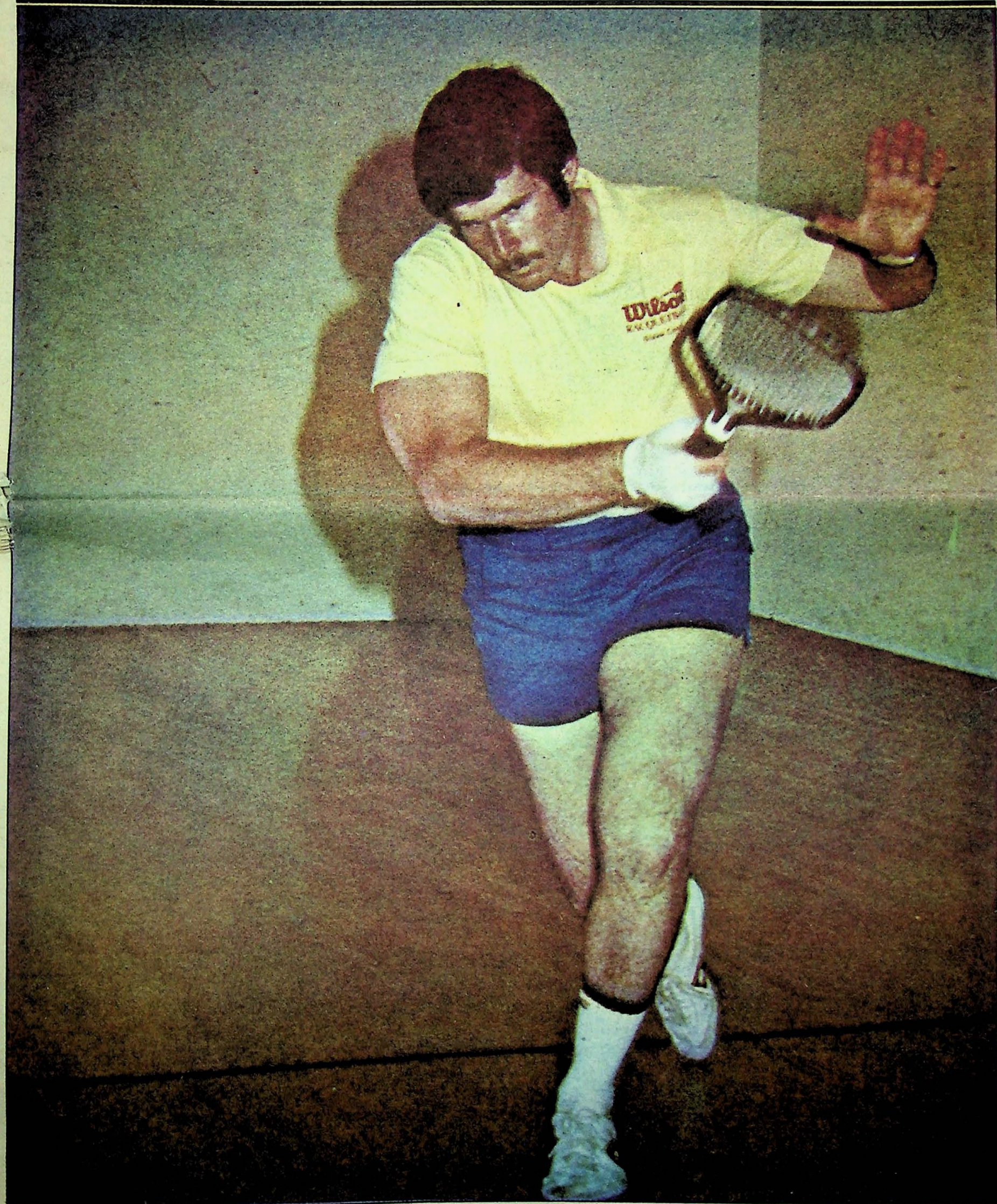


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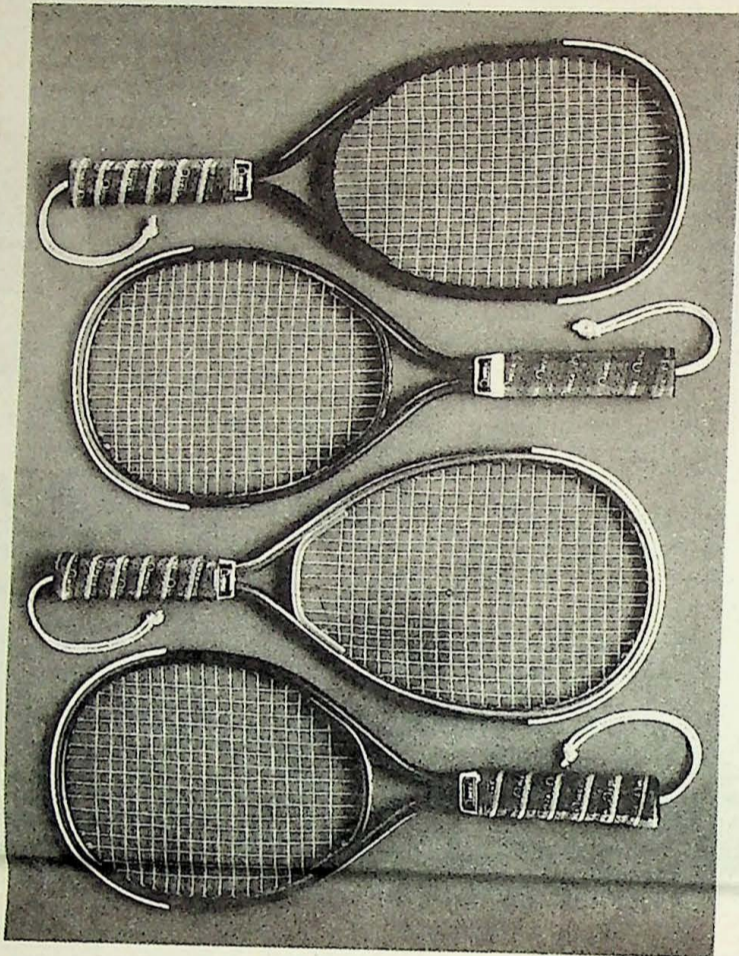
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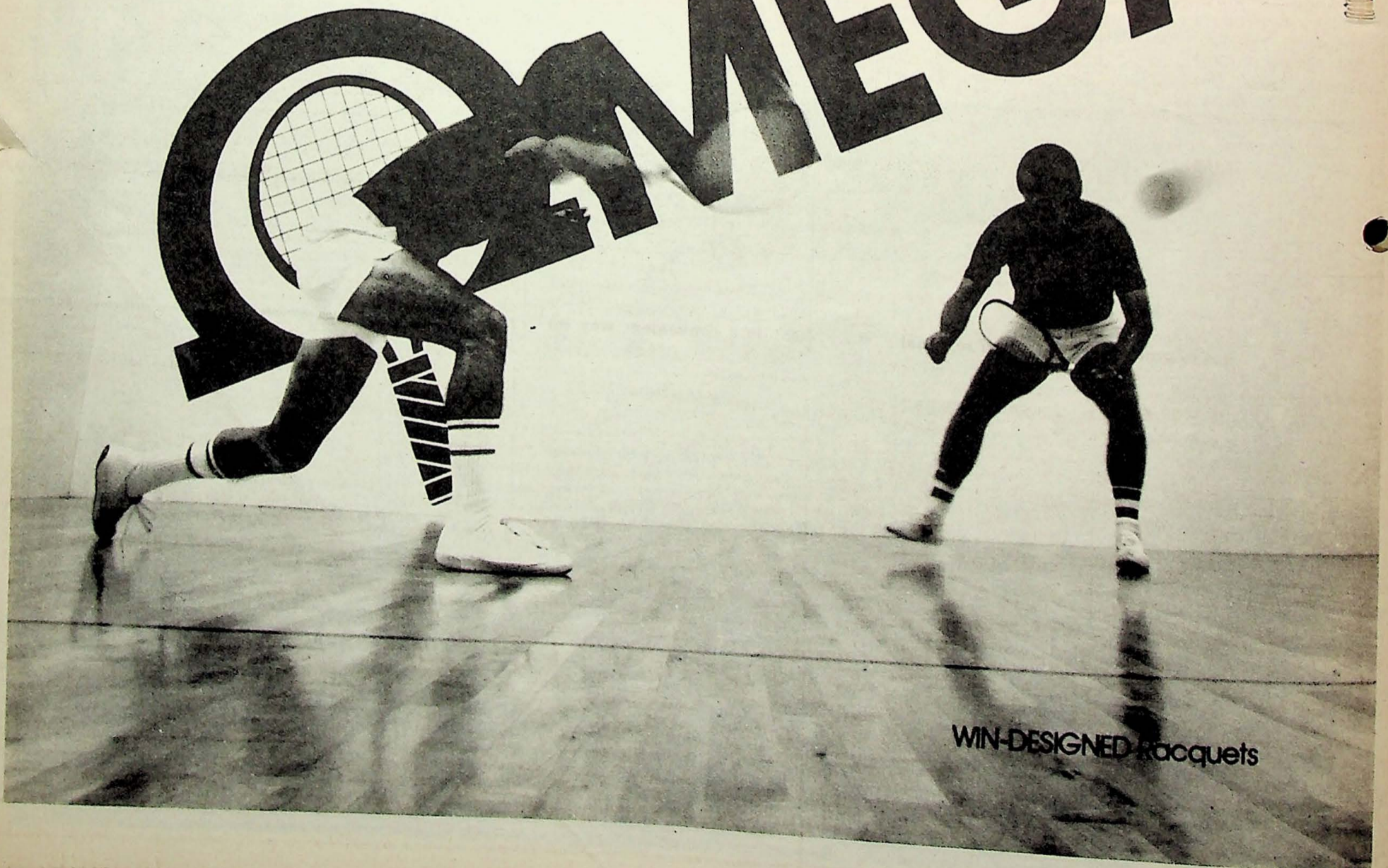


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Profile: Steve Cohen

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Five years ago Steve Cohen was a struggling tennis pro.

Now he's director of racquet sports for the Chicago Health Clubs, an 18-club conglomerate that's in the midst of a major expansion.

Sound like Cohen's a comer? He well could be.

In addition to his major role in the Health Club expansion, he's also executive director of "Pro-America," which has some big plans for organizing teaching professionals in racquetball.

Cohen, 26, is a graduate of Western Illinois University. He'll soon be a married man and, he expects, that will result in a reduction of the long working hours he's been putting in since joining the Chicago Health Clubs after college graduation.

He was the tennis pro at the Health Club's Schaumburg branch then. The Health Club group was not much into racquet sports at that time; it was mainly an array of exercise clubs.

"Tennis," said Cohen, "just never took off with us. We could fill the courts at night, but not during the day. You have to be 18 to use our clubs, and there aren't any nurseries. It seems like tennis people have kids and racquetball people don't. There's a real difference between the two groups. I don't know why, but there is."

No nurseries meant no tennis play from housewives during the crucial daytime hours, so the Health Clubs have turned to racquetball in a big way. Cohen said the group will build 28 courts in the next 24 months. New Health Clubs will open in Mt. Prospect and Orland Park in September and completion of the renovation of the old Illinois Center Racquetball and Health Club as another Chicago

Racquetball

By LEN ZIEHM



Racquetball Everyone will feature a series of profiles on a Pro-America teaching professional. Pro-America is the national organization for Racquetball teaching professionals.

Health Club location has been scheduled for October.

By 1980, Cohen estimates, the Chicago Health Clubs will have 28 facilities with 37 racquetball courts to go along with the four tennis courts still at Schaumburg.

With the move by his employer into racquetball, Cohen got himself involved, too.

"It was my job to hire a racquetball pro for our Lombard club," he recalled. "A lot of people were interested and I talked to 21 of them. We brought back six or seven for another interview and I took them on the court. There wasn't time to do that with everybody. I figured there had to be an easier way to find a qualified pro in racquetball."

He went to Ray Mitchell, publisher of Tennis Everyone and Racquetball Everyone. Pro-America developed from those talks.

A board of examiners was formed and a test devised to determine qualified racquetball pros. Some area pros have taken the test. Two months ago that test was revised. It was shortened to 20 short essay questions, 20 multiple choice questions, a game to 21, a teaching session and a skill test in which the prospective instructor

must execute shots to certain spots on the court.

"If you know what you're doing, you won't have much trouble with our test," said Cohen. "We've found a lot of people have been afraid to take the test, and they shouldn't be. It's just that they're afraid of failing."

With a background in tennis, Cohen has some strong feelings on the differences between the two sports.

"One thing racquetball has going for it is all the class systems for tournaments," he said. "I don't know how much sand-bagging goes on. But you need those classes. In tennis, in the Chicago District Tennis Association tournaments, you can run into professionals. I used to be delighted if I got through three rounds. Unless you're an A player, you shouldn't even bother to enter some of those tournaments."

Cohen also feels that racquetball's limited television exposure is to its advantage at this stage.

"People see Bjorn Borg and Jimmy Connors play tennis, and they try to do what they do," said Cohen. "They get big ideas. It makes it much harder for them to learn the game. In racquetball not so many people see how hard Marty Hogan and Davey Bledsoe hit it. If they did, too many people would

try to cream the ball. In racquetball you can learn so much quicker than you can in tennis."

Cohen's biggest duties now are with the Health Clubs, particularly at the Illinois Center Club. He's playing a lead role in the complete remodeling of that club and trying to hire a racquetball pro for it. It's the only facility in the Health Club expansion that isn't being built from scratch.

"When we're done it'll be like every other one of the Health Club's," he said. "When we started it was

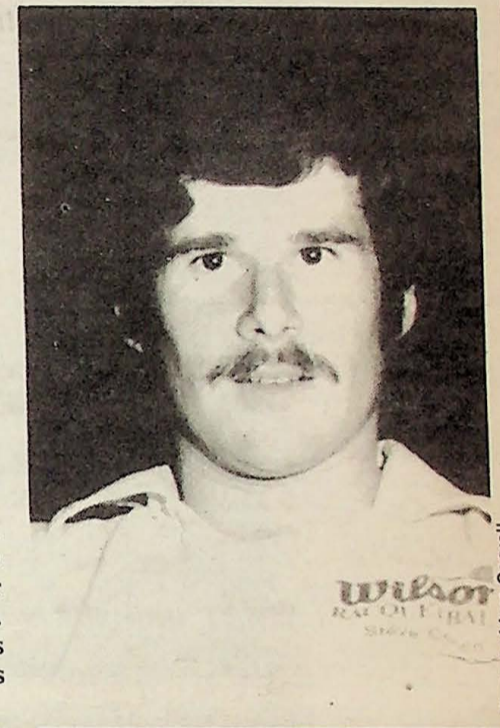


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STEVE COHEN

filthy. But we're going to add two gyms. We've already brought in 10 new pieces of exercise equipment. The big thing for me to get used to

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Pro-America Goes National

Pro-America, the organization for racquetball teaching professionals has begun its final phase of regional testing in the Midwest. From August 7, 1978 thru September 18, 1978, Pro-America will be testing candidates by appointment only. This new innovation will allow the organization to work more closely with their candidates on a one to one basis.

From mid September until early January of 1979, Pro-America will conduct their teaching seminars in Boston, New York, Detroit, Dallas and San Diego. When this initial national membership drive has been completed Pro-America will begin forming its programs for the 1979 season. Some of these programs include group insurances, regional

teaching seminars and a national convention and newsletter. This final phase is a convenient way for those individuals to get tested for their certification.

Recently Pro-America began a sponsorship program and already several national sports manufacturers have pledged their support.

Potential members are urged to call for a testing appointment as soon as possible. The dates of 8/25, 8/27, 9/1 and 9/9 are already filled. To schedule yourself for a testing date call Executive Director, Steven E.

Cohen at 312/885-3920, Monday thru Friday, 10-6 or write: The National Headquarters at 840 North Michigan, Suite 404, Chicago, Illinois 60611.

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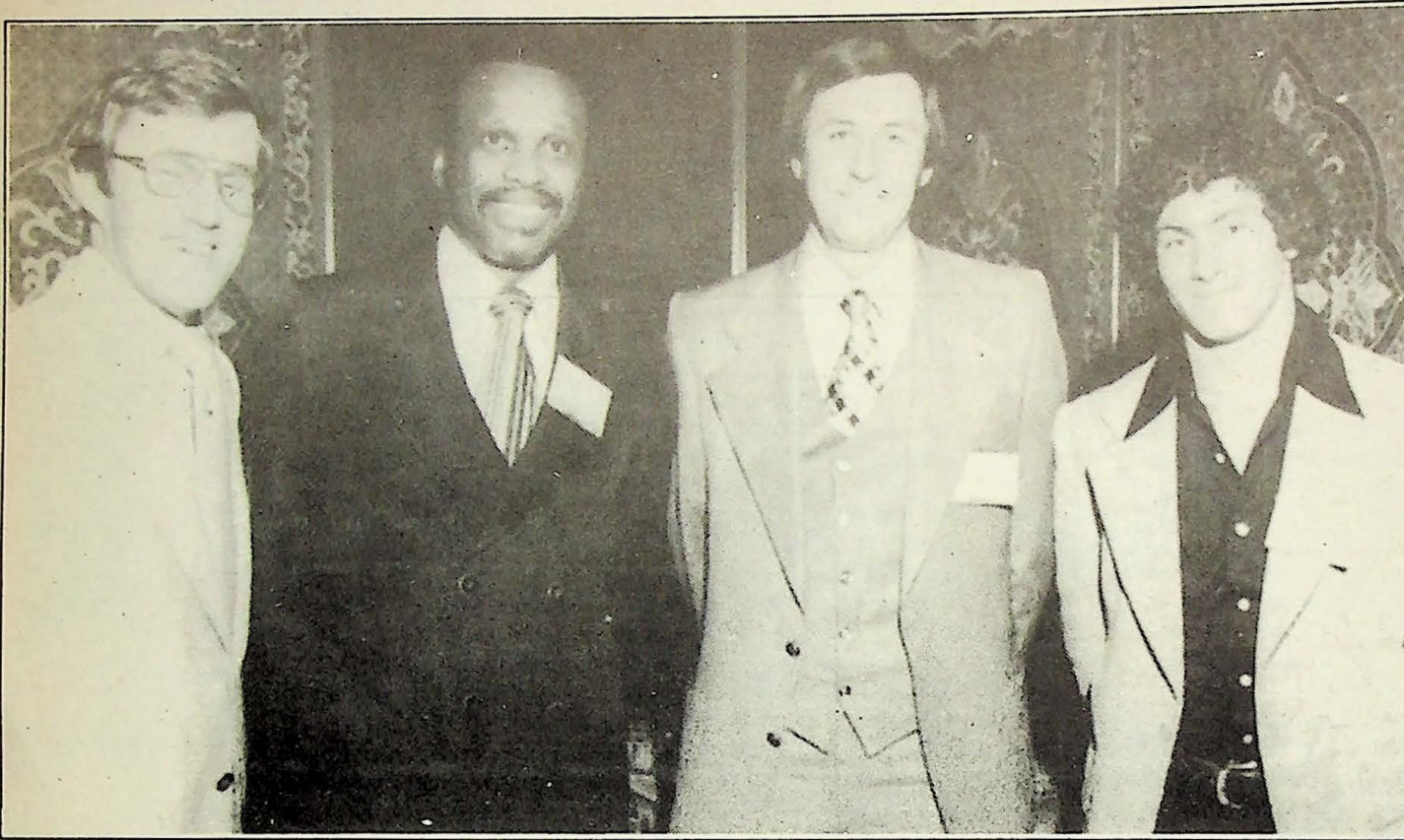
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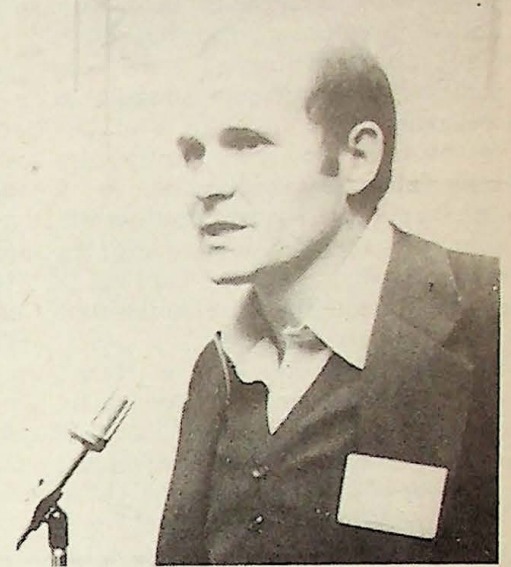
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Coors All-Pro Tournament Brings Sport Stars Together for Racquetball Competition



From left, Dan Seaton, tournament director, Al Oliver and Don Kessinger, finalists in the Coors All-Pro baseball event and Marty Hogan National Champion. Photo by Randy Tunnell.



Charlie Drake of Leach Industries addresses the pre-tournament dinner.

Jim Bakken, St. Louis Cardinal placekicker, is 37. Green Bay receiver Randy Vataha stands 5-9. They were the oldest and the shortest entries in the field of 42 players competing in the Coors All Pro racquetball tournament.

The tournament will match professional athletes from all sports except racquet and paddle sports and will be played in Las Vegas at various times this year.

The goal, according to Jim Flood, managing partner of the sponsoring All-Pro-Sports, Ltd. and founder of the concept, is to "determine the best racquetball player among professional athletes."

Bakken and Vataha won the three-day competition for football players held in Las Vegas, thereby qualifying for the Coors All-Pro finals against representatives from five other pro sports, one wasn't sure whether their victory was a credit to middle-age, medium height or the versatility of the pro football athletes.

In the finals, Bakken defeated pro football athlete Wehrli, 21-7, 21-19, and Vataha won over Minnesota linebacker Matt Blair, 21-1, 21-13. The winners each earned \$4,000 and have a shot at the Coors All-Pro championship worth \$100,000, this fall.

"As a placekicker, I don't get the opportunity to compete man-on-man," Bakken said. "I'm really competing

against myself. But racquetball lets me go up against a single opponent. It's really the most competitive thing I do."

Bakken survived a marathon match against Pittsburgh linebacker Jack Ham to reach the finals. The Bakken-Ham struggle in the semis was a classic, 21-9, 18-21 and Bakken coming back from 5-9 in the tiebreaker to win 11-9.

Blair enjoyed a similar skirmish in the semis against Seattle defensive back Dave Brown. There the scores were 17-21, 21-12 with Blair dissolving a 9-9 deadlock in the tiebreaker to win 11-9.

But the match knowledgeable racquetball players agreed was one of the best involved Vataha and Washington Redskin quarterback Joe Theismann. Vataha won 21-18, 21-17.

Vataha has been playing racquetball only since last October. "But I've been playing every day," he said. He has opened his own court complex in Braintree, Mass.

In the other semi finals, Wehrli downed Denver center Mike Montler, 21-15, 21-17. "For the shape I'm in right now, I'm not all that unhappy with the way I played," Montler said.

Bakken and Wehrli are no strangers to each other on the racquetball court. Both play regularly during the winter. "Maybe three times a week on the average," Wehrli said.

The players participating said that racquetball is their major, if not only, form of off-season training. "It does the job," Thiesmann said, "and it's great fun. What more can you ask out of a sport?"

All but two NSF teams were represented in the event, the second in the five-event All Pro series.

"We think the All-Pro tournament will help uplift all of racquetball's professionals," said Charlie Drake, president of racquetball's Leach Industries. "The publicity and promotion of All-Pro will spread to the regular racquetball pro tour."

To prove his point Drake indicated that top Leach professionals Marty Hogan and Charlie Brumfield would be on hand at each of the tournaments to help instruct players, referee and generally help run the tournament.

The All-Pro events will be held at the Las Vegas Racquetball Club.

Tournament director will be the club's manager, Dan Seaton, who is also Nevada state chairman for the USRA.

"We're as excited as every one else about the concept," said Seaton. "It should attract nationwide attention."

In baseball, Al Oliver and Coors Don Kessinger were the co-winners in the baseball players tournament held earlier in the year.

Oliver, former Pittsburgh star

recently traded to Texas, defeated Craig Swan, Met pitcher, 21-11 and 21-12, and Don Kessinger, Chicago White Sox, defeated Tim Foli, San Francisco, 21-14, 21-9.

In the championship round of eight, Oliver downed Bobby Valentine (Mets), 21-9, 21-14; Swan topped Richard Dauer (A's), 21-11, 21-12; Kessinger beat Gary Carter (Expos), 21-6, 21-4; and Foli trimmed John Stearns (Mets), 21-14, 21-9.

Kessinger is familiar with the sport since he owns two Racquetball Clubs.

"If my owning two courts gives me an advantage then Walter O'Malley has an advantage when it comes to hitting home runs because he owns the Dodgers," he said. "The neat thing about this tournament is that we can compete against pros from other sports."

Valentine, a quarter finalist, credits racquetball with his rehabilitation from a broken leg.

"Racquetball has been my entire rehabilitation program," he said. "There were those who said I would never be able to play baseball again."

The NBA basketball players and the NHL hockey players played in July. We will have complete coverage in the next issue of Racquetball Everyone.

The tournament conceived by Jim Flood of All-Pro Sports Ltd. of San Diego, California and is sponsored by Coors Brewery in conjunction with Leach Industries and Seamco, the nation's leading manufacturers of racquetball racquets and balls respectively.

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A Good Time All Year Long

By Gail Fudenberg

As the so-called summer sports gain popularity, racquetball clubs usually notice a drop in frequency of attendance of normal players and a decline in those waitlisted for court time.

Despite people being lured off by summer vacations, summer homes or just relieving their pent up winter-desires of connecting with that good old ozoned air, many die-hard racquetball players remain convinced that racquetball is and will remain an all year round sport.

Several racquetball enthusiasts that I've spoken with recently tried their best to enlighten me on their reasoning behind remaining pale as the summer progresses.

Besides the obvious enthusiastic bursts of "It's a fantastic sport,"

or "it helps increase cardiovascular activity" many agreed that racquetball is the most efficient sport available. Providing a reasonable amount of conditioning and exercise in a relatively short period of time, racquetball remains the prime workout for many.

Marc Jens at the McClurg Court Sport Center claims that all the "regulars" play year round. He believes an important reason for their continuous play during the summer is that racquetball can be enjoyable to those less athletically inclined than the more exacting sports.

Others at the McClurg Court Sport Center cited court availability and reduction in chances of skin cancer as reasons for sticking to racquetball all year round.

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MAUREEN KRUML, CENTER, OF LISLE, BOB SZCZECINSKI, LEFT, OF Downers Grove, and Gerry Kabala of Chicago were among tournament finalists in Racquetball/Handball tournaments around the area. Gerry competed in the USHA Central Handball Regionals that was held in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Gerry defeated the Wisconsin State Champ, Tom Kopatich, which entitled him to a free trip to the USHA Handball Nationals in Tucson, Arizona.

Bob Szczecinski won the Men's "B" division at the Aurora Pro-Am Racquetball Tournament held at the Aurora YMCA. Bob competed in a division of 128 participants to capture the crown. He also placed third in the "St. Valentine's Day Massacre" (A Racquetball Everyone Tournament) held in Bloomingdale, Ill.

Maureen Kruml finished in the third place slot in the Women's "B" division of the Illinois State Singles Championship held at the Glass Court in Lombard, Ill., May 4-7, 1978... If you would like "your" news/photos published in Racquetball Everyone just type all information, double space and send to our downtown office, 840 N. Michigan, Chgo., IL., 60611.

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Women's Intermediate Racquetball, Judy Filsted, 1st Place; Barb Chamberlain, 2nd.

Women's Beginner Racquetball, Joan Eriks, 1st Place; Peggy Nielson, 2nd.

Open Handball, Dave Jackson, 1st Place; Don DeBat, 2nd.

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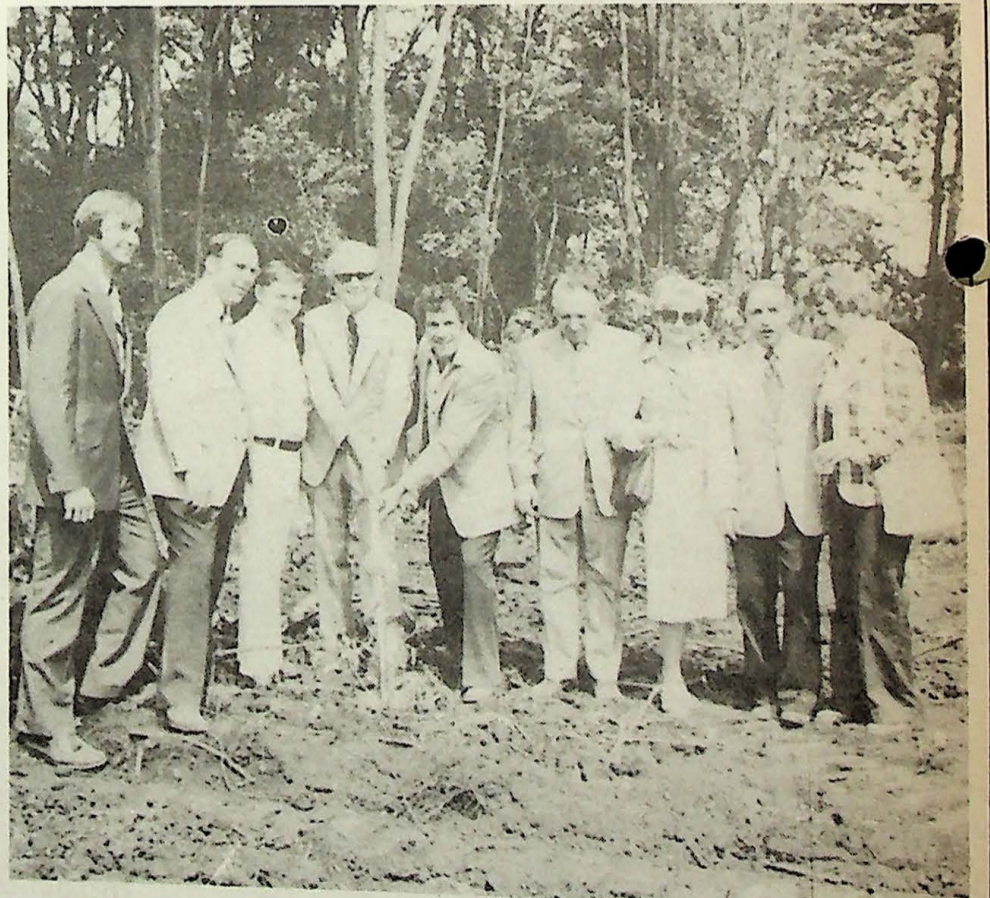
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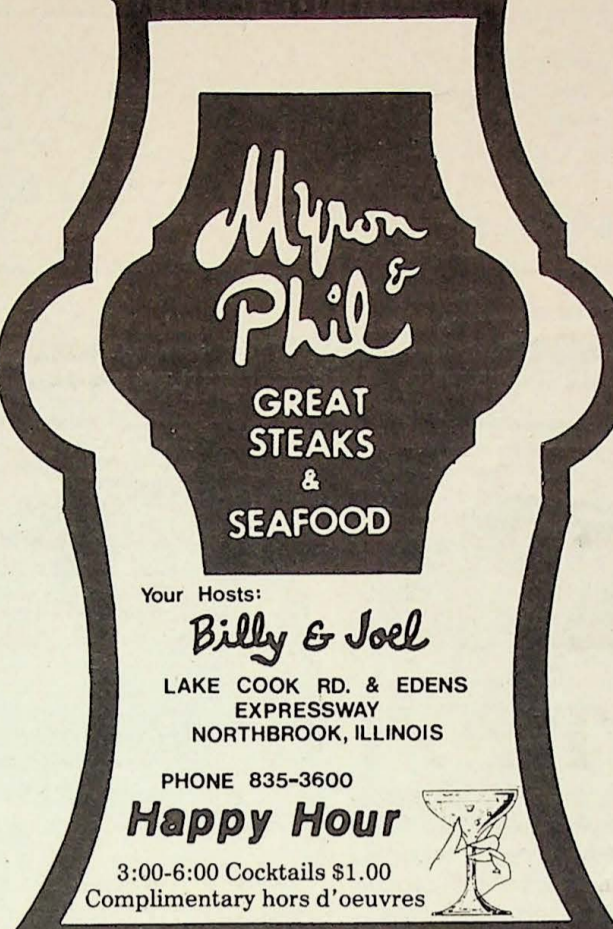
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On Tournaments

By Dennis A. Dorner

The racquetball season ended on a spectacular note with the ISRA State Singles Championships. The tournament was the largest racquetball tournament ever held with more than 800 competitors taking part.

Now its time for a new season, and time for some changes.

The great success of the state proved one thing, people like to play in tournaments. Furthermore, it proved the valley between the tournament quality "C" player and the club "C" player is so wide no bridge could attempt to cross it.

It is unfortunate players would sign up for a tournament and then get blown out in the first round by scores of 31-0, 31-3. These players who lost big, and there were many of them, are really only donating money when they enter a tournament. They will never be able to compete in "C" competition.

Problems of getting beaten badly might be overlooked with a statement like, "If he is not good enough to play he shouldn't compete." This argument is ridiculous. Tournaments like the State Singles are not professional events where you can compete only on one level, they are amateur events, events provided so that the average racquetball players can play in them.

Competition, especially in State events, should be widened to allow the entire ISRA membership to compete in classes where they can compete on some basis of equality. These members, full members of the ISRA, deserve something better than the "Questionable" novice class and the "getting-ever-harder" "C" classification. Not only do they deserve it, they have a right to it.

Recently in "National Racquetball" the Arizona system of awarding points to tournament players was discussed. By this system players are ranked in accordance with tournament play, by a computer rating system, that then places the players in divisions according to performance. By this method, players may rise or fall classes for each tournament. This is a good system and could even be expanded for the Illinois State player's use.

Another system, currently in use, is to widen the classifications. In St. Louis they have expanded classes to a "D" class and a "Novice" class. By using statements such as "C Players are players that have begun taking good shots off the back walls, and have become adept at using the backhand for more than mere returns," they have classified players into divisions. Use of the system in Arizona and this system together would seem to widen the competition base.

Novice classifications would not then be predicated on ever having been in a tournament before, but on basis of playing ability. First time tournament players in the State tournament could go through a screening process under state association guidance at their local clubs or at predetermined sights. In this way Open, B, C, D and Novice would offer a broad base of appeal for area racquetball players, and forever stop the continuing "dropping down in class", by will or whim, now utilized by some players.

The State tournament should be for all players in the State, and the ISRA should do something now to correct this situation before next year's tournament.

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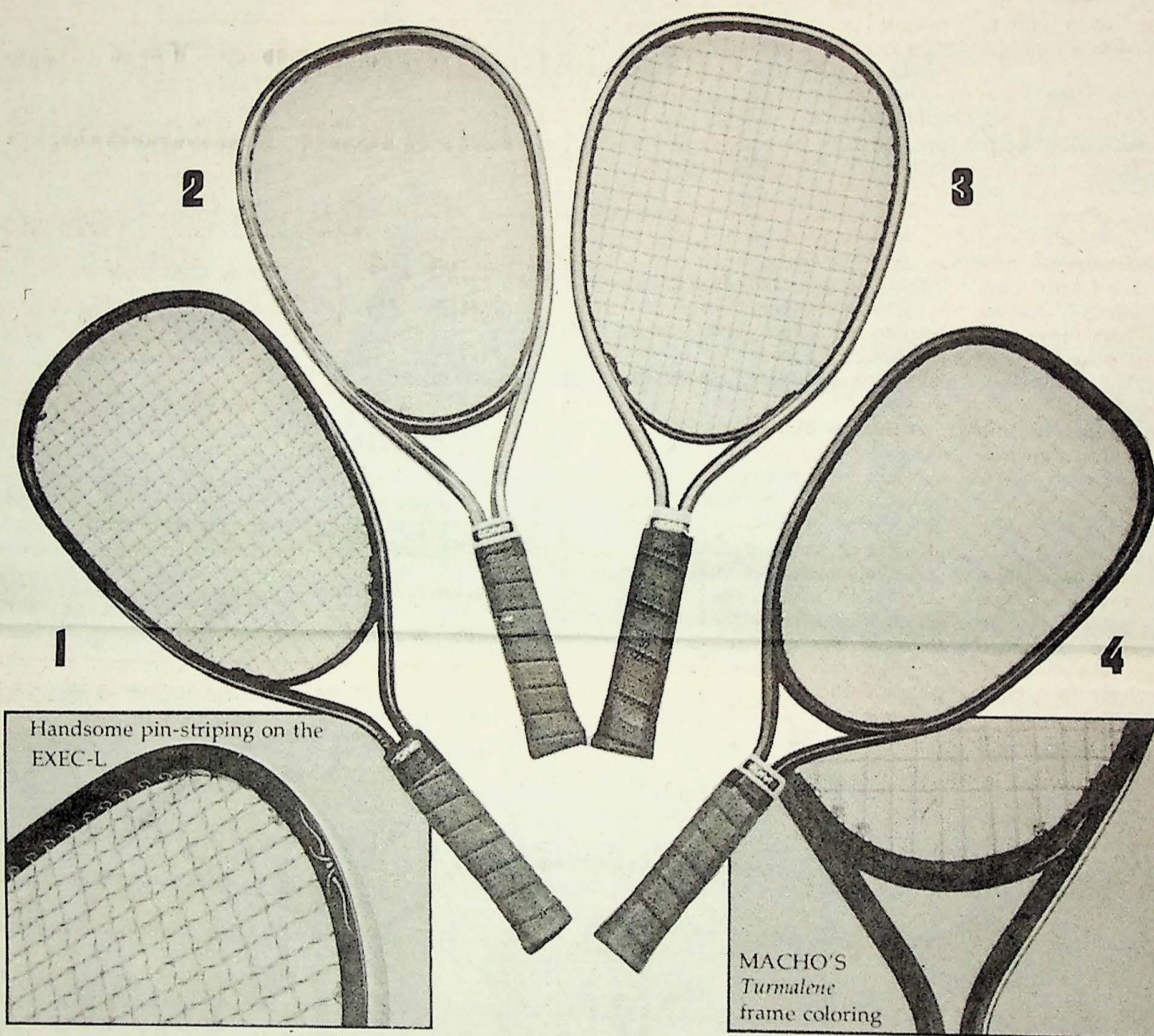
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On the Courts

By Jerry Hilecher
Ektelon Advisory Staff Member

One of things which make the sport of racquetball so attractive to new players is the ease with which they are able to learn the game.

Almost anyone can pick up a racquetball racquet and achieve what we like to refer to as "instant mediocrity" on the first outing.

But mediocre is a long way from good and, here's where a few lessons can really help.

One of the fastest growing new institutions in racquetball is the racquetball clinic.

Professional racquetball players with the cooperation of local court club pros are providing this kind of group instruction to beginning and advanced players alike all over the country.

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Also, there must be enough time allotted for and sufficient staff to provide some individual as well as group instruction.

A student will want to have an opportunity to see the advanced players play—those kinds of matches are very revealing.

This should be backed up with an overall discussion of play and that necessary analysis of the

strengths and weaknesses of each student's game.

This kind of instruction gives players a good foundation in those necessary basics upon which to build their own styles and practice schedule. A clinic can put a beginning player on the right track and keep an advanced player from straying far from it.

Sources in the racquetball industry predict that the sport's present player population of 7.5 million will at least double by the end of 1979.

That means that about half of those playing will have less than a year's experience.

Racquetball clinics can go a long way toward generally keeping those new players from becoming discouraged and contribute to the overall health of the sport.

A clinic is also a benefit to a court club. It provides player exposure to the club, bringing new players in the doors and giving them incentive to practice after the clinic is over.

A clinic generates interest in the club and the sport among the media which, in many parts of the country, is still largely unaware of the sport and its rapid growth.

Large racquetball manufacturing companies like Ektelon are very interested in seeing local court clubs prosper and are quite willing to co-sponsor clinics with them.

While racquetball is the fastest growing participant sport in the country, it may also be the youngest and its position is by no means solidified.

If racquetball is to continue to grow in an orderly fashion, a healthy network of court clubs which provided convenient playing sites for the new racquetball population is a must.

A clinic requires very little administration or cost and the benefits it generates to the sport and those who participate make it a worthwhile enterprise.

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the change in hours. In the suburban clubs we're the busiest at night. There the night is dead time. A city player plays on his lunch break."

Cohen says his work with the Health Clubs and Pro-America have caused the long workdays. "As a bachelor I usually leave home by eight and get back by nine," he said.

He doesn't expect to keep going at that pace, but he is toying with one new project: politics. Actually, it isn't

completely new to him.

"I ran for the park board in Hoffman Estates once and didn't make it," he recalled. "It was a real cattle drive that year. About 50 people were running. I did it mainly as a learning experience. I had the endorsements of the local papers, but I didn't have any real organized campaign. I just knocked on a few doors, that kind of stuff."

He thinks he might want to try "that kind of stuff" again.

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Left to Right Renee Coplan, Linda Schwartz, Susan Kanar, Carol Armstrong.

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By Judy M. Bard

QUESTION: Do you feel that the backhand in racquetball is a harder shot than the forehand and if so why?

SUSAN KANAR: I think the backhand is harder than the forehand because it is very important to keep your right shoulder into the wall to make a straight shot into the corner.

RENEE COPLAN: I definitely think the backhand is harder than the forehand. I think that it is harder because it is an unnatural position. I find that with a forehand you have many choices in ways to return the ball, with a backhand there is only one way.

CAROL ARMSTRONG: I believe that the backhand is harder to learn than

the forehand, although, it was easier for me to learn, but for the general person forehand is a lot easier, its a more natural notion. But I think its easier to get good at the backhand because the backhand does not allow for any mistakes, you have to be in perfect position to execute a backhand shot.

LINDA SCHWARTZ: I think that a backhand is easier than forehand

because you are forced to learn how to hit a backhand correctly or you can't get the ball. A forehand you can make lots of compensations with your arm and body and still get the ball to the front wall. If you're not in a perfect position to hit a backhand you won't get it back to the wall, therefore, you learn to hit it correctly, plus the fact more people play to your backhand than forehand thus giving you more play and experience with it.

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League Standings

By Rudy Rodriguez

The final results of the Chicago Racquetball Association Traveling League for this year are:

WOMENS AA

1. O'Hare
2. Skokie
3. Evanston I
4. Northbrook
5. Evanston 2
6. Northbrook-Evanston
7. Evanston 4
8. Skyharbor
9. Evanston 3
10. Schaumburg-Killshot

WOMENS A

1. Northbrook
2. Skyharbor
3. Skokie
4. Evanston
5. Schaumburg
6. Four Flags

Women's rankings in both A and AA are Metropolitan Champions. In the following, winners of each division are Chicagoland Racquetball Champions in the North and Regional Champions in the South because the South began competing during the second half of the season.

WOMENS B - NORTH

1. Northbrook
2. Oak Park
3. Schaumburg
4. Skyharbor
5. Evanston
6. Four Flags

WOMENS B - SOUTH

1. Oakbrook
2. Cove Courts
3. Olympian
4. Western
5. Palos
6. Glass

WOMENS C - NORTH

1. Evanston
2. Northbrook
3. Thorndale
4. Four Flags
5. Schaumburg
6. Skyharbor

WOMENS C - SOUTH

1. Cove Courts
2. Olympian I
3. Olympian II
4. Glass
5. Chalet
6. Western

MENS A-NORTH

1. Northbrook
2. O'Hare
3. Forest Grove
4. Sky Harbor and Evanston (tie)
6. Oak Park
7. Mid-Town

MENS B-SOUTH

1. Olympian
2. Glass
3. Du Page
4. Cove Courts
5. Chalet I
6. Chalet II
7. Palos
8. Western

MENS A-SOUTH

1. Cove Courts
2. Olympian
3. Glass
4. Hillside
5. Western
6. Palos

MENS C-NORTH

1. Oak Park
2. Evanston
3. Four Flags
4. Skokie
5. Northbrook
6. Skyharbor

MENS B-NORTH

1. Four Flags
2. Skokie
3. Skyharbor and Thorndale (tie)
5. Evanston
6. Northbrook
7. Oak Park

MENS C-SOUTH

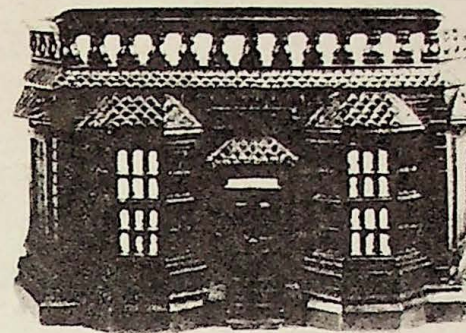
1. Olympia
2. Glass
3. Cove Courts
4. Chalet
5. Palos
6. Western

Individual champions in their respective divisions were:

WOMENS AA 1. Carol Armstrong - O'Hare and Sue Carow 2. Nancy Karonenfeld and Barb Edelstein - Skokie.

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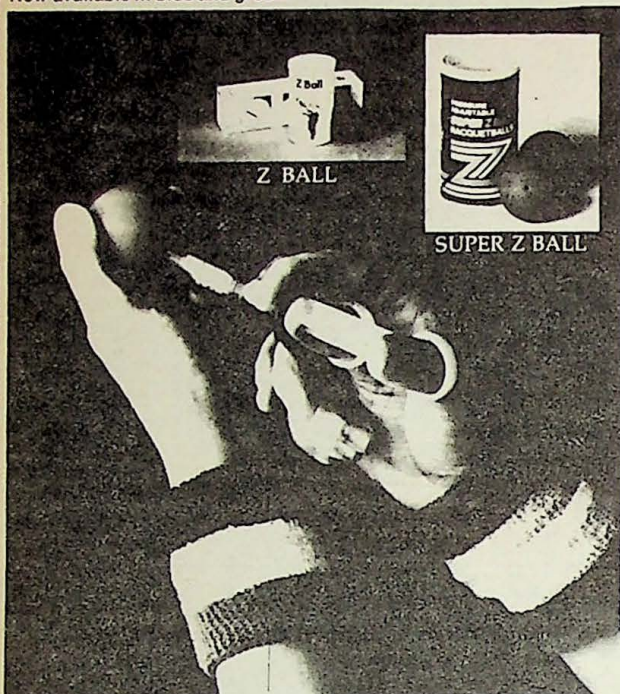
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WOMENS A - 1. Linda Schwartz of Northbrook 2. Sis Berstow-Evanston

WOMENS B - 1. Maureen Kruml - Oakbrook 2. Barb Alwiess - Northbrook

WOMENS C 1. Kathy Gurrero of Four Flags 2. Susan Gudlack of Evanston

MENS A SINGLES - 1. Bill Hoffman of Northbrook 2. Steve Boren of Forest Grove
DOUBLES - 1. Jerry Sayers and Al Hanky of Glass 2. Lindsay Eastman and Glen Gubellina of Cove Courts.

MENS B SINGLES - 1. Jim Towns of Du Page 2. Bill Schran of Glass
DOUBLES - Ed Lindfors and Mark Sloten of Four Flags 2. William Makc and Dick Pizza - Olympia.

MENS C SINGLES - Fred Hartman - Oak Park 2. Abe Barkin of Evanston
DOUBLES 1. Van Crouch and Jim Schneider of Oak Park 2. Tom Dwyer and Tim Rice - Olympia.

On June 27 the league banquet was held at The Como Inn with over 200 people attending. The event at which Tim Weigel, Channel 7 sportscaster was the guest speaker turned into a "spirited" event which celebrated a very successful league year.

Mens B - Latta Kussman, Joe Sleben and Dan Mitchell Mens C - Bill Zuccaro, Dean Weber and Paul Cathro.

Womens B - Barb Olsen, Carol Scott and Julie Lambert Womens C - Diane Bondhus, Lillian Kouzmaross and Jan Reich.

THE SOUTH Suburban Racquetball League reported that it's summer league is in the early stages of progression with the addition of teams from Tinley Park and Silver Lake.

AT VARIOUS clubs in the Chicagoland area ladder competition results include Killshot, Limited in Bloomingdale where the current standings are:

THE NORTHBROOK Court House had a Ladder Tournament with the following winners: Mens A - Marshall Waldo, Steve Pope and Craig Osmond Mens B - Scott Thurber, Greg Martin and Len Goldstein Mens C - John Johnson, Steve Cohen and Leon Adams.

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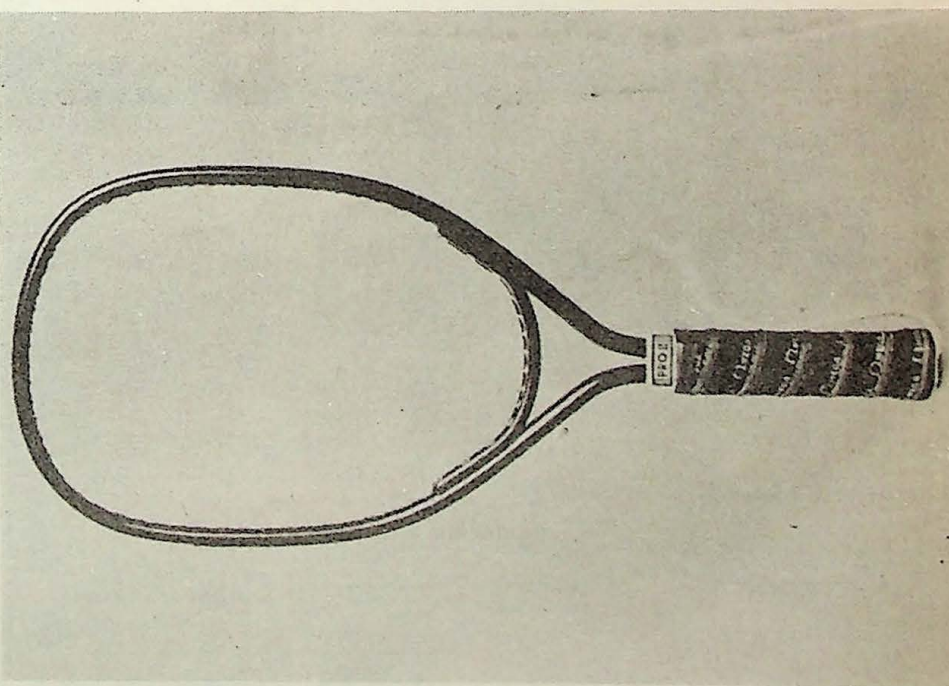
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the other with Mike Yellen in the semi's.

In the quarterfinals Hogan defeated Mark Morrow. Morrow made it to the top eight by beating Ben Koltun. In other quarterfinal matches Yellen beat Steve Kelley, Charlie Brumfield defeated David Fleetwood and Steve Strandemo topped Steve Serot.

The finals saw Charlie Brumfield,

who had defeated Strandemo in the semis in a tough match that went to three games and old foe Marty Hogan in another show down match, with Hogan not forgetting his earlier loss to Brumfield at the tournament of Champions. He made sure this time by baring down all the way for the 21-17, 21-7, victory.

In the womens division Shannon

Wright topped Jannell Marriott in a three-gamer 21-13, 19-21, 15-10, for the title. In the semis it was Wright over Jennifer Harding and Marriott over Peggy Steding.

In the open division former Chicagoan Hope Weisbach won the title by defeating Jane Abbot. In the mens open Lindsey Meyers defeated David Peck.

RACQUETBALL TIP

The Forgotten Shot

To the beginner and sometimes the more advanced club player, the ceiling shot is often overlooked or completely ignored as a defensive "Desperation Shot". When executed properly this shot while requiring a great deal of accuracy with both forehand and backhand shots can add a new dimension to even a good racquetball game.

STRATEGY - The ceiling shot can be used as both an offensive shot or a defensive. Defensively - if you are out of position, it can "buy you time" until you regain a good court position. Offensively - a good ceiling shot will drive your opponent out of center court position to the back wall allowing you to regain center court. Remember the best method of returning a ceiling shot is by countering with another ceiling shot.

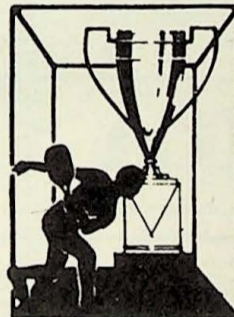
PLACEMENT - This is the most important aspect of hitting a good ceiling shot.

(1) Hit ceiling first, then the front wall approximately one to two feet from the intersection of the ceiling and front wall. Hitting the ball too far from the crack sets up short balls.

(2) Hit the ball as close to the side wall as possible without actually hitting the side wall. Hitting the side wall sets up shots in the middle of the court.

(3) Hit the shot to your opponents backhand 90% of the time. Backhand ceiling shots are usually much tougher to hit than forehand ones.

By Steven E. Cohen, Head Pro/Manager, Chicago Health & Tennis Club, Schaumburg; Chicago Health & Racquet Club, Lombard.



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Racquetball and the Middle Aged Beginner

By Marty Kander

Before beginning a discussion of racquetball and the middle-aged individual, let's come to a definition of middle-age. For purposes of this article, middle-age will include all 40 to 62 year "young" persons. If I've included anyone who feels he/she doesn't belong in this category or if I haven't included somebody who feels that they do belong in this category, I respectively apologize.

HAVING DECIDED to begin this exciting sport, all middle-aged persons would be wise to first check with their doctor to receive his medical go-ahead. With the knowledge and security that there are no physical contraindications to begin such an active sport, preparatory actions may be taken.

Purchasing racquetball wearing apparel should be one of the first steps. General observation of racquetball players will help in deciding what's proper wearing attire. The only two pieces of equipment that I feel need special attention are eye-guards and footwear. Eyeguards are essential for safety reasons. Get in the habit of wearing them every moment that you are on the court. Ask your local court pro which types of athletic shoes are most appropriate for racquetball. Then try on several different models at a nearby athletic shoe store using comfort as your ultimate guideline.

NOW THAT YOU'RE ready to enter the court, it's not a bad idea to have one or two lessons from your local pro, either on an individual basis or as part of a group. Learning the basic at the outset will greatly enhance your ultimate skill acquisition. Trying to tackle this game on your own will most likely lead to your developing some bad habits which will be most difficult to correct later on.

Begin actual play by concentrating more on the skills involved than trying to beat your opponent(s). This will allow you to work into shape gradually and help to sharpen your skills at the same time. I suggest you not even keep score for the first several weeks or so.

SINCE YOU ARE probably not as flexible as you once were, it is also imperative that you learn and employ proper stretching techniques both before and after you play. Muscle soreness and chances of joint/muscle injury will be greatly reduced. Again your court pro should be able to help you in this area.

These simple and basic guidelines should get you well on your way to enjoying this great sport of racquetball. Good luck.

Article submitted by Marty Kander, Health Club Director, Mayer Kaplan JCC, 5050 W. Church St., Skokie, Ill.



HOLLY MENTLER, DISTRICT MANAGER FOR THE BEN E. KEITH CO., Dallas area distributor for Natural Light and other Anheuser-Busch beers, presents trophies to Marian Miller, left and Danny Groves, right, winners of the "Ektelon/Natural Light Beer Racquetball Championship" in Dallas.

By Gail Fudenberg

Sue Sulli, assistant manager and pro at the Killshot Racquet Club in Bloomington, began taking racquetball seriously three years ago. She frankly confessed that after realizing her tennis future was limited, this reality being further reinforced by a broken foot incurred during a match, swayed her over to the racquetball ranks.

Her first job of working the desks at the Elmhurst Court House led to similar jobs at the Arlington Court House, Northbrook Court House and the Lombard Glass Courts. Sue had set a personal goal for herself when she started playing racquetball which was achieved when she became assistant manager and Pro at Killshot.

Because of the time involved in her present job, Sue has been unable to actively participate in tournament play. However, she has been playing in the Open Division since April of 1977, which in her opinion has not been easy. However, she enjoys the opportunity of meeting new people and gathering new experiences from her interactions with them during the matches.

When questioned about women's position in racquetball Sue explained that female racquetball players are just beginning to be placed in administrative positions. She feels there is a definite future for skilled female

players and foresees the current trend to be a continuous one. One of the advantages of her job is being given the opportunity to learn how to relate professionally to men on a business level. Sue has also observed that women relate more easily to women pro's and asserted, "Women will make or break the sport—racquetball would be nothing without women."

Sue plays racquetball 3-4 times a week and is frequently challenged by Elena Carbajal from the Merchantile Exchange or Jacque Jost the Pro at the Schaumburg Court House. She explained that she plays more often with men as they help teach her to react more quickly. Sue believes men and women can compete on a control level very easily. She also pointed out that inconsistent playing will result in weight gain, loss of muscle tone, expertise and slowed reactions.

Reflecting on her past experiences in the sport reminded Sue of an incident that occurred when she was the only woman to enter a male tournament. She started playing in the first round her form being good and everything in her favor. Unfortunately her male partner was prone to excessive perspiration and Sue tripped in a collective pool of sweat. Naturally she rose above the situation in womanly fashion and smashed her way onto victory.



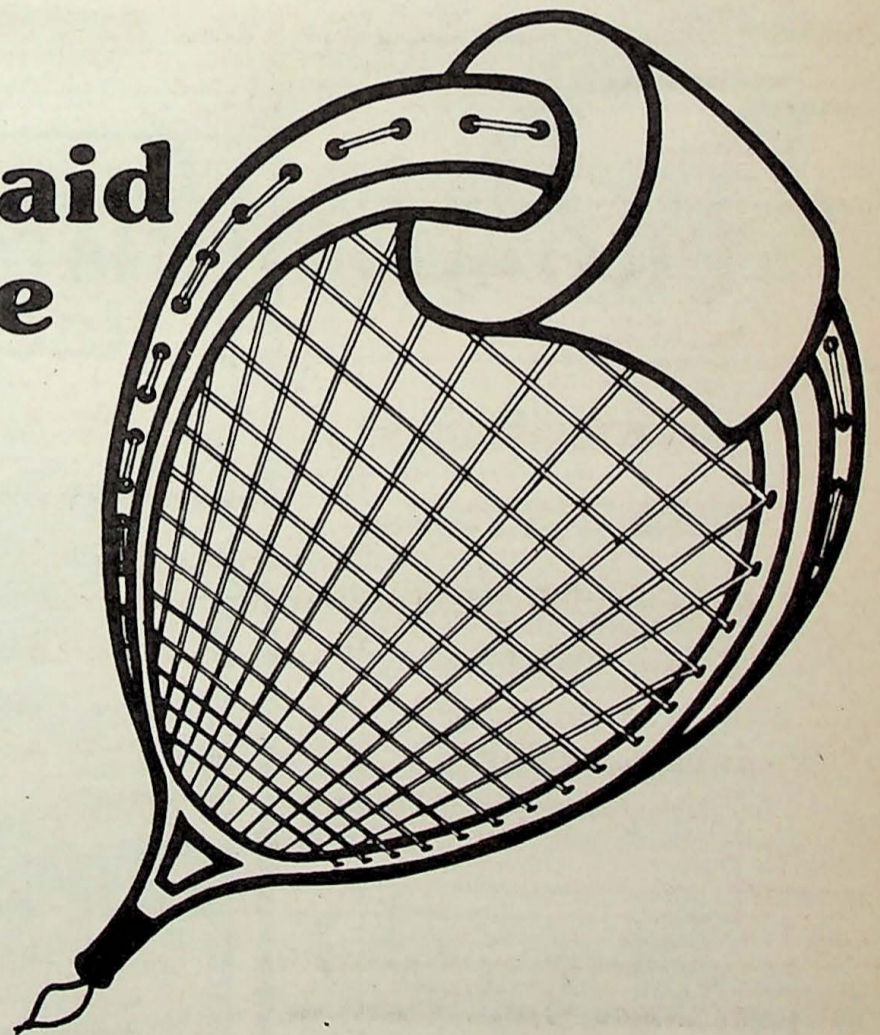
SUE SULLI AND RAY MITCHELL DURING A PRESS PARTY AT THE CLUB prior to "Racquetball Everyone's" St. Valentines Day tournament. Photo by Jim Sauser.

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RACQUETBALL NEWS

By Kay Fischer

August - this is the month when all you Leo's should shine. It also makes me want to start counting backwards with the futile hope that I can prolong summer. We are about to arrive at the point of having two winters and only one summer ahead of us, if this needs further explanation please feel free to call. Pressing on to the business at hand we found many of the Clubs have been very busy.

CHALET SPORTS CORE...was the site of the U. S. National Amateur Racquetball Championships - they were held here July 20th thru the 25 and then on to the Semi-finals the 27th and 28th, the Regionals will be played in Southfield, Michigan and the National Finals in Chicago in August, keep a lookout for times and places.... There is also a Inter-Club Men's League presently in progress, it will wind up in September. Composed of 8 teams - 6 men to a team the standings are as follows: in 1st place, Two of a Kind, Captain Jerry Fronczak, tied for second honors, Bump City - headed up by Captain Gary Musil and Team Three, Captained by Bill Houston - in third place is The Over the Hill Gang, George Klementzos Captains this group,

all this activity takes place on Monday eveningsThese people are into fun too, they have been featuring a series of Saturday Night Fever activities (open to non-members) reservations and a \$5.00 fee will place you in the midst of racquetball, disco dancing, volleyball and refreshments - August 12th is the next date - so plan your calendar and include this fun evening.

COVE COURTS.....Is giving the ladies their fair share of attention these days, there is now an exercise program in progress - it meets twice a week for an hour and a half with Instructor Tom Healy. Tom has been involved in numerous Olympic programs and really puts the gals thru their paces - shades of the sore muscles. The above program is open to non-members. For further information contact John Adolf at 495-2285.

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LINCOLN PARK COURT CLUB....Welcomes a new General Manager - Mr. Sandy Feinglas, our congratulations. Sandy got his feet wet in a big way by being one of the Clubs involved in hosting the Ektelon & Natural Light Beer Championship Tournament - the finals were July 22nd and 23rd, we'll try for winners names next month.

KILLSHOT, LTD....About the only limping along aspect of this Club is to be found in the person of Mick Krause, our condolences to Mick who suffered a broken knee while playing (would you believe Volleyball?)....living with the dust of their new construction, stone upon stone their

eight new courts are taking shape and will hopefully be ready by Fall.....New lesson session started the week of July 24th and will continue for 6 weeks, with Sue Sulli and Matt Gianario doing the instructing.

TINLEY PARK RACQUETBALL.....Apparently I was incorrect in thinking that all the construction work was being done on our highway system - here we have another Club busy with a building program. Mike Bazzo is anticipating the pride he will be feeling when their new addition is completed, it will include 5 new courts, one of which will be a glass exhibition court with a seating capacity of 200 people....Out of a summer program of 54 activities the one which has proven the most successful is a combination of Slimnastics and Racquetball - the course consists of 1/2 hour of Slimnastics, 1/2 hour of racquetball theory and an hour of practice time - Gigi Weigman is the instructor. The success of the program can be gauged by the fact that there are presently 5 classes in session, with an enrollment of 120 women....Another feature added to their Prime Time Lounge is the opening of a Discoteque within the lounge - you can't say you won't get enough exercise here.

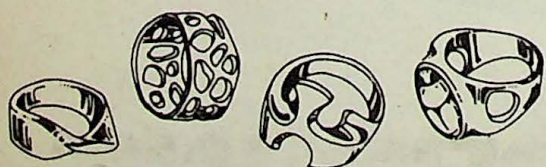
SILVER LAKE COUNTRY CLUB....Just finished up their Independents Open, with the winners pressing on to Southfield, Michigan. In the Men's A Division Pat Buckley was the winner, the B's were all bested by Geno del Giudice and the C Division winner was Pat Henning - 45 players in

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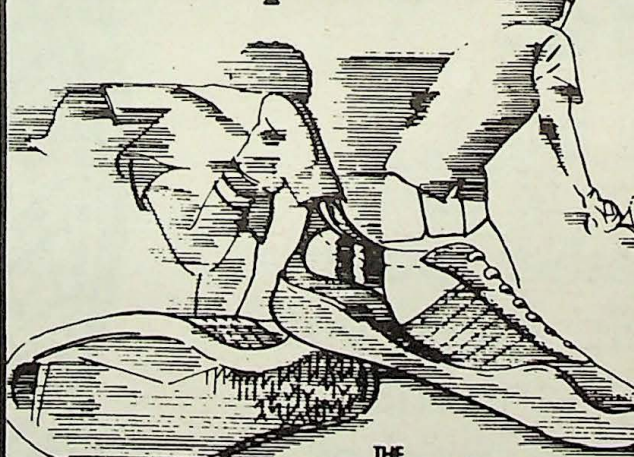
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all participated in the Tournament.....They will be starting their Fall Lessons the first part of September. For additional information call 349-6947.

MID-TOWN COURT HOUSE.....The first annual "Big Foot" racquetball tournament has been set by Mid-Town Court House, for Friday evening, July 28th. The men-only singles competition will be open to anyone wearing a size 11 or larger shoe. Players whose shoe size is less than 11 can still enter providing they wear shoes meeting the minimum size. The "shoe-in" is scheduled for 5:45 p.m., with play to begin immediately thereafter. According to Bruce Vareris, Mid-Town's head pro, the tournament is sanctioned by the Illinois College of Podiatry.

THE RIGHT CLUB'S.....Annual Summer Racquetball Classic will be held July 29-31. Divisions will include Men's and Women's "A", "B", "C". There will be a consolation tournament for all divisions. The racquetball tournament includes a racquetballers afternoon party on Saturday.

WOMEN SPUR GROWTH IN SPORTING GOODS.....Increased sports participating by women helped propel the sale of sporting goods to another record high year for 1977, reports a recent consumer survey conducted for the National

Sporting Goods Association. Actual sales of sporting goods reached \$15.1 billion in 1977, a 16.1 percent increase over the previous year. The survey projects a new record will be attained in 1978 with an 11 percent increase to \$16.8 billion in total sales. Sales of racquetball racquets dramatically increased during 1977 as did the popularity of the sport. Second only to exercise equipment, racket sales enjoyed a growth rate of 83 percent over the previous year.

HARLEM & IRVING RACQUET HOUSE.....The fourth Racquet House will be opening up in late July with supervisor Jan Pomella and pro Jessie Valera. Congratulations to the Racquet House Director of Supervisors, Carol Armstrong and the new Program Director, Jan (Rokicki) Summers.

TINLEY PARK RACQUETBALL CLUB.....Play one hour, get one hour free special on weekdays, from June 12 to September 12 between 12 noon and 3:00 p.m., you can play one hour of racquetball at the regular fee and get a second hour free between this period of time. But you must reserve your court 48 hours in advance and specifically request the second free hour. Call the Club for complete details.

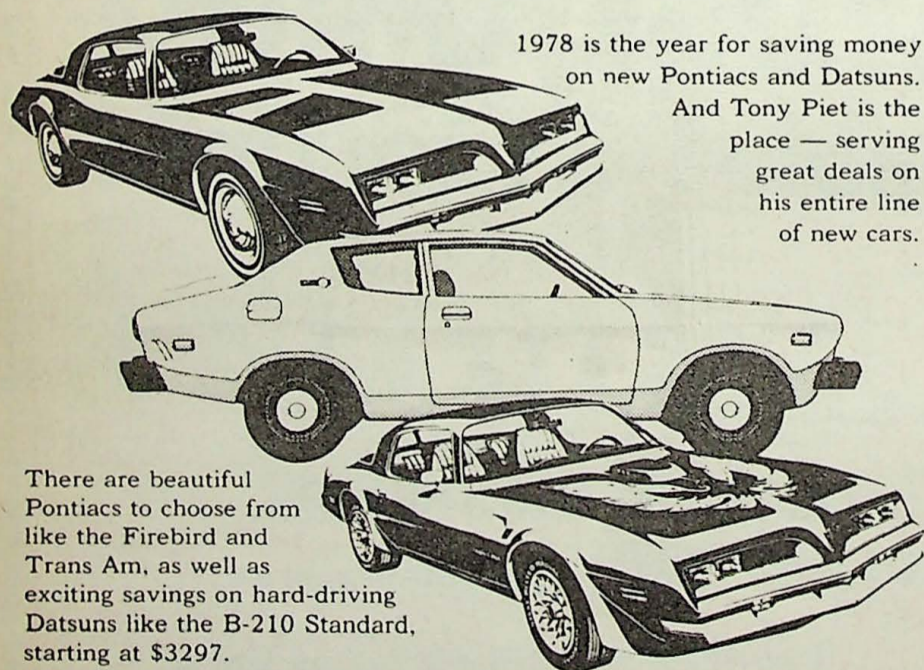
TOURNAMENT RESULTS.....It was Jim Scheyer

over Scott Berry 11-21, 21-1, 11-5, at the second annual Rockford Nehi Open. In the womens open Kriss Biggs of Rockford topped number one seed Colleen Shields 21-17, 21-12.....Nancy Kronenfeld led the way by winning the Court House Invitation. Rona Herman was runner up. Jeff Siegel won the mens title and Don Kulick placed second. Rosalie Rappin and Don Constable were the consolation winners.....If you would like your tournament scores and photos published in Racquetball Everyone ask the tournament director to send in all results or take the time and do it yourself.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE.....July 28-30th, Wylers Womens Open, Site, The Court HouseAug. 1-5th, USRA Juniors Championships, Site, The King of Prussia RB Club, Philadelphia. Contact Joe Ardito 673-4000.....Aug. 4-6th, Omni 41 Open, tournament director, Len Sporman, phone 219/865-6969.....Aug. 25-27th, S&S Open, site, Downtown Court Club.....Sept. 8-10th, AMF/Voit/Datsun Classic, The Glass Court.....Sept. 15-17th, Indian Trails Open, contact Jim Hicks at 755-5500.....Sept. 22-24th, Quad Cities Open, Rock Island Ill., call Gary Whittacre at 319/355-4741.

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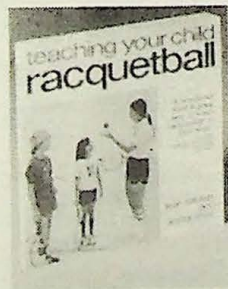


RACQUETBALL EVERYONE KAY FISCHER, CENTER, JOINS BOB AND MADELINE DETHEIR, investors in the Indian Trails Court Club during a party for the press at the club. Photo by Ray Chase.



KATHY GUERRERO, RECENTLY WON THE Women's C Singles Chicagoland Racquetball and Handball Tournament. The tournament was sponsored by the Chicago Racquetball and Handball Association League. One of the interesting aspects of the championship is that Guerrero has only been playing racquetball for six months. In addition to her daily interest in playing a game of racquetball, Guerrero is also employed by Four Flags Court Club.

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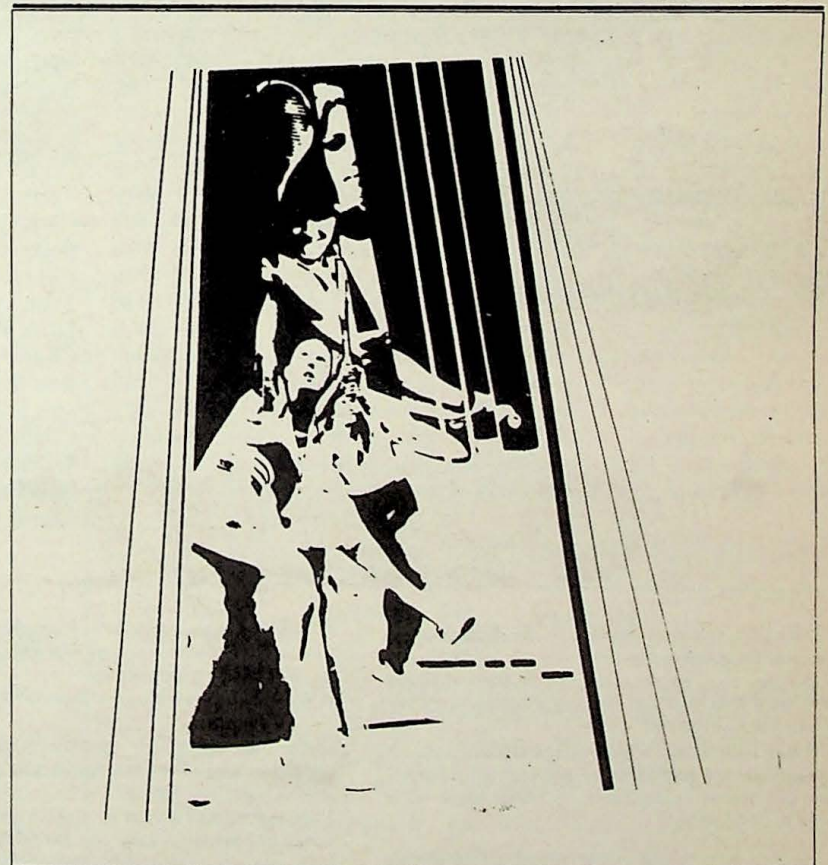
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LADDER ACTIVITY

Men's A
 Rish over Lynch 21-20, 19-21, 11-3

 Men's C
 Boulton over Splitt 21-17, 21-13
 Drew over Boulton 21-17, 5-21, 11-6

Women's B

Carlson over Azeka 21-7, 21-14
 Bogolub over O'Brien 21-12, 21-10

RULE QUESTIONS... If you have a question on the rules or a problem regarding the ladder, please direct all inquiries in writing to Gay Kenna

Re: RACQUETBALL EVERYONE ladder c/o the Illinois State Racquetball Assoc., 570 E. Higgins Road, Elk Grove Village, IL 60007

GUEST FEES WAIVED... With the cooperation of Tom Street and Alan Shetzer of the ISRA and Bill Greengods, newly elected President of the Chicagoland Court Club Assoc., we have arranged to waive all guest fees when playing RACQUETBALL EVERYONE challenge ladder match. Check with your club in advance to be sure they are a participating member.

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1. Players must be members of the Illinois State Racquetball Association.
2. All play shall be pursuant to USRA rules unless otherwise specified and all play must be with the Seamco 558 or 559 ball.
3. Players have been placed on the ladder based on performance in Illinois State Racquetball Association sanctioned tournaments or other state wide open tournaments.
4. Players can challenge a maximum of three above them on the ladder.
5. Matches will consist of two games to 21 with an 11 point tie-breaker if necessary.
6. The player challenged will have the option of choosing the site of play.

7. The player challenged must play the match within 10 days. If he does not, he will drop one rung and be replaced by the challenger.
8. All players must play a minimum of once a month (either as challenger or challengee) or they will be removed from the ladder and placed on the waiting list to get back on.
9. No player may accept or make a challenge while under obligation to play another challenge match. No contingency challenges may be made.
10. Players will call their own match unless both can agree on and secure a referee. If a referee is chosen, the referee's decision is final on all calls.
11. If any questions arise on interpretation of rules,

12. The winner of a challenge match must mail in (again, no phone calls will be accepted) the results of the match giving score and winner's and loser's ladder positions at the time the challenge was made. Mail to:
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13. A player may not challenge the same player more than one time per month.
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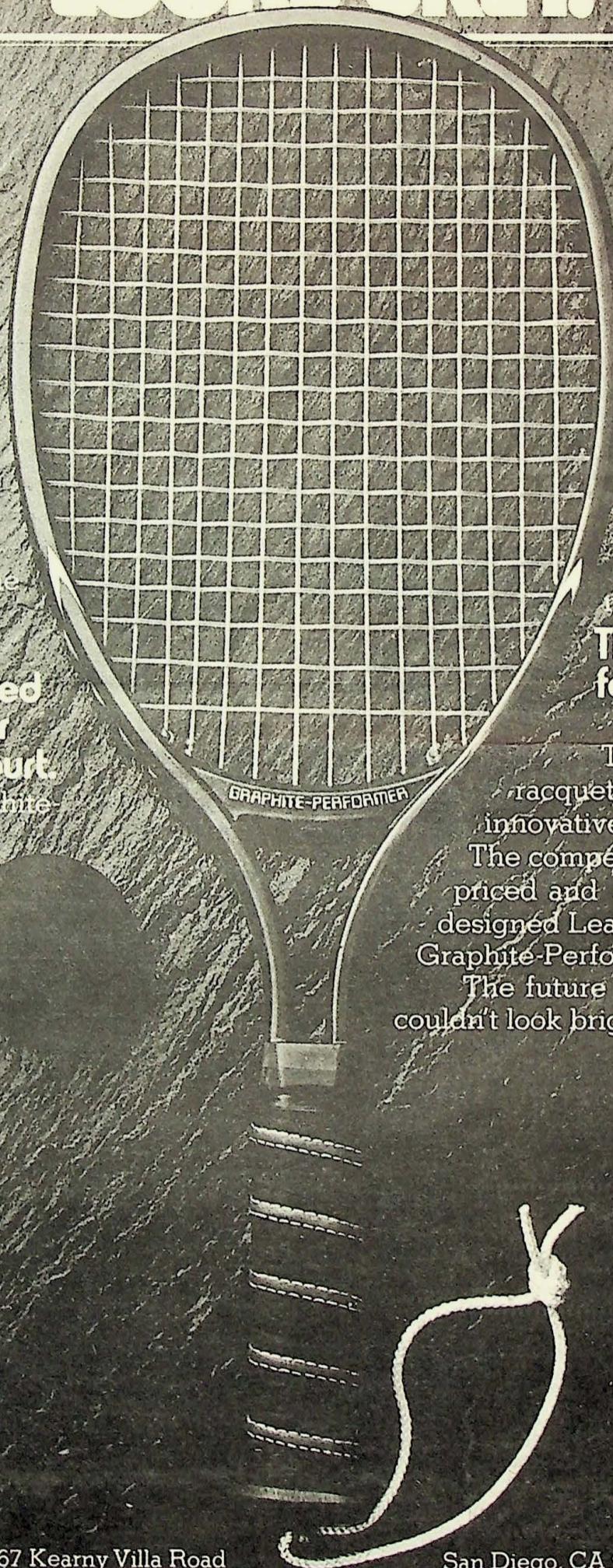
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