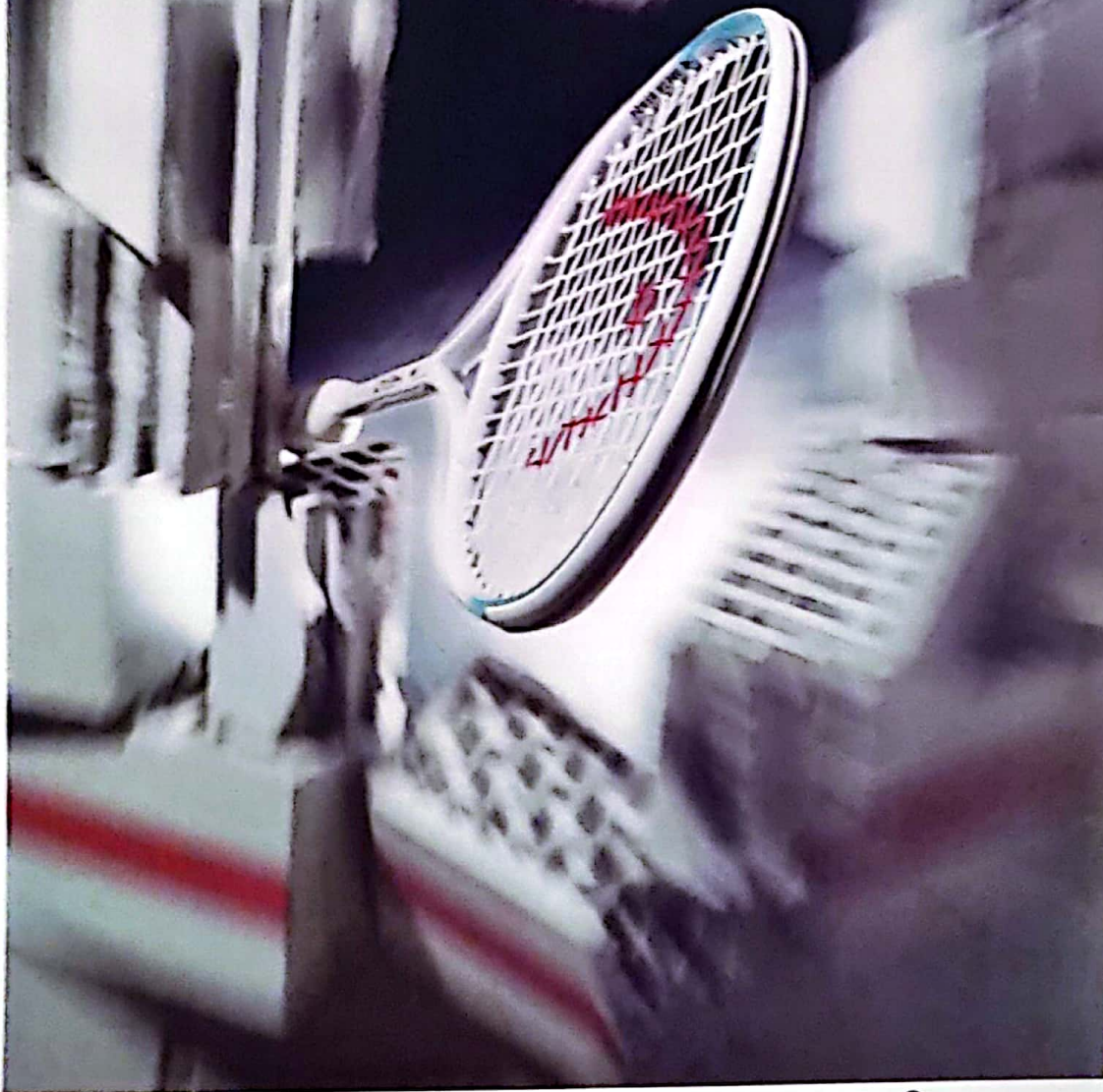


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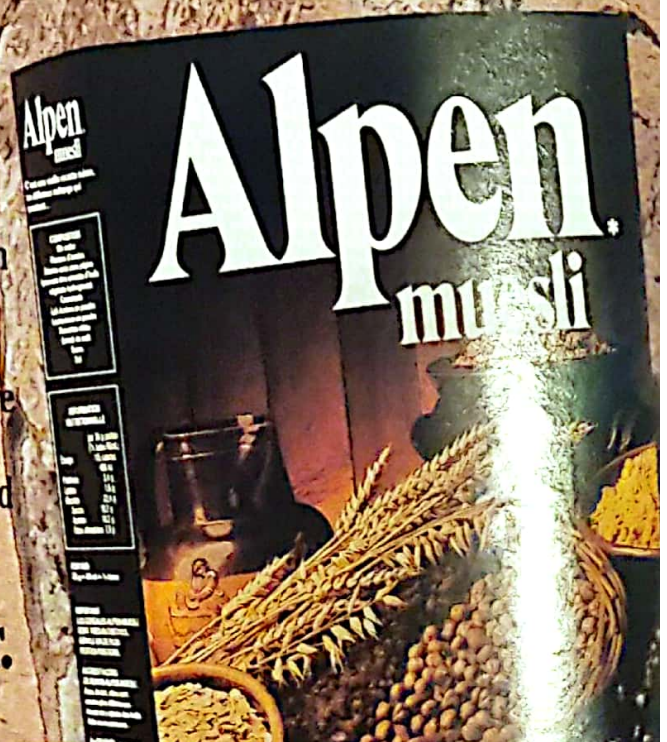


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Squash Showcased At CANADA WINTER GAMES

By Susan Derby, Susan Smeaton,

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Squash enthusiasts! Prepare for exceptional squash performances in Sudbury, Hamilton and Sarnia this season as Ontario juniors compete for a coveted position on the Squash Ontario Canada Winter Games Team. Athletes have been diligently training for the past year in preparation for the Games, with many of the athletes demonstrating remarkable advancements in their level of play. These young athletes are motivated and eager for the season to begin.

For the first time in Canada Winter Games history, squash will be showcased at the Games. The inclusion of squash at the Canada Winter Games adds yet another level of elite competition to our Junior Development Programme. The Canada Winter Games Programme has been a consistent source of motivation and inspiration for the junior athletes as competition is the essence and lifeline of squash. This will not be a fleeting phase for the 1990-1991 juniors, but a commitment to our junior development programme for the next five years as squash competition will be featured at the 1993 and 1995 Canada Winter Games. Along the road to final team selection, the Canada Winter

Games Training Programme has received promotional and financial support through the sponsorship of MasterCard. MasterCard's commitment to the development of junior squash players in Ontario is not a fleeting phase either. It has recognized that the junior programme needs, not only dedicated coaches and parents as well as enthusiastic and keen athletes. It also needs finan-

cial assistance so that players in the north have the same competitive opportunities as those in the south. Whatever the composition of our Ontario team, each junior player in the province will have had a chance to earn a spot.

With only five months remaining until the inaugural squash competition begins in Charlottetown, P.E.I., final team selections have yet to be made. Selection criteria is based solely on performance results attained at the Northern, Western and Southwestern Ontario Junior Opens. As such, any junior competitor in these opens will have an equal



opportunity to make the team. The intent of the Canada Games Programme is to assist in the development of our competitive athletes while remaining broadbased as long as possible. Whatever the outcome of the opens, Ontario will be well represented as we select the best athletes to compete at the Canada Winter Games.

Ultimately, the Ontario team will be

The smiles say it all ... Squash is fun!

The second spot on the Boys' Under 19 Team is definitely going to be a shoot-out at the OK Corral!

selected from the training squad athletes and any of the athletes competing at the junior opens. A team of two boys and two girls competing in the Under 19 event and two boys and two girls competing in the Under 16 event must be selected. The Squash Ontario team is directed by coaches Susan Smeaton and John Power of Toronto, who have guided the training and development programmes of our training squad during the past year. After eight months of preparation and training camps conducted in Parry Sound, Kingston and Toronto, the remaining 15 boys and 10 girls on the training squad began their summer holidays with the knowledge they would have to continue to train hard if they were to secure one of the four spots on the team travelling to Charlottetown.

The Under 19 boys' squad is led by Patrick Ryding of Oakville, who, to date, has not been threatened for the number one spot.

The remaining position for the Under 19 team is wide open to veteran junior athletes such as Jay Giachino, Duncan Peake and Tino DePetrillo. These athletes will be pushed for the remaining position by a couple of fast-improving 16 year olds in the likes of Ben Thomas and Rob Wilson. Completing the strong group of contenders are Michael Pirnak and Ryan Bell who finished 5th and 6th in the Under 16 event at the Canadian Championships.

Competition for the two team positions in the Under 16 event will be intense as no one athlete has emerged as a definite candidate for the team. The 'group of seven' is very evenly matched and selection will depend largely on individual diligence towards

their training programmes and the variances in physical growth that occurs at this age.

Two athletes with a year of competition in the Under 16 category under their belts are Rob Lisi from the Pine Valley Racquets Club and Kingston's Ben Uliana. Pushing these boys will be Ian Power, followed closely by Taras Klymenko of the Thistle Club in Hamilton along with contenders Ryan Clark of Sarnia and Ottawa hopefuls, Peter Gildenhuys and Andrew Kruger. Battling for the two positions on the girls Under 19 team are four evenly matched, dedicated young athletes - Jo Thomas, Tara Sharpe, Andrea Baptiste, and Nicole Garon. Junior competition this season will witness the

finest performances by these athletes, as they set their sights on a place on the team.

Tara Sharpe, from Peterborough, and Jo Thomas of Ottawa, are veterans of junior competition, having gained valuable international experience this summer as members of the National Training Squad. They will have to rely on their squash experience when competing against Andrea Baptiste from Kitchener and Nicole Garon from Clinton. Competition will be intense as Andrea has stepped her level of play by concentrating on the senior tournaments last season. Nicole Garon's play has greatly improved as seen by her meteoric rise in the junior rankings during the past few years in



The 'peak' for these boys is Charlottetown in February!

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"Honestly, we weren't just loafing around at training camp!"

which she has competed.

Featured in the girls Under 16 squad is Jan Wilson, the current Under 14 Canadian Champion. Jan is a strong contender for the team. Determined to make the team are the young veterans, Danielle Clark from Sarnia and Vicky Marrick from Sault Ste. Marie. Danielle and Vicky will have to use their experience to their advantage this season. Pushing these athletes are the fast-improving and newest additions to the junior programme, Jessica DiMauro and Nicole

Carroll. These young players have to work hard to match the experience of their teammates if they are to achieve their goal of representing Ontario at the Winter Games.


Each of the training squads will meet separately in Toronto and Clinton during September for a final training camp before heading into the 1990/1991 season. Junior competition has never been stronger or more fierce as these athletes vie for a position on the Canada Games Teams. The Canada Winter Games were con-

ceived as a major competitive vehicle which would bring together athletes from all provinces and territories in a multi-sport environment. In bringing together athletes from all parts of the country, the Canada Games provide an opportunity to measure the development of amateur sport, to assess the training methods used by Canadian athletes and, hopefully, to foster an incentive to improve. The concept of the Games places more importance upon participation than upon the calibre of competition and the winning of laurels. It is better to have participants from every province and territory in a particular event than have only a few accomplished competitors.

The philosophy underlying the Canada Games, and what has become an issue from them, may be summed up in the slogan used when the Games began to their official start at Meech Lake: "Unity Through Sport." It is through our junior athletes that what the politicians could not do at Meech Lake.○



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As we enter the 1990's, the structure of Squash Ontario has undergone major changes, aimed at fulfilling the goals and objectives of the organization more effectively than ever. During the past year, a task force of the Board of Directors and Executive Director Sherry Funston, reviewed the existing structure and presented a series of proposed revisions to the delegates at the Annual General Meeting held in Toronto on May 26, 1990. The delegates approved the changes and gave the new Board a mandate to implement the new format.

The essence of the changes are two fold:

- (1). Members of the Board of Directors have been given specific portfolios as well as the usual general responsibilities of Board members.
- (2). A number of standing committees have been created consisting of volunteers from the various regions of the province and representing the several disciplines of the game.

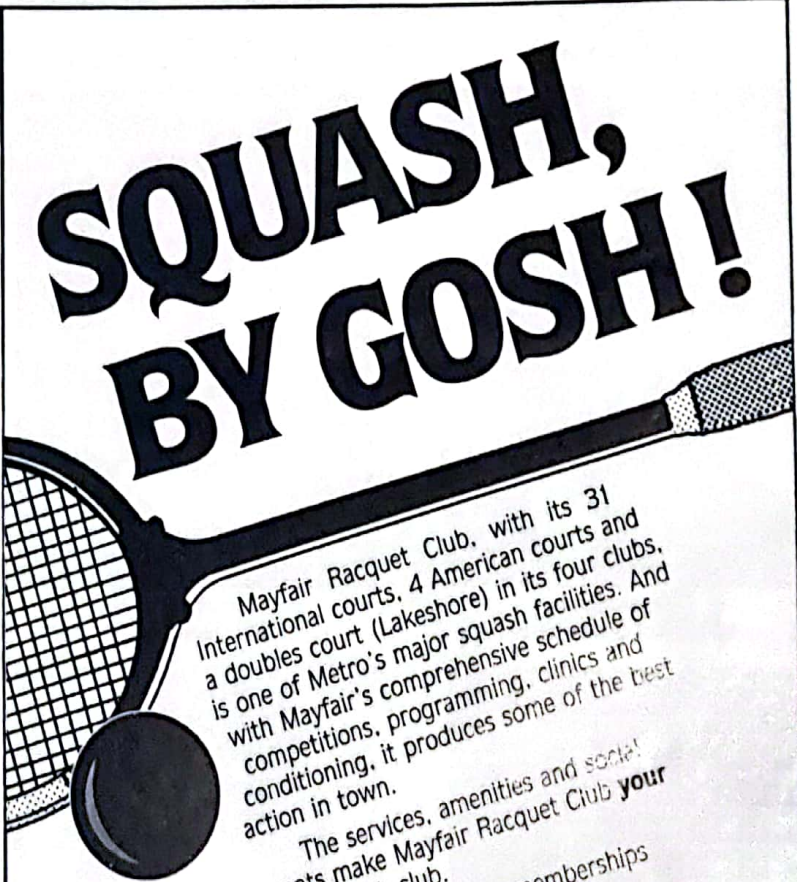
The Directors and Professional Staff of Squash Ontario are committed to the attainment of a number of goals. We see the mission of this association being the development and promotion of the game of squash for all residents of Ontario at every level of participation. We have set out a number of goals which include (1) servicing the existing participants in the sport by developing instructional, competition, and educational opportunities through which players may enhance their skill levels and enjoyment of the game; (2) promoting and publicizing the sport in an effort to increase the number of participants; (3) maintaining the orderly structure and quality of the game; and (4) ensuring that the game is played in a safe and orderly environment.

Fulfilling these goals is a challenge that requires the commitment of not only the staff and Board, but many

others including club owners, managers and staff, regional executive committees, tournament organizers, coaches, officials, statisticians and many more! Squash Ontario's new structure adds a number of committees that will be a welcome addition to the groups that make the game the

success it is and which will be instrumental in achieving our goals.

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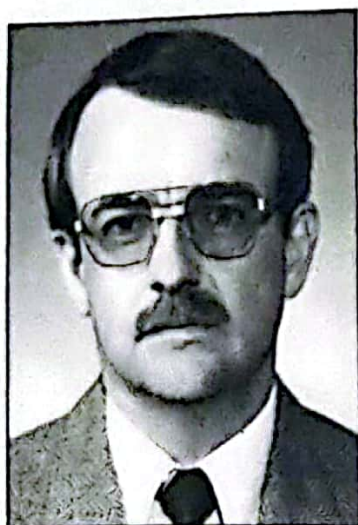
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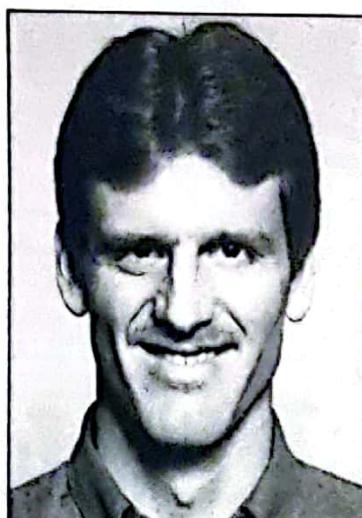
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established some years ago will be chaired by Norma Graham. In future issues, Squash Life will profile the specific goals of these individual committees and the volunteers who have con-

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stressing involvement and focus, will continue to strive to meet the needs of those who play and love the game. Its success hinges on the commitment, effort and dedication of many. Thankfully, there seems to be no shortage of willing individuals. The '90s should be a great decade for the game.

One of the most enjoyable tasks which the Board undertakes each year is the presentation of the Special Achievement Award at the annual meeting.

This award was conceived some ten years ago to recognize the achievements of an individual who has contributed to the game of squash in Ontario, as a player, a coach, an official, or volunteer.

This year, the Board of Directors presented the Special Achievement Award to Toronto's Dave Tullis. Dave has been an integral part of the success of Squash Ontario over the past decade. He has almost singlehandedly run the Toronto & District Men's League; he has given more rules and certification clinics than he would probably care to think about; and he has officiated at tournaments from the



Dave Tullis

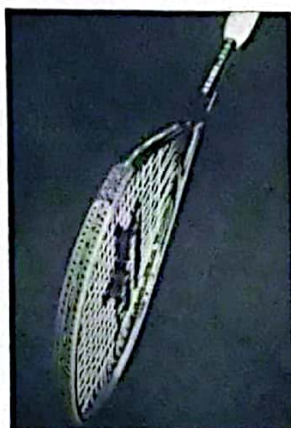
grassroots level to the upper levels of international play. Dave is presently Vice Chairman of the National Officiating Committee and holds his international refereeing certification. He has been nothing but co-operative and supportive with and to the professional staff of Squash Ontario over the past decade and we sincerely hope Dave continues to lend his very broad 'officiating' shoulders to that programme.○

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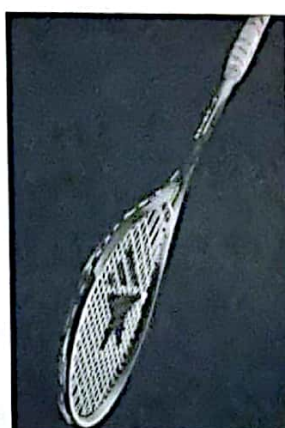
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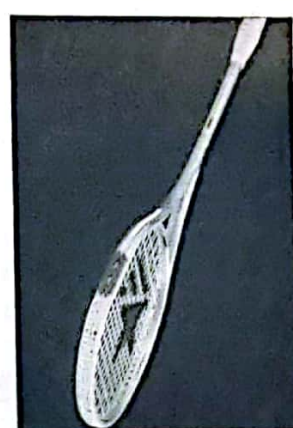
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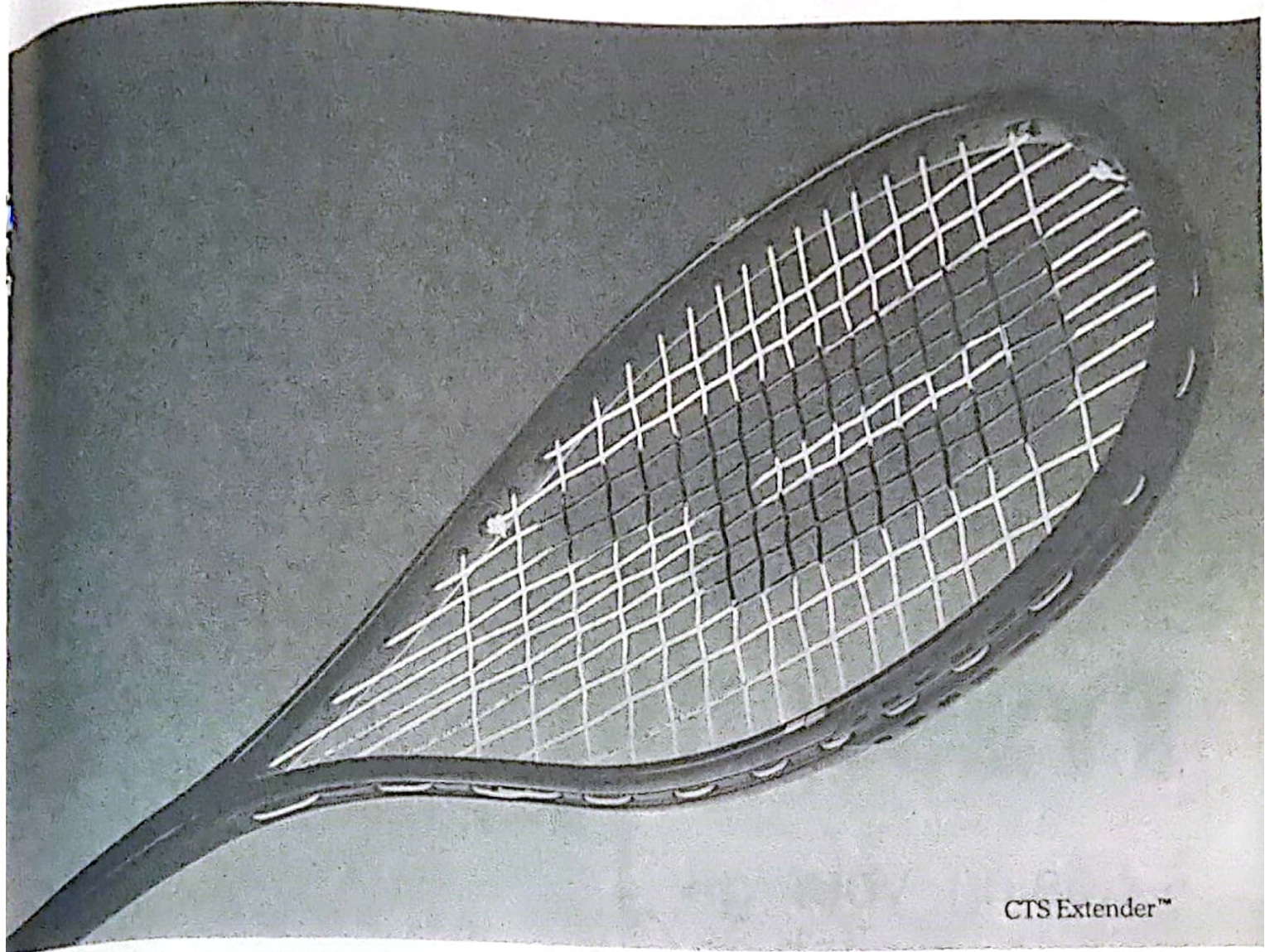


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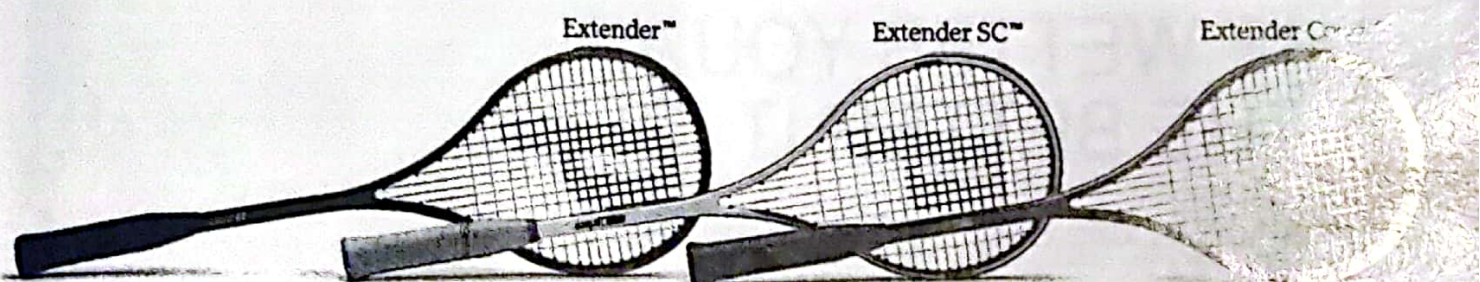
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An Open Letter To Players

(A Personal View by Tony Swift)

There has been much discussion and considerable debate on the interaction between players and referees, with particular emphasis on the declining behaviour players (when they don't like the Referee's decision(s)) in recent years.

Player representatives from I.S.P.A., in meetings on the subject, call for tougher refereeing with firmer application of the rules and their interpretation, with the power under Rule 17 to control abusive behaviour, and to apply the Code of Conduct at

the first sign of dissent. If we encourage referees to adopt a change in attitude towards tougher calling so that there will be fewer lets but a lot more strokes and 'no lets', then there must be a corresponding change in attitude from the players to accept the decisions of referees even when they do not agree with those decisions.

It will require an effort on both sides.

For our part, we shall be encouraging Tournament Referees to send written reports to both I.S.P.A. and W.I.S.P.A. where it is felt that player behaviour requires disciplinary action by the respective player associations. It is hoped that both I.S.P.A. and W.I.S.P.A. will take strong action against players who are bringing the game a bad name. The penalties imposed should be of sufficient deterrent to make any player think twice before resorting to such behaviour again. Such action should make those players who have a history of poor behaviour clean up their act.


The question of sanctions must be determined by the respective player associations within their own Code of Conduct, and should be designed to reduce the existing problem of behaviour.

It occurs to me that I.S.P.A. and W.I.S.P.A., once satisfied that the report is justified, should fine the player who has been reported for abusive behaviour the sum of his/her prize money for that tournament, whether it is the first round, qualifying match or final. A second offence would mean an automatic three month ban and a third offence would be a ban for one year. Loss of points would be a further deterrent.

If I.S.P.A. and W.I.S.P.A., are serious in their attempts to reduce abusive player behaviour, then it will require a responsible attitude by referees and Tournament Referees if the procedure is to be accepted by the players and if it is to be effective.

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By Christian Endemann • • • • •

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The 32 man draw will be comprised of 25 direct entries, six qualifiers and one wild card. Competition for honours will once again be fierce. The previous five champions were drawn from the top triumvirate as Jahangir Khan prevailed in 1985, '86 and '88 while arch-rival and Pakistani compatriot Jansher Khan was victorious last year

in a blockbuster final against his namesake. Chris Dittmar, the resolute and defiant Australian, won the title in 1987.

Jahangir and Jansher, despite identical surnames and a common national heritage, are not exactly close friends, even off the court. They have played musical chairs for the top perch in the rankings for three years and the intensity of their rivalry does not permit a lowering of the guard even on ceremonial or social occasions.

A gnarled but canny veteran at 27, Jahangir belied all suggestions of diminished desire and erode skills

when he captured his ninth consecutive, British Open title earlier this year. This was a truly stupendous feat and it broke the tie for most crowns he co-held with the dominant player of the '70s, Geoff Hunt.

Jansher, still only 20, is as enigmatic and withdrawn as his more celebrated countryman but he will frequently blame circumstances like the elements - anything but his own sub par play - to explain defeats that could readily be attributed to the superior play of his opponent. Nonetheless, he is an enormously gifted athlete, blessed with an octopus like reach, uncanny anticipation, and with a temperament that patiently waits for his more aggressive foes to suffer a mental lapse and make the inevitable error.

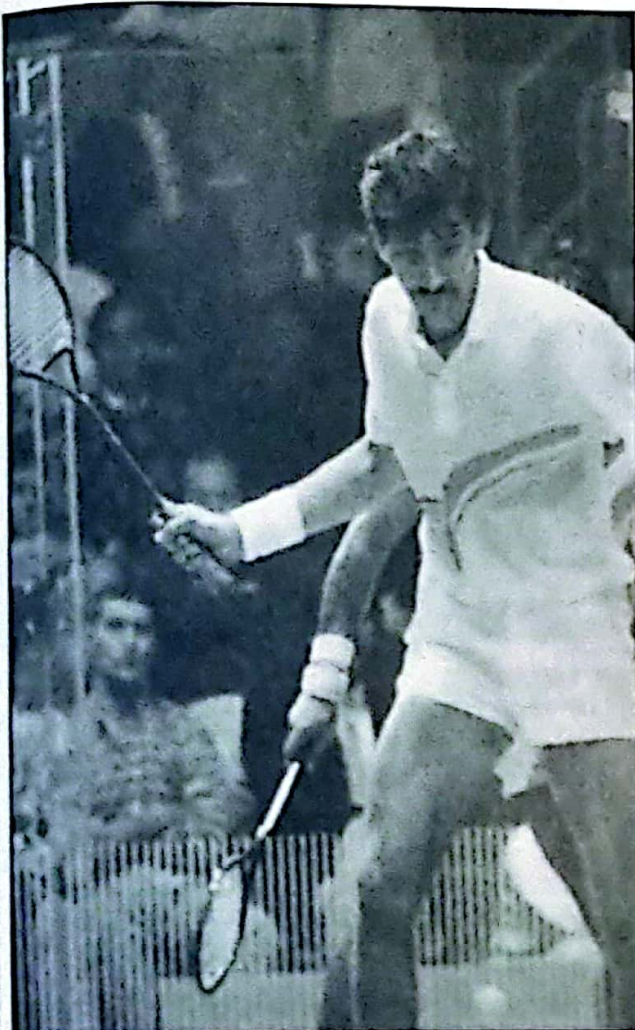
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Defending Canadian Open Champion, Jansher Khan

sible that British Open champion and former world champion, Susan Devoy of New Zealand will make her first appearance in Canada at the Traviss since 1981 when she was a relatively unknown player, competing for New Zealand in the Women's World Championships.

Lisa Opie had an incredibly difficult time winning the Traviss last year. She withstood a ferocious attack from Michelle Martin of Australia in a quarter final match, winning it in dramatic fashion in the fifth only to have to come back three hours later to do battle with Martin's compatriot, Danielle Drady. Again, she was under tremendous pressure and again, she outlasted her opponent to take the fifth and deciding game.

She faced another Australian in the final, this time, Robyn Lambourne but Lisa is a wily veteran of the circuit and



Defending Traviss Champion, Lisa Opie (left) and finalist Robyn Lambourne.

she could smell that first place prize money. She played brilliantly to take her first Traviss title. The Traviss is not only an excellent opportunity for Canadians to see the creme de la

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creme of the international players but also a chance to see our own talented athletes. Leading the contingent will be Heather Wallace, now playing #1 for Canada and presently ranked #18 on the W.I.S.P.A. circuit. Other national team members are also expected to compete along with some of our most promising junior women - watch out for the talented Melanie Jans and Jordanna Fraiberg.

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By Leena Ray •••••

Why are these people smiling so much? Because they are some of the key new faces to watch for within the Ottawa & District Squash Association. These people will be communicating with and assisting the countless volunteers in the region to help keep the drive growing towards a more aggressive and responsive squash community!

NEW! ODSA Rust Remover Tournament - the official season opener to welcome back all levels of squash players - to be held



(From left to right) Judy Powers, David Kelly, Cathy Baggot

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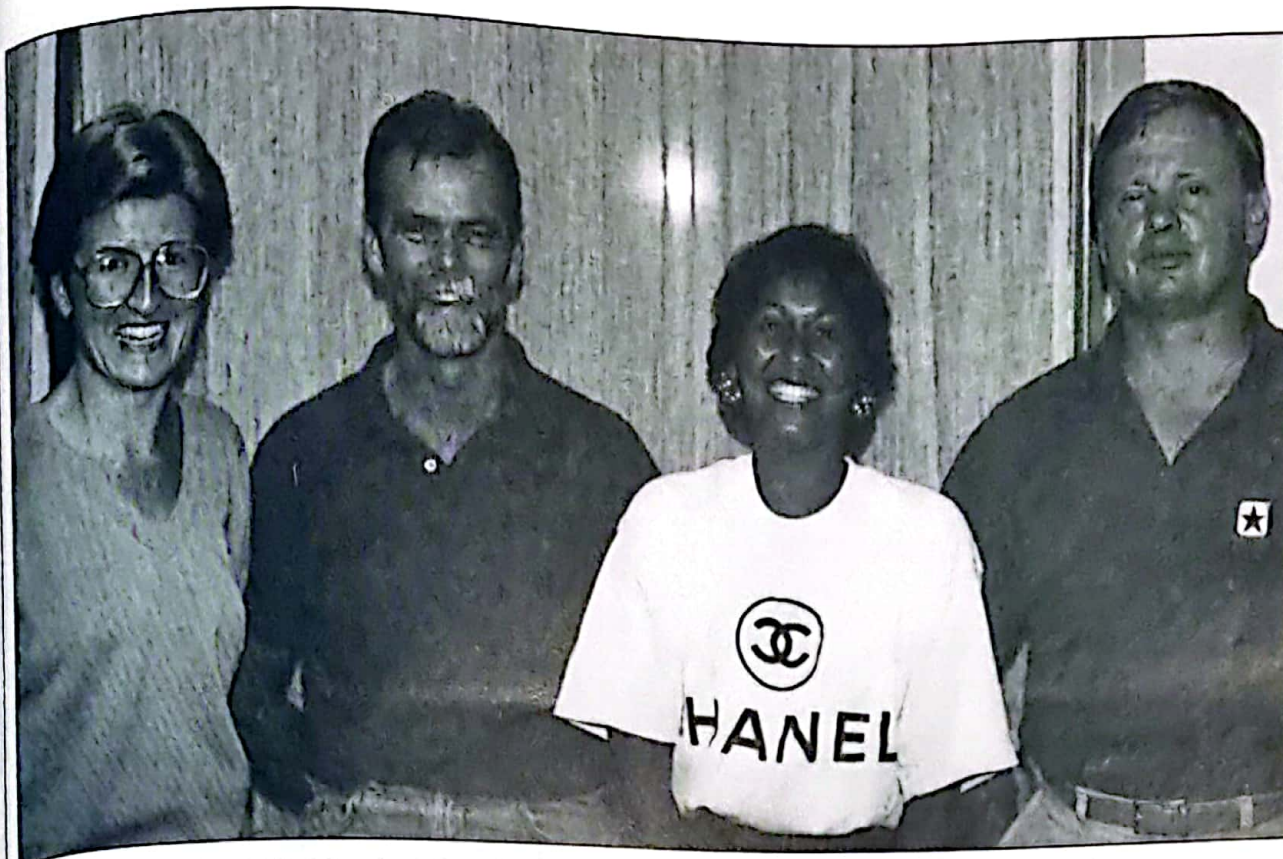
NEW! Rankings - continuation of a current listing of tournament players in the region.

NEW
*is the byword
for the ODSA
this year*

NEW! Senior Development - our own resident pros are finalizing dates and formats for those club members wishing to advance and improve their game.

NEW! Junior Development - improved liaison with junior players and coaches for programme expansion.

IS ON THE MOVE!



(From left to right) Barb Sutherland, Larry Jones, Leena Ray, Larry Lanthier.

and financial assistance.

NEW! Commercial Clubs - greater involvement with each individual facility to assist them in meeting their commitments to their squash-playing members.

The ODSA was pleased to welcome nine squash players from Den Haag as part of the City of Ottawa's Twinning Games during July. Three days of competitive play included almost 25 different Ottawa recreational players in addition to the men and women from Holland. While most of the Ottawa players 'picked up a few pointers' from our Dutch friends, the official word from the visitors was that the squash activities were the best organized events out of all the sports which participated in the Games.

The ODSA is truly on the move and we are looking for help and support from all the players this year. O

ODSA Executive Committee (1990/1991)

Larry Lanthier	President
Barb Sutherland	Vice President
Leena Ray	Secretary
Larry Jones	Public Relations Director
John Brown	Women's City League
John Brown	Officiating
John Brown	Men's City League
Art Richardson	Junior Player Development
Nancy Cranbury	Senior Player Development

PROGRAMMES' PROGRESS

COACHING PROGRAMME

Last season, Squash Ontario welcomed 72 new people to the coaching programme who began their certification by attending level 1 technical clinics offered throughout the season. We were equally happy to see an addition-

al 76 people taking steps to further their coaching certification. If you would like to attend a level 1 coaching technical clinic or would like further information about the coaching programme, please call Linda Henderson at Squash Ontario, (416) 495-4140.



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UPCOMING COACHING CLINICS

LEVEL 1

September 28-30, 1990 - Waterfront Pool/Fitness Centre, New Liskeard
October 26-28, 1990 - Mayfair Lakeshore Racquet Club, Toronto

LEVEL 2

October 19-21, 1990 - Mayfair Lakeshore Racquet Club, Toronto

LEVEL 3

November 2-4, 1990 - Mayfair Lakeshore Racquet Club, Toronto

UPCOMING COACHING EXAMINATIONS

LEVEL 1

September 22, 1990 - Mayfair Parkway Racquet Club, Markham
September 29, 1990 - Waterfront Pool/Fitness Centre, New Liskeard
October 13, 1990 - The Harbour Club, Belleville

OFFICIATING PROGRAMME

Rules Clinics

Knowing the rules of the game of squash can not only increase your enjoyment of the game but also ensure that needless and sometimes serious injuries are avoided. Rules clinics are short in length but long in facts and all players are encouraged to take the opportunity to attend one of these clinics - 40 of which are held throughout the season across the province.

UPCOMING RULES CLINICS

WESTERN ONTARIO

September 29, 1990

Meaford Fitness Centre, Meaford

October 22, 1990

Northfield Doon, Waterloo

November 8, 1990

Hamilton Thistle Club, Hamilton

November 27, 1990

Park Racquet Club, Brantford

December 12, 1990

Northfield Racquet Club, Waterloo

January 21, 1991

Royal City Squash Club, Guelph

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September 26, 1990

RA Squash Club, Ottawa

October 15, 1990

Queensview Racquets Club,
Ottawa

November 6, 1990

Squash Gloucester, Gloucester

January 8, 1991

Rideau Tennis & Squash Club,
Ottawa

January 28, 1991

RA Squash Club, Ottawa

February 10, 1991

Squash Gloucester, Gloucester
(Juniors)

March 18, 1991

Rideau Tennis & Squash Club,
Ottawa

For more information, contact
Susan Derby at Squash Ontario,
(416)495-4140 or watch your club
bulletin board for notices.

Hint: If someone says "...you could
have had a stroke on that shot" and you
reply that you are in good health, then
check out rules clinics in your region!

BLACK KNIGHT GALLOPS FORTH AGAIN!

Squash Pros! Give your junior programme an added wrinkle this year and enter teams in the Black Knight Toronto & District Junior Mixed League. The league is an ideal opportunity for your juniors to experience the competitive side of squash while still having fun. Divisions this year will be Under 19, Under 16 and Under 14 and they will play home and away matches in two sessions; the first beginning October 13th through December 15th and the second, beginning January 5th through March 9th. League play is Saturday from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Play-offs will be held on Monday, March 18th at Mayfair Lakeshore Racquet Club.

Defending champions in the Black Knight Toronto & District Mixed League are Pine Valley Racquets Club (Under 16) and Mayfair East (Under 14). The Under 19 division is new this year and the championship is up for grabs.

We thank Black Knight for its continued commitment to the development of junior squash in Ontario. ○

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The Oxford Club, downtown Toronto's newest and most prestigious squash and fitness facility, is now better than ever. When Ralph Gardiner and Wayne Mori, who also own The Skyline Club, Toronto's first commercial squash club, took over The Oxford Club last year, they soon decided that the club was missing a fantastic opportunity by excluding women members.

The solution, however, wasn't just a matter of starting to sell memberships to women. The club, located at the northwest corner of Queen and Yonge streets in the heart of Toronto's financial district, required extensive renovations to add women's locker, shower and steam facilities. Construction is now complete and women's memberships are now available. The Oxford Club already offers the most up to date exercise equipment, including two Gravitron machines, which combine many of the exercises previously done with dead weights.

In addition, there are three international squash courts, one doubles squash court, complimentary squash balls and professional instruction available. We are beginning our dou-

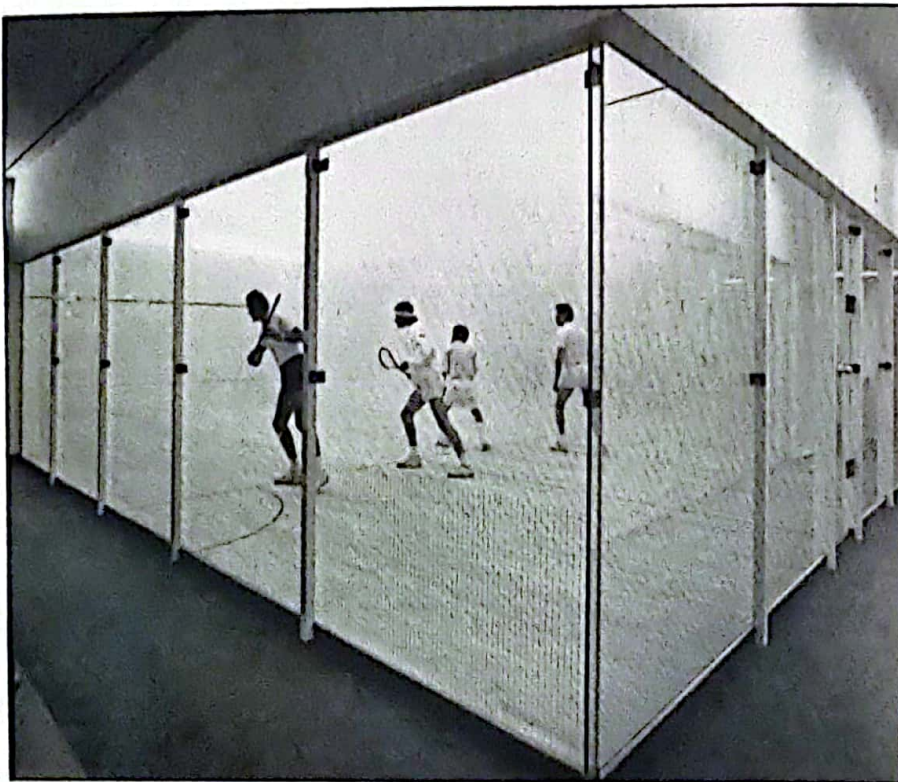
bles season off by entering a team in the Toronto & District B League. This will be an excellent opportunity for new members to watch one of the most exciting games of squash as The Oxford Club boasts one of only some 14 doubles courts in the province.

There is also a snooker room off the exquisite dining room, where members can relax and enjoy a

sphere in which to discuss the latest market trends or a competitive yet enjoyable game of squash to work off the stress caused by the latest market trends!

The locker rooms are equipped with showers, wet steam room, oversized bath towels and even terry cloth bathrobes. And, of course, professional fitness counselling is available.

If you just wish to hold a business meeting, the Oxford Club is the place to go. The boardroom contains a 12 person table, TV, VCR, audio-visual equipment, fax and photocopying machine access and catering. All Oxford Club members receive complimentary local privileges at the Skyline Club, which is in the Skyline Hotel.



The doubles court is a popular feature of The Oxford Club.

friendly game. The library bar is a semi-formal space in which street clothes are mandatory, making it the meeting place for both business and social gatherings. It is licensed, offers lunch, complimentary telephone service and backgammon and chess tables. Other lounge facilities include the sixth floor sports bar and outdoor barbecue patio. The Oxford Club strives to cater to the needs of all of its members, whether it be in providing a comfortable and relaxed atmo-

Dixon Road, just east of Pearson International Airport.

Together, these two clubs offer members a myriad of service facilities...downtown or uptown.

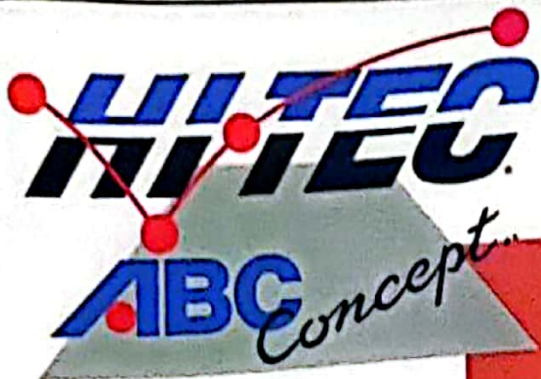
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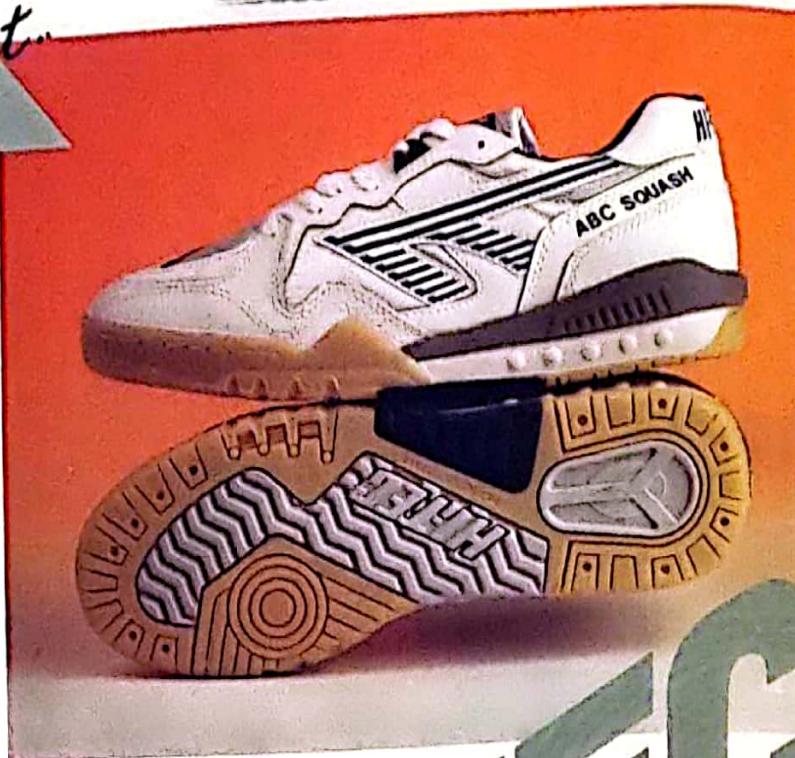


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