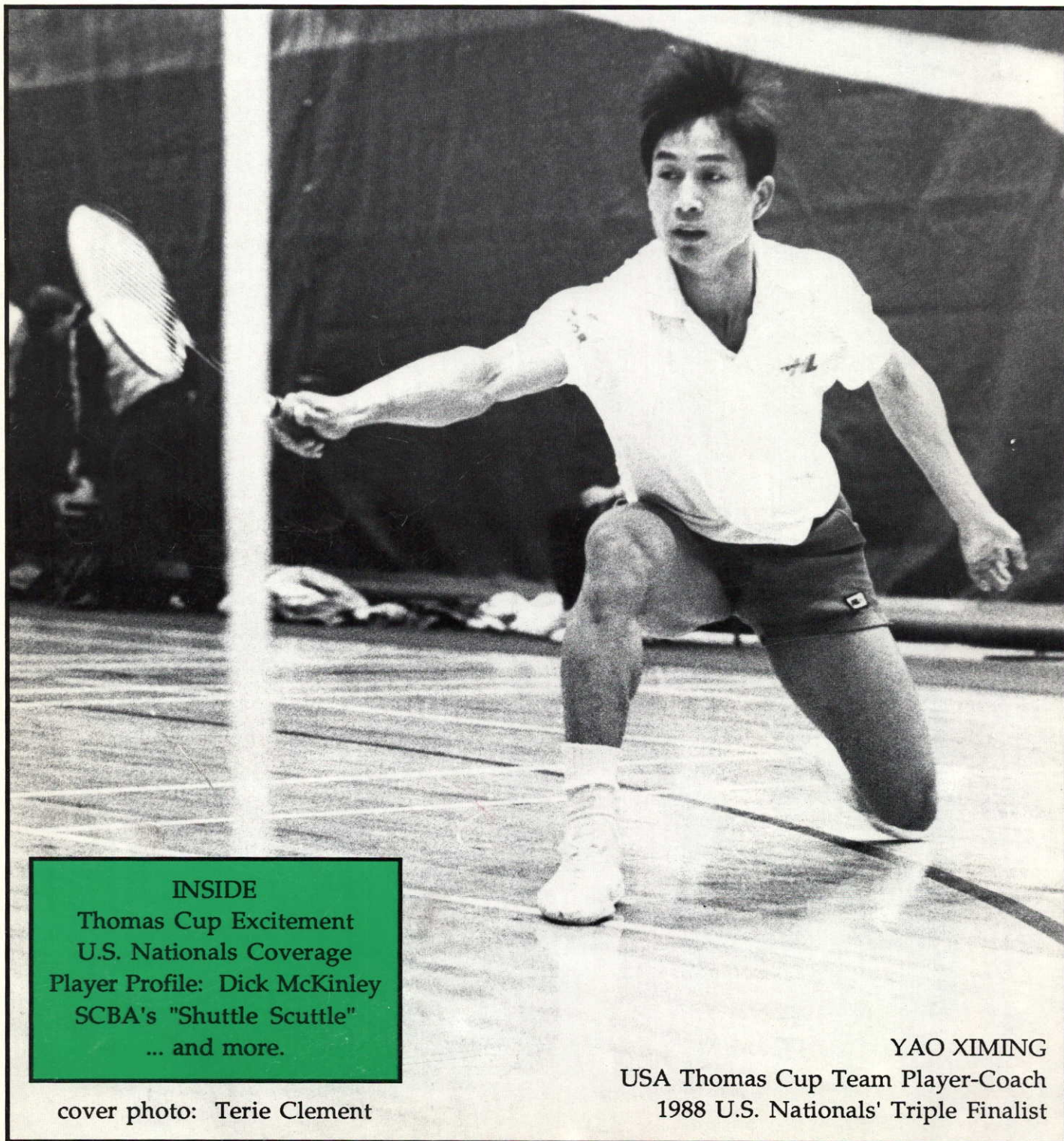


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From the Editor...

For national players the season is just concluding its cycle and its final results are being "docked" into the history books. For most high school players, the season is just churning to a boil.

All the while, the largely unrecognized club and recreational players keep the shuttle flying with no cycle at all, except the cycle of youth to old age.

In its walk toward old age, THE BADMINTON MAGAZINE, you may notice, has <again> changed its format. Being rather adolescent at present, we have decided to trim down and gloss up.

And, since the badminton cycle does not revolve around us, we have dutifully revolved around it. Thus, this "March" issue is destined to be late since we have waited on badminton headlines far beyond our normal deadlines.

I hope that's OK.

-- Guy Chadwick

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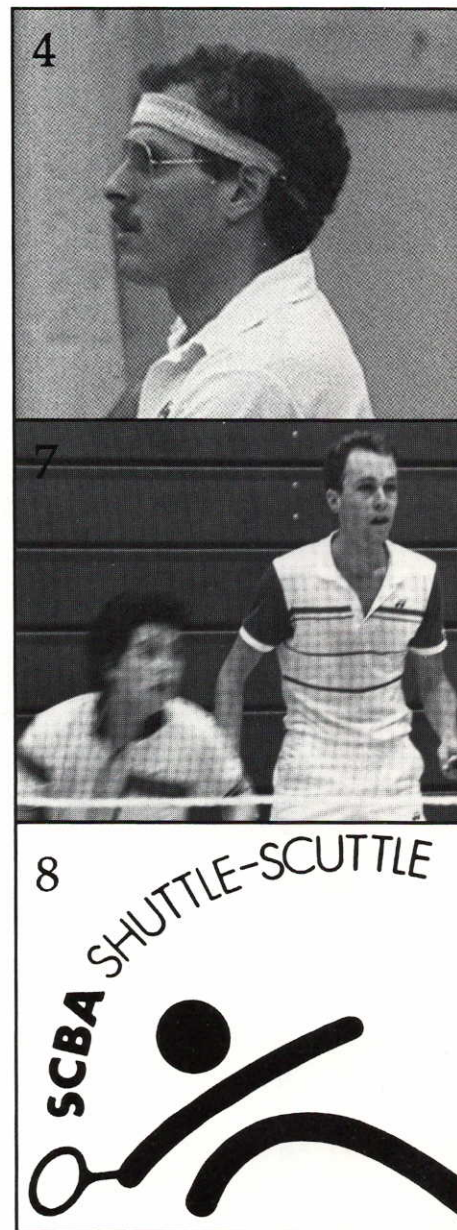
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A PLAYER PROFILE...

Team HL Player Dick McKinley

"Most people playing badminton have made more sacrifices with less recognition than athletes in other sports. They play because they really love the game."



Barb and Dick McKinley

This issue's spotlighted player is Team HL player Dick McKinley of the Boston, Massachusetts area. He has been ranked as high as #1 in the U.S. in doubles during his career. This year, at the age of 38, he and his partner Guy Rittmann again nailed down the Northeastern Region top doubles position and fell just short of qualifying for the National Team.

But, Dick's long time dedication to badminton extends far beyond play. Year after year, he runs local and major tournaments, serves on various badminton organizations, and helps to coach junior players. He does all this despite a very hectic schedule which recently has included moving into a new home, organizing a merger for his thriving computer software business, supporting his wife during the birth of their first child, and co-chairing the New England Open.

When asked how he first became involved in badminton, Dick replied:

"I began playing at age 16 in the 1960's in the Buffalo, New York area where I grew up. My first real exposure to the game came when I entered a junior nationals shortly after I first began playing. I wrote in for a partner and got a hell of a player named Bill Moosekian.

I hardly knew the rules, and on top of that I had to keep a bucket on the side of the court... I was so sick that day. We sort of played mixed, Bill

did all the work, and we just lost 18-17 in the third game of the semifinals - that's how good he was.

The next day Bill was riding a bike, went from the top of a hill straight down into a stone bridge and broke both legs. It knocked him out of other finals he was in, and he was never the same afterwards. I guess Bill had a pretty rough tournament.

Anyway, I stuck to the game and began to get better by the next year."

Growing up, Dick played many sports. Dick led his high school tennis team during part of the team's national record setting win streak. Dick also played on the New York State High School Championship soccer team. A foot injury ended further soccer hopes, but he continued tennis in college and helped to turn the Philadelphia Textile School of Engineering tennis team from perennial losers to Mid-Atlantic Champions in his first year.

Dick also turned his tennis career into his livelihood. He became a tennis pro in the Boston area for several years following college. In fact, he and some friends organized and built a tennis club, which included two excellent badminton courts. Then the club's roof, which was a giant bubble, literally burst three years later. Although Dick and his friends eventually received a settlement from the manufacturer, the club was long gone.

Meanwhile, Dick continued to play badminton during a time when tournaments and clubs abounded on the East Coast... "One year I played 16 straight tournaments, and in the Boston area alone there were 33 clubs with A,B,C,D league play twice a week."

On comparing badminton to tennis...

"Badminton allows for freer movement, more variety, more creative play, more 'animal' than tennis. Badminton competition is great. Tennis is more structured.

And most importantly, badminton has always been like a family to me. Most people playing badminton have made more sacrifices with less recognition than athletes in other sports. They play because they really love the game and that involves special kinds of people. I can have troubles in business and everyday life, but I have always been able to come back to badminton and have the same great people there."

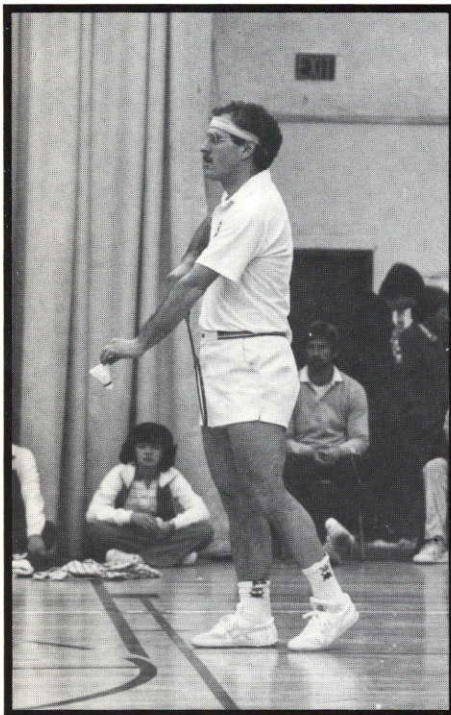
Dick was highly ranked with Matt Fogarty in the late 1970's, and was #1 in the U.S. with Guy Rittmann in 1980-81. He and Guy have won nearly every Northeastern tournament since. But, after Dick, Guy, and Matt there have been a shortage of strong nationally ranked men from the Eastern seaboard in recent years.

"But badminton is definitely rebounding. The Olympic status is already having its effect - it legitimizes the sport, and the possibility of TV exposure is the easiest way to popularize the game.

Badminton will be very different than when it was big before - more professional. But we need money and a national organization prepared to handle big money like big business."

Dick figures he's in the twilight of his serious competitive career, considering his age and family and business commitments. But he'll keep playing for fun and exercise and continue to help out the sport.

"I'd like to see more players as they mature put more back into the game and help out. If everyone did one little thing, much more would get done. At this point in the growth of badminton, it's not enough to just play."



Dick McKinley preparing to serve enroute to one of more than a hundred tournament titles during his career.

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THOMAS CUP: USA BEATS CANADA !

The ladies' Uber Cup team played well, but were out-matched as they were swept by four strong teams in their American Zone competition. It was up to the men's Thomas Cup team, then, to pull some "upsets" for the USA...

The American Zone competition in San Jose, California was one of four zones of international badminton team competition all occurring during the last week of February, 1988.

Each zone would determine the qualifiers for the final round of Uber and Thomas Cup competition to be held in late May in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. China is the current defending Champion for both the men and the ladies.

This year's American Zone saw the U.S. Thomas Cup team finish with their best record in decades. Victories over Hong Kong (4-1), Guatemala (5-0), and Canada (3-2) qualified the U.S. team as finalists of the American zone. International seedings had placed the USA to come in third behind Canada and Hong Kong in their group.

The tense tie against Canada was decided in the fifth and final match. Canada had grabbed the first singles. The U.S.'s Chris Jogis and Tariq Wadood turned in solid performances to gain the second and third singles points. Then, the Canadians rebounded with a close 3-game doubles win over Matt Fogarty and Bruce Pontow to even up the tie.

Finally, it was up to the doubles combination of the National Team coaches, Wadood and Yao Ximing. Wadood and Yao's experience gave them the edge as they beat multi-National Champions Canadians

Bitten and DeBelle in two tough games to give the U.S. a 3-2 win. This was the USA's first Thomas Cup win over Canada in 21 years.

In the other group, Korea breezed to victories over Peru (5-0), Pakistan (5-0), and Chinese Taipei (5-0). So dominating were the Koreans, that nearly every one of their singles and doubles matches took less than 30 minutes to complete. Thus, the highly favored Koreans flew into the finals ready to trounce the U.S.

Only one team would qualify from the American Zone to go to Malaysia for the final round of Thomas Cup action, so the Koreans were not about to mess around.

Sure enough, the powerful Koreans were able to sweep the U.S. as well, but not nearly as easily as expected. Playing third singles for the U.S., Sanjay Malde scorched the court with all out badminton to take his opponent to three games (15-12, 10-15, 9-15).

And, in the last doubles, Wadood and Yao produced real world-class badminton and appeared capable of victory, but finally succumbed (15-11, 11-15, 7-15).

So in the end the world will see Korea representing the American Zone in Malaysia as expected. But enroute perhaps a warning has been issued that the U.S. is on its way up as a force in world badminton competition.

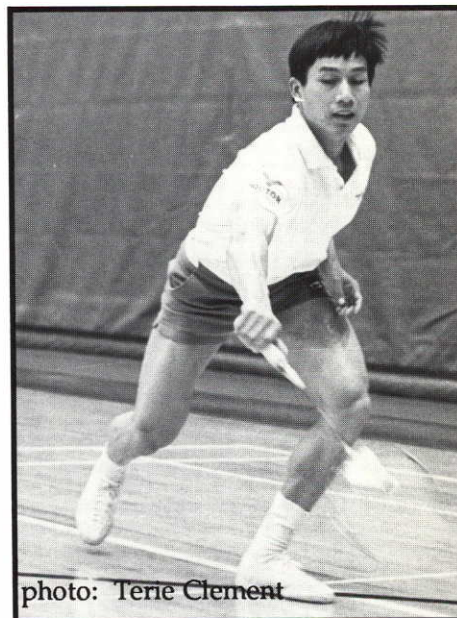


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Yao Ximing helped lead the USA team to their best success in 21 years.

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1988 U.S. NATIONALS AT THE U.S. OLYMPIC TRAINING CENTER

Jogis took the men's triple crown for the first time since 1942! His mixed partner, Linda French just missed a triple crown herself when she lost only in the singles final to a defending champion.

Linda French and Chris Jogis winning the mixed title >>>

By TERIE CLEMENT

Chris Jogis, the 1985-6 Men's Singles Champion and part of the 1987 Champion Men's and Mixed Doubles teams, took a triple sweep at the 1988 National's, Feb 28 - Mar 3, at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, CO.

Linda French joined Jogis in his first final match of the tournament, defeating Yao Xi ming and Traci Britton for the 1988 Mixed Doubles title. Jogis then defeated Yao in three games to regain his Men's Singles title taken last year by Tariq Wadood, who was absent this year due to schedule conflicts.

In the day's last match, Benny Lee paired Jogis to defend their Men's Doubles title from Yao and Solaiman Jonatan. Furious squeaking shoes beat on both sides of the court in the match that ended in two quick games, leaving Yao three times denied, but not forlorn. Smiling, he mopped the sweat and exhaustion from his face after watching Jogis receive his third trophy.

Joy Kitzmiller defended her singles

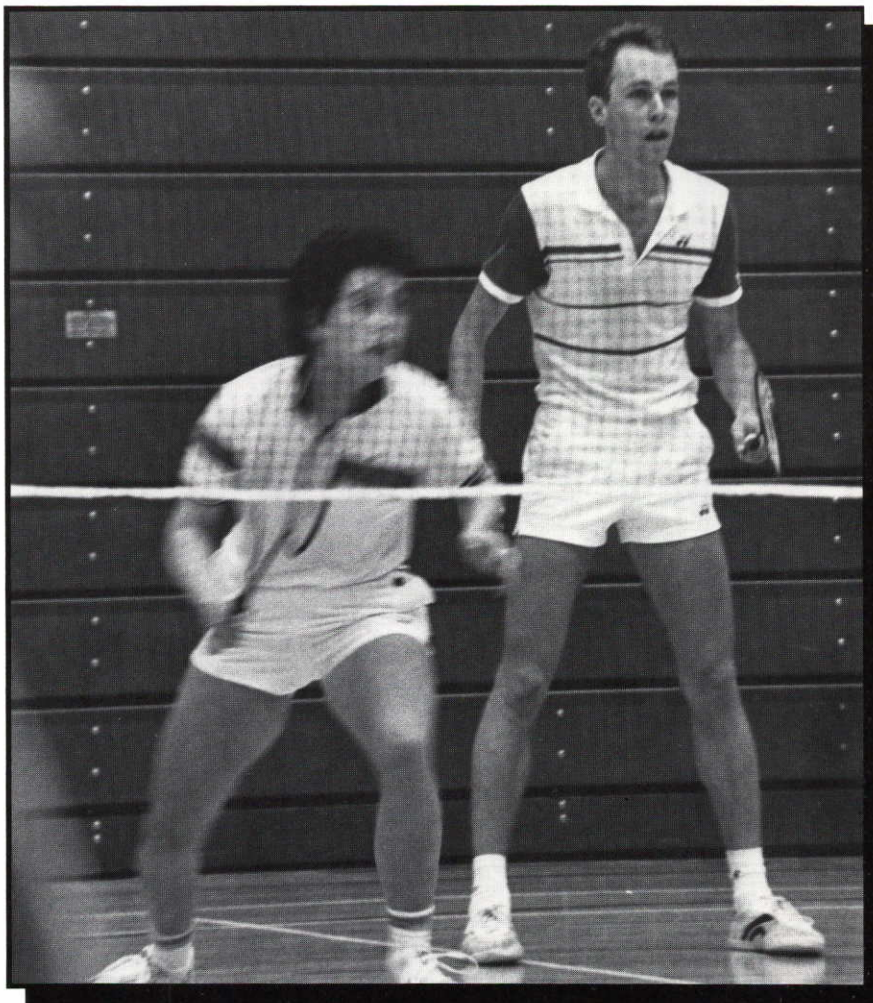


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title against Linda French. French was another 3-time finalist, twice successful. With partner Linda Safarik-Tong, she took her second Women's Doubles title, defeating Kitzmiller and Traci Britton.

Contestants had more to worry about than their opponents. The high altitude set havoc on the birdies. Less barometric pressure left little resistance to keep them from flying away. Nets gathered at the ceiling were another obstacle. Sanjay Malde caught four birds in the tangles before resorting to another court to finish a match.

Editor's Note: The USBA seized the opportunity to further involve U.S. badminton with the Olympics by playing at the U.S. Olympic Training Center- and some sacrifices were made. The playing dates and location reduced the draw, and the high altitude in Colorado Springs effected the playing conditions. But, players were able to join with all of the Olympic athletes at the Training Center, and badminton was given a nice opportunity to show off among its 'peers.' The professional media coverage was also a plus. This story and photos is by an Olympic journalist, and a first time viewer of tournament badminton.



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Senior winners... Top left: Joyce Jones & Dale Miller- 50 mixed. Top right: Gary Higgins - 35 singles & doubles. Below: Lee Calvert (right) 50 ladies singles winner with Joan Bell the runner-up.

PREZ SEZ...

Has anyone besides me noticed the badminton season is over? The U.S. Nationals were completed the first week in March-- so what's left?

Apparently, the IBF has requested the USBA adhere to it's tournament schedule. Eventually, I'm told, our Nationals would be held in November the same weekend as other countries. But where does that leave players and tournament directors in Southern California?

Are we now to hold the tradition laden Dave Freeman in October? How do we coordinate high schools during the summer?

Obviously we can't dictate when the USBA holds our Nationals, but I hope the Board keeps in mind the special needs of the Southern Cal players. I believe changes which affect so many should be voted on by the membership rather than just the USBA Board.

PRESS RELEASE...

At last the State Games are coming to California! These Games are supported by the U.S. Olympic Committee and the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports. The Games function as a development program for future Olympians and also provide an opportunity for thousands of other Californians to experience, first hand, the excitement of a parade of athletes, opening ceremonies, award ceremonies and all of the festivities of the California State Games!

The 1988 California State Games, to be held July 14-17 in San Diego, consist of 13 sports including badminton. Badminton will be played in Balboa Park at the Federal Building with all junior, adult, and senior divisions active.

Don't miss this great opportunity to compete against, and with, over 5,000 of the best athletes in California. Look for more information about qualifying for the State Games in the next issue.

YY GRAND PRIX

The Yonex Grand Prix circuit recently completed stages 3 & 4 of its five tourney circuit- Valley Grand Prix III at L.A. Valley College, and the Dave Freeman Open in San Diego.

Highlights for the Valley Grand Prix included titles by Tariq Wadood and Liz Aronsohn in the singles events, and 2 titles by Yao Ximing. Yao partnered with Solaiman Jonatan in doubles and with Traci Britton in mixed. Lolk and Kelly continued to win in women's doubles.

In a singles semis, Benny Lee became the first U.S. player other than Wadood to beat Chris Jogis in more than 2 seasons.

In the Dave Freeman Open, Jogis bounced back to take the singles title. Joy Kitzmiller beat Meiling Okuno to grab the ladies' crown. Yao and Jonatan took the doubles again.

A complete wrap-up of the final results of this year's Yonex Grand Prix will follow in the next issue.

SENIOR INTERNATIONAL OPEN...

by Kelly Tibbitts

Another U.S. OPEN is in the record books. This time it was the Seniors, Masters, held in Manhattan Beach, January 20-23. Players from Canada and Mexico graced the entry lists as well as a delightful couple from England. The addition of Jr.-Seniors was a new feature - allowing 35 year old men to add to the younger end of the spectrum. And for the final touch of spice, a woman entered in the men's singles of this new group.

One of the most fascinating players in this 88 Open turned out to be Henry Wong of the Pasadena Badminton Club. Henry does not play in many tournaments, so he was surprising to nearly everyone. He was tough enough in the Masters division, where he won the singles by defeating the ambidextrous space man from Canada, Ken Money in the finals. But to add an extra exclamation point, he and partner Ben Lao took the Senior Doubles title with a 15-8, 15-8 win over Canada's Wayne MacDonnell and Gordon McConnell.

It was a local treat to see Gary Higgins play the Jr-Sr Men's singles final against Dave Anderson who had the distinction of taking out Jane Youngberg in a tough 3-game semi. Gary went on to top Dave - then teamed with his friend and former partner, Bob Dickie, to also capture the men's doubles final from Wayne MacDonnell and David Ogata.

When we learned that we were going to have two entrants from England, a Mr. and Mrs. Jack McColl, we were very pleased. After Mr. McColl took the court we realized he was an excellent player and got curious enough to find out he was once the tops in England. He defeated Hank Anderssohn in the Grand Masters singles - that was our first big clue. So for those of you who fit the age of memory needed - we had the privilege of hosting J. D. McColl... formerly All England titles holder. And, the best thing about him is his gorgeous sense of humor.

Another treat among entrants was Ken Money, who is scheduled to go on the next Shuttle Flight. We'll all have more interest in this one than the ones containing only strangers.

And if you want to be confused by an opponent - play Bill Hlina. He uses one racket but two hands - one at a time. He makes the hand change so quickly you don't notice it at first.

The banquet on Saturday night was catered by Rhea Harris. Definitely it had a flair as Rhea herself has. Thanks to Rhea for her talent.

Really everyone in the tournament was interesting. As we got to be more familiar with each we found unforgettable things to imbed them in our badminton mental scrapbook. It was a fun four days and we thank all the local, national and international players who came.

SCBA SHUTTLE-SCUTTLE

The SAGA of the PASADENA B. C. ...

One of the ongoing stories over the past 15 or 20 years has been the future of the Pasadena Badminton Club. Since the last issue, there have been hopeful signs from the city of Pasadena. The Design Committee, who had found that our PBC plans did not meet the design needs, has stated that they would attempt to come up with additional funding to assist in the construction of the Rose Bowl area courts.

We still do not have a definite date or solution to the latest delays, but with all the work that has been put in and the determination of Bob Cook and club members, there will be PBC badminton one way or another.

When last we asked about the fate of the Armory as our home for play, we found that it could be taken away from us at any time. There will not be a substitute location rented - it is a matter of holding out for the permanent site. Bob has a number of ideas on ways to hold the line for the current plan and location. But he states that the club could be moved to a different area. So watch the next issue for the next episode. And Good Luck to PBC.

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April 3-6:

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April 15-16:

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April 22-23:

CSUDH-Costa Mesa H.S. Tourney

May 12, 17, 19:

CIF Team Preliminaries

May 13-14:

CIF Individual Prelims & Finals

May 13-15:

Valley College B,C,D

May 21-23:

S. CA. Jrs, Pasadena B.C.

May 27-30:

Win-A-Million B,C,D, Pasadena

May 24:

CIF Team Finals

June 24-26:

LA GAMES 88 Jrs, CSUDH

July 2-4:

Lyons Summer Tourney, San Diego

July 13-17:

CA St. Games, Jr, Adult, Sr.

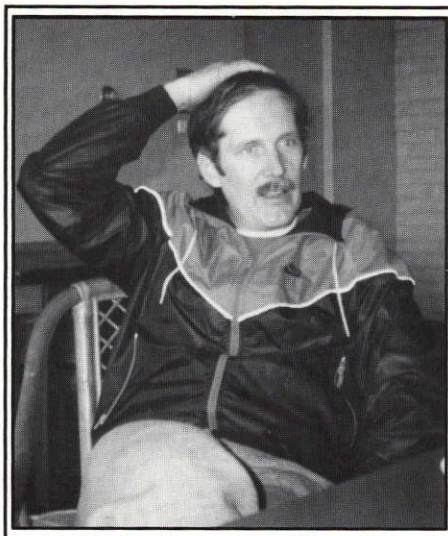
TRACY HUDSON AWARD

A new sportsmanship award honoring Tracy Hudson was introduced at the Eastern Junior Championships held at Miller Place, NY. This year's winner was Heather Johnson of Buffalo, NY.

TAN JOE HOK VISITS U.S.

Stan and Diane Hales had a surprise visitor recently when Tan Joe Hok, former world-class badminton star, stopped by one evening. His future plans include moving to this area and promoting badminton.

BETTER-WAY B-C GRAND PRIX



by Dave Anderson

The BETTER-WAY B-C Grand Prix Finals were held in January at the MBBC. Highlights included Marc Padre's dominance in BMS with an upset of top seeded Ing Hong Tan in two games in the finals. Also, Marc teamed up with Tom Clickner to reach the BMD finals upsetting the top seeds enroute. USABA players reached the finals in seven of ten events, capturing 4 titles.

The most competitive event was BWD with all but one match going 3 games. The tough luck award goes to Carol Callahan who scored 33 points in a CWS match (five more than her opponent)... and lost the match... 11-12, 11-4, 11-12 (to Linda Joe).

Final tournament results below, and the final point standings for each event's top 8, right:

BMS: Padre d. Tan

BWS: Gudmundson d. Holmes

BMD: Flora-Vuong d. Clickner-Padre

BWD: Cho-Rivas d. Callahan-Houdayer

BMX: Zuniga-Holmes d. Flora-Cho

CMS: Bonaparte d. Yamashiro

CWS: Ayson d. Murty

CMD: Tan-Lee d. Edwards-Sudibjo

CWD: Huppert-Tang d. Conghuyen-Yamashiro

CMX: Bahari-Yamashiro d. Lee-Tang

BMS

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Janna Holmes

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Denise Gudmundson

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CMX-Men's

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Dan Finton

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Surya Bahari

Lewis Bolle

Ralph Cervantes

Binh Lam

James Strickland

CMX-Women's

Helen Yamashiro

Amy Lillenberg

Masako Masuda

Linda Joe

Dawn O'Campo

Gina Tang

Stacey Murty

Carol Callahan



SCBA YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CENTERS -- by Ginny Hales

Thanks to funds from the Amateur Athletic Foundation of Los Angeles, the SCBA Youth Development Centers at Citrus, East Los Angeles, Golden West, Los Angeles City and Riverside Colleges are filled to capacity and then some! A one-day tournament was held on December 19 at Citrus College for 93 youngsters in 11,13,15 and 18 and under events which was a great success. Enrollment is continuous through July, 1988, and is open to all young people ages 10-18.

AAF YOUTH SPORTS CENTERS

The Amateur Athletic Foundation of Los Angeles is also sponsoring a program in the first 8 months of 1988 which will spotlight 13 Olympic sports. Free lessons for youngsters, clinics for adults and competitions will be held all over the L. A. area.

Free badminton instruction will be available at the following sites from March - July 31 for 10 - 18 year olds:

1. East L. A. College - Wheelchair badminton* - starting Saturday, March 5, 3-5pm in the Women's Gym. There is excellent wheelchair access from the adjacent parking lot. Head Instructor Clody Johnson holds a degree in Adapted P.E. and Mr. Eric Wan, will be the Assistant.

2. Long Beach Badminton Club at Cal State University, Long Beach. There will be badminton instruction on Wednesday evenings, 7-10pm starting Wednesday, March 9. Head Instructor will be Mr. Paisan Rangikitpho with Mr. Richard Lira as Assistant.

3. Manhattan Beach Badminton Club - instruction will be given to member and non-member youngsters under Head Instructor, Mr. Tariq Wadood at the following times starting March 9: Wednesdays, 6-8pm, Saturdays, 10-12 noon, Mondays, 6-8pm.

Lessons in the basics will be taught in four week sessions. At the end of each session the students will receive a certificate of completion and a T-shirt. They may then elect to continue if they desire.

Informal competitions will be held at each site with a culminating tournament being held on June 24-26 at CSU at Dominguez Hills for all those playing at the above sites and at the Youth Development Centers.

Clinics will also be held at the above sites for parents and teachers who are interested in teaching badminton basics to youngsters. Dates for these will be announced later. For more information, please call Virginia Hales at (213) 454-6965 or the AAF at 1-800-LA-SPORT.

NOTICE: During this issues' printing we have scheduled a special clinic for teachers who are interested in teaching badminton to disabled/wheelchair youngsters. Anyone interested in its results should call me at (213) 454-6965. Wheelchair Tennis Foundation members are helping us to learn of wheelchair techniques on the court.

SCBA SHUTTLE-SCUTTLE



LILY CHEN, age 11

The SCBA Youth Development Centers funded by the Amateur Athletic Foundation are progressing very rapidly. The teachers are generating a great deal of interest and enthusiasm in the game among the 10 to 18 year olds they coach. In the process, new faces and personalities are emerging which make all the effort worthwhile. One of these personalities is Lily Chen, 11 years old and in the 6th grade at Huntington Junior High School in San Marino. Lily plays the flute, likes to read fiction, and is a very good writer besides.

Lily loves all sports, particularly gymnastics, tennis, and badminton. She, and her older brother, David, 16, started playing at the ELAC center last year under the guidance of Eric Wan and Clody Johnson. She has made great strides in badminton in one year, having won the 13 and under Girls' Singles in the YDC Christmas tourney. She and her family have also become members of the Pasadena Badminton Club.

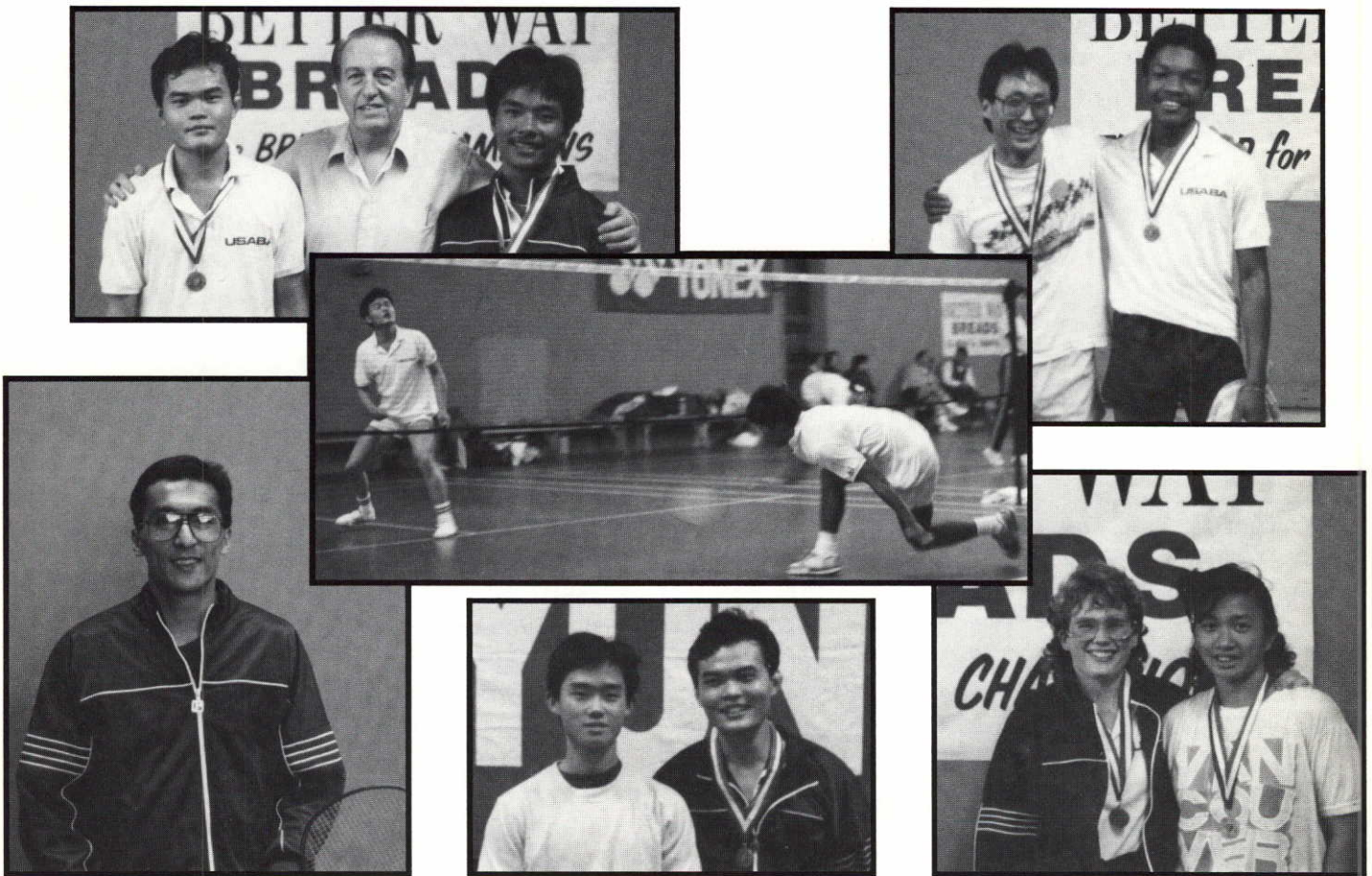
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USABA SWEEPS "BETTER WAY B-C GRAND PRIX"

USABA's extensive training program is really beginning to pay off as evidenced by the fact that all USABA players qualified for the "Better Way B-C Grand Prix" Finals. This well known Grand Prix circuit consists of five regional tournaments held throughout Southern California. The top eight players, according to accumulated points, are then invited to participate in the Finals, this year held Jan 10 at the Manhattan Beach Badminton Club. USABA players placed First and/or Second in almost every event.



Photos: Center- B Men's Singles Final between USABA players Hong Tan and eventual winner Marc Padre on the right. Upper Left- Hong Tan and Marc Padre with sponsor Better Way Bread owner centered. Lower Left- USABA B Mixed Champion Ian Zuniga. Upper Right- USABA's C Men's Singles winner Nathan Bonaparte with runner-up David Yamashiro (Pasadena). Lower Right - C Women's Singles winner Dina Ayson (Bolsa Grande) with USABA's runner-up Stacey Murty. Below Center - C Men's Doubles winners Joe Lee (Manhattan Beach) and USABA's Hong Tan.

We are currently taking applications for the USABA Summer Badminton Training Camp, May - Aug, \$300/month for Room & Board, \$80.00/month playing fees at Manhattan Beach Badminton Club.

BADMINTON FUNDAMENTALS...

The High, Deep Singles Serve

You cannot score a point in badminton if you cannot accurately get your serve in play. Even top players sometimes forget the importance of the serve at the most critical times. A high, deep serve forces your opponent toward the back of the court and gives you the maximum time to react to their return.

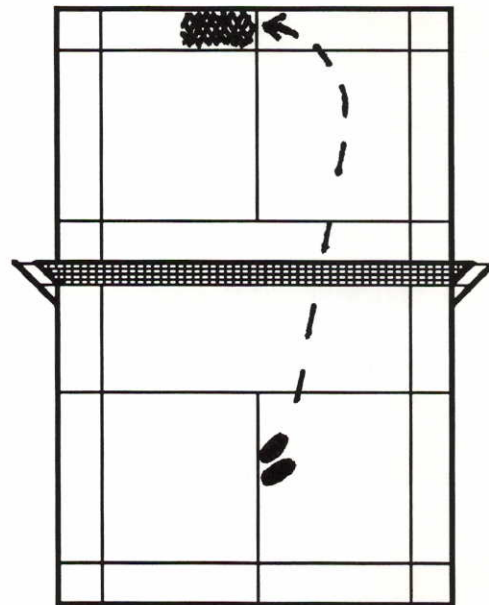
PREPARATION: 1) Start with your racket side of your body facing away from the net. Stand with your feet at least shoulder width and turned sideways to the net. 2) Hold the cork of the shuttle way out at arm's length, slightly above waist high, and in the direction you intend to serve. 3) Visualize your precise target area and the flight of where you intend the serve to go.

THE SHUTTLE'S FLIGHT: Generally, the shuttle should be hit as high as possible so that it will fall nearly straight down near the opponent's back line. Most lower angled serves will be cut off by your opponent before they are deep in their court. To know how deep your serve is, occasionally look to see where your opponent's feet are when they are hitting their return shot.

THE SERVE: 1) While leaving at least some portion of your feet touching the floor, swing your waist and torso around toward the net and shuttle. 2) Just after beginning this motion, follow with a full under-hand swing of your racket and bring your weight into the shuttle. Your racket should "catch up" with your body by the time you contact the shuttle. 3) As you are turning to hit the shuttle, drop it out of your hand. You should contact the shuttle just inches after you drop it and just below your waist level. Try to see the shuttle as it is hit by your racket. 4) Follow through with your swing as freely as possible, much as you would see a professional golfer complete their swing when they are driving off of the tee.

Avoid watching the shuttle until after you have completed your swing. Once complete, then get set in the center of your court as you look at the shuttle move toward your opponent's racket. The higher and deeper your serve, the more time you have to prepare for his return.

HIGH, DEEP SERVE TARGET AREA AND FOOT POSITION.

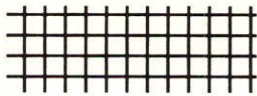


OTHER SUGGESTIONS: Relax, stand tall and usually serve toward the deep center of the opponent's court. If your opponent seems to be hitting effective returns against you, then mix-up your serving chances with low, short serves. Always watch the shuttle. Before each serve remember to concentrate on what you are doing so that you can effectively get the shuttle in play.

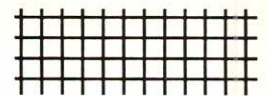
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Badminton Headliner Notes...



The **New England Open** saw Chris Jojis capture two titles-- the singles and doubles with Benny Lee. Linda Safarik-Tong hung on to beat Nina Lolk in the ladies' singles, and Lolk and Judianne Kelly won another doubles crown. Mike Walker and Ann French won the mixed...

Heather Johnson of Sweethowe High School and the Amherst Badminton Program in the Buffalo, New York area was the first recipient of the **Tracy Hudson Memorial Sportmanship Award**, which will given out at the Eastern Junior Championships each year. Heather is nationally ranked in 18 girls doubles and was a finalist at the Eastern Championships. She

plans to attend a university next fall and has her goal set at being part of the 1992 U.S. Olympic team...

Bea Massman, also of upstate New York, is continuing to improve from the stroke, heart attack, and auto accident. A "Buck-for-Bea" fund has been started to help pay some of the 24 hour care costs. Contact "Buck-for-Bea" c/o Ethel Marshall, 187 Delamere Road, Williamsville, New York 14221...

The prestigious **All England Open** to be held at the Wembley Arena has more than tripled its prize money package and will attract most of the world's best players despite the fact that it is a Thomas and Uber Cup

year. The top players from more than 25 countries will be playing.

The next issue will have coverage of the **Intercollegiate National Championships** held at Swarthmore College and the **Calif. Collegiate Championships** at CSU Long Beach this year. The development of college badminton is sure to play a vital role in badminton's Olympic future...

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