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The Great Outdoors!

Hawkes wins

by Carole George

During the July 4th weekend at Orange Coast College in Costa Mesa, CA, seventeen-year-old Brian Hawkes won AMF Voit's 8th Annual Outdoor Nationals. Hawkes won the junior division of the nationals in 1978 and 1979 and lost first round in the open last year.

Marty Hogan dropped out of the competition just before the tournament began, leaving 27-year-old defending champion, Dan Southern, practically alone in the upper bracket. His only tough matches were against Lindsay Myers in the quarters, who he beat 21-16, 21-9 and Steve Fey in the semis, who he beat 20-21, 21-10, 11-0.

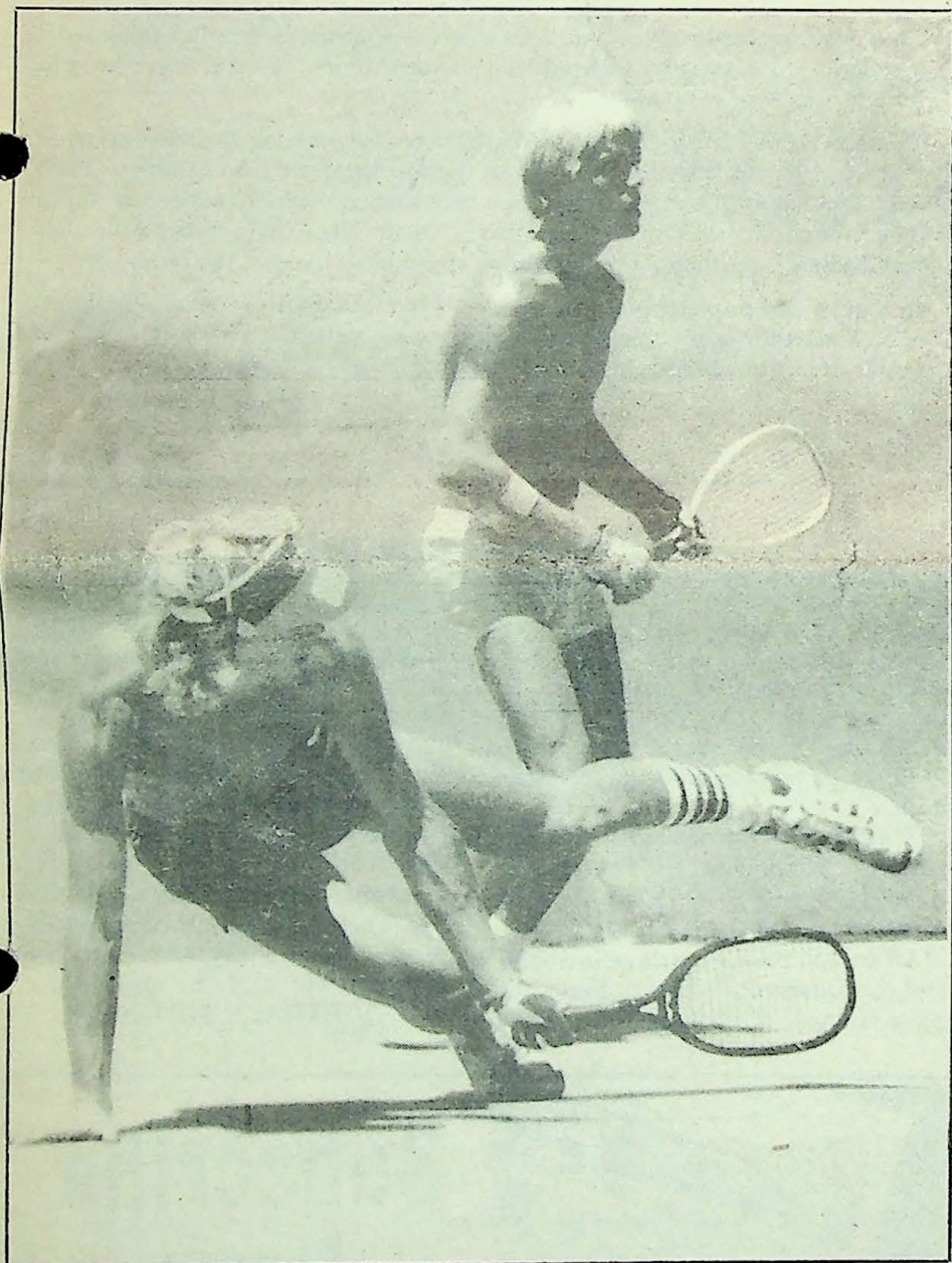
Hawkes, on the otherhand, had the toughest draw possible beginning with a 21-20, 21-17 win over doubles champion, Mark Harding. Next round Hawkes went three games with former

national champion, Jim Carson. He had 15 aces in one game of the quarters against Davey Bledsoe. Another former outdoor champion, Bobby Stocker, took the kid to 20 both games before surrendering.

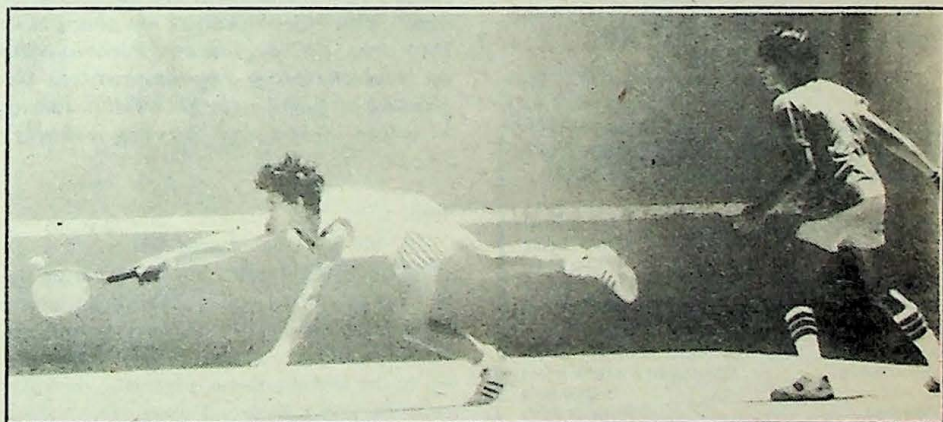
"I thought I had an easy game that second game against Stocker," explained Hawkes who had led 15-1 before Stocker came back with 15 unanswered points to take the lead at 16-15. In a match that close every point counts. Hawkes remembers both lucky breaks on game point to 20. "Bobby was serving 20-20 and I called hinder, but the ref didn't stop play. Then Bobby skipped it in and the ref still wouldn't give me the hinder so it was side out. In the second game at 20-20 Bobby served short, but that call could have gone either way."

It took more than luck to upset Southern in the finals, especially after losing

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Brian Hawkes (front) defeated Dan Southern for the outdoor title.



Ron Joher reaches for this one but it's not enough to take Gabriel Medina in the juniors division.

New racquetball competition announced

Starting this fall, racquetballers around the country will be invited to test their skill at hitting killshots in the new, **BUDWEISER KILLSHOTS FOR CYSTIC FIBROSIS** competition. Offered as an adjunct to major racquetball tournaments, men and women will be asked to offer a minimum donation (\$3) to Cystic Fibrosis and enter one of three skill-level divisions and see how many killshots they can hit out of 5 attempts from back court (a killshot is 8"

or less from the floor and the ball is hit from behind the receiving lines).

Players who make all 5 will keep going until they miss. Major prizes and trophies will be awarded, and records will be kept for both local and national competition in all divisions. **RACQUETBALL TODAY** will oversee the running of the events. All proceeds will go to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Cystic Fibrosis is the No. 1

genetic killer of children and young adults in the U.S.

It is hoped that this competition will not only raise a considerable amount of income for the charity, but will also aid in educating the community about Cystic Fibrosis through informational material available at the competition.

"The Budweiser Killshots for cystic fibrosis competition offers our foundation one of the best opportunities for a national

education program in years! We know racquetball people really care about our needs, we think this concept is so good that players and tournament directors could make a real contribution toward reducing this #1 genetic killer of children to just a bad memory," says Terry Fries of Cystic Fibrosis.

The Budweiser Killshots premieres at the 5th Annual S & S Insurance Agency (continued on page 2)

We Get Letters . . .

A star is born

Hello Racquetballers!

Thought I'd drop a line and thank you for the nice articles about my kid sister. After being included in your crossword puzzle, Hollywood Squares can't be far behind...or is that the Gong Show (just kidding Stace).

Thanks again,
Wishing you a successful season
Dan Fletcher,
Club Fletcher,
Monroe, MI

Team racquetball

Dear Diane,

In the past few months your articles on juniors and seniors have really brought to light the importance of both groups to the sport, and I applaud your efforts in keeping these two groups in the news. I'd like to see some team racquetball tournaments that require one senior, one junior, one male and one female participant making up a team that competes as a team. It would be fun, and we could all learn something from each other. Maybe even a league would work. What do you think?

Judy Kline,
Austin, TX

Dear Judy,

Your team league or tournament concept sounds like a lot of fun. Why don't you form a team at your own club and invite other teams to challenge you... losers pay for the courts, or balls, or something like that. If you wait for someone else to set up a league or tournament, you're likely to have nothing but seniors on your team! The best way to see something happen is to do it. And let us know how it goes, so we can encourage others to do the same.

Ed.

He likes us

Editors and Staff:

To whom this may concern:

I just want to take the time to tell all of you at RACQUETBALL TODAY, I really enjoy this publication. I felt there was always a need for this type of racquetball reporting. Thanks and keep up the hard work.

Friend & Player,
Rick Herzoff

The whole thing stinks

Dear Mr. Shetzer,

Your column describing the plans for next season's men's pro circuit did a nice job of telling less than half the story. Yes, there will be a tour featuring 12 fine pros plus some amateurs, but what about the rest of the pros that were not fortunate enough to find favor with Mr. Drake? It appears that they have not only been left out in the cold, but have been given no chance to come in from the cold. I think the whole thing stinks. I, for one, will not support such an arrangement, and I hope that others will follow suit. Why don't you really "tell it like it is" and let the public know what a shafting the promoters have handed the rest of the pros?

Jay Berle,
Detroit, MI

Rules responses

Dear Phil,

I read with interest your article on foot-faults, and, as always, your points were very well-made and informative. But footfaults happens to be one of my pet peeves. Who cares if a player steps over the line? I don't believe there's any big advantage, and since I have big feet, I'm at a big disadvantage trying to tiptoe between those lines. Why not let people step over the line?

Jim "Bigfoot" Carlson

Dear Bigfoot,

As stated in my article, I'm more concerned with starting out in the box (to be sure both players are set) and not backing up too soon (to avoid physical contact and avoidable hinders) than with just stepping over the lines. But if the "ruling bodies" determine you can step over the lines, then someone is going to ask why you can't step completely out of the zone, etc., etc. It's simply a question of where to draw the line, and maybe 6' wide zones might be better than 5', but because of the trouble of redrawing court lines, changing rules, and having different lines in racquetball than handball (for which the same courts, I'm told, are occasionally used), you're not likely to see changes in this area, unless you can demonstrate on overwhelming improvement to the game. You just better get used to taking smaller steps (or buying smaller shoes).

Dear Sirs,

In one of your recent issues, (I can't remember which issue, but it was within the last few months,) you published an article concerning the rules of playing racquetball without a referee. This article was quite helpful to me and my game, especially the rules concerning hinders, and when to call them properly. I would greatly appreciate it if you could send me a copy of this back issue.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

Gene Provenzano,
Tampa, FL

Dear Gene,

The article which you requested appears on page 15 of the enclosed December, 1980 issue of RACQUETBALL TODAY.

For your information, Phil Simborg's "Guidelines for Play when There is No Referee" has been approved by both the USRA and the AARA, and appears on a permanent poster which we have sent to over 2000 facilities throughout the country. The poster also contains a very basic explanation of how to play racquetball and suggestions for a more enjoyable game. If your club does not display one of these posters, ask them to contact us, and we'll send them one free.

Ed.



My Point

from the editor

I admit it.

I LOVE to beat a man at his own game. And since there are a lot of men out there who think every game is *their* game, I have ample opportunity to pursue one of my favorite pastimes: proving them wrong.

Take racquetball, for example.

You don't have to be BIG to be good at racquetball. I'll concede that the ability to touch both side walls while standing in center court *may* be advantageous, but other attributes can compensate for this: speed, anticipation, shot selection, and of course, the ability to roll the ball out, all make up for short legs (or short arms!)

Further, you don't have to be STRONG to be good, either. While it may be true that a 140 m.p.h. serve may be devastating, so, in fact, is the garbage serve which dies in the corner (especially after a WHIFF). Additionally, you don't even have to run much against a slammer. The ball can be played any number of times before it hits the floor, and it always comes back to you!

The equalizing nature of the game of racquetball contributes greatly, I think, to its popularity. Men can play with women, and sometimes, husbands can play with wives!

THERE ARE STILL SOME MEN, however, who harbor the misconception that they can win *solely* on the basis that they are men, and I am a woman. When they elaborate on the superiority of men over women, I am expressionless. When they expound on their manly attributes, I smile. When they snicker at the idea that I might beat them, THEN, calmly and coolly, I accept the challenge.

In a quiet and unpretentious manner, I'll drive MY POINT home. I'll play to win. What they don't know (yet) is that it takes more than strength or size or power or sex to win at racquetball. It takes SMARTS.

THAT, I got.

Call anytime, Dick. I'm ready when you are.

Killshot competition

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Open tournament August 28-30 at the beautiful Charlie Club in Palatine, IL. Participants in the Killshots event, which runs throughout the tournament, need not be entrants in the tournament itself.

Winners of all 6 divisions will receive a trophy, a Wilson Graphite Plus racquet (retail \$120), and go into a drawing for a weekend for two at the Charlie Club.

All six 2nd place winners get a trophy and a Budweiser Warmup Suit; 3rd place is a pair of Foot Joy Racquetball

shoes; 4th place a dozen Ram Racquetballs; and 5th-8th will receive a pair of Pro-Tec Racquetball Eyeguards.

Special announcements and invitations have been extended to Illinois Governor James Thompson; Sun Times Sports Writer, Len Ziehm; Local TV Newsman Walter Jacobson (all avid racquetballers) and other leading personalities. There will be a special presentation of awards on Sunday, and results of the competition will be featured in RACQUETBALL TODAY.

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Shetzer!

by Alan Shetzer

It's interesting to hear and read about John McEnroe's behavior at Wimbledon. You would think he clubbed the referee to death the way the media has carried on. I can imagine how they would react if they saw professional racquetball players at work.

Now don't get me wrong, I don't condone rudeness or bad language, but the fault is with the referee for not applying the weapons he has available under the rules.

Tennis, like racquetball, has sufficient rules to allow the referee and/or the tournament director to control the match. Two examples come to mind immediately. Clyde Senter, one of the best referees in Illinois, and, for that matter, in the country, has a nice and easy style. He politely calls a technical (with a smile) at the first infraction (abusive language is an automatic technical), and informs the player that he will forfeit the match if it continues. They never mess with Clyde.

Tim Rusch, director of the Aurora YMCA, has a similar attitude. As tournament director of a major pro stop a few years ago, he heard a lot of yelling and screaming going on. Investigating the trouble, he found a young kid screaming and berating the referee for various reasons. After finding out this had been



DG photo

going on for the entire game (20 minutes), he forfeited the player out of the tournament. Drastic? Not really. It'll only happen once for a player to get the message. It should be incumbent on the part of every tournament director to properly instruct all referees on the rules, particularly those designed to control the match. Further, it is his responsibility to make sure they are enforced, if the referees don't.

McEnroe is lucky. Clyde could have been calling his match...or Tim might have been the tournament director.

News Briefs

US Players participate in World Games

50 participants from 6 countries are scheduled to compete in the IARF World Championships and World Games I competition July 28-August 2nd at The Decathlon Club in Santa Clara, CA. The US is represented by Ed Andrews, Larry Fox, Mark Martino, and the doubles team Mark Malowitz/Jeff Kwartler for the men, and Barbara Faulkenberry, Mona Mook, and doubles team Mary Ann Cluess/Karen Borga for the women. Scott Schafer, Jack Newman and Betsy Masie are alternates. Other teams competing are from the Netherlands, Japan, West Germany, Mexico, and Ireland. The outcome of this competition will appear in the September issue of RACQUETBALL TODAY.

New AARA board

The American Amateur Racquetball Association announces the addition to its Board of Directors:

Barb Smith, Boise, ID; Dewane Grimes, Wichita, KS; George Dwyer, Colorado Springs, CO; and Holly Ferris, CA.

Officers are: President, Keith Calkins, Mission Viego, CA; Vice President, Al Schattner, Pittsburgh, PA; National Commissioner, Paul Henrickson, Millbury, MA; Secretary-Treasurer, John Lepore, Melrose, MA; and National Rules Commissioner, Jim Austin, Houston, TX.

Arrington, Beebe promoted by Penn Athletic products

Charles E. (Ed) Arrington Jr. has been named Director of Marketing and Robert D. Beebe has been appointed Racquetball Product Manager by Penn Athletic Products Company, manufacturer of tennis balls and racquetballs.



Fiberesin appoints field sales manager

Mr. C.T. Hendrickson, division sales manager of the Wisconsin-based Fiberesin Industries has announced the appointment of Bill Trenter as the field sales manager. Fiberesin is one of the leading producers of racquetball, handball and squash court wall systems.

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Some "old guy" just walked in

Who's this Lu?

by Bill Perry

All the hot players were ready to play on the challenge court. There were three Men's B players, two strong women's players, and an assortment of others. When an elderly gentleman they'd never seen before came in and signed his name they chortled.

After he went in the locker room to change someone who hadn't seen his entrance said, "Who's this Lu?"

One of the B players said, "He's some old guy who just walked in off the street."

When Lu's turn came everyone watched him warm up. "Say, he's got some shots," one of the B players said. "No backhand, plus he won't be able to run," a skeptic answered.

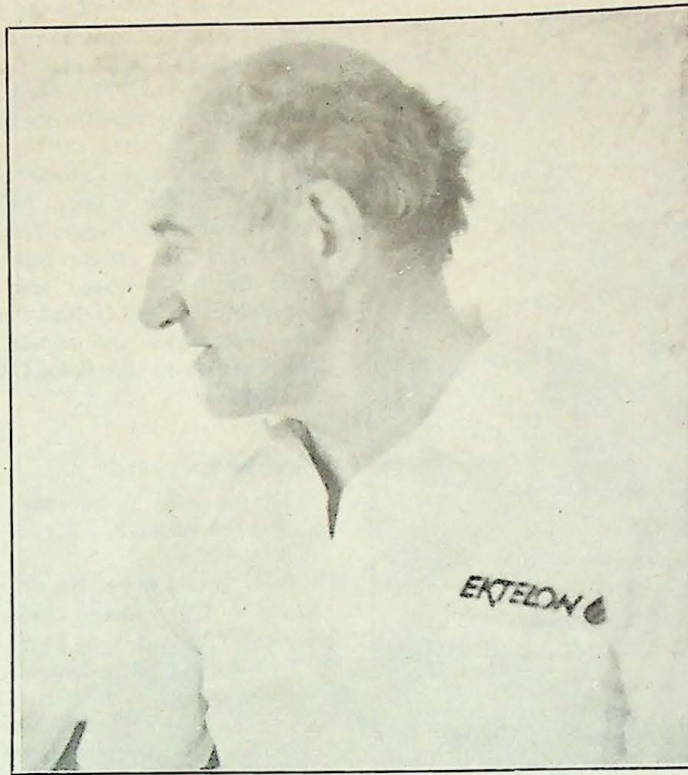
Lu took on one of the B players. He gave a lesson to the young hotshot. Lu had almost as much power as his younger opponent; he moved as well, and his shots were better placed.

After polishing off the two women's players easily, Lu retired undefeated. I asked him some questions. He said that he was Luzell Wilde from Centerville, Utah, and that he was on his way to Tempe for the USRA Nationals.

When I arrived in Tempe a few days later I looked at the draw sheet. Sure enough I saw Luzell Wilde listed as the second seed in the 60 and over singles. He was scheduled to play the final in 15 minutes.

I decided to watch for a few minutes, and ended up staying for the entire match.

The 60 and over USRA National Sin-



C. George photo

Luzell Wilde

gles final was played before a crowd of seven people on a side court. A few others wandered by to watch a few points.

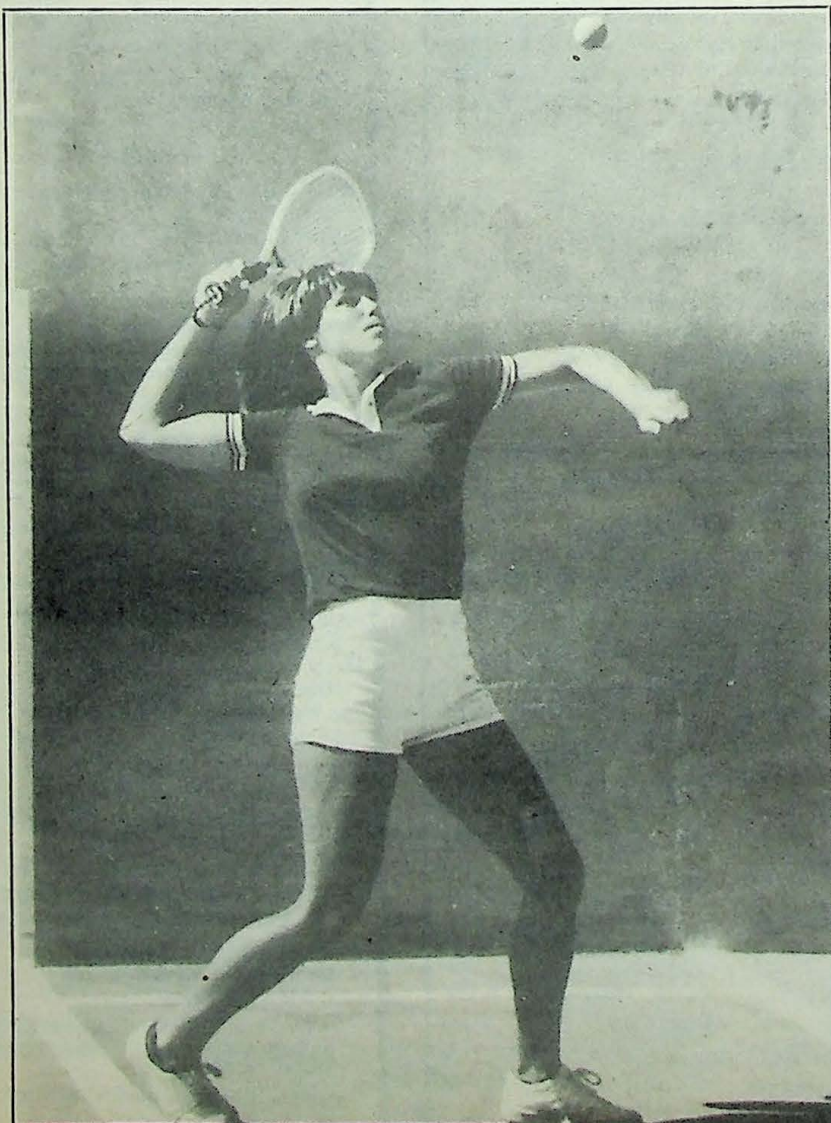
Lu completely overpowered Bruce Kelly of Portland, Oregon 21-2, 21-9. Lu played strongly with a lot of kills and pinches. He also moved well on the court. There were no dives, but a lot of great gets. The sportsmanship was exemplary. In particular Bruce Kelly, who was thoroughly frustrated by Lu's great play, was a tremendous sport.

Open, junior and class players could

have learned a lot by watching this match.

I spoke to Lu after the match. He took up racquetball and golf 12 years ago at the age of 50 after never having played any competitive sports. The 60 and over title Lu won is his first national title, but it is his seventh trophy from a national championship tournament.

If an elderly gentleman walks into your club some day, and signs up on the challenge court, beware all you racquetball sharks. You might be in for an education.



C. George photo

Jackie Harding

RACQUETBALL FOR THE UNFIT

by Tom Grobmisi

One of the best attributes of racquetball is that "ANYBODY CAN PLAY." But if you're not in good shape, you can hurt yourself pretty bad. Following are The Grobmisi Eight rules of playing when you're not in shape that, if followed carefully, will allow you to play the game without endangering your physical well-being.

1. Don't enter tournaments, ladder-board competition, or other highly-competitive contests until you are in shape.

2. Do stretching exercises for at least 15 minutes before and after playing.

3. Warm-up for at least 10 minutes in the court before you start a game. Start out hitting easy ceiling shots and gradually work up to hitting hard shots.

4. During the game, take as much time as possible between rallies. (If you don't want your opponent to know your stalling intentionally, you can use up time checking the ball, wiping the floor with a towel, or talking about a particular rule...for more ideas, watch the pros).

5. Take at least 10 minutes between games. (You can easily find excuses to stall here: phone calls; nature calls; wet gloves, etc.)

6. Instead of playing to 21 or 15; play "the Grobmisi short game" which is to 3.

7. Don't play too often. (Two or three times a year should be adequate).

8. **Never play anyone better than you!** This will not only reduce your odds of over-taxing yourself, it will make the game much more fun to play.

Outdoor results

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the first game 20-21. Hawkes fought his way back, winning the second game 21-17 and the tie-breaker 11-5.

The women's open division has a long history of compliments against the tournament committee for what they call "the football mentality." Last year the division was cancelled due to the low turn-out until Karin Walton took it upon herself to call up the top players from both indoor and outdoor, but the tournament committee made them run the division on Thursday before the tournament officially began. This year even fewer bothered to enter, so Lynn Adams, two-time outdoor national champion and currently ranked number two on the WPRA tour, played an exhibition match for the title against Jackie Harding, two-time national doubles champion. Adams won it 21-12, 21-6.

"Dr. Bud" Muehleisen was the only other indoor player to do well on the three-wall courts. He won the senior singles by defeating Bob Sassone 21-14, 21-17, and the seniors doubles with partner Burt Morrow. Muehleisen and Morrow inched by Bobby Bible and R.O. Carson 11-10 in the tie-breaker after winning the first game 21-6, and losing the second 21-9.

Altogether there were 420 entrants in 13 divisions who sweated it out during

the holiday weekend which stayed in the high 90's.

RESULTS:

Men's Open: Brian Hawkes 20-21, 21-17, 11-5 over Dan Southern.

Women's Open: Lynn Adams defeated Jackie Harding, 21-12, 21-6.

Men's B: Glenn Gross took out Jim Flannery 14-21, 21-7, 11-9.

Women's B: Sue Love won 21-9, 21-5 over Kerry Miles.

Seniors: Bud Muehleisen defeated Bob Sassone 21-14, 21-17.

Juniors: Gabriel Medina won against Ron Joher 21-17, 21-18.

DOUBLES RESULTS:

Men's Open: Mark Harding/Paul Olsen d. Jim Hicks/Steve Mitchell 21-6, 11-21, 11-8.

Women's Open: Julie Davidson/Jackie Harding d. Joan Murray/Judy Fettig 21-18, 12-21, 11-4.

Men's B: Kory Longnecker/Tom Steelsmith d. Darryll Keene/John James 21-10, 21-20.

Women's B: Shirleen Gout/Joyce Schwartz d. Linda Plenert/Chris Voitarek 17-21, 21-15, 11-6.

Men's C: Benny Ricardo/Joan Vigil d. Pat Bares/Pat Studdert 21-18, 21-13.

Mixed: John McClellan/Diane Heims d. Kelly Choate/Jim Flannery 21-17, 21-6.

Court Talk:



by Bob Gura

Of politics and racquetball

The two men, I'll call them Jones and Smith had been arguing politics for years. The topics ranged from local news to foreign policy to domestic affairs, but their perspectives never wavered. Jones, a lawyer in his early 30's, was a Kennedyesque liberal. Smith, a few years conservative to the fiscal core.

Both dressed well, enjoyed the good life and were well versed in their particular ideologies. Over the years of their ongoing, often near-nasty debate, neither had been able to persuade the other or effect a compromise. Different as could be in appearance as well as perspective (Jones was long and lean, Smith short and compact) their friends thought it a miracle they could co-exist as conversational companions. The name of the wonder that cemented their odd-fellow partnership was *Racquetball*.

While they agreed on little else, each was rabid in his love for the game. Both had packed up the sport in college and played regularly since meeting at a downtown club. They were good players and well-matched opponents, capable of attacking on offense and waging clever defense when caution was called for.

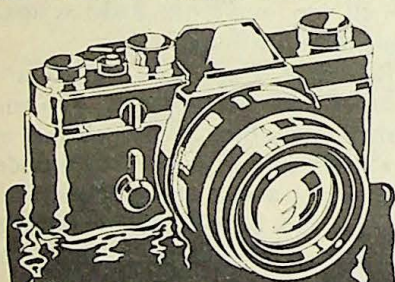
Like their political standoff, neither was able to swamp the other within the confines of the court. They had played even-up for a year or so until fate, in the form of the club doubles tournament,

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With the passage of time, neither bent a whit when it came to modifying his political differences. Their harmony on court however, and the joint desire to rehash great moments provided a conversational fallback both grew to utilize. It wasn't long before they realized there was more to the art of friendship than gravely discussing the state of the state. Especially when they could spend some of the time planning strategies for upcoming matches over dinner, drinks, or at each others homes.

Sure enough, Smith and Jones now consider themselves close friends, and their wives enjoy each others company. Some days, the foursome go so far as to put aside political confabs and attend a play or movie together. But, wouldn't you know it, they have the best of times playing mixed doubles on the racquetball court.



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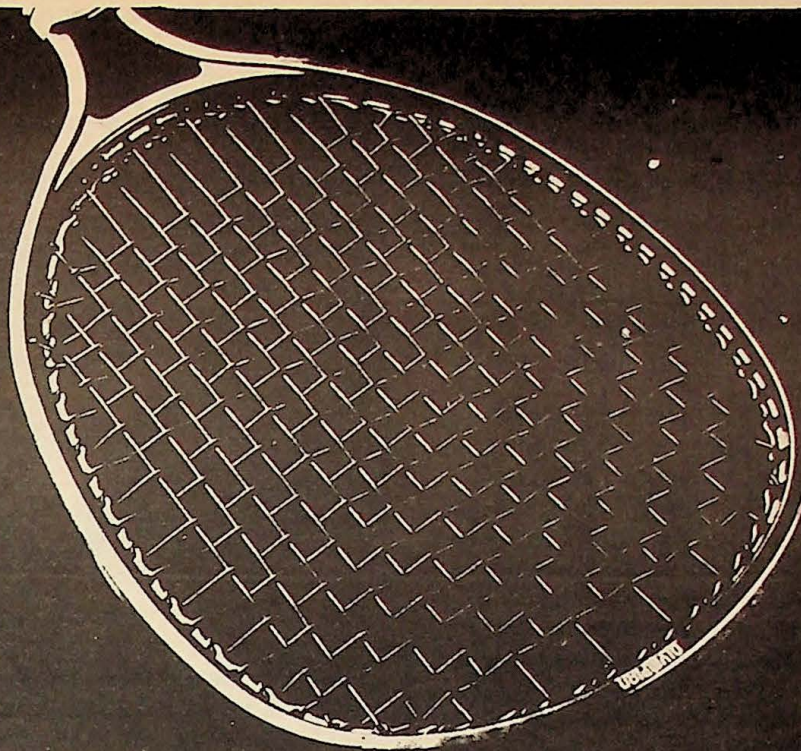
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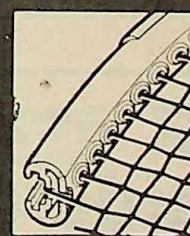
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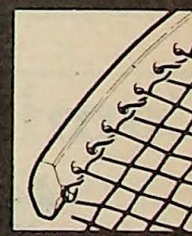
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by Bob Schmendrick

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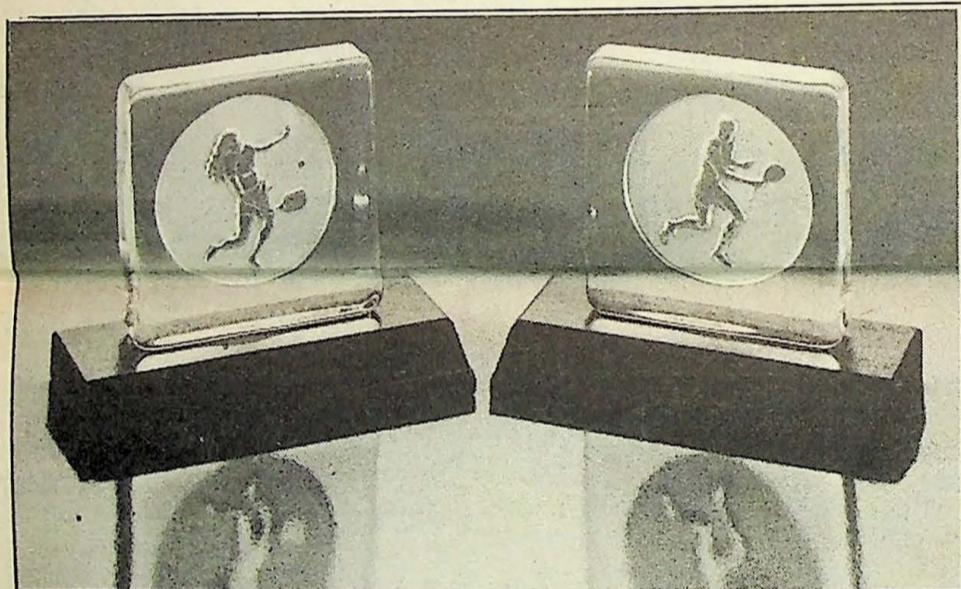
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What it takes to be a pro

by Lynn Adams

(Lynn Adams, 24, is a valued member of Ektelon's Pro Advisory Staff. She completed the 1980-81 season ranked second on the WPRAs tour.)

Instead of doing a typical instructional article this month, I thought I'd try something totally different. I want to talk about professional racquetball, from a player's point of view. I constantly have people telling me they want to turn pro: "Teach me a good backhand, because I'm going to be a pro." I usually don't say anything, because normally these people burn out, but I thought I'd share some thoughts about what I think it takes to be a pro.

First of all, it takes time. Lots and lots of time. Time to travel, time for tournaments, time for clinics, but most important, time to drill.

Let's look at drilling first. You just can't have an adequate backhand, forehand, serve, etc., to be a top notch pro. Your whole game needs to be sharp, consistent, and way-above average. It will take a few years just to shape your strokes. Those years consist of hours and hours on the court, doing the same drills over and over.

It's hard, many times boring, but the only way to get to the top. I'm not lying when I tell you that the first year I decided I wanted to play ball, I spent at least two to four hours a day just drilling. That doesn't count playing or working out. And the drilling never stops. This summer, because we're on an extended break, I'm spending at least two hours a day improving and learning new techniques in addition to my normal schedule.

Next, let's look at workouts. I believe very strongly that your body needs to be in tune just as much as your strokes. You can't afford to get tired in a rally or a match. A true professional athlete will be in top condition.

So what does it take to be in good shape? I have my own workouts that I believe in, and they include three good weight workouts a week, a lot of speed running on and off the court, strength running (hills, stairs) three times a week, bike sprints, and two-mile runs. You should be spending at least 1-1/2 hours conditioning almost daily. The time is adding up!

The other three, tournaments, travel and clinics, are tough if you have a job. I'm grateful that I am able to make my living solely by playing racquetball because I'm able to concentrate all my energies on my profession. I feel that not having outside conflicts (job) is the most efficient way to train for a sport, but I realize that it's not totally realistic. If you do have a job, it needs to be part-time and flexible, if you want to make the most out of your potential.

You also need to be able to travel across the country, five to six days at a time. We have pro stops one to two times a month, and if you are serious about being a pro, you need to play the circuit.

In the beginning, when you're first starting out, the circuit isn't as impor-

tant as playing lots of local tournaments. Experience is crucial and you need to understand how pressure feels and what other players are capable of.

Besides the time, being a pro takes money. Right now sponsorships are almost nil, and players are having to foot their own bill. If you figure there are 12 stops in a year, and it costs on an average \$400 per stop for expenses, you're talking \$4,800, and that's a low estimate.

To date, I've only been talking about tangible things, not getting into areas such as mental ability, outside support, experience in dealing with aggressive seasoned pros, etc. I don't mean to sound negative. I just want people to see a little more realistically what it takes to be a professional athlete in any sport. It's an attitude of doing whatever it takes to get prepared and devoting yourself and your time into the sport.

For me it's a full time job. I'm not on a fling. I am very serious about what I do. It's more fun than you can imagine, and the rewards are well worth the time. Not only the money, but the friendships, the experiences, the growth that takes place. It's all very wonderful, and I wouldn't trade it for anything.

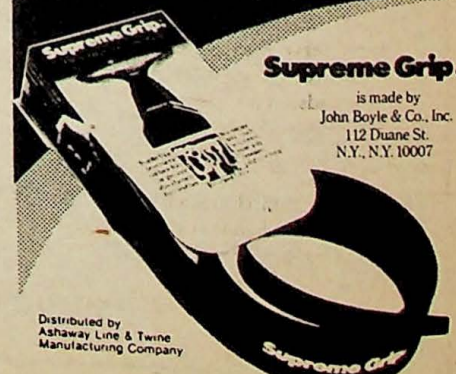
But next time you see Heather McKay, Marty Hogan, Shannon Wright, Dave Peck, Mike Yellen or any of the other pros, maybe you'll understand more about why they got where they are. Not by luck, but by wanting it bad enough to give up a lot of other things and by a lot of hard work.

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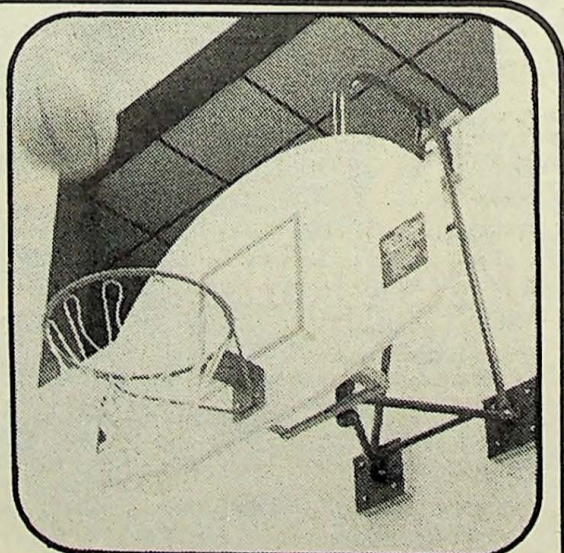
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MEN'S OPEN
 Finals: Mike Grisz d. Tony Krause, 21-19, 16-21, 11-10.
 Semi's: Tony Krause d. Glen Vanderpool, 21-16, 21-16; Mike Grisz d. Reg Schilling, 21-20, 21-17.
 Third Place: Reg Schilling.
 Consol: Jeff Mulligan.

MEN'S A
 Finals: Paul Childers d. Bill Inge, 21-20, 21-13.
 Semi's: Paul Childers d. Scott Graste, 21-18, 21-7; Bill Inge d. Don Hogan, 21-11, 21-17.
 Third Place: Don Hogan.
 Consol: Tom Tompkins.

MEN'S B
 Finals: Mike Sierck d. Trina Rasmussen, 21-17, 21-3.
 Semi's: Mike Sierck d. Eric Brosterhaus, 21-3, 21-9; Trina Rasmussen d. Chris Hyde, 21-9, 21-11.
 Third Place: Chris Hyde.
 Consol: Deryk Loo.

MEN'S C
 Finals: Sam White d. Keith Pearson, 21-7, 21-16.
 Semi's: Sam White d. Nick Thompson, 21-12, 21-8; Keith Pearson d. Bill Turi, 15-21, 21-8, 11-3.
 Third Place: Bill Turi.
 Consol: Ron Bowers.

MEN'S D
 Finals: Paul Crawford d. Charlie DiPietro, 21-18, 11-21, 11-5.
 Semi's: Paul Crawford d. Charlie Hornecker, 21-18, 21-14; Charlie DiPietro d. Jerry Nicodemus, 21-10, 21-8.
 Third Place: Charlie Hornecker.
 Consol: John Hartford.

MEN'S NOVICE
 Finals: Dale Christy d. Bill Johnson, 21-9, 21-14.
 Semi's: Dale Christy d. Dick Coryell, 21-15, 21-13; Bill Johnson d. Curt Carrigan, 21-16, 10-21, 11-4.
 Third Place: Dick Coryell.
 Consol: Tom Crist.

WOMEN'S B
 Finals: Yvonne Rowland d. Dale Hayden, 21-18, 21-13.
 Semi's: Yvonne Rowland d. Joyce Michelson, 21-9, 21-16; Dale Hayden d. Melodie Duke, 21-2, 21-20.
 Third Place: Joyce Michelson.
 Consol: Diane Baumgartner.

WOMEN'S C
 Finals: Holly Rasmussen d. Barbara Hichens, 21-16, 21-14.
 Semi's: Holly Rasmussen d. Deanna Curtiss, 21-10, 21-13; Barbara Hichens d. Ceri Fox, 21-9, 21-14.
 Third Place: Deanna Curtiss.
 Consol: Bonnie Gooch.

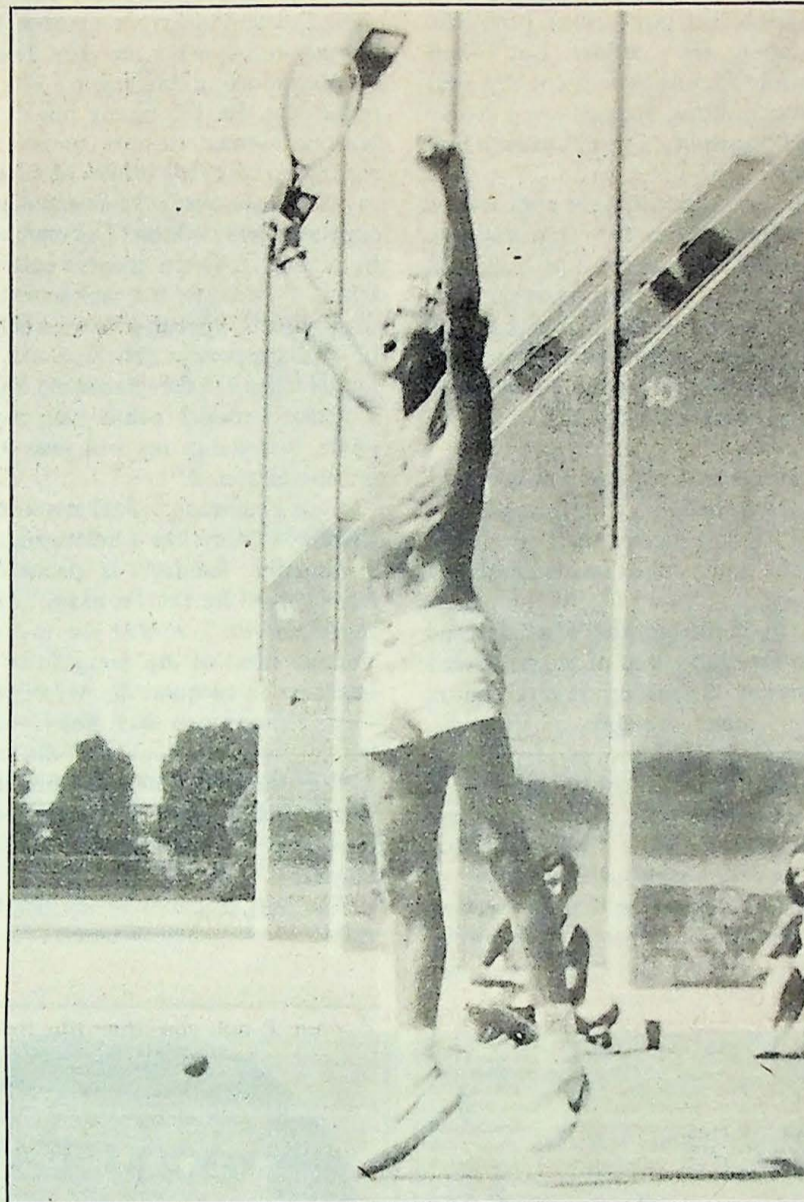
WOMEN'S D
 Finals: Kris Anderson d. Linda Heider-Owens, 21-20, 21-17.
 Semi's: Linda Heider-Owens d. Marlene Tompkins, 21-8, 21-5; Kris Anderson d. Barb Petersen, 21-17, 21-16.
 Third Place: Barb Petersen.
 Consol: Julie Schisler.

WOMEN'S NOVICE
 Finals: Joy Walker d. Margaret Hurley, 21-15, 21-19.
 Semi's: Joy Walker d. Anita Snook, 21-6, 21-1; Margaret Hurley d. Karen Bowers.
 Third Place: Anita Snook.
 Consol: Sue Zollner.

OPEN DOUBLES
 Finals: Krause/Grisz d. Vanderpool/Mulligan, 15-14, 15-5.
 Semi's: Krause/Grisz d. Inge/K Rasmussen, 15-7, 15-6; Vanderpool/Mulligan d. Schilling/Graste, 15-10, 12-15, 15-6.
 Third Place: Schilling/Graste.
 Consol: Childers/Hogan.

B/C DOUBLES
 Finals: Lamson/Lamson d. Brosterhaus/Picard, 15-13, 11-15, 15-13.
 Semi's: Lamson/Lamson d. White/Christy, 15-8, 15-8; Brosterhaus/Picard d. Ferguson/Martinez, 15-9, 15-8.
 Third Place: White/Christy.
 Consol: Hinchee/McReynolds.

MIXED DOUBLES
 Finals: Nowell/Duke d. Graste/Radabaugh, 15-11, 15-9.
 Semi's: Nowell/Duke d. Lamson/r orbes, 15-7, 15-2; Graste/Radabaugh d. Michelson/Michelson, 15-14, 15-14.
 Third Place: Michelson/Michelson.
 Consol: Rasmussen/Loo.



Brian Hawkes pictured above took 1st Place in the Men's Open Singles at the 8th Annual National 3-Wall Racquetball Championships.

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MEN'S OPEN SINGLES
 Finals: Brian Hawks d. Dan Southern, 20-21, 21-17, 11-5.
 Semi's: Hawks d. Stocker, 19-21, 21-14, 11-7; Southern d. Fey, 20-21, 21-10, 11-0.
 Third Place: Fey d. Stocker, forfeit.

MEN'S OPEN DOUBLES
 Finals: Harding/Olson d. Hicks/Mitchell, 21-6; 11-21, 11-8.
 Semi's: Hicks/Mitchell d. Enright/Meher, 21-6, 21-17; Harding/Olson d. Nowak/Eddy, 13-21, 21-18, 11-6.
 Third Place: Nowak/Eddy d. Enright/Meher.

MEN'S B SINGLES
 Finals: Flannery d. Gross, 14-21, 21-7, 11-9.
 Semi's: Flannery d. Han, 21-13, 21-10; Gross d. Kaufman, 21-17, 20-21, 11-8.
 Third Place: Kaufman d. Han, 21-8, 21-15.

MEN'S B DOUBLES
 Finals: Longnecker/Steelsmith d. Keene/James, 21-10, 21-20.
 Semi's: Longnecker/Steelsmith d. Yothers/Han, 21-9, 21-18; Keene/James d. Milan/Moraga, 21-17, 21-19.
 Third Place: Milan/Moraga d. Yothers/Han, 21-20, 21-16.

MEN'S C DOUBLES
 Finals: Ricardo/Vigil d. Bares/Studdart, 21-18, 21-13.
 Semi's: Ricardo/Vigil d. Carlson/Purdy, 21-16, 20-21, 11-8; Bares/Studdart d. Hice/Rucker, 21-12, 13-21, 11-7.
 Third Place: Carlson/Purdy d. Hice/Rucker, 19-21, 21-15, 11-6.

SENIOR SINGLES
 Finals: Muehleisen d. Sassone, 21-14, 21-17.
 Semi's: Muehleisen d. Cortez, 21-10, 21-8; Sassone d. Bible, 21-5, 21-5.
 Third Place: Cortez d. Bible.

SENIOR DOUBLES
 Finals: Morrow/Muehleisen d. Bible/Carson, 21-6, 9-21, 11-10.
 Semi's: Morrow/Muehleisen d. Wallace/Mathews, 21-4, 21-1; Bible/Carson d. Campbell/Firey, 21-17, 21-14.
 Third Place: Wallace/Mathews d. Campbell/Firey, 6-21, 21-16, 11-6.

MIXED DOUBLES
 Finals: McClellan/Helms d. Choate/Flannery, 21-17, 21-6.
 Semi's: McClellan/Helms d. Olson/Fettig, 21-8, 21-12; Choate/Flannery d. Gilbertson/Hart, 21-18, 16-21, 11-9.
 Third Place: Gilbertson/Hart d. Olson/Fettig, forfeit.

WOMEN'S A DOUBLES
 Finals: Harding/Davidson d. Murry/Fettig, 21-18, 12-21, 11-4.
 Semi's: Murry/Fettig d. Dinatale/Ferryman, 21-18, 21-16; Harding/Davidson d. Koppel/Fisher, 21-6, 21-10.
 Third Place: Dinatale/Ferryman d. Koppel/Fisher, forfeit.

WOMEN'S B SINGLES
 Finals: Love d. Miles, 21-9, 21-8.
 Semi's: Love d. Jung, 21-11, 21-18; Miles d. Carr, 21-16, 21-19.
 Third Place: Jung d. Carr, 21-12, 21-12.

WOMEN'S B DOUBLES
 Finals: Gout/Swartz d. Piemert/Voltarel, 17-21, 21-15, 11-6.
 Semi's: Gout/Swartz d. Andreas/McClean, 19-21, 21-13, 11-5; Piemert/Voltarel d. Rodgers/Gilbreath, 21-13, 21-15.
 Third Place: Rodgers/Gilbreath d. Andreas/McClean, 21-12, 13-21, 11-4.

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 Finals: Medina d. Joher, 21-17, 21-18.
 Semi's: Medina d. Brandt, 19-21, 21-18, 11-10; Joher d. Wallace, 14-21, 21-9, 11-7.
 Third Place: Brandt d. Wallace, 21-13, 21-14.

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Tournament play

Reflections of a first-timer

by Diane Mason

Always a watcher, never a watchee. For most of my life, this has been my role in competitive sports.

All that changed in May at the WPRA Women's Nationals. Thank heavens for the Novice division, a comfortable niche for those of us making a nervous, slightly hesitant entree into tournament play.

Like most women my age, the opportunities for athletic competition were limited — often denied me — as a child and a teenager. Along with racquetball, we have had to learn the much harder skill of competition, and for me the prospect of a major national tournament seemed to require much more courage than I could muster at the ripe old age of 35.

The push came from a friend, who encouraged me to give it a try in the Novice division. She explained that "novice" simply meant someone who had never played in a tournament. A person can only enter once in this division. After that, one becomes a veteran of sorts, and must move on to a lettered classification.

One day, buoyed up by a particularly good match, I sent in my check. This first burst of nerve began immediately to wane, reaching an all-time low the day the

tournament started.

I secretly wanted to drop out. I tried to get the chicken pox (again). I thought about falling off a ladder. But I had already told friends I was doing this, and somehow quitting seemed even worse than the possibility I would make a fool of myself.

I'll have to admit that the atmosphere at the Charlie Club that first day was intimidating. The mood was busy and very official, on the glass court the professionals were playing racquetball like I'd never seen it played before, and everyone except me seemed to know where they were going and what they were supposed to do.

It took me four stops at various desks to locate the check-in, and when I finally found it I fully expected the word "Rookie" to be emblazoned on the T-shirt I was given.

I was glad, though, that I had decided to go to the club ahead of my scheduled first match. Spending several hours watching other matches in progress, learning my way around, and familiarizing myself with the courts gave me, I think, a bit of an edge when it came my turn to play. By then I was somewhat adept at the scoring system, aware of tournament customs and etiquette, and more comfortable about the presence of

a referee than I would have been walking into the club and right on to the court.

As I meandered from window to window observing other matches, I came to some comforting conclusions. First, everyone was dressed neatly but casually. No one seemed to have spent a lot of money on chic new outfits or shoes (i.e. my cloths are okay). Sportsmanship and courtesy were striking (The matches will be friendly). Often players made mistakes (I won't be too embarrassed if I whiff a ball). Spectators were enthusiastic and supportive (No one will groan loudly when I make a bad shot). In short, I realized that I could play my own game, and doing my best was all that anyone expected.

I was beginning to feel less lost in the shuffle — more like I belonged.

Actually "novice" is probably the wrong word for this division. "Tournament novice" might be more apt, because none of my competitors was a beginner in racquetball. My opponents were experienced and good, and the matches were difficult and challenging.

I surprised myself by winning the first match — and totally shocked when three days later I picked up my First Place trophy.

But now as I look at the trophy and reflect on the whole Women's Nationals

weekend, I realize it means a lot more to me than winning racquetball games. It represents a step toward looking at myself in a new way — not only as a "woman who plays alot of racquetball," but rather an athlete and a bona fide competitor.

At home, the weekend revolved around "Mom's tournament," and everyone adjusted their schedules to mine. I was the person my family came to watch and cheer for. When I recall the hours I have logged at football and basketball games, and think about all the Little League in my future, it feels good to have a piece of turf I can call my own.

For a few days, the shoe was on the other foot — mine — and I had a sense of what I have missed all those years as a spectator. True, it's late for me, and I will need to adapt my aspirations accordingly (to "D" or "C"?).

But regardless of what I do from now on, I have done this one thing: I have been to the other side of the wall — and I like it there.

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Finals: Randy Palm d. Chris Swisher, 21-6, 21-9.
Semi's: Randy Palm d. Tom Ferguson, 21-18, 21-12; Chris Swisher d. Darin Erying, 3-21, 21-15, 11-7.
Third Place: Darin Erying.
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Finals: Rick Hawkes d. Jeff Stroh, 21-9, 21-11.
Semi's: Rick Hawkes d. Bruce McCaig, 21-5, 21-9; Jeff Stroh d. Allan Wilson, 21-11, 21-14.
Third Place: Bruce McCaig.
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Finals: John McNaughton d. Bill Bond, 21-7, 21-14.
Semi's: John McNaughton d. Greg Ricci, 21-1, 21-6; Bill Bond d. Dan Watson, 21-18, 21-16.
Third Place: Dan Watson.
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Finals: M. Call/R. Hendrickson d. S. Williams/G. Whitefield, 21-18, 18-21, 11-8.
Semi's: Call/Hendrickson d. Kubasek/Palm, 21-12, 21-17; Williams/Whitefield d. M. Madden/B. McGarry, 21-18, 21-18.
Third Place: Kubasek/Palm.
Consol: Lavson/Ross.
- MEN'S BC DOUBLES**
Finals: C. Swisher/M. Basten d. B. Bruce/D. Erying, 21-15, 21-11.
Semi's: C. Swisher/M. Basten d. Mitchell/Figuroa, 21-13, 21-8; Bruce/Erying d. D. Miller/S. Erickson, 21-13, 21-10.
Third Place: Mitchell/Figuroa.
Consol: Wallor/McIsaac.
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Finals: Bob Bruce d. Ray Weirich, 21-8, 21-4.
Semi's: Bob Bruce d. Ron Konings, 21-7, 21-14; Ray Weirich d. Ken McNeil, 21-20, 21-9.
Third Place: Ron Konings.
Consol: Gary Hering.
- MIXED DOUBLES OPEN**
Finals: R. Schilling/S. Schoonover d. S. Williams/K. Tiedeman, 21-15, 15-21, 11-8.
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Third Place: Burns/Percival.
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Finals: Donna Murray d. Linda Walk, 21-10, 21-10.
Semi's: Donna Murray d. Melody Fox, 21-18, 21-15; Linda Walk d. Bonnie Paulson, 21-10, 21-13.
Third Place: Melody Fox.
Consol: Bonnie Paulson.
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Finals: Corinna Percival d. Gail Harman, 21-7, 8-21, 11-7.
Semi's: Corinna Percival d. Kris Didomenico, 21-14, 21-18; Gail Harman d. Helen Bedard, 21-9, 21-6.
Third Place: Kris Didomenico.
Consol: Helen Bedard.
- WOMEN'S NOVICE**
Finals: Lynn Sharpe d. Helen Bedard, 21-13, 21-19.
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National Championships of 1998

The year of the racquetball

by Lawrence Tabak

The Heavyweight Championship of Championships, the Super Bowl of the Super Sport, the National Racquetball Championships of 1998 have been called all of this and more. But whatever you call it, this culmination of the men's and women's world wide tour is an event that has surpassed the World Series, eclipsed the Super Bowl, and with 90% of the population now playing, left no doubt that in the 21st Century racquetball will be the national sport and pastime.

There is a special feeling, following the national anthem, when the spots hit the glass court at Madison Square Garden. The amber walls take on a glow that give it the look of a precious jewel, and the roar as the players enter the court is one of the great moments in American sports. And since the acceptance of the new ball, there is something almost magical in the warm-up, the ball taking on a luster and then a definite glow as it warms up. By the time the match begins the ball is floating around the court like a low wattage bulb, dancing like Tinkerbell in one of those old Peter Pan productions.

Although we don't dare mention the actual costs of the court side seats, it's clear from the personalities represented that the cost is dear indeed. The front row is a virtual who's who of celebrities,

"There is a special feeling, following the national anthem..."



such dazzling names that even the nation's leaders in the Presidential Box are ignored. Standing room only spots are auctioned off outside the auditorium with prices that suggest gold ingots. Anyone who is anyone is here in New

York for the 1998 finals.

For a long time observer of the game, this day always brings back memories of the early times of the sport. Pleasant hours pass in the press box with a couple of the old boys talking about the days when second serves and lightening fast balls were the rule of the day. With 20-20 hindsight we all admit to seeing how the game would change, but I doubt that any of us really predicted the day when the social registry would list A, B, or C after each name. No, I don't think any of us realized that racquetball would become a necessary social skill, as universally taught as the ability to ride a bicycle. And I'm sure we never expected to live to see the day when racquetball writers would themselves be celebrities.

On this special evening, television sets around the world will be peering into the Garden, and whether the winner be a new champion or a familiar one, those of us lucky enough to be there in person will know that for one evening, for a few brief hours, we will be at the heart of this nation, at the focal point of 1998, The Year of the Racquetball.

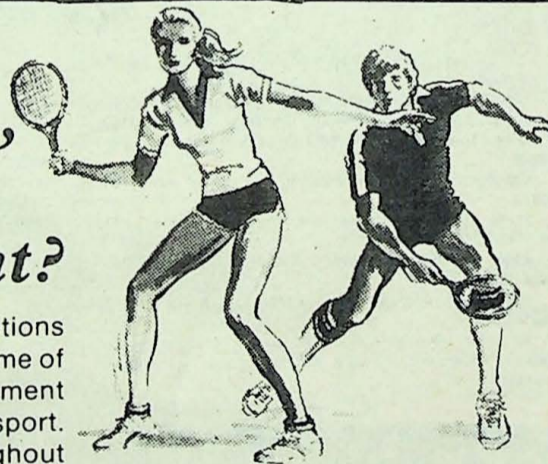
Playing Tips

by Tom Grobmisi

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You don't need eyeguards any more than you need eyes.
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Never insult an alligator until you've crossed the river; never criticize the ref until after the match.
- GROBMISI PLAYING TIP NO. 4:**
Just concentrate on scoring points; the rest comes naturally.
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It's easy to have a backhand that's as good as your forehand — just ease up on your forehand.
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Hitting a ceiling shot is an effective way to insure you won't accidentally kill the ball.
- GROBMISI PLAYING TIP NO. 7:**
The shortest distance between two points is an avoidable hinder.
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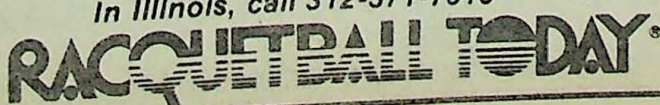
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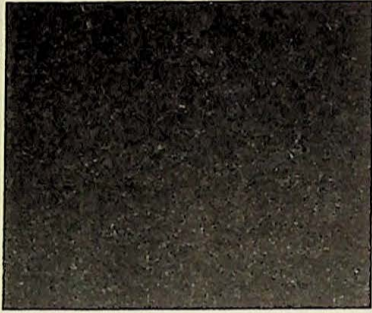
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Club Guide

Utah

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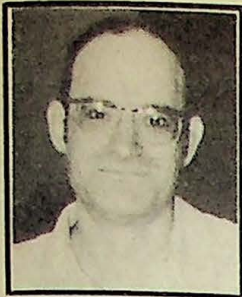
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When the avoidable isn't justified

by Mike Frankel

Ed Note: Mike Frankel is Referee Director for the New Jersey Racquetball Association, and author of the soon to be published N.J.R.A. Rulebook.

Having read with a great deal of interest the very fine article by Phil Simborg on avoidable hinders (June issue), I would like to offer some advise and guidance on situations that have occurred during matches I have refereed, and to offer some illustration of events that have occurred during actual play.

The first case involves player A and player X in a singles match. Player A has returned a ball to the front wall. This ball strikes the crotch between the front wall and a side wall well above the floor. The ball rebounds from the wall very quickly, and player A is unable to get out of the path of the call fast enough to give player X a proper shot. Player X claims an avoidable hinder.

The second illustration occurs when player A has hit a ball to the front wall but this ball was struck with the rim of the racquet head rather than on the strings. The spin imparted to the ball by the mishit was so great that when the

return flew off the front wall in a completely unpredictable way, player A was unable to move fast enough to give player X a clear path to the ball. Player X claimed an avoidable hinder.

The third situation started when player X dove for a ball that was returned successfully to the front wall. Player X got up and out of the way in plenty of time, and the returned ball landed in the wet spot just made on the floor when diving. Player A short hopped the ball and returned it to the front wall. However, the ball hit the side wall first, skidded off the side wall to the front wall, and came back in such a way that player A was unable to get out of the way of player X's next attempt. Player X claimed an avoidable hinder.

The correct call in all three cases is a dead ball hinder with no penalty, for the following reason.

It should be understood that any player is entitled to three considerations when attempting a return: first is a direct path to the ball; second is an unimpeded swing; and third is an unobstructed view of the ball in its rebound off either the front or rear wall. When the player **not** hitting attempts to give an opponent these considerations, his movement relies upon the ball bouncing in a *reason-*

ably expected or predictable manner.

When a player hits the ball, the direction the rebound will take usually can be judged quite accurately. After the hit, that player must then give these three considerations to an opponent. If not, the call of an avoidable hinder is quite correct.

However, when situations arise where it is **not** possible to predict where the ball will be going, or the direction of a rebound or bounce is completely beyond the control of the player just hitting the ball, then it is **not** reasonable to call an avoidable hinder and penalize that player. (Additionally: in the case of the ball taking a bad bounce because of a wet spot, the ref can **always** call a deadball hinder).

An avoidable hinder is called when interference could have been avoided by a **reasonable and proper** movement. When, in the opinion of the referee, it is not possible to **predict** how any movement would avoid interference, the call of an avoidable hinder is not justified.

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Junior Forum

By Betsy Koza

Ed Note: RACQUETBALL TODAY is proud to welcome an accomplished Junior player, Betsy Koza, as a regular columnist. Betsy, sponsored by Omega and Nike, graduated cum laude from Lake Forest high school in Illinois after her junior year and now plays in the Pro and Open divisions in tournaments around the country. At seventeen, Betsy has come up against (and still does) many of the problems young people face when trying to play racquetball. Junior players are encouraged to send their questions and comments to Betsy in care of RACQUETBALL TODAY.

Everyone always says that there is no easy way to improve your racquetball game. Well, there is. It involves no sweat, no toil, no self-sacrifice. You don't have to spend hours on a court by yourself. In fact, you don't even have to be near a court in order to get the full benefit of the "secret." You can be in the locker room, or in the lounge. You can even be sprawled out in the chair at home, munching on a bowl of raw veggies.

The secret to improving your game is no harder to master than reading. In fact, it *is* reading! The printed word harbors a wealth of information about racquetball and the more information you gather, the more of an opportunity you have to improve your game.

"Racquetball Reading" should encompass everything from club bulletins to major racquetball publications, such as RACQUETBALL TODAY. Virtually everything you read can have some impact on your game, for your **knowledge** of the game. Racquetball newspapers and magazines, books, bulletin boards, hand-outs at the clubs, tournament articles, and even racquetball posters can also be directly or indirectly helpful.

You're probably all aware of the "direct way" in which racquetball literature helps your game. Everyone seems to take advantage of the "how-to" literature of racquetball. Instructional books, articles, pictures, posters can tell you everything from how to hit a back-hand pinch to what serve to hit in a tie-breaker.

Of course, instructional literature can be helpful to your racquetball game, but **non-instructional** literature probably is more important to your *growth* in racquetball! All of those "newsy" articles in newspapers and magazines, announcements posted on the club bulletin board, the tournament application posted in the locker room, and the stack of "pro shop sales" cards on the front desk, can actually give you more variable information than Killer Rodriguez' magazine article on how to hit down-the-line-backhand-between-the-legs-overhand-kill. For instance, the poster at the club may tell you about summer racquetball camps given by a pro.

You may see a notice posted on the bulletin board by a local player who is looking for a game on the day you are free, and gain an opponent against whom you can sharpen your serves! The club may have a stack of papers on the desk, and when you pick one up and read it, you may find that it is advertising a 2 for 1 pro shop sale of your favorite shoes! The bulletin board may have entries for local juniors tournaments — the tournament which can kick off your racquetball career!

Many people tend to disregard articles, posters, and announcements of this sort, and, as a result, they miss out on a lot.

So, the next time — and every time — you go out to the club, **READ!**

Illustrated Racquetball

by Tom Grobmsi

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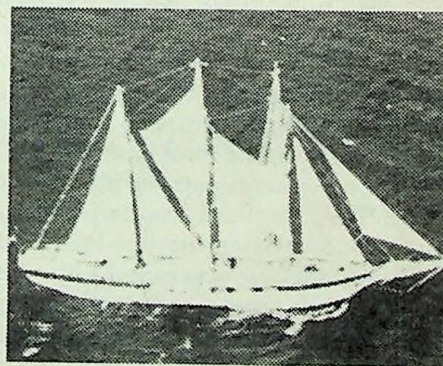
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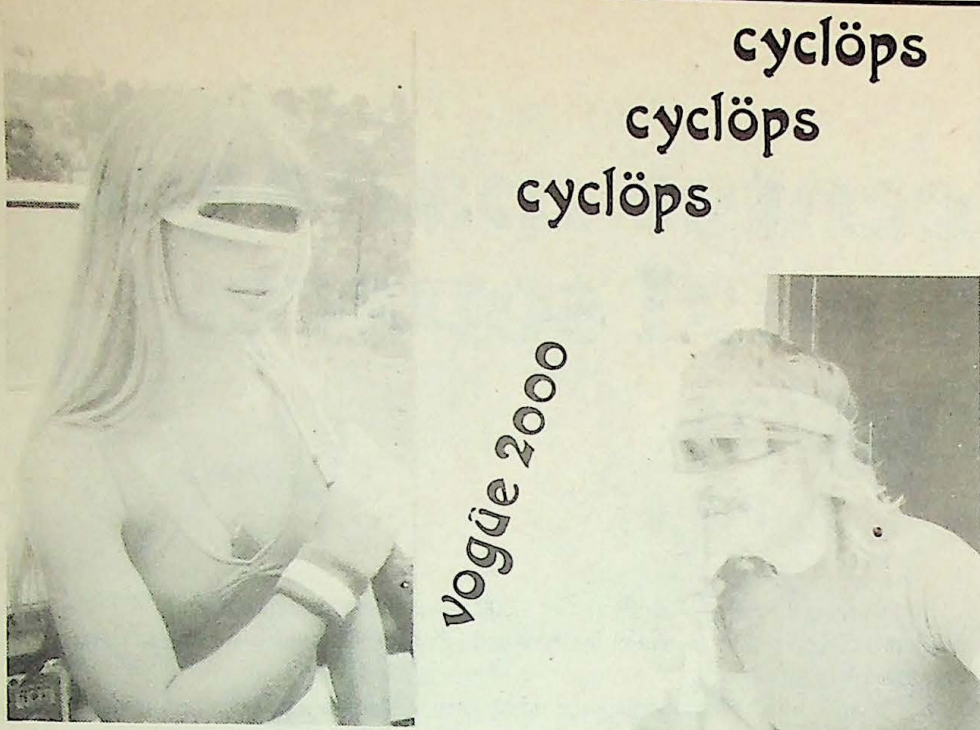
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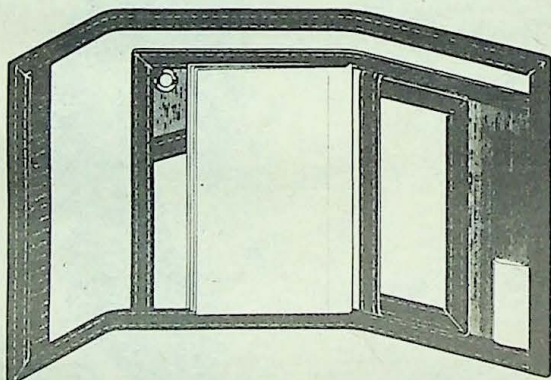
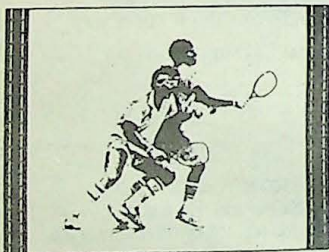
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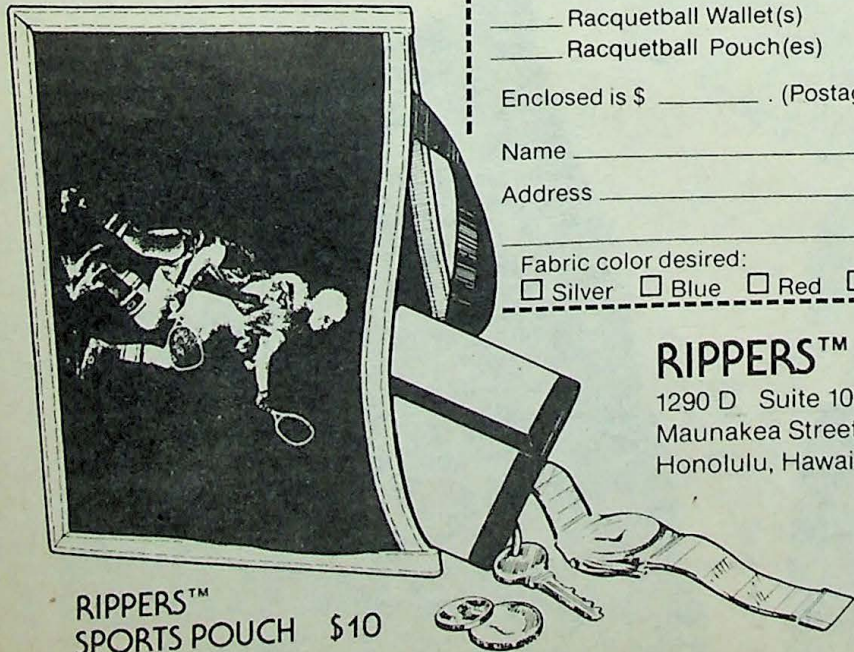
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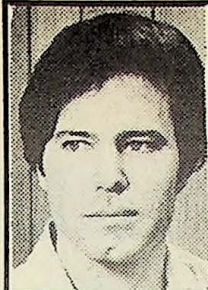
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Each month in this column John Donati and Ken Hutchins of Nautilus Sports/Medical Industries answers questions pertaining to training and conditioning. Questions may be submitted to John Donati and Ken Hutchins: P.O. Box 1783, DeLand, Florida, 32720.

Q. I have a terrible habit. I eat too much! My racquetball buddies tell me exercise will help to reduce my appetite. This doesn't seem right. Please clarify.

— B.B., Portland, Maine

A. Your buddies are "feeding" you accurate information. Appetite may be induced physically or psychologically, or both. If nervous tension makes you eat more, physical exercise can work off that tension. Exercise also changes the blood chemistry, using some of the body's stored energy sources which, in turn, will reduce the appetite.

Q. I am getting up in years. Having not been active most of my life, is it a good idea for me to start an exercise program at my advanced age?

— G.W., Chesterfield, Indiana

A. Some of the major problems associated with older people are weakened joints and poor circulation. Many times these problems are related to lack of sufficient exercise. A proper exercise program will help to strengthen joints and improve circulation. Exercise, therefore, is extremely important for older and otherwise less active people.

Be sure that your program is well supervised and that progress is based on your individual capabilities. Don't push too hard too soon!

Q. I am an avid racquetball player and Nautilus user. Recently, however, I have become pregnant. I want to continue playing and exercising, but have been advised by my friends not to do so.

Nine months of inactivity will drive me nuts! What can I do?

— P.L., Redondo Beach, California

A. The days of pregnant women sitting and eating pickles and ice cream for nine months are gone. Most obstetricians recommend exercise during pregnancy. There is very little danger of miscarriage from sports activity or exercise, especially if the woman is used to strenuous exercise. The fetus is well-cushioned.

Pregnancy places a tremendous amount of physical and emotional stress on the body. Through proper exercise, these problems can be minimized. This exercise will prepare the body for delivery; delivery that will use virtually every muscle in the body.

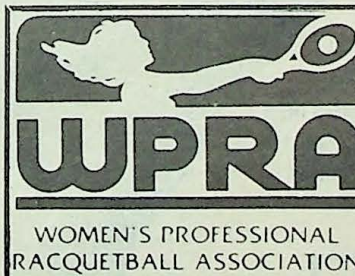
Q. I want to be stronger, but I don't want to build large muscles. What exercise program will help me to achieve my objective?

— H.M., Bristol, Tennessee

A. Muscular strength is dependent upon denser fiber. Therefore, everything else being equal, a large muscle will be a strong muscle. There is a definite relationship between size and strength.

There is some confusion, however, concerning the statement, "everything else being equal." There are many factors determining a person's potential for demonstrating strength. Body proportions and neurological efficiency are two factors that have a great influence. These are genetic in nature. They can't be altered. This is a reason why it is very difficult to compare the muscular strength of one individual to another. There are too many factors involved.

Generally speaking, if a muscle gets stronger, it will also get larger, "everything else being equal."



News

By Francine Davis, President
Women's Professional
Racquetball Association



We hope everybody is having a summer filled with lots of fun, sun and the works. While most of you are sitting back and relaxing for the summer, the WPRRA is still hard at work. The Board of Directors and its membership have been corresponding on a regular basis throughout the summer sharing ideas, exchanging information and finalizing committee work. When the new 1981-82 racquetball season begins, the WPRRA will be ready to kick off another successful season for both the amateurs and the professionals alike.

One of the issues the WPRRA is working on this summer is for amateur racquetball, an all important field which you can become a part of and also help our organizations to make women's racquetball a strong and viable entity in the racquetball industry. It is a lot of work to do alone, so if you would like more information on the WPRRA, your using useful

time can be beneficial to you and your club. Our current address at the WPRRA is 3727 Centennial Blvd., Las Vegas, NV, 702-454-5864.

As the summer is approaching its half-way point, it is hard to believe, Dan Seaton, the WPRRA Commissioner, is finalizing the 1981-82 racquetball season. If there are any clubs who would like to host a WPRRA Pro Stop, please contact Dan Seaton at 702-454-5864, immediately!

The WPRRA is always open to new ideas and comments from the various clubs in the field.

As the president of the WPRRA, and the spokesperson for the membership, I want to wish everyone, racquetball player or not, a very happy, healthy and prosperous summer. We hope to see you all at one of the pro stops during the year. Keep on rolling the ball out.

Number one in a series.

The racquetball center manager and the professional source: Rich Fuchs

SFO Inc. is among the nation's leading insurers of special multi-peril property and casualty insurance for racquetball centers nationwide. Here, in an interview, Rich Fuchs II, Vice President of SFO Inc. and a tournament player, discusses the rapid growth of the racquetball industry and some of the insurance issues confronting proprietors today.

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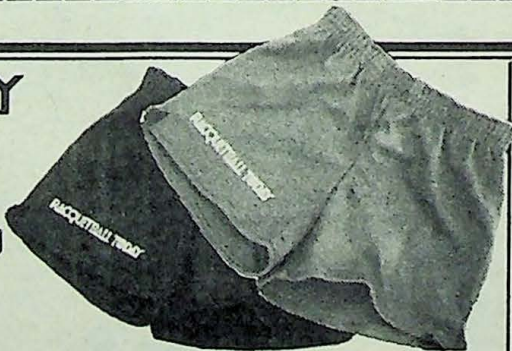
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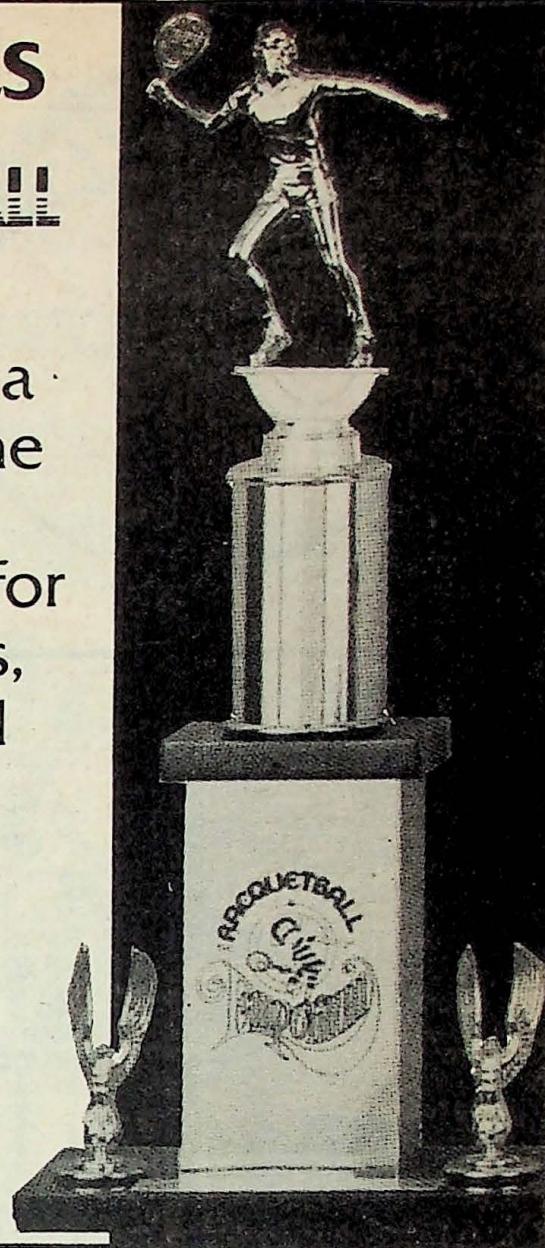
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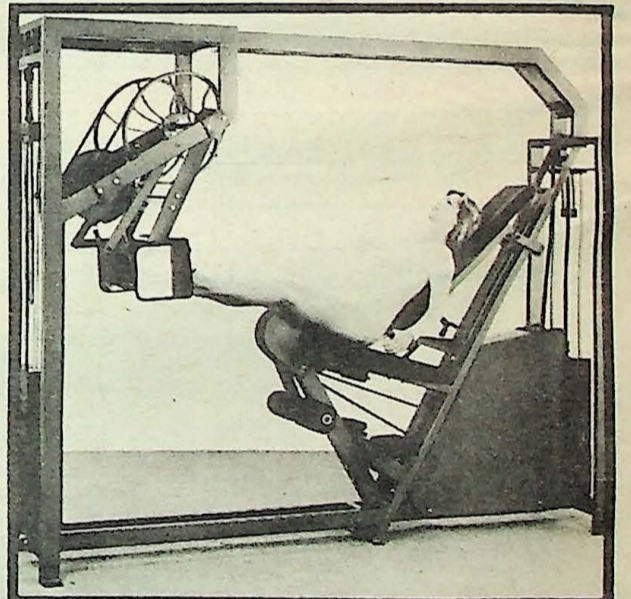
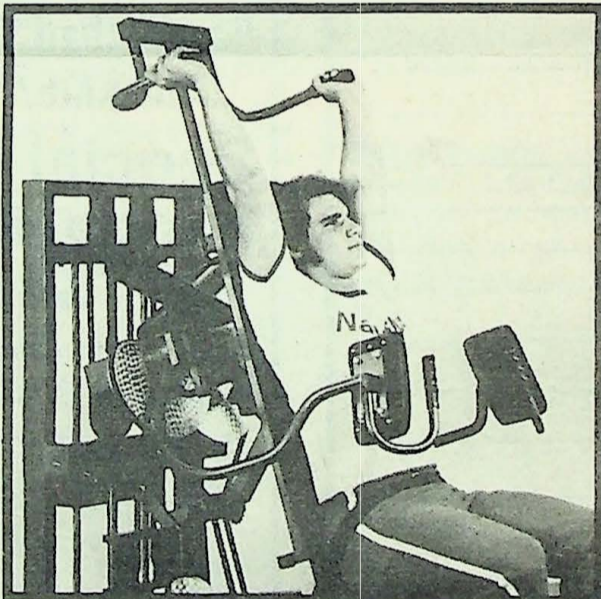
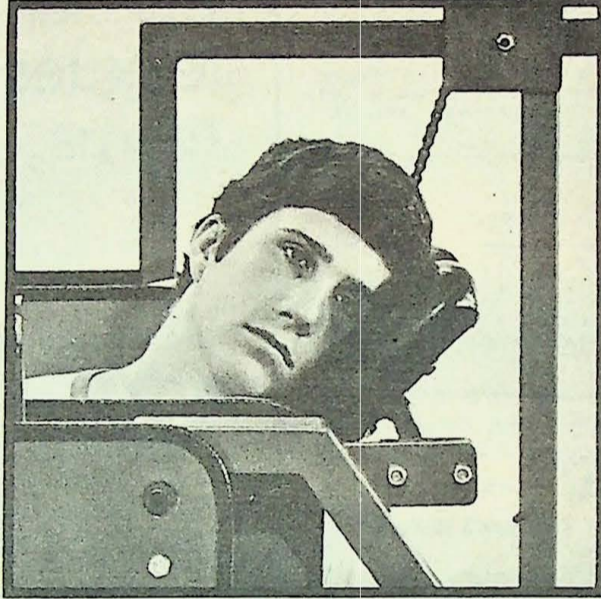
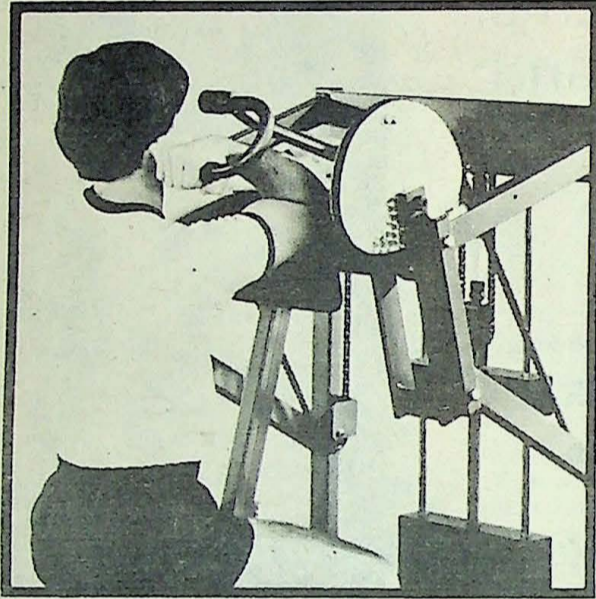
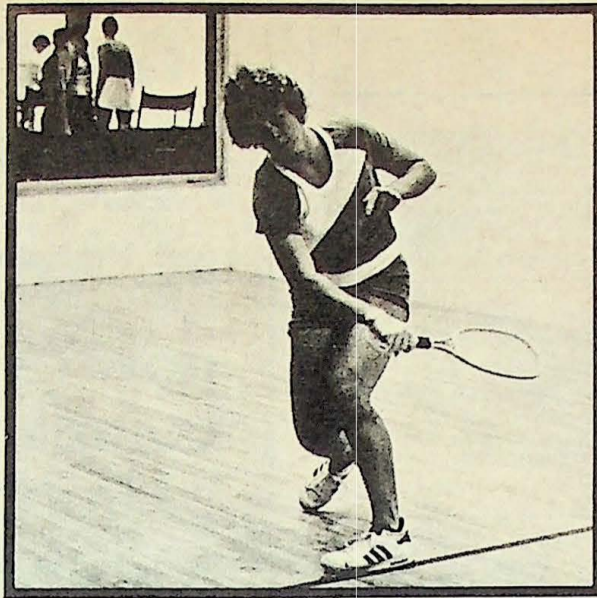
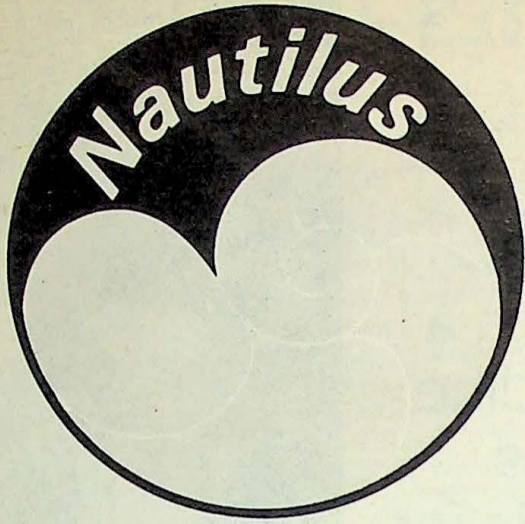
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