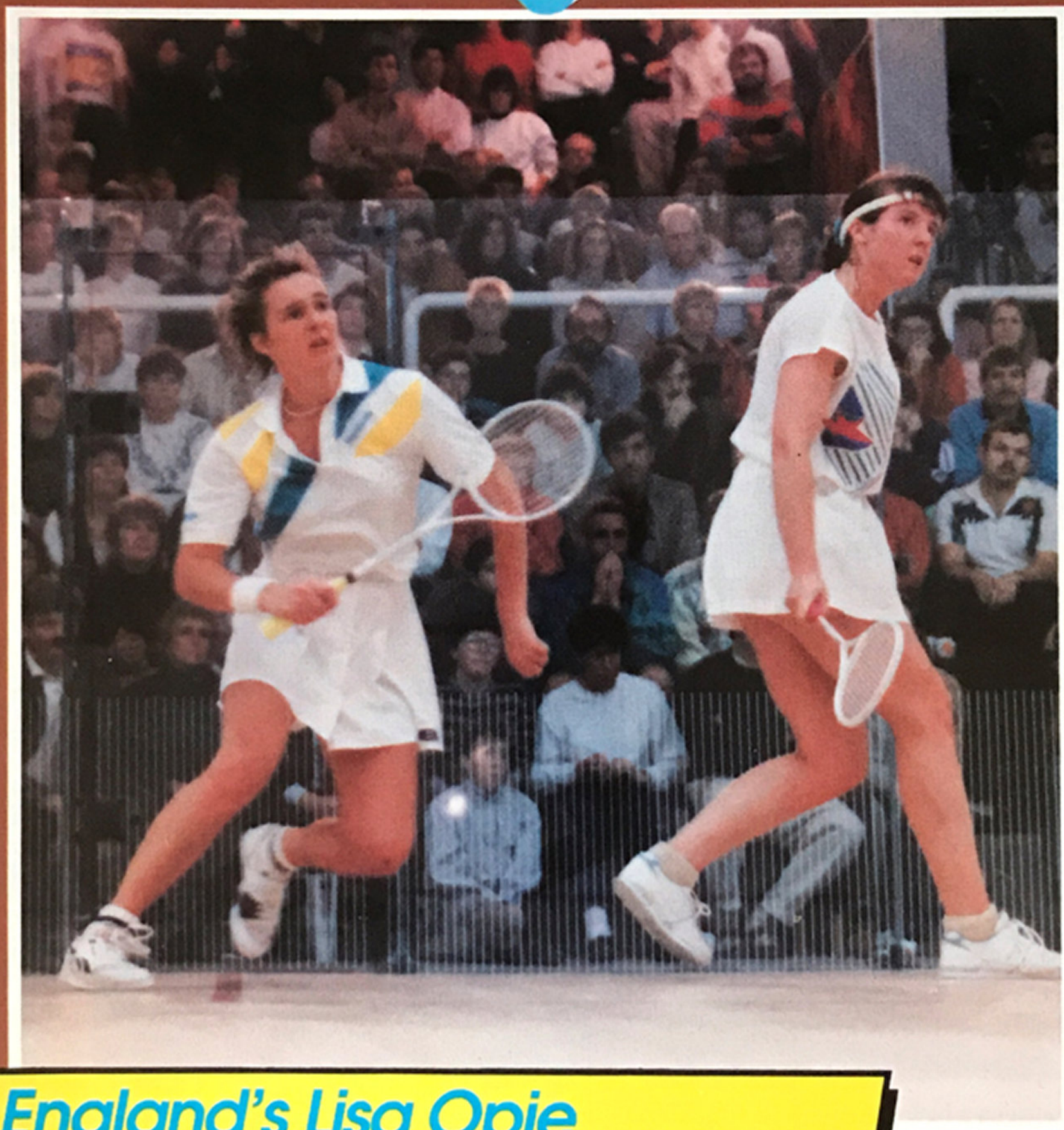


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ENGLAND'S LISA OPIE SKORS BIG

Win in Judy Traviss International Open

By Sherry Funston

Lisa Opie won the Skor Judy Traviss International Open and the \$2,000.00 U.S. first place prize money but it wasn't easy. She had to overcome the Australian connection of Michelle Martin, Danielle Drady and finally, her opponent in the championship match, Robyn Lambourne. A five game quarter final match against Michelle Martin on Saturday morning and a five game semi against Danielle Drady in the afternoon, made many wonder whether she had anything left for the final. Lisa is not ranked #2 in the world for nothing and she proved she had lots left...much to Lambourne's chagrin.

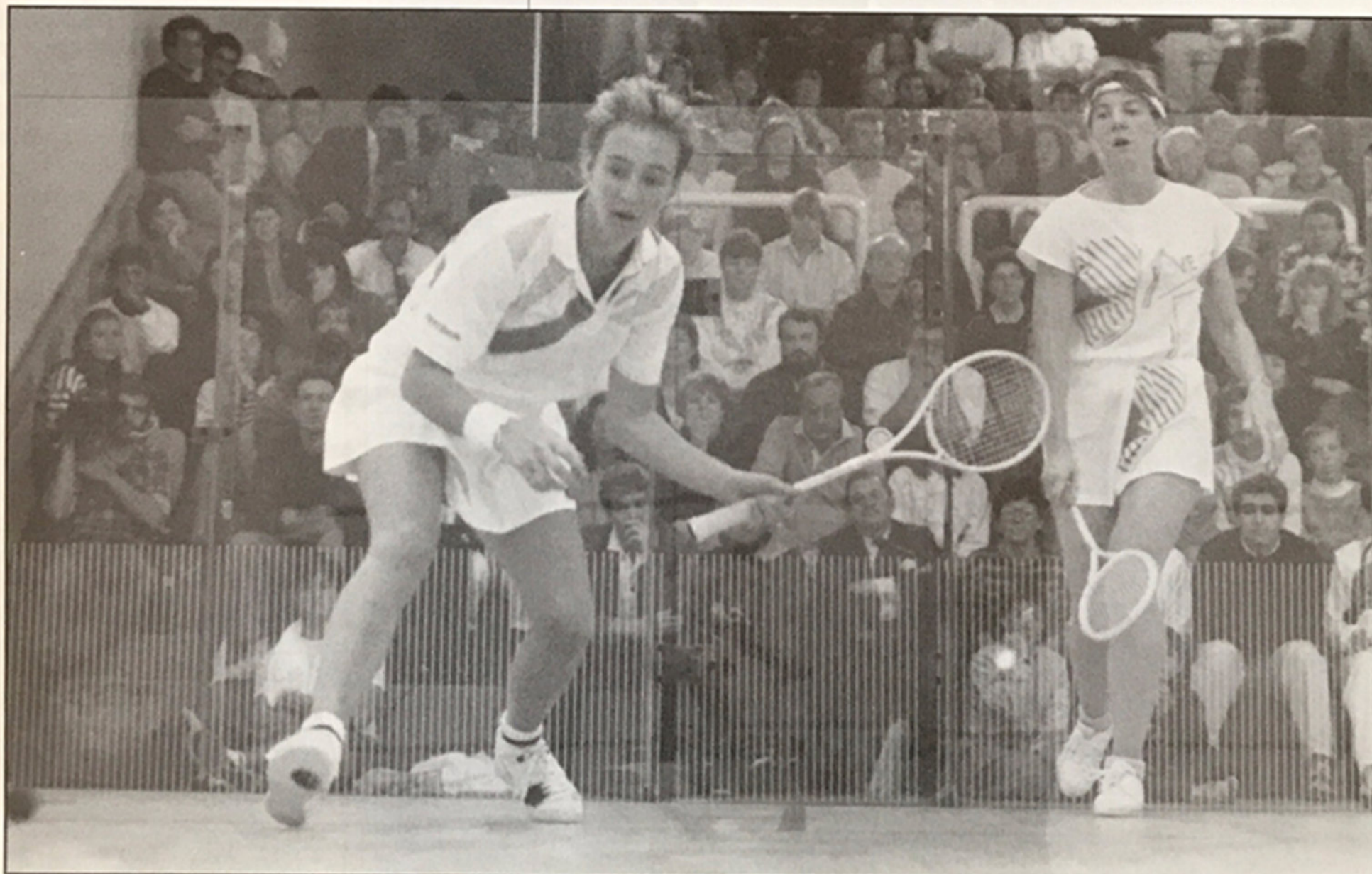
The first game of the championship match

was a patchy display of squash, with neither competitor looking particularly comfortable. The lead changed hands many times with, first, Opie going ahead only to have Lambourne close the gap. Toward the end, Lisa began to mix her pace well and held on for a 10-8 win.

In the second game, Lisa looked tired and, when several let calls went against her, she seemed to stop running. Robyn wasted no time taking advantage of the situation and went on to score an easy 9-1 win to tie the match at one all.

Robyn can be forgiven for thinking that the previous days' matches had provided her with an opportunity to finally beat Lisa Opie. She was certainly not alone in reaching the conclusion (albeit, an erroneous one) that

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the match was within her grasp. If Lisa was tired, then Robyn's strategy was to continue to run her ragged but she didn't take her time. She was impatient to get her shots off and, in so doing, began to hit tin. At that point, Lisa began to get a second wind and started to change the pace, jerking Robyn back and forth. She varied her shots...first a short drop to the front of the court, then a drive or lob to the back. The tide began to turn as now Robyn was the one who showed signs of tiring from the constant barrage of shots and whirlwind tour of the court. Lisa won the third game 9-4 and, buoyed by the success of this strategy, came out in the fourth game with confidence.

Opie got off to a great start, going up 4-1 and looking totally in control. She never let up on the pressure and Robyn became more and more frustrated until, finally, she simply caved in. Opie won the game 9-1 and became the sixth English player to take home the Traviss title.

Not since 1981, when Toronto hosted the Women's World Championship, have audiences been treated to such an incredible display of talent and skill. Match after match proved



Stephen Traviss and Karen Soupcoff, Manager of Mayfair Lakeshore, with 1989 SKOR Judy Traviss champion, Lisa Opie of England.

just how good these young players are. They are all extremely fit, strong and amazingly fast. Very few balls get by these players now and thus, the pace and speed of each game leaves the spectators in total awe.

One of the best matches of the

Skor Judy Traviss International Open was the quarter final between Lisa Opie and Michelle Martin of Australia. Both players showed a great degree of athleticism and an incredible mastery of the court, using every inch in a dazzling display of retrieving...not once...not twice, but many times. Sure winners dissolved into thin air. Opie lost the first game 3-9 and then came back to take games two and three by identical scores of 9-5. Michelle, a protegee of the great Heather McKay did not give up by any means and in the fourth, matched Lisa point for point before finally managing to take the lead and the game 9-7. Both showed the signs of pressure in the fifth and deciding game as the score seesawed back and forth until finally Lisa prevailed 9-6.

The match provided all the excitement and drama any squash fan could ask for and the crowd was just as exhausted as the players at the end.

Lisa Opie came back three hours later to face another McKay protegee in Danielle Drady in the first semi-final and again, found herself fighting tooth and nail. She lost the first game 2-9 as Danielle took control of both the 'T' and Lisa. But Opie came back strong in the second and third, taking them both by 9-5 scores. Her five game marathon in the quarters was beginning to take its toll and she wisely decided to let up in game four, reserving all her strength for the fifth and deciding game. This strategy, along with Drady's distress over

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several calls by the referee, proved to be a winning one, as she outlasted the Australian 9-3.

Not to be outdone, Sarah Fitzgerald and Robyn Lambourne staged their own exciting semi final. Sarah won the first game 9-2 and looked ready to take the second. However, Robyn clawed her way back to eke out a 10-8 score and then took the third, 9-5. Sarah was giving nothing away and came out in the fourth with an all or nothing strategy with which Robyn was unable to cope. It was not enough, however, as Lambourne prevailed in the fifth by a 9-4 score.

Squash in Ontario really began to come into its own in the early 1970s and one of the strongest advocates of women's participation came from Judy Traviss, herself a fine racquets player. Judy died in her '30s of cancer and many of her friends wanted to honour her achievements and contributions to the game and so this event was born. Initially, it was called the North American Open because only Canadians and Americans participated and it was played on the hardball court. But as the game grew, so too did the aspirations of Canadians to participate in World Championships and, as all other countries with the exception of the United States, were playing soft ball, the decision was made to hold the Traviss at a club which had international courts.

For a number of years, the Traviss was a prestigious yet still parochial event but in 1982, things changed. One international player, Barbara Diggins of England, entered the draw and, suddenly, the stature of the Traviss changed. It was rechristened the Judy Traviss International Open and organizers began to make a conscious effort to attract more and more international players. It is a case of "good news, bad news". Since 1982, no Canadian has managed to win the title but, the numbers of international competitors have consistently grown. It is perhaps fitting that Barbara Diggins, who now lives in Toronto and is the Squash Director of Mayfair Lakeshore Racquet Club, should chair the 1989 Skor Judy Traviss International Open -an event which attracted 36 international players, including seven of the top ten in the

world, and 12 Canadians. In fact, qualifying for the event stood at 32 - 9 more than the total draw last year.

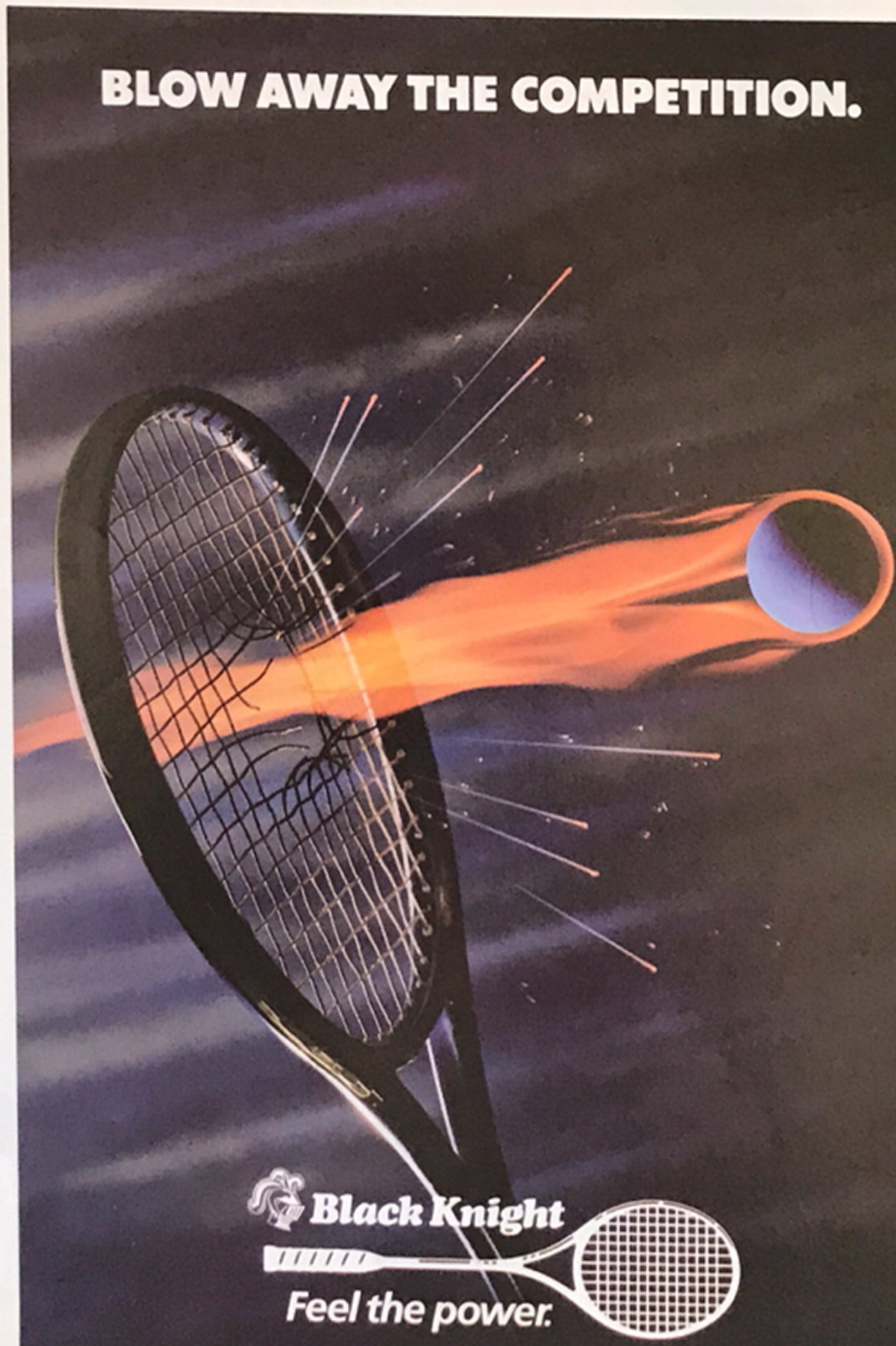
What was the magic formula that catapulted the Traviss into a truly in-

ternational event? In a word, money. The prize money for the event was \$10,000 U.S., giving the Skor Judy Traviss a B grade rating. Thus, many

players entered with the hope of not only winning some cash but also of improving their ranking points. None of this would have been possible without the financial commitment of major sponsors Hershey Canada Inc. and Mayfair Lakeshore Racquet Club. They, along with Dexters, provided the carrot. The Central Guaranty Canadian Women's Open follows directly on the heels of the Traviss and it is offering prize money of \$15,000.00 U.S. The combination makes a trip to Canada more than worthwhile for all the players. We are grateful as well to our secondary

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A weary Robyn Lambourne congratulates winner, Lisa Opie.

grant to help cover some of the operating costs of the Traviss and, without it, we would not be able to provide, for example, the quality of officials needed at an event of this stature. Led by Tournament Referee, Norma Graham, Penny Glover, Bryan Drew, Doug Isherwood, Larry Jones, Larry Christiansen, Anne Green, and Nancy Cranbury maintained a consistency in their work and remained calm under pressure all weekend.

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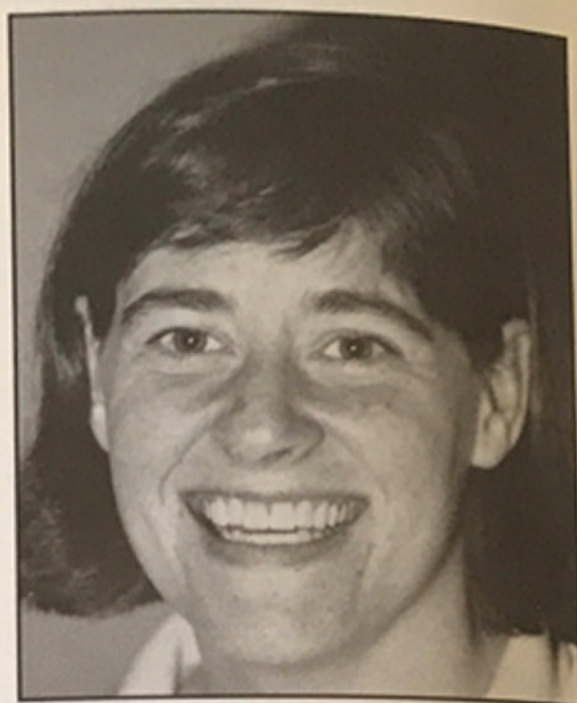
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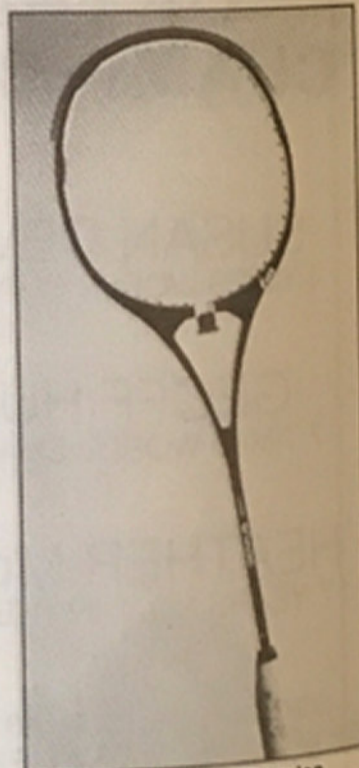
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Sue's playing achievements are considerable, both at the junior and senior levels and she is currently the holder of the Ontario Mixed Doubles Championship.

She has a warm and engaging personality and displays a zest for and love of squash which, hopefully, will prove contagious with her young troop of players.

John is a member of the Canadian Armed Forces and is presently based at Camp Borden as Physical Education and Recreation Officer. He is a Certified Level III Coach and helps out on a part-time basis at the Barrie Racquets Club.

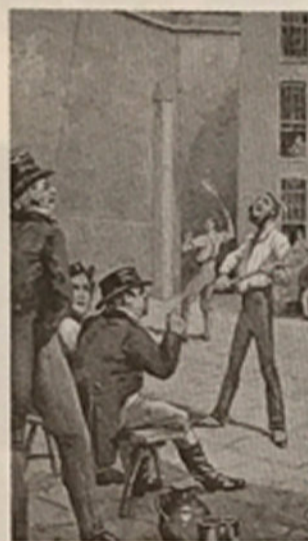
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K. Payerl	2,381	M. Armstrong	1,822
V. Gleeson	2,356	N. Burns	1,792
C. Reid	2,316	L. Slater	1,782
J. Smith	2,286	R. Kingsmill	1,770
L. Freeman	2,272	C. Doyle	1,766
J. Mitchell	2,252	M. Van Gansewinkel	1,720
J. Samis	2,247	K. Magee	1,685
J. Carter	2,100	L. Gibson	1,657
M. Bailey	2,000	B. Noguchi	1,650
P. Gollish	1,968	S. Vedder	1,625
D. Cameron	1,933	B. McBurney	1,622
P. Morris	1,905	D. Lake	1,620
L. Humer-Bell	1,900	S. McKenna	1,616
		S. Boyer	1,564
		H. Bennett	1,550
		F. Wingfield	1,525
		Broker	1,520
		L. Chambers	1,400
		M. Daly	1,400
		D. Smith	1,400
		C. Sybenga	1,400

* Women with 1,400 points will be eligible to participate in 'B' tournaments for the 1989/90 season
All others must play 'A'

establish a points system which would tie in with the provincial classification. From this, a Classification Tournament Circuit evolved. There are six tournaments throughout the season in which players can compete and improve their points. We wish to thank Mayfair Parkway Racquet Club, Pine Valley Racquet Club, Curzons Sporting Club, Mayfair Lakeshore Racquet Club, the Toronto Athletic Club and The Adelaide Club for supporting the league in these events.

The Toronto & District Women's Squash Association has been endeavouring to make strides to raise the profile of the sport. Enthusiasm and a keen interest in the game can best describe the members of the Executive.

Debbie is the Vice President/Treasurer. An 'A' player, she is captain of the Curzons' team. Debbie has been playing squash for 10 years, and this is her third season playing league. A keen tournament player, she plays (and parties) in at least two

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Robin Kingsmill, left and Nancy Burns

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a month. When she's not on court, Debbie is Audit and Special Projects Manager for PWA, the holding company for Wardair and Canadian Airlines.

Ina is the wizard behind the league schedule. She is the League Co-Ordinator and has done a fabulous job getting all four divisions in order. A member of Curzons, she is Captain of



Ina Halket

the 'B' team. When she's not juggling the league schedule or playing squash, Ina is controller for Dicon Security Systems.

Nancy Burns is the Tournament Co-Ordinator. She claims she started playing squash so that she could see her husband, Doug! Nancy has been involved in T&D for many years and is a previous winner of the Lilly D'Urzo Award, presented annually to the player who exhibits fairness, friendship and courtesy in the game of squash. Nancy is an 'A' player with Mayfair Lakeshore.



Fairlie (Farley Mowat) Taylor

Robin Kingsmill is the league's Playoff Co-Ordinator and Chief Classification Co-Ordinator. An 'A' player for Curzons, Robin has been playing squash for 11 years, six of them in Vancouver. She was instrumental in establishing the Ranking and Classification system for the league. A keen tournament player, Robin's day job is a stockbroker with

Prudential Bache.

Fairlie Taylor is the league's secretary. An effervescent person, she is captain of the Partners Club 'C' team. Last year, she was a member of the winning 'D' division team. The success of last year's banquet was due in large part to Fairlie's ability to secure the many door prizes and her

complete disregard for the answer, "No"! Her warmth and good nature, not to mention her entertaining minutes of Executive meetings, make her a pleasure to work with. With two children in school, she divides her time between playing squash and shuttling the boys to their hockey games. ○

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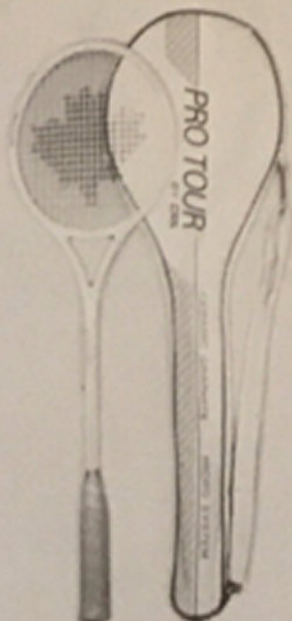
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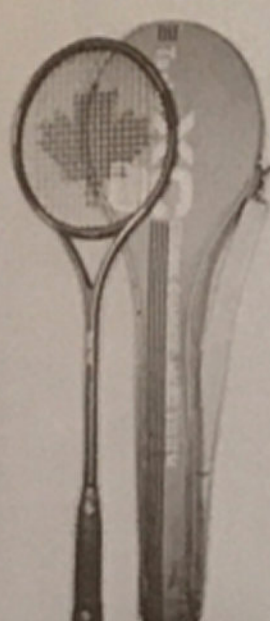
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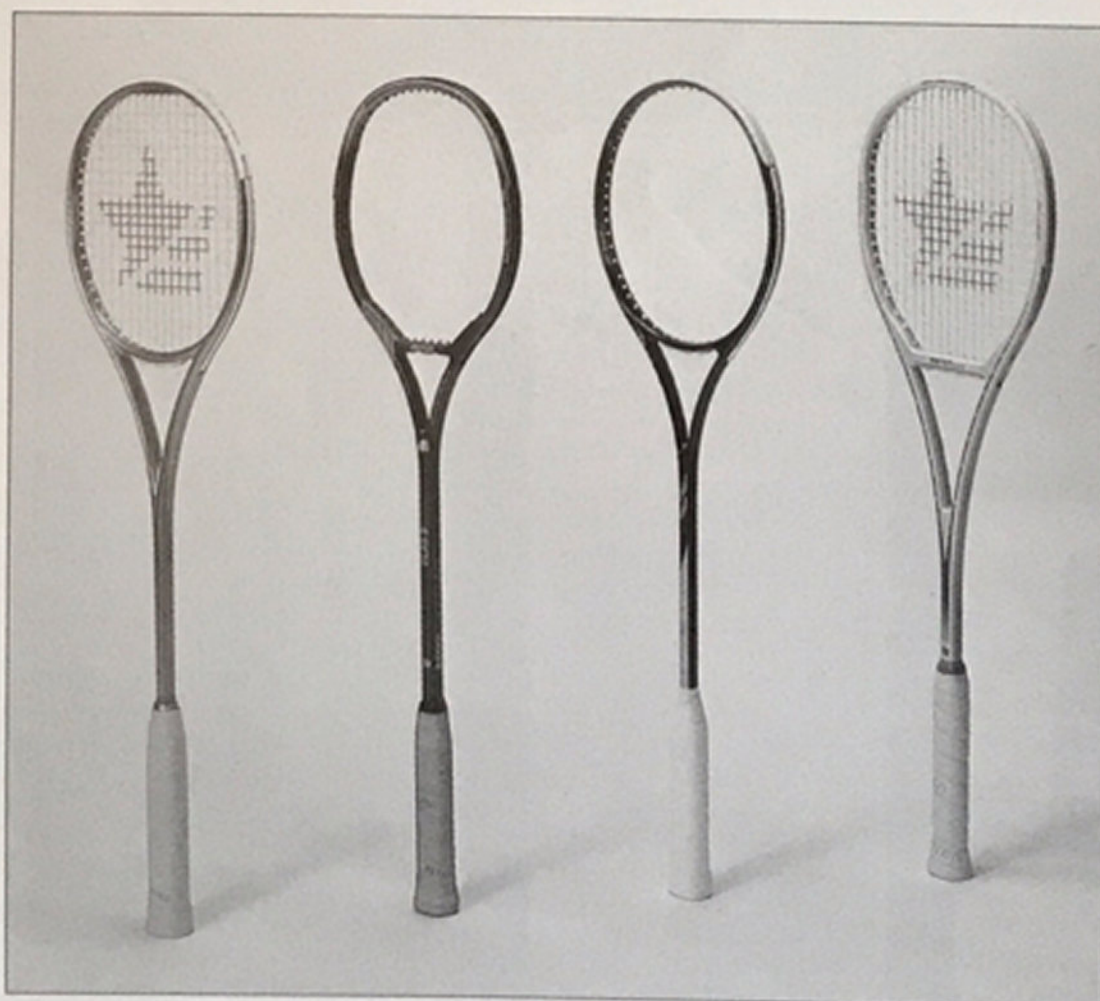
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A TREAT FOR YOUR FEET



In the last issue, we covered what was new on the squash scene in terms of racquets. Just as important to your game, is how you treat your feet and following is a condensed version of what is new in the way of shoes and socks.

Company: **Nike Canada Limited**

Address: 200 Granton Drive
Richmond Hill, Ontario
L4B 1H7

Telephone: (416) 764-0400
Contact: Mike Beckerman

Model: **Air VB Low (Men's and Women's)**

Construction: Board lasted on anatomically correct last

Flexibility: Flex grooves in forefoot

Composition: Gum rubber outsole
Upper: Leather and unbacked mesh
Mid: PU with PU footframe
Air sole unit in forefoot

Support: Low cut only available in Canada
Arch: In midsole composition and additional arch supports in box to insert underliner

Suggested List: \$79.95

Comments: Lightweight and stable

Model: **Cross Court II (Men's)**

Construction: Board lasted for stability

Flexibility: Flex grooves in forefoot

Composition: Gum rubber outsole (partial cupsole)
Upper: Leather and mesh
Midsole: EVA - no air

Support: Low cut
Arch: In midsole construction

Suggested List: \$64.95

Comments: Lightweight indoor court shoe
Durable and stable due to upper construction

Model: **Adversary (Men's)**

Construction: Board lasted for stability

Flexibility: Flex grooves in forefoot

Composition: Gum and rubber outsole (partial cupsole)
Upper: Synthetic suede and nylon
Midsole: EVA - no air

Support: Low cut
Arch: In midsole construction

Suggested List: \$39.95

Comments: Indoor court shoe, lightweight, moderately priced

Company: **Wilson Sports Equipment**

Address: 39 Estate Drive
Scarborough, Ontario
M1H 2Z2

Telephone: (416) 439-4163
Contact: Glenn Weiers

Model: **Pro Staff IC**

Construction: Mesh/split suede upper

Composition: Rubber/EVA mid/Texon Board

Sole: Arch: Contoured D.U. insole with Sorbathane

Support: Arch: Contoured D.U. insole with Sorbathane

Suggested List: \$69.95

Comments: Provides performance and comfort. Features medial support for added stability

Company: **Hi-Tec Sports (Canada) Ltd**

Address: P.O. Box 1542, Station 'B'
Mississauga, Ontario
L4Y 4G3

Telephone: (416) 564-0414
Contact: Alyson Rink

Model: **ABC Squash**

Construction: Cement and stitched

Composition: Leather/nylon

Sole: Rubber

Support: Neolyte T.P. heel counter - leather exterior

Suggested List: \$100.00

Comments: Top of the range, featuring airball cylinder in heel for cushioning

Company: **Adidas (Canada) Limited**

Address: 550 Oakdale Road

Telephone: (416) 742-3872
Contact: Steve Castledine
Model: **Retrieve**
Construction: Cement
Composition: Leather/mesh/synthetic leather trim
Sole: Gum rubber/EVA midsole
Flexibility: Good forefoot flexibility
Suggested List: \$69.95

Company: **Converse Canada Limited**

Address: 110 Brunel Road
Mississauga, Ontario
L4Z 1T5

Telephone: (416) 890-6609
Contact: John Condon

Model: **CZ 3200 Court Shoe**

Construction: Board last/Full leather upper

Composition: Upper: Full grain leather

Sole: 3 colour all rubber outsole, multi-directional pads

Flexibility: Flex notches in outsole allow shoe to bend with foot

Soft leather in upper

Support: 3/4 cut design, ankle support

Suggested List: \$105.00

Comments: Lightweight, improved energy return, does not break down as quickly as other midsole materials

Company: **MacLean Hosiery Company Limited**

Address: 71 Dynamic Drive, Unit 1-4
Scarborough, Ontario
M1V 2N2

Telephone: (416) 299-3447
Contact: Rick Morrison

Model: **Men's Court Sock, Mid calf crew**

Construction: 80% cotton / 20% nylon

Features: Available with special court tag. Reinforced nylon in heel and toes. Fully cushioned terry foot. Men's stripes; blue, red, black, maroon, green

Suggested List: Not provided

Comments: Soft and comfortable, proper fit 10-13 durable, stays up throughout any game

Model: **Ladies Court Sock, Low cut cuff**

Construction: 80% cotton / 20% nylon

Features: 1/2 cushioned sole and new terry upper

Coloured heel and toe and one single stripe

Colours for heel and toe and

stripe: red, sky, royale, pink, aqua
Suggested List: Not provided
Comments: Fits 9-11
Special court tag

Company: Double Lay-R Sock Co. of Canada

Address: 137 Simonston Boulevard
Thornhill, Ontario L3T 4M1
Telephone: (416)346-2410
Contact: Rick Kates
Model: Rayon Nylon
Construction: 62% Rayon / 35% Nylon / 3% Spandex



Features: Available in 3 styles
Anklet / Mini Crew / Crew
3 Sizes: 7-9/9-11/10-13
Suggested List: \$10.99-\$12.99 depending on style

Comments: 2 times as effective as a cotton sock at absorbing and licking away moisture
"Blister Free Guarantee" - money back or replace

Model: Coolmax* Double Lay-R Socks

Construction: Coolmax is a 4 channel fibre that transports moisture away more effectively than any other fibre. It is 14 times as effective as cotton

Features: Available in several colours
"Blister Free Guarantee" - money back or replace

Suggested List: \$12.99-\$14.99 depending on style

Comments: Ideal for walking, running, tennis, squash and casual wear. * Coolmax is a registered Dupont trademark

Company: Scholl-Plough Canada

Address: 6400 Northam Drive
Mississauga, Ontario L4V 1J1
Telephone: (416) 755-4141
Contact: Mike Hennessey

Model: Sneaker Treater Shoe Deodorant Spray

Features: Helps control bacteria and fungi in sneakers
Prolongs useful life of sneakers. Gives a pleasant odour to shoes and provides a cooling effect

Suggested List: \$4.59

Model: Sneaker Snuffer Insoles

Features: One size fits all
With Barricaid, an anti-bacterial agent which prevents the formation and growth of odour-causing microbes in the insole

Suggested List: \$3.49

Comments: Stops foot odour/keeps feet drier/keeps sneakers fresher/ extremely durable

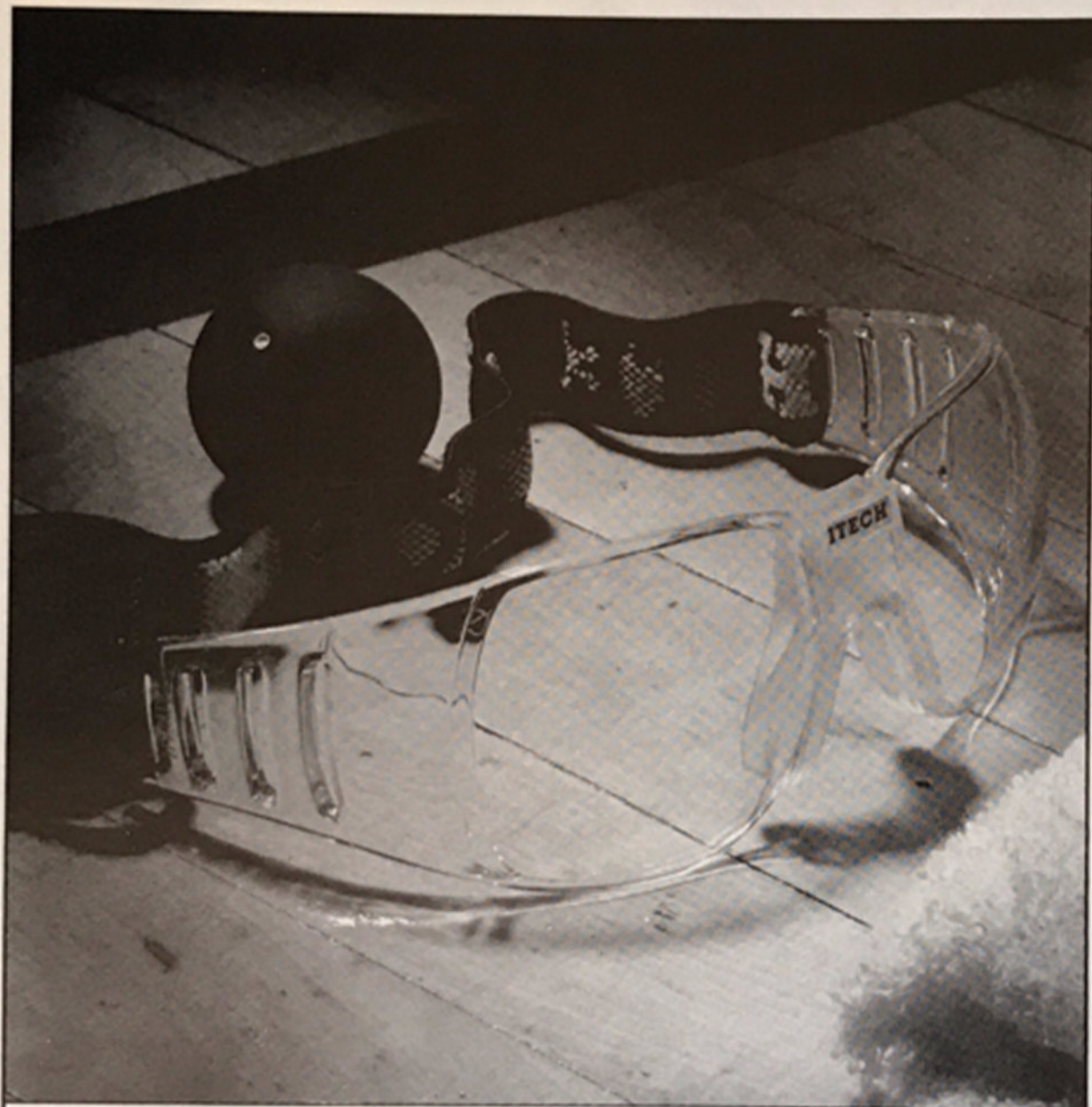
Model: Tritin Antifungal Spray Powder

Features: Developed to absorb up to 50% more moisture than other leading antifungal brands

Suggested List: \$6.99

Comments: Relieves and prevents athletes' foot
Fights odour
Controls wetness

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FIFTH PLACE AND CLIMBING FOR CANADIAN JUNIOR GIRLS

The Canadian Junior Women's Squash Team finished a successful trip to Hamilton, New Zealand, with a hard-fought 2-1 victory over arch rival Scotland to capture fifth place at the World Junior Squash Championships. Led by Captain, Margo Green, the team came back from a disastrous 0-3 loss by a nervous Melanie Jans, the youngest player on the team, to take the next two matches in dramatic fashion for the victory. Green, the top Canadian player, overwhelmed the Scottish #1, Helen Nicole, 9-7, 9-3, 10-8, in the second match, with the best squash of her life. Jordanna Fraiberg, playing #2, completed the amazing comeback under intense pressure, with a 9-1, 6-9, 9-6, 0-9, 9-6 triumph over Fiona Baker. The fourth team member, Carole-Ann Rodgers, was the reserve.

The team had a difficult start to the eight team round robin, losing convincingly to England and New Zealand in their first two matches. In the third round, against a powerful West German team, the players started to gain the form that carried them through the rest of the Championships. Margo Green gave world number 17 (senior) Sabine Schone, a scare in the third game, before losing in four and Jordanna Fraiberg was edged by world #22, Daniela Grzenia in three very close games. Melanie Jans lost to Sabine Baum in three.

In the fourth round, the team finally emerged victorious from a hard-fought battle with Ireland and gained the confidence they needed. All matches were won in five.

In the fifth round, the team was overwhelmed by a powerful Australian squad, although Jans, playing #2 in order to rest Fraiberg, had an impressive result against Marianne McDonald, losing in four, while Green and Rodgers each lost in three straight.

The next day, the Canadians faced off against a surprisingly strong American team and barely emerged with a 2-1 victory. Team Manager and Coach, Stuart Dixon, again rested Jordanna Fraiberg and had a few nervous moments before his players

pulled out the victory. Melanie Jans played strong squash to defeat U.S. #2, Mimi Ells in four and Margo Green clinched the victory with a five game win over Berkeley Belknap. Carole-Ann Rodgers lost at #3, in four, to Mary Belknap.

The fifth place finish, despite the

youth and inexperience of the team, bodes well for the future of the Canadian programme. Two of the team members, Melanie Jans and Carole-Ann Rodgers, will still be eligible for play in the next World Championships in two years.

The top two positions in the Championship were taken by perennial powerhouses, England and Australia, the former winning the final in three straight matches. West Germany demonstrated its rapid improvement by taking third, with a 2-1 victory over the traditionally next strongest team, New Zealand. ○



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lowing with its first class lounge and lunch service. During most lunches, the club's dining section is bustling with activity. Applewood's secret weapon is its pro shop. Most club pro shops generally charge a higher rate than the major department stores, simply because they cannot buy in such large volume. At Applewood, the management has worked hard to source specific squash player needs and has tried to keep the prices low enough that the Saturday trip to a crowded, department store, is not necessary.

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