular features - and I know that Virginia Hill Mosdale would be very proud of SCBA for the fact that "her" SCBA news is still being published, since she felt it was vital to our organization.

I could write 10 pages on Virginia, how she became treasurer of the national association, how she loved this game, how much of herself she gave to badminton. If you read carefully, you will see that she was 1947 National Mixed Doubles champ with Wynn Rogers - and she was very proud of that. But she was more proud of SCBA and it is a monument to her.



Vicki Toutz took this picture in Asia - novel way to (miss-)spell our favorite sport.

Marlborough School For Girls
250 S. Rossmore Ave L.A., CA. 90004

NEEDS A BADMINTON COACH
for Mid-February - Mid-May
\$1500

Contact Julie McCarthy, Athletic Dir.
(213) 935-1147 or (213) 931-9698

If you think the 9 point game experiment is for sissies, you'd better try it before you make any disparaging remarks. It seems to make for better watching, but players seem to have differing opinions about whether it's easier or harder (could have to do with results of their matches). What do you think? I like it!

BADMINTON SCHEDULE

-- November 87
11-14 U S Open, MBBC
18 Pan Am Games, Lima Peru
20-22 B-C Grand Prix, Riverside
26-29 Nat'l TC-UC Trial, MBBC

-- December 87
4-6 Jim Poole, GP II, MBBC
5-6 C, D, Novice, CSLB
11-13 B-C Grand Prix, Pasadena

-- January 88
8-10 Finals B-C G.P., MBBC
19-23 US Seniors/Masters, MBBC
22-24 Oregon Inv., Portland, OR
29-31 Valley G.P. III, A, C, D

-- February 88
13-15 DFO, G.P. IV, San Diego
22-26 UC-TC Amer.Zn., San Jose
26-28 MBBC Open, A, B, Srs.

REGIONAL THOMAS & UBER CUP SCENE

October 23-25 at MBBC the T.C.-U.C. Southwest Regional tryouts will occur. The format is pool play and the players are listed in the far right column.

The Southwest region is region #5 and the other 4 regions will also have their tryouts in October. As a result of these regional tryouts there will be 16 mens singles, 16 womens singles, 12 mens doubles teams and 12 womens doubles teams qualified to play in the national tryouts in MBBC over the 4 days of Thanksgiving holidays.

Official sponsor for all regional tryouts is HL. Official shuttle for play is the HL Champion. Rules

consultant for regional play here will be David Ogata. All tryouts will be overseen by the Int'l Competition Committee - Vicki Toutz, Chairperson, Len Hill, Regional Chairperson, and Pam Brady, Committee member. Any final announcement of the national T.C. and/or U.C. team players must be ratified by the Selectors' Committee of Jim Poole, Tom Carmichael and Dot O'Neil.

What we would like to ask of you interested bystanders - please come to be scorekeepers at regionals and/or national tryouts. Times for regional play 7:30 to 9 p.m., Friday (10/23), 9:30 a.m. to evening on Saturday (10/24) and 9:30 a.m. until afternoon on Sunday (10/25). Don't just cheer them on - keep score!!!

THE TRIAL'S PARTICIPANTS

Mens Singles

Chris Jogis, Bennie Lee, Rodney Barton, Guy Chadwick, Tariq Wadood, Sanjay Malde, Tom Carmichael, Jr., Darris Larsen, David Levin, Randy Jones, Fred Koch, Imre Bereknyei

Womens Singles

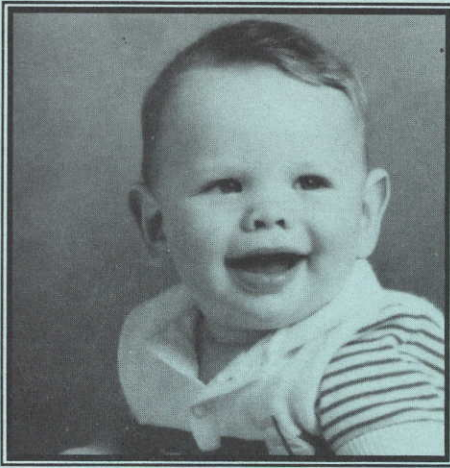
Mary House, Nina Lolk, Julie Stephan, Laura Warner, Liz Aronsohn, Tracy Hudson, Meiling Okuno, Linda Safarik Tong, Erika Von Heiland, Joy Kitzmiller, Pam Owens, Ann French

Mens Doubles

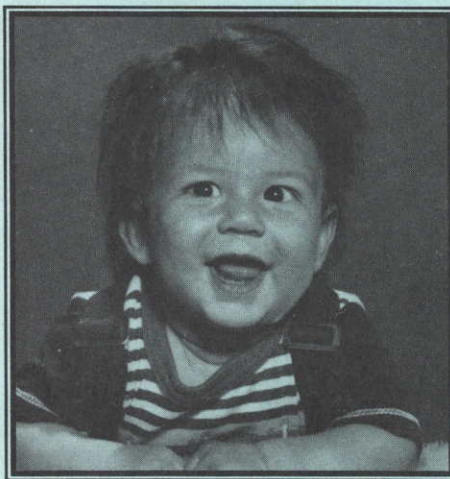
Jogis-Lee, Jonatan-Chadwick, Walker-French, Britton-Stephan, Barton-Schoppe, Levin-Cutcliffe, Knudsen-Buck

Women's Doubles

Kitzmiller-Von Heiland, Okuno-Lira, Kelly-Lolk, Warner-Stephan, Hudson-Aronsohn, Britton-Tong, Owen-A. French, Chan-House



Aaron Levin, 11 months -- above
Justin Lira, 8 months -- below



How about this future men's doubles team? Don't you think Justin Lira and Aaron Levin will have had enough time on the edges of courts to start their careers in another couple years? Aaron came on the scene during the finals of the 86 U S Open. That ought to mean something large. Justin was closer to the DFO of 87.

David and Cindy Levin keep Aaron around the courts often enough for him to judge deep clears and bad footwork. Richard and Terry Lira are working on touch shots and good sportsmanship with Justin. So around the turn of the century watch for Levin and Lira in 13 and under National boys' doubles.

Dear Teachers and Coaches,

Welcome back to school and the fast approaching CIF badminton season! This year promises to be one of the most exciting for juniors with more places to play and more tournaments than ever.

SCBA Youth Development Program

I know that you need to be able to recommend places for your players to practice in the months before the CIF season starts, so I am including a schedule of our Youth Development Centers for youngsters 10-18 years of age. These five centers were very successful last year in drawing over 700 young people over the 11 month period. Over 23,000 junior and senior high school students were treated to exhibitions by some of Southern California's top players.

I would like to give a special thanks to Judith Pinero and the Board of Directors of the Amateur Athletic Foundation of Los Angeles for their generous support of badminton for all young people in Southern California. Not only have they given the funds for the entire program, but they have given the Youth Development Committee many hours of help and advice in order to make it the best program possible.

Thanks also go to the fine job that all of the centers' teachers and directors have done this past year. Through their efforts, students have had many hours of instruction and fun in a great lifetime sport. It is evident, if one views the fine video tape made on the program by the Foundation, that teachers, students and parents are very enthused over this chance for so many to learn about badminton.

A big thank you goes to Dean Schoppe, Bob Gilmour, and Dennis Metz who organized and played in the 21 exhibitions given last year along with sixteen of our best junior and adult players. I would also like to thank the Community Services Departments of

each of the Community Colleges. Without their facilities and co-operation, we would not have a program.

Last, but certainly not least, I would like to give special thanks to two quiet men who have spent countless hours in making this program work: Al Hales, Secretary and Bill Dixon, Treasurer of the Youth Development Committee. Their constant efforts plus the advice of Kelly Tibbetts and Jim Poole have made the first year of this program run smoothly.

This year we hope to make some additions to the program, such as a computerized mailing list, so that we can mail out a bi-monthly newsletter to all participants and their parents; two family-child playdays, informal competitions between players of different centers, two day-long tournaments, thirty exhibitions and four clinics for teachers. In an effort to encourage badminton in junior high schools, we hope to provide equipment for 5-10 schools who will be willing to start new badminton classes. We will provide teacher training in basic teaching techniques as well as follow-up help in the classes by our excellent centers' director, Sombat D'Busaya.

Due to the demand in Orange County, we hope to start a center at Rancho Santiago College in Santa Ana in January, 1988.

Yours, Ginny Hales

Citrus College -- Sat. 10-12 Noon
Diane Hales, Allan Hama
1000 W. Foothill Blvd Glendora

East L.A. College -- Sat. 1-3 P.M.
Eric Wan, Clody Johnson
1301 Brooklyn Ave. Monterey Park

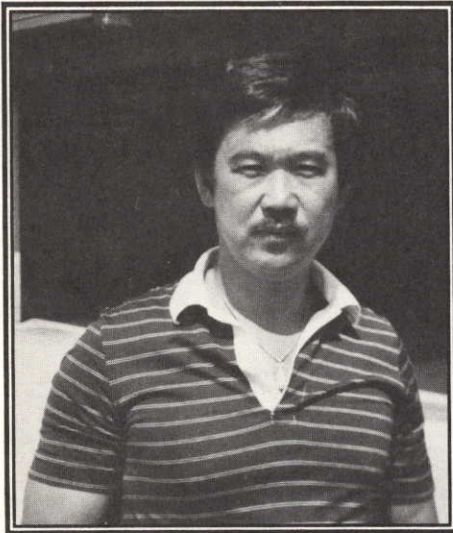
Golden West College -- Sun. 2-4 P.M.
Tom Clickner, Monica Ortez
15744 Golden West St Huntington Beach

L.A. City College -- Sat. 3-5 P.M.
Chris Young, Jenny Young
855 N. Vermont Ave. Los Angeles

Riverside Comm. Coll. -- Sat. 10-12 Noon
John Doughty, Diane Wilson
4800 Magnolia Ave. Riverside

TEAM HL Player Profile: TIMMY YUEN

by Andy Gouw



USA Senior Champion: Timmy Yuen

The extremely talented 1986 & 1987 USA National Senior Men's Singles Champion, Timmy Yuen, now 47 years old, has suffered a personal history checkered by the turmoil of his native Asian lands.

Growing up in the lush green of the Indonesian fauna was not soothing enough for this young uprising star. Opportunities came early to Tim, but practice always came hard to him. The man he practiced with was a relentless, indefatigable Theology student.

Tim did not come to appreciate his practice partner until the day that man of the cloth went to the 1959 All-Englands and won the prestigious event. The Theology student's name was Tan Joe Hok, then ranked the world's #1 player.

That year Tim decided to intensify his training and was well

rewarded. During the Thomas Cup selection he defeated the Indonesian Champion and made it onto the team, which was already loaded with talented players. When Indonesia then won the Thomas Cup, it was perhaps the highlight of Tim's career.

The future was bright, but the turmoil of the Sukarno era changed all that. He left for China where he was promised he could learn trades and play all the badminton he wanted to. But the reality was unsettling as China struggled to maintain its economic balance. No one was spared from facing the facts of life.

Instead of continuous play, Tim had to go to the farms, and his golden years slowly dissipated away from him. During his stay in China, he did manage to get to the semi-finals of the China National Championships. But, disillusioned in 1973, he left for Hong Kong.

Tim tried to establish a badminton school there, with little success. With the help of the Hong Kong Indian Club and the YWCA he managed to eke out a meager living from teaching badminton. In 1974, he won the Hong Kong Open tournament, and the following year he was a member of the national Thomas Cup team.

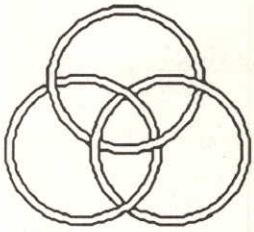
Tim created quite a stir when in the 1975 Hong Kong Open he defeated a young world renowned Indian by a score of 17-14 in the third game. The Indian was Prakash Padukone, who 5 years hence was to become an All-England Singles Champion.

Tim came to the United States in the hope that someday he would be able to establish a badminton school. With the large Asian population, and his excellent background, his dream remains undaunted.

On weekends, Tim gathers anyone who is interested in training over to his home. Then they go straight over to the Golden Gate Park for running and other exercises. He sets up exhibitions and training schedules, and he is more than willing to lend a helping hand training any youngsters that are willing to help themselves.

That pot of gold he dreamed of for himself has long since gone, but someday someone will realize that dream and Timmy Yuen wants to be a part of it.





USA Badminton Association News

We here at USABA are getting a real chuckle out of all the rumors and gossip whirling around the country concerning our program. It appears that almost everyone has heard of us by now but, unfortunately it appears that some have heard from not so reliable sources. Well, we need to clarify some issues, so, here goes:

1) Age requirement- USABA team members must be between 16 and 25 years old upon entry into the program. Since our purpose is to train for the next Olympics which are 4 years away, that means that a person who entered our program at age 25 would be 29 by the time the next Olympics rolled around. That's pretty much the maximum age for a successful Olympic badminton player.

2) Equipment Sponsorship- The USA TEAM is sponsored by HL Corporation. Therefore, all Team Members play with Victor or Black Knight rackets, carry Victor or Black Knight racket cases and wear HL logo shirts during tournaments. HL furnishes free of charge all our rackets, bags, birds, shirts, string and grommets. It is also true that if a potential Team Member is sponsored by another racket company, they must give up that sponsorship. We can't have 2 or 3 sponsors for the same item.



USABA Team member, Binh Lam ...
letting his opponents know that he means business at the Long Beach Grand Prix

However, HL has said that they expect our loyalty only to the point where another sponsor would offer USABA team members many more advantages. Thanks HL for your honesty, support and faith in USABA. You others may have just missed the proverbial boat.

3) Medical Support- USABA team members receive free of charge full medical support. We are supported by a licensed psychologist who holds weekly group sessions at which team members discuss team and personal problems. We are also treated twice a week by licensed physical therapists who mend our sore muscles. For more serious problems, we are supported by two orthopedic surgeons, an internist, a vision therapist, and the full staff of a major hospital. 4)

4) Job Placement- USABA finds jobs for all Team Members. These part time jobs won't make you rich, but they do offer flexible hours to allow for our practices and time off for tournaments. Players are not required to accept any of these jobs and are free to find employment on their own.

5) Partners- USABA Team Members are required to play doubles and mixed with other USABA Team Members. However, the Board will grant permission to play outside the Team when there is a valid reason. This usually happens when an equally ranked USABA member is not available.

6) USABA Sanctioned Tournaments- USABA Team Members can only play at USABA

sanctioned tournaments. Basically, all tournaments are sanctioned by USABA. This is meant simply as an internal control so that management can keep track of who is playing in what tournament.

Now, I hope that makes you all feel better. If not, write us, call us or leave it to the local gossip mill. I'm sure we'll hear one way or the other.

In case anyone's wondering if all this training is doing any good, we thought it might be a good idea to start listing our tournament results. However, firstly you need to understand that rankings are not the same across the country. Don't ask me, ask the USBA. For instance, an A player in Northern California may be ranked a B player in Southern California and a C player in So. Cal won't even be ranked at all in Chicago. However, I'm sure all will agree, the predominance of top competition in So. Cal. is so great that players there are at least a full ranking above most ranked players in other parts of the U.S. -- That should bring a flurry of comments.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

The USBA has notified us that they have selected one of our top players, Binh Lam, to receive the Badminton Association of Indonesia's all expense paid invitation for one U.S. player to attend the World Junior Championships in Jakarta, Indonesia in Nov. We are also attempting to obtain the additional funding to send three more USABA Team Members, one man and two women, so that we can enter all three events.

Current USABA TEAM Roster:

Men: Marc Padre, Quyen Nguyen, Binh Lam, Martin Flores, Joseph Lee, Nipun Khurana, Nathan Bonaparte, Matt Armendariz, Ing Hong Tan

Women: Julie Stephan, Jennifer Cross, Dawn O'Campo, Stacey Murty, Denise Gudmunson.

At present, we have one opening for a man and 5 openings for women. So, if you're interested, get in touch soon.

Rest & Relaxation (R&R)

It's not all work and hard training here at USABA. In order to have a well rounded athlete, you must give his or her body and mind a rest once in awhile. The entire team did just that and has recently returned from four days in the nearby Big Bear Mountains.

We stayed at a fantastic six bedroom, three story mansion right on the lake, with it's own boat dock. We fished everyday, went horseback riding and hiked and climbed the highest peak there-- Castle Rock.

To Binh, Matt and Nipun:

Our summer program has ended and we are now four weeks into our winter schedule. We have a moment to reminisce and three players who had to return to their homes are truly missed. So the entire team, Coach Yao and Mr. & Mrs. Cross send their best wishes and hope that you are continuing your training and getting to be better badminton players-- WE ARE!!!

<p>USABA TOURNAMENT RESULTS:</p> <p><u>Costa Mesa B/C/D</u> (Our first tournament) Flores - BMS - Cons. Nguyen/Stephan - BMX - 2nd Stephan/O'Campo - BWD - 2nd Khurana - CMS - 2nd O'Campo - CWS - 1st Khurana/O'Campo - 1st</p>	<p><u>Long Beach (Grand Prix) B/C/D</u> Padre - BMS - 1st Nguyen/Joe - BMX - Cons Khurana - CMS - 1st Lam/ O'Campo - CMX - 1st Khurana/Murty - CMX - 2nd Bonaparte/Ung - DMX - 1st</p> <p><u>Kelly Tibbetts Open (MBBC) A/B</u> Warner - AMxd - 1st Padre - BMS - 1st Stephan - BWS - 1st Padre/Armendariz - BMD - 2nd Flores/Murty - BMX - 1st</p>	<p><u>Pasadena (Grand Prix) B/C</u> Tan - BMS - 1st, Stephan - BWS,D - 1st O'Campo/Gudmunson - BWD Cons Nguyen/Tang - BMX - Cons Bonaparte - CMS - 1st O'Campo - CWS - 1st Murty - CWS - Cons Tan/Lee - CMD - 1st O'Campo/Murty - CWD - Cons</p> <p><u>Sunnyvale Grand Prix I A/B</u> Stephan - AWS - Cons Lee/Armendariz - BMD - 2nd Lee/Stephan - BMX - 2nd</p>
--	---	---

ACROSS AMERICA

WADOOD AND YAO

TEAM HL Player-Coaches Tariq Wadood and Yao Ximing have been named by the USBA as the USA National Team coaches. Their first major responsibility will be to coach next year's U.S. Thomas Cup team in February.

Both have represented their countries as leaders on their national Thomas Cup teams. Yao was part of the #1 doubles team on the World Champion Chinese Thomas Cup team in 1982.

REGIONAL & NATIONAL TEAM TRIALS

The national team trials will be held over Thanksgiving at the Manhattan Beach Badminton Club.

Vicki Toutz has organized what seems to be the fairest national team selection process in years. Regional trials are to be hosted by each of the 5 regions of the U.S. to determine the qualifying competitors for the national trials. The regions are the 1) East 2) Midwest 3) South 4) Northwest 5) Southwest.

The number of qualifiers allowed for each region is determined by the number of nationally ranked players in that region. The Southwest will have the majority of qualifiers with 29. The Eastern will have 10, the Midwest will have 7, the South and Northwest will receive the minimum 4 each.

This trial system promises to provide some real badminton excitement with important national team positions on the line.

IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

See the HL, BLACK KNIGHT, and VICTOR quality badminton equipment dealer near you!

ASBY SPORTS

392 N. Capitol Ave.
San Jose, CA 95133
(408)259-6770

ALEX'S SPORTS STOP

12 N. Santa Cruz Ave.
Los Gatos, CA 95030
(408)395-6950

WILLY'S BADMINTON SHOP

Village Court Shopping Center
El Camino & S.W. San Antonio Rd.
Los Altos, CA 94022
(415)941-2146

WEST COAST SPORTING GOODS

20461 Redwood Rd Castro Valley, CA (415)889-1470	13720 E. 14th St. San Leandro, CA (415)351-2700	15033 Farnsworth San Leandro, CA (415)351-6644
--	---	--

Northern California Distributor

**HL, BLACK KNIGHT,
AND VICTOR**

ANDY'S SPORTS

P.O. BOX 8568
SAN JOSE, CA 95155
(408) 371-4689

Dealer Inquiries Welcome
Catalog Available

ACROSS AMERICA

EASTERN TRIALS

By Cynthia Kelly

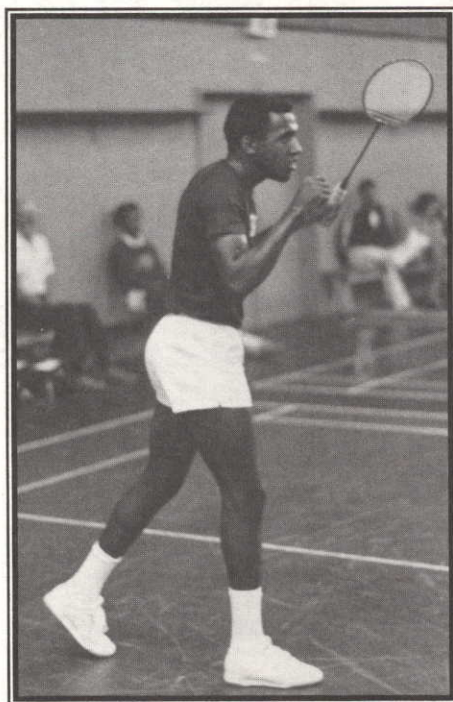
Guy Rittmann, 33, is expected to be the top qualifier, although late word indicates that he will not play singles. He is partnered by Dick McKinley and ranked U.S. #7. They have completely dominated the mens doubles in the East.

A number of promising young players have been invited to the tryout. 1986 junior national champion Michael Flexor, 20, current junior champion Paul McAdam, 19, and current 16 champion Hal Lyden, 17, all play out of the Maugus Club in Wellesley, Mass. These players should be part of the next generation of players in the 1990 Thomas Cup and 1992 Olympics.

The women's side features 3 top contenders for Uber Cup positions: highly ranked Mary Fran Hughes, 23, back in New York after college at Arizona State Univ., Vivian Tam, 20, who heads out to ASU in January, and Patty Dernbach, 23, who dominated the ladies doubles scene in the East.

Other contenders are Katty Skole, 24, a Swedish graduate student at the University of MA, Charlotte Ackerman, U.S. #9, Carolyn Mott, U.S. #12, and Liz Wilson.

CALIFORNIA TOURNAMENT ACTION



Rodney Barton at the Tibbetts Open

Early season tournaments in CA have created more interest this year due to the new Thomas and Uber Cup trial format. With the regional and national trials for national team selection to be complete by the Thanksgiving weekend, players are gearing up their games with much more urgency.

Rodney Barton started the season with dominating singles play at the Kelly Tibbetts Open in Manhattan Beach Sept. 12-13. If Barton can maintain his pace, he will be a very important addition to the U.S. National team in Thomas Cup action. Barton also teamed with

Curt Stephan in a surprisingly strong team showing to capture the doubles title at the Tibbetts.

Stephan then partnered with John Britton two weeks later at CA Grand Prix I in Sunnyvale. In a convincing upset, they beat reigning U.S. National Champions Chris Jogis and Benny Lee in the semifinals (15-11, 15-6), and then bumped off Tariq Wadood and Dennis Metz in the finals (15-10, 15-8). Jogis edged by Barton and Wadood in successive 3-game matches to capture the singles title.

The competition for positions on the women's Uber Cup team does not involve quite as much depth, but the battle will be fierce for individual positions.

Current U.S. Singles Champion Joy Kitzmiller took the Kelly Tibbetts singles title beating 1986 Champion Nina Lolk en route. But, 2 weeks later she fell to Lolk at the G.P. I semifinals. Lolk then lost to Meiling Okuno.

The ladies doubles has undergone the same see-saw battle. Judi Kelly and Lolk lost in the first tourney, but then won the second. Traci Britton, Ann French, and Pam Owens, among others, have also figured strongly in the results.

ACROSS AMERICA

BEA MASSMAN HONORED

Bea Massman of Buffalo, New York was recently honored in the August 1987 issue of "World Tennis." She was highlighted as one of tennis' greatest assets in the "Teachers - 12 Who Mattered" special series. She played an instrumental role in developing the tennis in the area, and she is also responsible for outstanding accomplishments in badminton.

Bea's standout badminton career includes numerous Open and Senior major tournament badminton titles in doubles with her partner Ethel Marshall from the 50's until recent years. She has been an inspiration and coach to hundreds of junior badminton players in the Buffalo area.

ARIZONA ACTION

Hank Anderssohn and Renee Beach hosted a new tournament with open, high school, and Sr. events at Chaparral High on Sept. 26,27. There were trophies, and a noteworthy catered dinner for the participants.

On the next weekend, divisional high school invitationals were held at Gilbert, Horizon, and Trevor Browne High Schools. Each hosted a share of top players in a regular draw format.

NEW TRIER H.S. - ILLINOIS CHAMPS



Malizola, Gordon, Volkert, Marquardt, Cunningham, Kennicke, Bridges, Evangelista.

by Florence Malizola

(Editor's Note: This is an addition to last issue's "1987 High School Champions Across America")

New Trier High School's Girl's Badminton Team captured its third Illinois State Championship in eleven years at Evanston Township High School on May 15-16, 1987.

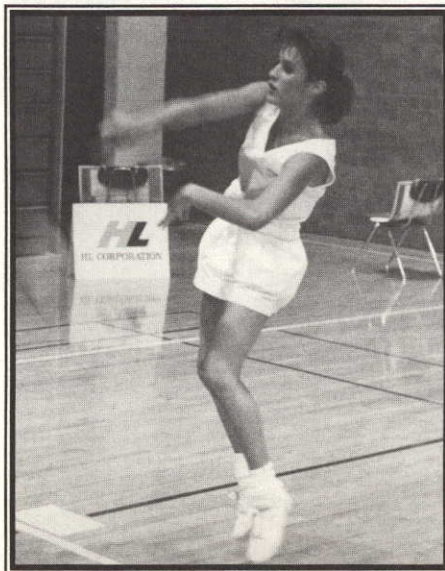
Fifty-six high schools qualified players, and the tournament was run beautifully with exceptional play, even after a total of 148 regulation matches!

There were separate tournaments for both singles and doubles and they each had draws of 64, with a consolation feed-in format. Points were awarded to each team as their players advanced through the draws.

The top high school team finishers in the state were:

- 1st: New Trier H.S. - 17.5 pts.
- 2nd: Deerfield H.S. - 14.5 pts.
- 3rd: Maine West H.S. - 10.5 pts.
- Evanston T.H.S. - 10.5 pts.

The individual state champions were Carla Marshack of Deerfield High School in singles, and New Trier's Wendy Marquardt and Suzie Volkert in doubles.



Horizon High School player in action

ACROSS AMERICA

U.S. OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Wes Schoppe is hosting his last U.S. Open at the Manhattan Beach Badminton Club in November 11-15, 1987. An outstanding list of international talent promises to make this the best U.S. Open since Schoppe reinstated the tournament some 9 years ago as the "CP AIR OPEN."

Schoppe reports that entrants from Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Japan, Korea, Canada, Mexico, Peru, England, Sweden, Bermuda, Jamaica, Guatamala, Guyana, and the USA have been received thus far. This year's sponsors are Carlsberg Beer, HL Corporation, Victor, and NEC.

The semifinals are Saturday, November 14, and the finals are Sunday, November 15. Complete coverage of the event will be supplied in our next issue.

PAN AMERICAN GAMES 1987

Dean Schoppe has been appointed as the USA representative and team manager for a small U.S. team which will travel to Lima, Peru for the Pan American Games in late November 1987.

The bilingual Schoppe will attempt to help co-ordinate the re-organization of the Pan American Badminton Federation which is designed for furthering the badminton goals of all American continent nations.

HENNESSEY'S TAVERN'S U.S. SENIOR/MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIPS

This international event will be held at the Manhattan Beach Badminton Club in Manhattan Beach, California January 20-23, 1988.

Entrants from all over the world are expected. Contact Jim Poole (714) 531-2438, or Wes Schoppe (213) 546-3652 for more information.

RUSSIA HAS LARGEST ASSOCIATION

An IBF publication found that the U.S.S.R. has grown to be the largest national association of badminton memberships. The increase from 50,000 in 1980 to 185,000 in 1987 demonstrates the serious interest they have taken in the development of badminton for future Olympic Games.

The amount of registered members listed for each nation below tell us something about the strength of their national badminton association, but may not show us true figures on how many actual badminton players in the country.

U.S.S.R.	185,000
Denmark	171,235
F. R. Germany	107,235
China	101,000
Japan	100,421
England	97,465
Netherlands	87,176
Chinese-Taipei	74,143
Canada	60,000
Indonesia	50,000
Sweden	47,239
German D.R.	24,500
Ireland	24,500



Russell Bowles, back center, & Wydown Jr. H.S. badminton class in St. Louis, Mo.

TIME FOR A NEW SCORING SYSTEM?

by Guy Chadwick

With the growing pressure of the media and promotional entities to "package" the new Olympic sport of badminton, there has been a strong movement to reconsider badminton's scoring system.

The current "best 2 of 3, 15 point-game system" does not provide enough "breaks" for television commercials, and

perhaps spectators are not treated to as many "critical" points as most other sports, such as tennis' many game, set, and match points.

The alternative scoring system most recommended is a "9 point" system. For example, the rule changes for the "Kelly Tibbetts Open" held in September were:

1) Best 3 of 5 games.

2) 9 point games for all events, no setting, except if a 5th game is necessary the winner had to win by two points; e.g. 9-7, 10-8, 11-9...

3) No breaks between games, except five minutes allowed after the 4th game.

I handed out anonymous surveys to many of the participants of this event with the following results:

THE SURVEY

* "As a player, do you like the 9 point system better than the traditional system?"

-- 33% liked the 9 pt. better, 33% no difference, 33% liked it less.

* "Do you have to concentrate more when playing using the 9 pt. system?"

-- 86% felt they had to concentrate more, 14% no difference.

* "Do you think the 9 pt. system effects how well you play?"

-- 11% felt they played better, 62% no change, 27% played worse.

* "Does the 9 pt. system force you to change your style of play?"

-- 43% felt they needed to be more aggressive, 47% no change, 10% said more conservative.

* "Does the 9 pt. system seem to favor particular types of players?"

-- 50% felt that "attacking" players benefitted the most, 35% said "shot-makers", 12% said "runners", 3% felt that "counter-attackers" were favored.

* "Does the 9 pt. system allow you to play "harder" during each rally?"

-- 60% felt they played harder, 30% no change, 10% felt they paced themselves more.

* "Does the 9 pt. system require more physical conditioning?"

-- 33% said more, 33% no change, 33% said less.

* "Does the 9 pt. system allow you less rest during the match than the old system?"

-- 60% said less rest, 30% no difference, 10% said more rest.

* "Does the 9 pt. system create more "critical" points during the match?"

-- 97% said yes, 3% no change.

* "Do you think the 9 pt. system is better for spectators?"

-- 67% felt it was better, 20% said no change, 13% felt it was worse.

Of those surveyed, the only marked resistance to this change came from a few players that have played badminton over 10 years.

In general, the survey response strongly favors changing the existing badminton scoring system to the "9 point, best 3 of 5" format. These changes should be invoked as soon as practical, perhaps at the beginning of the 1988-89 badminton season.

THE BADMINTON MAGAZINE is BETTER THAN EVER...
... SUBSCRIBE NOW!!!

THIS IS YOUR SUBSCRIPTION FORM!!!

-- Return this form with fees to:

The **BADMINTON** Magazine

P.O. Box 3796
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266
(213) 546-3652

NAME _____
STREET _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

ENCLOSE FEES: _____ 1st Class (\$12.00) _____ Bulk (\$8.00)

THIS IS YOUR FRIENDS SUBSCRIPTION FORM!!!

-- Return this form with fees to:

The **BADMINTON** Magazine

P.O. Box 3796
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266
(213) 546-3652

NAME _____
STREET _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

ENCLOSE FEES: _____ 1st Class (\$12.00) _____ Bulk (\$8.00)



VICTOR

QUALITY BADMINTON PRODUCTS

... the best for your game.

Exclusive United States distributor:

HL CORPORATION

P.O. Box 3327 Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

(213) 546-3652 1-800-HL-SPORT (outside CA only)



#1 in the USA

The
HL CHAMPION
TOURNAMENT FEATHER SHUTTLE

Exclusive United States distributor:

HL CORPORATION
P.O. Box 3327 Manhattan Beach, CA 90266
(213) 546-3652 1-800-HL-SPORT (outside CA only)

The Badminton Magazine
P.O. Box 3796
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

BULK RATE
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266
Permit No. 255

3

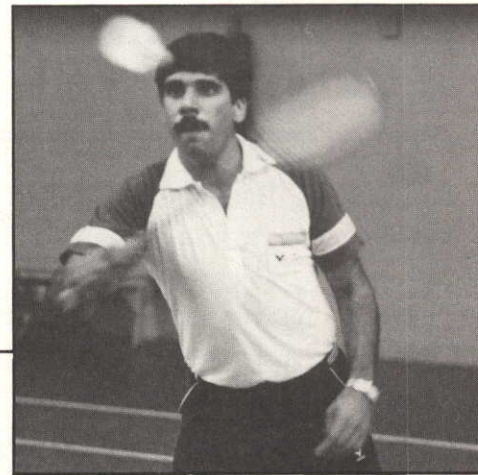


The BADMINTON Magazine

VOL. 2, NO. 4

NOV 1987

TABLE OF CONTENTS



FEATURES

6

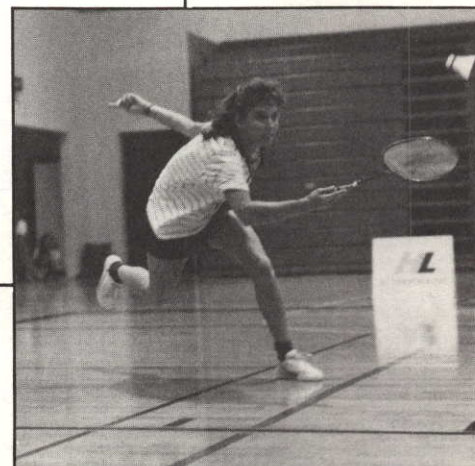
- 6 Interview with Pat McCarrick
- 9 Basic Doubles--Attack
- 11 SCBA Shuttle Scuttle
- 15 Player Profile: Timmy Yuen
- 16 USABA News
- 18 Across America
- 22 9 Point Scoring?

9

11

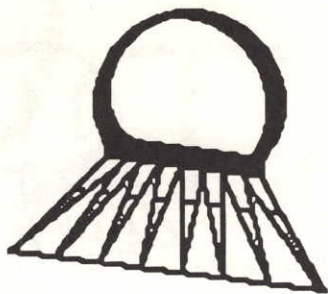
18

Cover Photo:
Courtesy of Warren Emerson



PUBLISHERS:
David H. Levin & W. Guy Chadwick
EDITOR: Joy E. Kitzmiller
LOGO DESIGN: Charles Elay
ISSN NUMBER: 0747-9069

THE BADMINTON MAGAZINE can be reached at P.O. Box 3796, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266. Title trademark is registered with all written materials copyrighted. All written materials published in THE BADMINTON MAGAZINE are the exclusive property of THE BADMINTON MAGAZINE and cannot be reproduced without permission from THE BADMINTON MAGAZINE.



Publisher's Letter...

David H. Levin

To All CIF Badminton Coaches and Interested Parties:

I have addressed this letter to all California Interscholastic Federation badminton coaches because I need your help. Last year while attending the CIF-SS badminton championships I had the opportunity to visit with a number of the coaches present and discuss the feasibility of a California State High School Badminton Championships. We reached the conclusion that there is no reason not to have one.

Some of the benefits would be;

- 1) Improved standard of play and further development of badminton,
- 2) Increased media recognition of badminton,
- 3) An opportunity for the athlete to compete at a higher level of competition than previously experienced,
- 4) The opportunity for the best athletes to receive statewide recognition as "all-state" badminton players, and
- 5) The chance for the high school athlete to travel and meet other

student athletes from all over the state.

The only negative aspect of the idea was financial. But I have been partially able to alleviate this hardship through my affiliation with HL Corporation. I have been able to get a five year commitment from their High School Development department to offset the tournament expenses relating to facility rental, shuttlecocks, and awards. The students would still have to fund their travel expenses through whatever means their programs allow.

Overcome with enthusiasm for the possibility of this event, I contacted the state CIF office in May of this year. I was informed by commissioner Thomas Byrnes that the impetus for the creation of this tournament could not come from me, but must originate through CIF channels. In short he told me that the tournament could never happen unless the individual CIF sections request it.

I could run the tournament on my own but it would not have the same credibility as a championships endorsed by the state CIF office. This is the reason why I am writing this open letter. I need every coach who thinks that a California State Badminton Championships would be a valuable addition to your programs to contact your section advisory staff for badminton and your section commissioner for badminton and tell them how you feel about the idea. In addition, ask them to contact the state CIF office and express their desire for a state championships.

If we all work hard enough for this goal we will have a CIF California State Championships for 1988. If you want to talk to me further about how you might be able to help, please call me at (213) 546-3652.

Thank you,

David H. Levin