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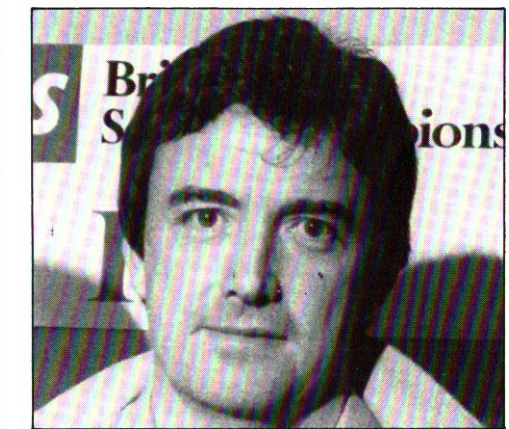
Our elation was however, shortlived when we began to experience certain difficulties during the negotiation of final terms with the promoter in Munich.

It was at this stage we became aware of the possibility of linking up with one of the best, if not **the best**, sponsor squash has ever had - Audi. So, after initial brief discussions, terms were agreed and thus the World Open Championship - the premier event in the game - returns to England where it began its life in 1976, when combined with the British Open Championships.

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Secretary
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SEEDINGS

AUDI WORLD OPEN

- 1 Jahangir Khan (Pak)
- 2 Hiddy Jahan (Pak)
- 3 Qamar Zaman (Pak)
- 4 Maqsood Ahmed (Pak)
- 5 Gamal Awad (Egy)
- 6 Dean Williams (Aus)
- 7 Ross Norman (NZ)
- 8 Glen Brumby (Aus)
- 9 Gawain Briars (GB)
- 10 Roland Watson (SA)
- 11 Ali Aziz (Egy)
- 12 Phil Kenyon (GB)
- 13 Steve Bowditch (Aus)
- 14 Magdi Saad (Egy)
- 15 Lars Kvant (Swe)
- 16 Fahim Gull (Pak)

AUDI WORLD GRAND MASTERS

- 1 Ahmed Safwat (Egy)
- 2 Jonah Barrington (GB)
- 3 John Easter (GB)
- 4 Cam Nancarrow (Aus)

ISPA WORLD RANKINGS

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|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 Jahangir Khan (Pak) | 27 Daulat Khan (Pak) |
| 2 Geoff Hunt (Aus) | 28 Trevor Wilkinson (Zim) |
| 3 Hiddy Jahan (Pak) | 29 M. Ali Somjee (Pak) |
| 4 Qamar Zaman (Pak) | 30 John Le Lievre (GB) |
| 5 Maqsood Ahmed (Pak) | 31 Mohammed Yasin (Pak) |
| 6 Gamal Awad (Egy) | 32 Zahir Hussein Khan (Pak) |
| 7 Dean Williams (Aus) | 33 Craig Blackwood (NZ) |
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| 14 Philip Kenyon (Eng) | 40 Rod George (Aus) |
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| 18 Mohibullah Khan (Pak) | |
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| 20 Gogi Alauddin (Pak) | |
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| 22 John Easter (Eng) | |
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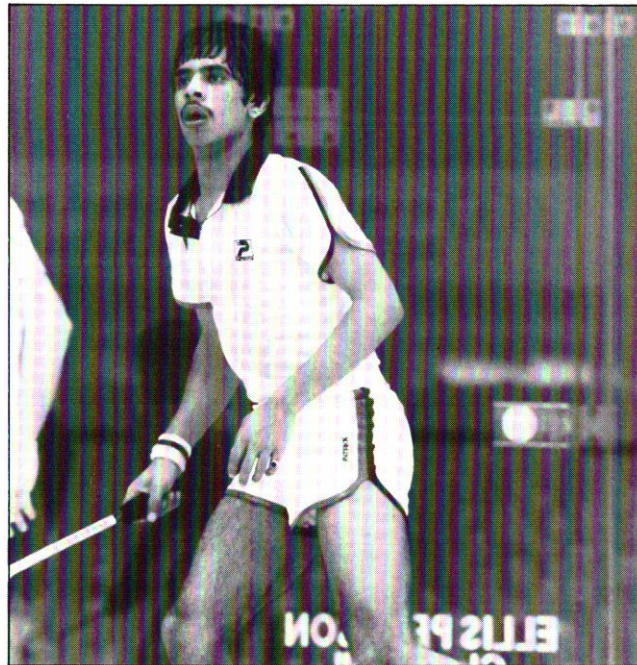
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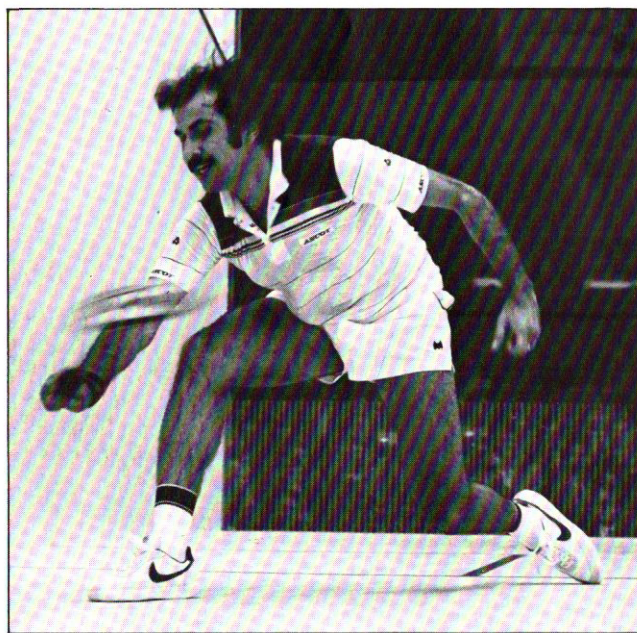


JAHANGIR KHAN

aged 18 - Pakistan

So much has already been said about this incredible youngster who is ranked number one in the world that one wonders what they will be saying in five years time. He really burst on the scene when he won the ISRF world individual amateur title at the age of 15 in Australia and he has never looked back from that success. His improvement has been staggering but no more than one would expect, being a son of a former British Open champion Roshan Khan and brother of the late

Torsam Khan. Jahangir took the world crown from Geoff Hunt in Toronto last November and followed up with a British season where he won everything in sight, including his first British Open. Included in that string of victories was success in the International Squash Players Association Championship when he crushed Maqsood Ahmed 9-0, 9-0, 9-0. That kind of scoreline indicates his present dominance over the majority of the world's players and he will begin this World Open as a clear favourite to retain his title.



HIDDY JAHAN

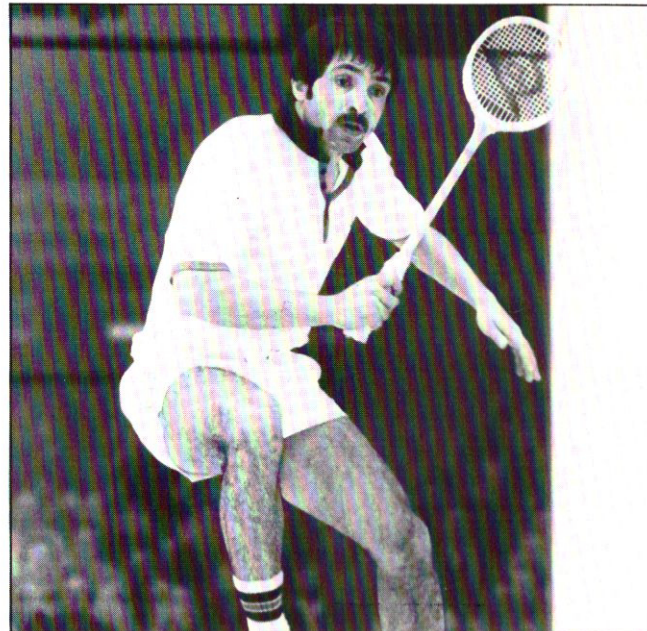
aged 32 - Pakistan

Hiddy, one of the world's most spectacular and aggressive players is now effectively the world's No. 2 with the retirement of Geoff Hunt. It is the highest ranking he has ever achieved and reflects his tremendous form of last season when he reached the final of the British Open.

He has consistently held his place among the world's elite and since 1970 has only once failed to

reach the quarter final stage of the British Open and three times has been a semi-finalist. His record in the World Open is also impressive having three times been a quarter finalist and once reaching the semis.

Hiddy is a crowd pleaser and on top form can devastate any opponent with his explosive striking of the ball. And watch out for that forehand cross court drive which he seems to be able to play with just a flick of his powerful wrist.

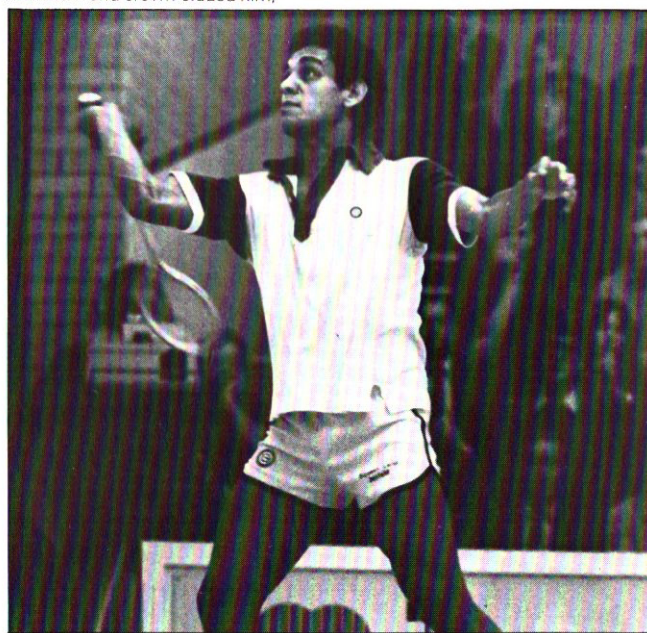


QAMAR ZAMAN

aged 31 - Pakistan

Qamar has often been dubbed the 'magician of the court', the undisciplined artist, the player who breathes humour and creativity into squash. All descriptions are accurate and squash can be thankful that in an age prone to produce sportsmen whose forte is clinical precision there are exceptions such as Zaman. He came to Britain in 1972, lost twice in the finals of the Amateur in 73 and 74 and in 1975 broke through in spectacular fashion by winning the British Open. Thereafter that title and the world crown eluded him,

snatched away every time by a determined Australian called Hunt. Qamar had his success - the World Masters in 78 and 80 - but for most people will be remembered for his part in providing squash with numerous classic encounters involving Hunt. The Australian always cast a shadow over the career of Zaman and now that Jahangir has appeared the future for Zaman looks destined to be a supporting role, when it comes to major titles that is.



GAMAL AWAD

aged 27 - Egypt

Gamal represents the nearest thing to perpetual motion and his nickname of the 'rubber man' sums up the way he can bounce around and retrieve almost any shot.

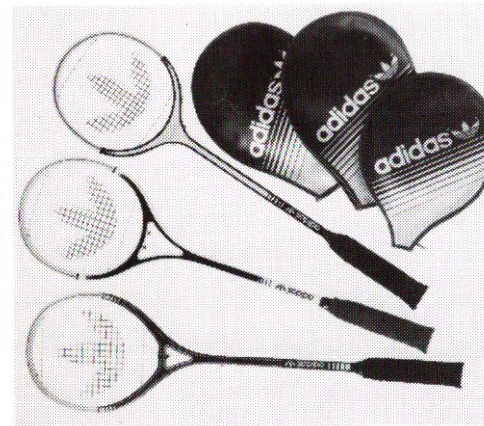
When Gamal is on court anything can happen and over the years he has become a great favourite with British audiences. He was twice winner of the British Amateur title but probably his favourite memory is that of knocking

out Geoff Hunt in the first round of the 1980 World Masters.

Gamal is now rated fifth in the world and has the ability to climb higher and is certainly one of the few people who can worry the current champion Jahangir. He has had some memorable and lengthy matches with Jahangir but so far the story has been that Gamal has been forced to expend most of his energy in the opening games allowing the champion to eventually take over.

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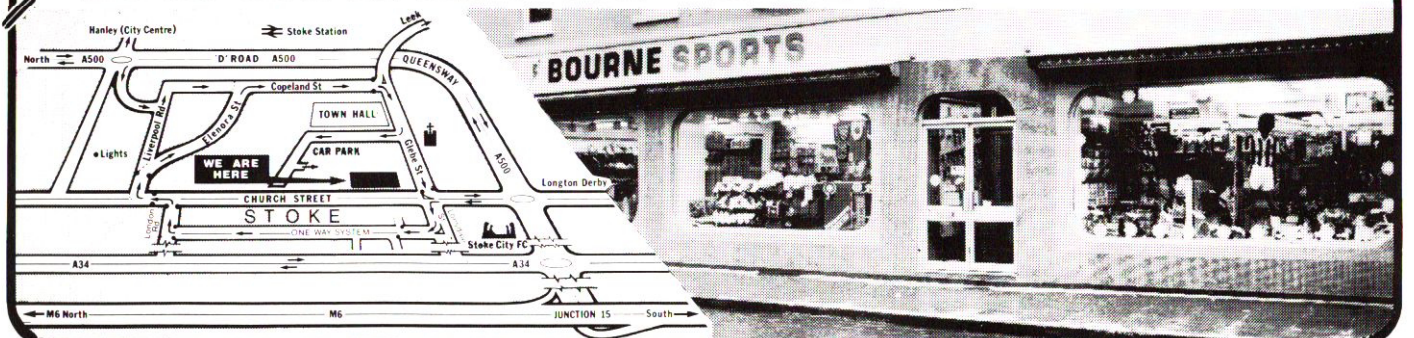
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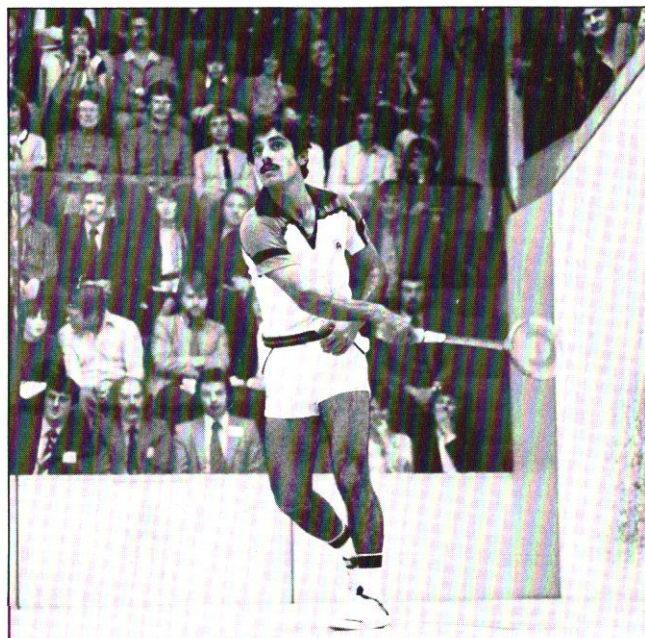
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MAQSOOD AHMED

aged 24 - Pakistan

Maqsood is probably the most under-rated player in the world's top ten, probably because that among his own group of nationals he tends to get overshadowed by the presence of Jahangir, Jahan and Zaman. He climbed into the top flight after turning professional in 1978 while still the world amateur champion. The following year he reached the semi-finals of the world Open in Toronto and came within a whisker of being a finalist before

losing to Zaman in a five game thriller. He quickly got into the world's top five and apart from occasionally either moving up or dropping one place he has been remarkably consistent. He was a quarter finalist in the last World Open but has yet to achieve a major championship win since his amateur days. Last season he got to the ISPA final only to suffer the humiliating experience of a 27-0 drubbing at the hands of a merciless Jahangir.



DEAN WILLIAMS

aged 26 - Australia

With the retirement of Geoff Hunt Dean now assumes the mantle of Aussie No. 1 a happening that will probably make him review the opinion he frequently expressed on his last British tour that he would soon be quitting the world circuit. Since he is competing in this World Open his commitment to pro squash would appear to be just as strong which is welcome news since Dean is a very popular character wherever he goes.

He turned professional in 1978 after a relatively modest career as an

amateur, probably because his natural enthusiasm and reputation for being a 'joker' on court did not help his concentration. Now his attitude has matured tremendously and one of his best wins was in the 1979 World Masters over Hiddy Jahan. He was runner-up to Geoff Hunt in the 1981 Australian Championship and reached the last 16 of last year's World Open. In South Africa during the summer he took over where Hunt left off by winning the Open title, maintaining Australian dominance of that event.



ROSS NORMAN

aged 23 - New Zealand

Ross, a former New Zealand junior champion, has won many friends with his hard working displays. He lost in the final of the last British Amateur Championship to Jonny Leslie in 1980 and has made steady progress since then as a tournament player.

Now that he is based in England

he has become a familiar face on the British circuit and with the retirement of Bruce Brownless has quickly taken over Brownlee's spot as New Zealand No. 1 as well as moving into the top ten. In the last two British Open Championships he has reached the quarter final stages - performances which he rates as his best so far.



GLEN BRUMBY

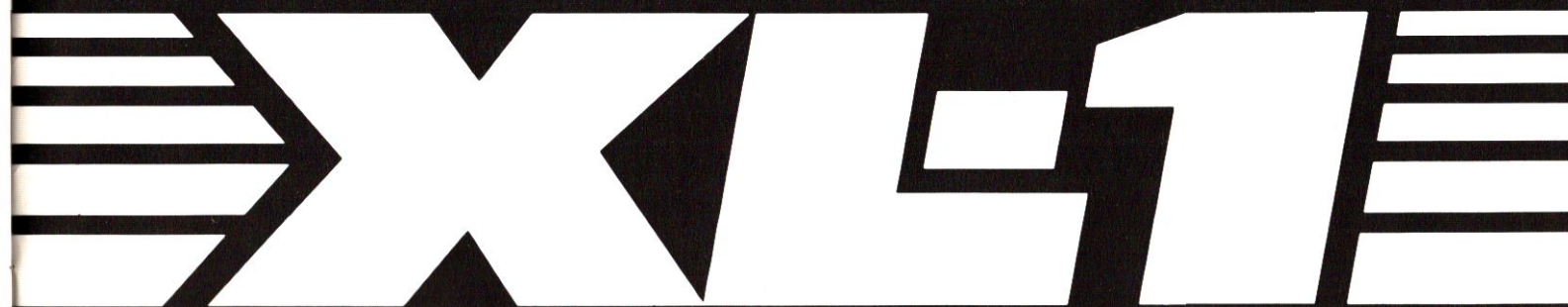
aged 22 - Australia

Glen, six foot plus former world junior champion from Adelaide, had a distinguished career as a junior, being Australian junior champion for four successive years and in 1978 won the Drysdale Cup (open world-wide for players under the age of 19) and the world junior title. He has since had a lot of good wins to his credit, the highlight being in last season's Looker's Masters when he defeated Hiddy Jahan. Also last season he reached the semi-finals of

the British Open, beating Britain's Phil Kenyon, and this performance helped to push him into the top ten rankings.

Glen is a committed professional, trains every day and sticks to a rigorous schedule. For one so young he has already achieved a great deal in squash but with this kind of determination there must be the potential to climb higher in the rankings. Glen is now based in this country and lives in Nottingham.

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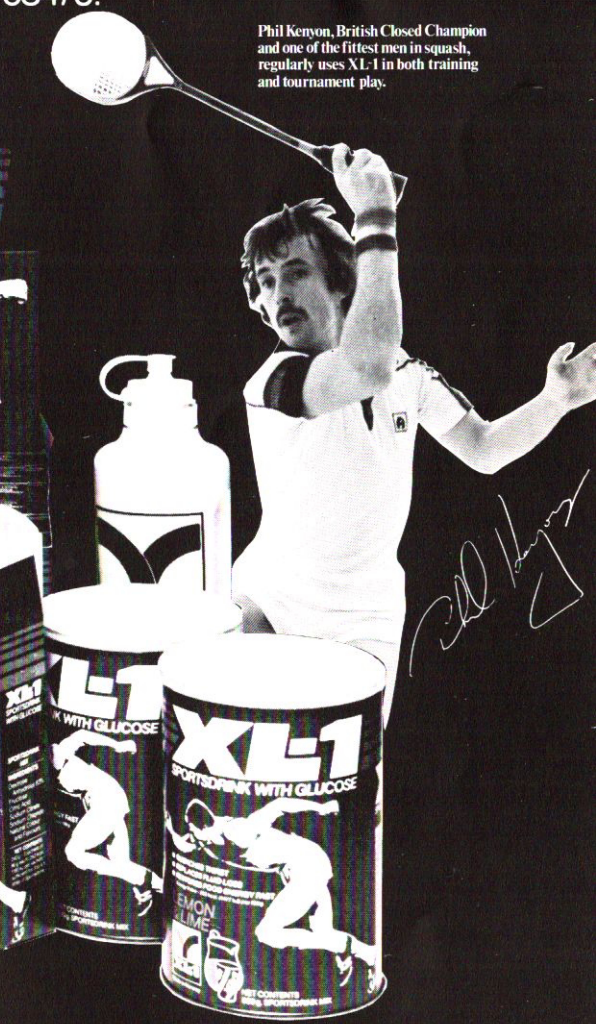
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GAWAIN BRIARS

aged 24 - England

Gawain turned professional in 1979, a logical move after an outstanding period as a junior and amateur player when he won the British Junior championship twice in 1976 and 77 and the Australian Amateur Championship in 1979. He won the British title in his first year as a pro (1980) and has subsequently been runner-up in that event to Jonah Barrington and Phil Kenyon.

He uses his height of six feet four inches to dominate the court from the T and is a firm believer in

the virtues of attacking squash, never being afraid to go for winners even at critical moments in a match.

Last season was a mixed one for him and two of his best performances were in reaching the semi-finals of the ISPA tournament and the final of the Lookers Masters. During the summer he had to win over Gamal Awad and has started the British season in explosive fashion winning the Beaconsfield Invitation and achieving a memorable victory over Hiddy Jahan.



ROLAND WATSON

aged 36 - South Africa

Roland, despite approaching veteran stage is back into the top ten after looking as though he might succumb to pressures from younger competitors. The former policeman is noted for his tough determined style which means that his opponents have to graft for every point. In the last world championship he had to retire from the event when he had a scare about a heart condition but happily the tests were clear and he came back for the

circuit last Spring. Among his best performances Roland treasures the memory of a 3-0 win over the legendary Ken Hiscoe in Cape Town in 1971 being runner-up to Geoff Hunt in the 1978 Australian Open and beating Maqsood Ahmed in last season's Smirnoff masters. Roland enjoys his squash, likes training and if you think he comes across as someone who places great emphasis on the physical just get him talking on the subject of cacti - he is something of an expert.

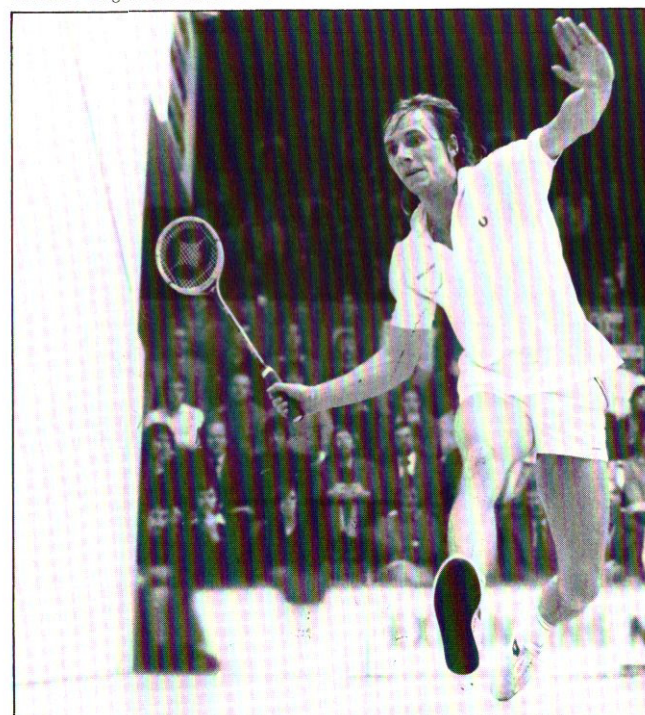


ALI AZIZ

aged 35 - Egypt

Ali is a much travelled, experienced competitor who is known and respected for his determined play. He is a former winner of both the Egyptian Open and Amateur Championships and after being runner-up in the 1975 British Amateur Championship he turned professional. Ali can always be relied upon to reach the middle and later stages of tournaments but

as yet has not managed to clinch a title or a final place. For someone who started playing squash at the age of 13 there is not a lot that Ali does not know about squash or the people in it. Interesting therefore that out of all the players, he rates Zaman as his most difficult opponent because of Zaman's deception. Fortunately running and strength do not count for everything in squash.



LARS KVANT

aged 27 - Sweden

Sweden's top player and the first player of world class to emerge from one of the newer squash nations. With his flowing hair and bubbling personality Lars is a real crowd pleaser and realises the value of being able to promote himself - both to the media and a squash audience. He caused a sensation during the 1980 World Masters knocking out the then world No. 4 Maqsood Ahmed and in last season's ISPA

championship caused an even bigger upset by defeating Hunt.

Lars has appeared many times for Sweden and already has 71 caps although he did not start playing squash seriously until 1973. He is very much his own person, has some controversial views about the game (including doing away with the tin) and has no particular training schedule - training when he feels like it.

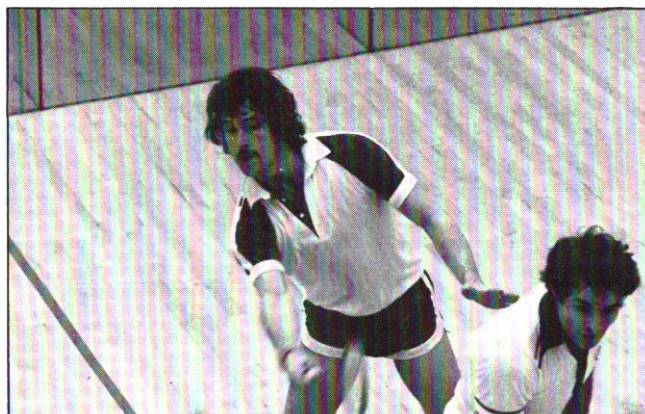
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PHIL KENYON

aged 26 - England

Phil and Gawain Briars currently vie for the No. 1 spot in Great Britain, a position that reflects the keen rivalry that has grown between them over the years. Phil nosed ahead in their private battle by winning the national title at Abbeydale last December, yet since then Gawain has snapped back by beating Phil and so it goes on.

During his junior days Phil twice won the British junior title and then at the age of 19 took the national under 23 championship. His crowning glory as an amateur was playing a major role for Britain winning the world team title from Pakistan in Australia in 1979. On the same tour he reached the final of the

world individual championship and lost 3-1 to a certain Jahangir Khan.

In the 1980 British Closed he came close to doing what no other British player has done for 16 years - beat Johan Barrington. Phil led 2-1 but lost 9-6 in the fifth. But some consolation for that defeat came with his win over Gawain the following season.

For the last two seasons Phil has been the most successful home player in the British Open, reaching the last eight. To get that far he had to beat Brownlee in 1980/81 and Awad in 81/82. Gamal was so exhausted after playing Phil that he had to go to hospital, a sure sign that Phil is one of the fittest players on the circuit today.



GOGI ALAUDDIN

aged 32 - Pakistan

Gogi has been a constant and welcome visitor to Britain for many years and it is hard to believe that it is now 12 years ago that he won the British Amateur title. He repeated that success the following season to set up his entry into the pro world and since then has established a reputation as one of the world's most skilful players.

His ball control is legendary and his ability to move on opponent around the court has won him many a match. He can slow a game down and tease his opponent to distraction

with deadly drop shots or inch perfect high lobs to the back of the court.

Gogi has enjoyed plenty of tournament success, including the 1976 PIA Open, yet the world and British Open titles have always eluded him. He has been runner-up in the 1975 British Open, a semi-finalist in 1976 and a semi-finalist in the 1977 World Open. Probably his fitness and motivation must now be a little suspect but his presence in the draw is still a daunting prospect for anyone.



STEVE BOWDITCH

aged 27 - Australia

Steve had a distinguished career as a junior player in Australia, winning junior international honours for his country and being runner-up for the Australian junior title. He turned professional in 1977 but it has not been until the last two years that he has begun to climb the world rankings. Steve came close to breaking into the top ten until a nagging back injury last season interrupted his progress. But all the

players know that when Steve is fit and is in the right mood there is little they can do to stop the flow of winning shots that stream from his racket.

He won the ISRF world individual title in Sweden last September and helped Australia to the runner-up spot behind Pakistan in the team championship, scoring notable victories over Norman and Briars. Steve is currently based in West Germany.

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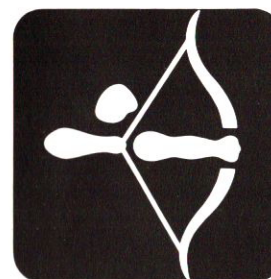
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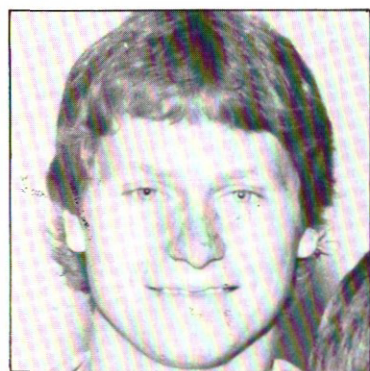
aged 30 - England

Ian turned professional after a fine string of performances as an amateur in which he represented Great Britain and England more than 50 times. One of his best performances at international level was to win all his six matches for the GB team in the 1977 World Amateur championships in Canada. In 1979 he won the World Open plate final in Canada and finished runner-up to Gavain Briars in the British Championship.

The 1980 British Closed saw him beaten at the semi-final stage and he

went out in the semis of the same event last season. He has won the Yorkshire county title every year since 1974 and last season captained the team to victory in the Inter-County Championship. Ian was a member of the England team that finished fourth in the 1981 ISRF world team championships in Sweden last October and reached the last 16 of the World Open.

He has now taken an active interest in the development of the players' association and as vice-president of ISPA is a member of the executive.



CHRIS DITTMAR

aged 18 - Australia

An exciting young prospect already making his presence felt among the world's top 30. In the last two years he has made spectacular progress, twice being runner-up for the world junior title, becoming

Australian junior champion and winning the Drysdale Cup this last season. He has represented his country at junior level and last season was honoured with the captaincy.



RICKI HILL

aged 22 - Australia

Ricki began playing squash twelve years ago in Melbourne and such was his progress that he was selected for the Victorian State senior team while still a junior. He represented Australia as a junior in 1978 and won all his five matches during the world junior team championship. He has been working

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Whatever the sport, whatever the subject, evoke peoples memories and you will almost have hit a sensitive spot. The idea of bringing back the players, the champions of yesteryear always strikes a responsive chord, since apart

from the pleasure of seeing the great names in action again there is always the tendency to believe that modern competitors cannot compare with heroes of the past.



AHMED SAFWAT

aged 35 - Egypt

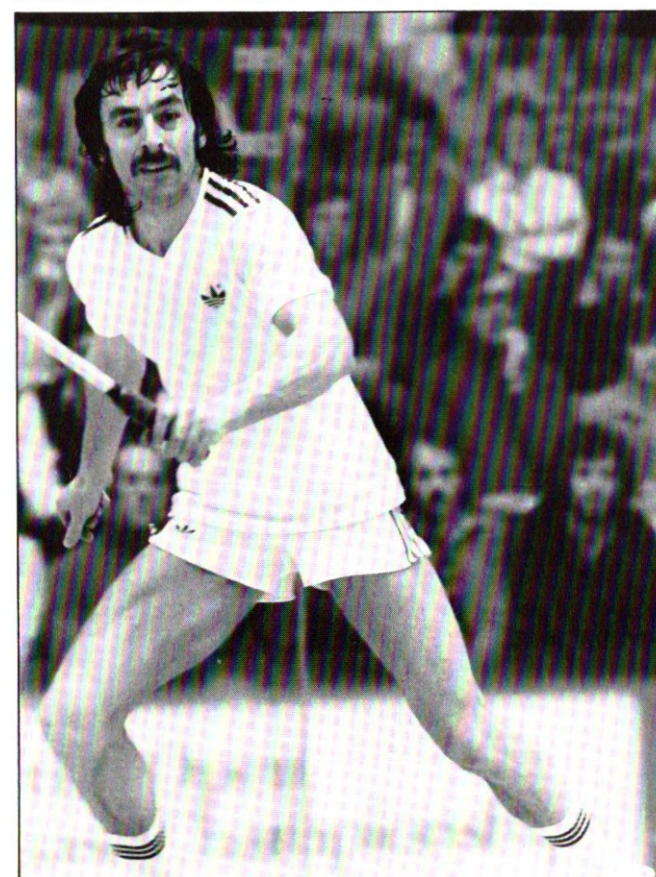
Ahmed has been based in Hamburg for the last few years where he has been part of the squash boom in that country. The absence from Britain however does not appear to have seriously affected his skills because he is still close to being ranked in the world's top ten and that's after eleven years as a professional.

He has always had a reputation for being one of the finest stroke players in the game and his artistry is a joy to watch. As long ago as 1972 he was a quarter-finalist in the British Open and from that moment he has consistently held his place among the world's best.

From 1973-77 he was the British professional closed champion and at last year's World Open showed that his touch is still there by reaching the last eight.

Ahmed likes to employ all the shots in the book and if his stamina and fitness has been suspect at times, his ability is such that he has rarely lost to players ranked below him.

His place as No. 1 seed for this new competition is well deserved and if he does carry off the title of Grand Master of Squash then there will be many squash enthusiasts in this country will feel that it is a just reward for the entertainment he has given over the years.



JONAH BARRINGTON

aged 41 - Great Britain and Ireland

Condensing the Barrington career dossier into a few paragraphs is an impossibility. The fact that he is contesting the World Masters is cause enough to cheer since it is the first international event Jonah has been able to enter since an injury threatened his career nearly eighteen months ago.

The six-times British Open champion and founding father of the modern pro scene has fought a battle for fitness that typifies the spirit and determination with which he has contested tournaments over the years.

At the age of 39 in December 1980 he won the British title, beating

the two best home youngsters and there was the feeling that if he retired then he would have nothing left to prove.

But it is never wise to underestimate the competitive drive within the Barrington character and it is no surprise that he is back on court. He has warmed up for the Masters by winning the British Over 35 title at the expense of John Easter and now relishes the prospect of facing former foes, such as Cam Nancarrow and Ken Hiscoe. One cannot help feeling it was the idea of getting to grips with the Aussies again that contributed just a little to the Barrington recovery.



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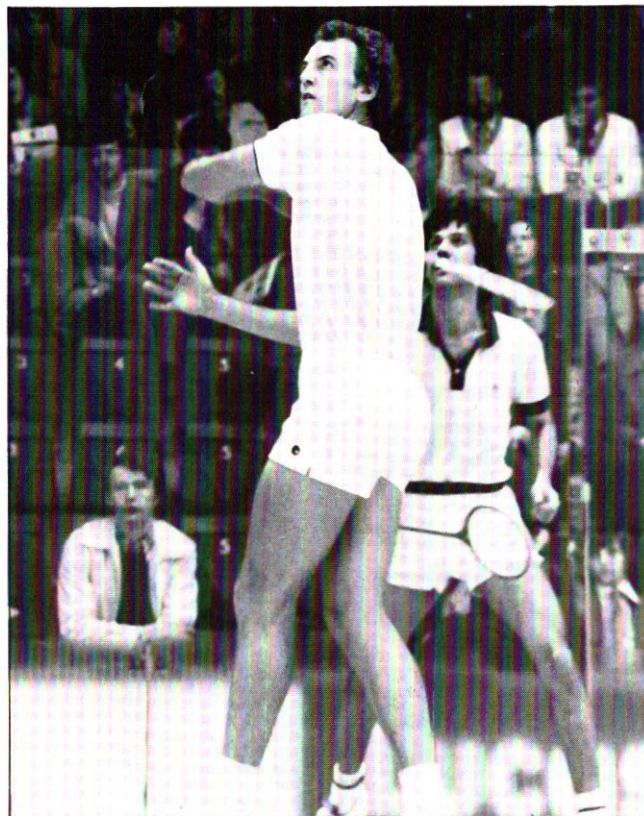
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CAM NANCARROW
aged 36 – Australia

It doesn't seem so very long ago that Cam was rated No. 2 in the world behind Geoff Hunt, a position reflecting the times when he was a regular visitor to Britain to contest the circuit.

He quit the tournament scene some three years ago and of course his world ranking has gone with it but he is reported to be playing extremely well in Australia and that must be bad news for the rest of the Masters entry.

By the time he won the World Amateur individual title in 1973 he had already been a seasoned member of the Australian side, helping them to world team titles in 1967, 69, 71 and 73. He had won the British Amateur title in 72/73 and as

early as the 68/69 season was playing well enough to finish as runner-up in the British Open.

This catalogue of success gave him the confidence to turn professional and he soon established himself as a tough determined competitor, his awkward left handed style giving the opposition plenty of trouble.

He was runner-up to Hunt in the 1976/77 British Open and in 1977 won the New Zealand Open.

His decision to stop tournament play was due to family reasons since Cam always said that if at anytime he felt that his travelling was becoming a heavy burden for his family then he would stop – and that's just what he did.



MOHAMMED YASIN
aged 41 – Pakistan

Almost the forgotten man of Pakistan squash with the Zaman, Jahan, Alauddin, Mohibullah and now Jahangir tending to dominate the last decade.

Yet this attention to other players is to ignore the great skill of Yasin, a highly experienced professional who won the Pakistan National title in 1963 and is still going strong nearly 20 years later. Yasin has four times reached the semi-finals of the British Open and once – and inevitably the most famous and controversial – the final of the Open.

This was in 1973 when he brought off a sensational victory by defeating the strong favourite Jonah Barrington in the semi-finals of the Open which were being played at Abbeydale.

Unfortunately for Yasin he could not enjoy or capitalise on that success because he sustained an injury which forced him to withdraw from the tournament. His chance of glory had gone and since then although he has played consistently and well, the influx of younger, fitter players has meant that he has had to play a lesser role than his talents otherwise deserve.

GRAHAM MacDONALD
aged 39 – South Africa

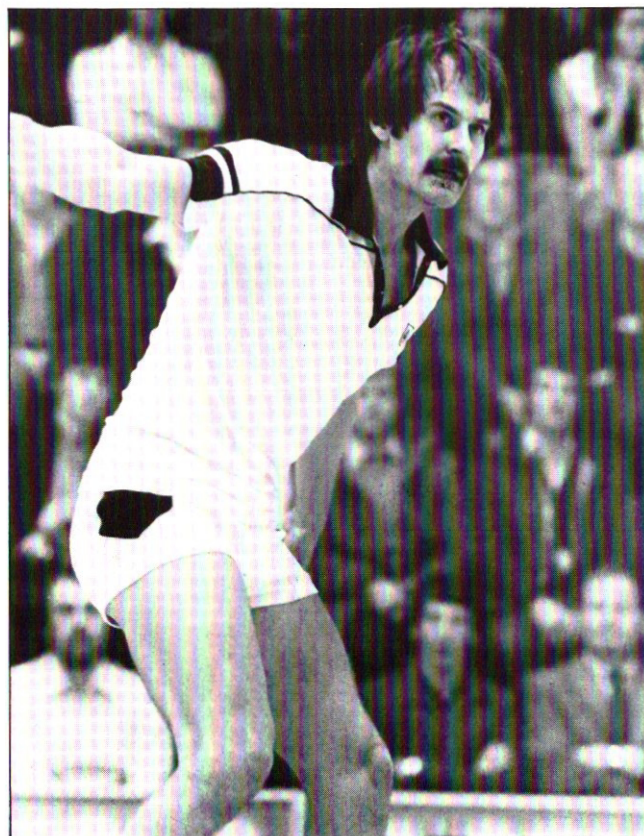
Graham, born in Johannesburg, now lives in Manchester and works as a lecturer in philosophy at Bradford University. His recent activities in Squash have centered upon representing Yorkshire but before moving to this country he was an outstanding player in South Africa.

Graham was Transvaal Champion in 1970 having been runner-up the year before and during the years 1966-70 he represented

South Africa 13 times. In 1971 he was Captain of the Oxford University Squash Team.

He was delighted to receive the invitation to play the Grand Masters but wishes that he had been given "a year's notice in order to get completely fit".

"Since accepting to play I have worked and trained very hard at my game," said Graham, "and I am looking forward to becoming involved in International Squash again after such a long absence."



JOHN EASTER
aged 36 – England

John always surprises people with a delicacy of touch that might not be expected from someone well over six feet. As an amateur he was a quarter finalist in the 1970 and 71 British Opens, reached the semis of the 1971 Amateur and in 1973 was ranked No. 1 for Great Britain. After this fine career as an amateur he

promised to do well among the pro ranks but a nagging knee injury prevented him from ever fulfilling that potential. He is now manager of City Squash in London and manages despite these duties to keep in touch with the playing scene. He won the national over 35 title in 1981 and finished runner-up to Barrington in this year's event.

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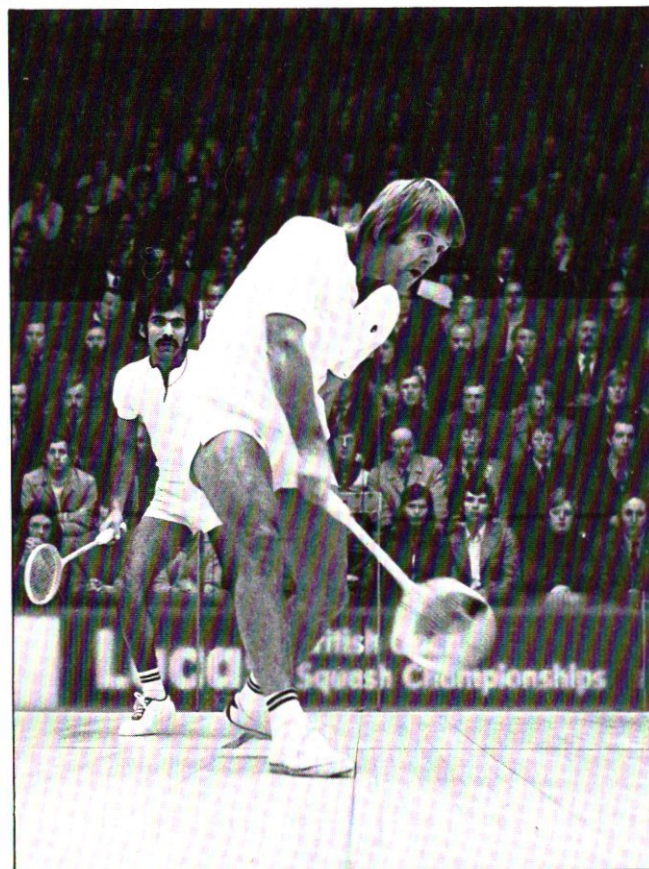
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KEN HISCOE aged 44 - Australia

There will be universal delight that the legendary Ken Hiscoe is coming back to Britain in a competitive role.

Those who saw him only at the end of his tournament career will have only had a few glimpses of the classical skills that moulded him into one of the most successful players over the last 20 years.

He was a British Amateur Champion in 1962 and through the 60's, six times won the Australian Amateur Championship.

He was a redoubtable member of the Australian side that dominated the world team championship scene in the late sixties and when he

turned professional he immediately formed a formidable partnership with his fellow Australian Geoff Hunt.

The Hunt/Hiscoe combination did much to promote pro squash and their efforts along with those of Barrington helped establish the tournament scene as it is known today.

Ken's skills demanded an Open title yet the closest he came was finishing third in 1975.

He has always been outspoken and forthright in his views on squash and has worked both internationally and in his own country to promote and further the cause of the sport.

BRYAN PATTERSON aged 36 - England

Bryan epitomises the true squash professional, hard working, constantly travelling, spreading the gospel of squash wherever he goes. As a junior he won the Drysdale Cup and fulfilled his promise by winning selection for the Great Britain team that contested the world amateur championships in South Africa in 1973. In the individual event he

reached the final and lost to one of the other leading contestants in this Grand Masters - Cam Nancarrow. Bryan turned professional soon after and since the mid 70's has been a consistent performer at the highest level. He was threatened by an injury eighteen months ago yet has battled back to fitness and can always be relied upon to give one hundred per cent on court.

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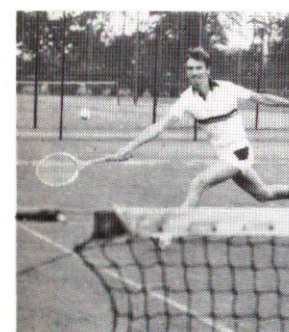
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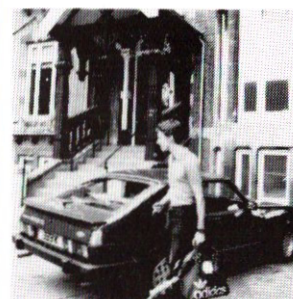
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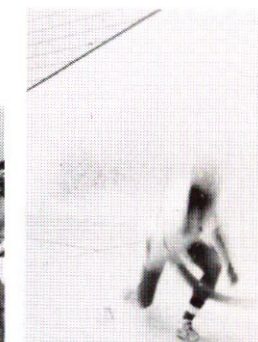
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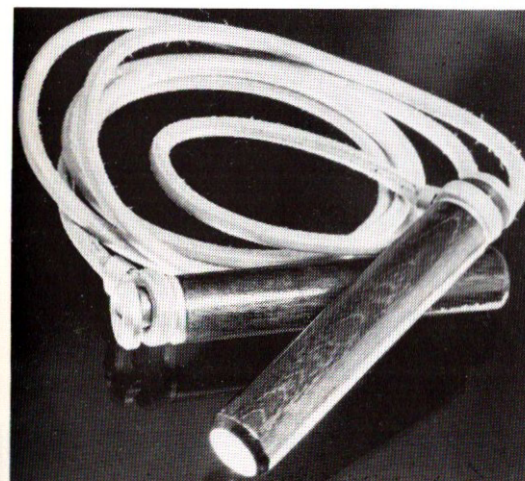
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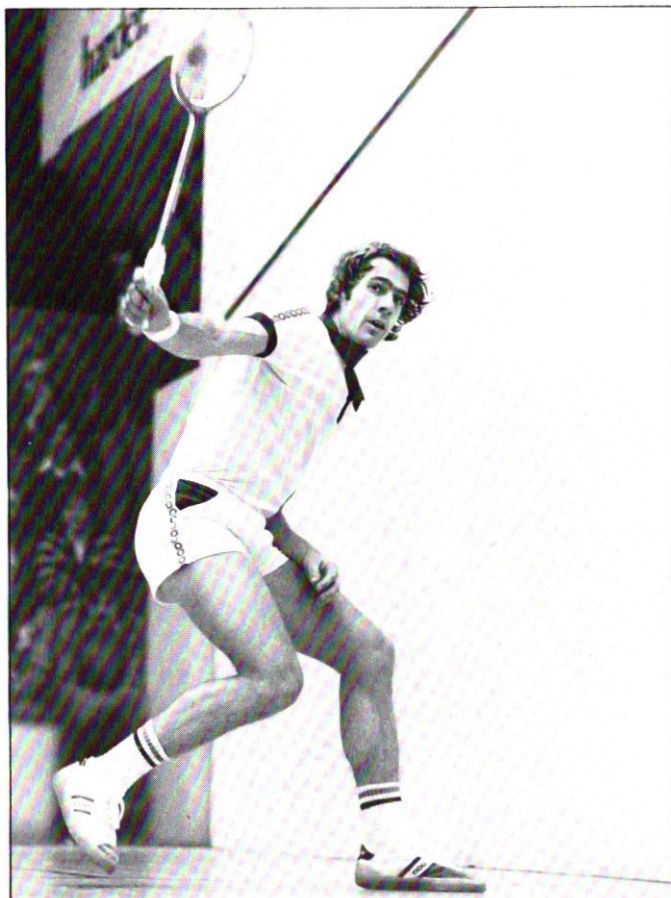
The eight times British Open champion and four times World Open champion set standards of physical fitness, mental discipline and court behaviour that moulded him into the classic concept of a sporting ambassador.

He bridged a gap from the days of the amateur player to the hard-nosed professionalism of the later 70's, having himself had to come to terms with new levels of fitness required to succeed when he turned professional in 1971.

The nonchalant air of the amateur, expressing surprise that anyone should train so vigorously on and off court as Barrington did at that time, was transformed into a grim, inner determination to improve his stamina and widen his range of shots.

Yet even at the heights of his success he outwardly retained his diffident casual manner, often it seemed, shying away from publicity but never shirking the responsibility of a champion.

His rivalry, first with Barrington and then later with a number of brilliant Pakistanis, built Geoff's reputation as the most resourceful player of modern times.



As an organiser I have known Geoff for nearly nine years during which time he was never less than helpful and courteous, even under the severest pressure, such as following one of his rare defeats.

He was a one-off, both on and off the court. He was always ready to talk to the press and meet the sponsors. His general self effacing qualities are well known and made him an endearing personality.

His presence on the court will be missed by all connected with the game – particularly the Pakistani players who held him in the highest regard.

Fortunately, Geoff's phlegmatic disposition will have allowed him to come to terms quickly with his enforced retirement. He always missed his family, increasingly so as his children reached school age.

The public always saw him as the quietly spoken champion going efficiently about his business. What they didn't see was the suitcase life style and loneliness of hotel bedrooms.

And the truth behind Hunt, the champion, Hunt the jet-hopper, the 100,000 miles a year traveller was that he was really Hunt the home-lover.

Mike Palmer

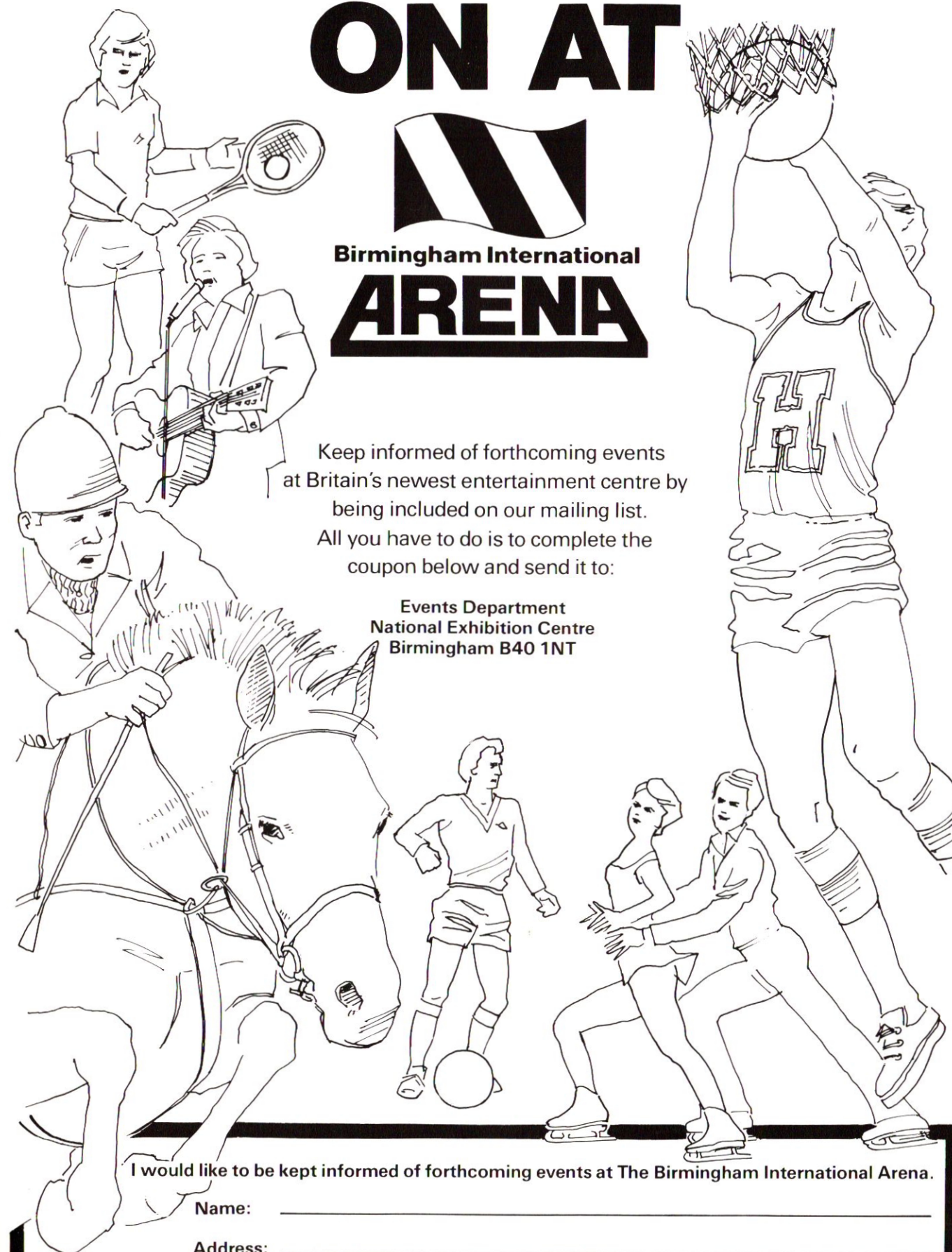
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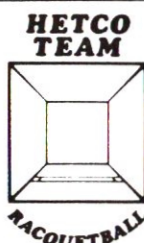
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The Mixed Team and Over 35 Championships have attracted well over 750 club teams this season from all over England, Scotland and Wales. Both competitions represent the backbone of the club game, and with plate competitions operating in both events, more than 1600 matches will be played between September and the end of April. Mention here must be made of the exhilarating successes of Nottingham Squash Club, who will be aiming to go one better than last season when they won the National Mixed Team final, and were runners up to the expertly organised Sheffield side Abbeydale, in the Over 35 final.

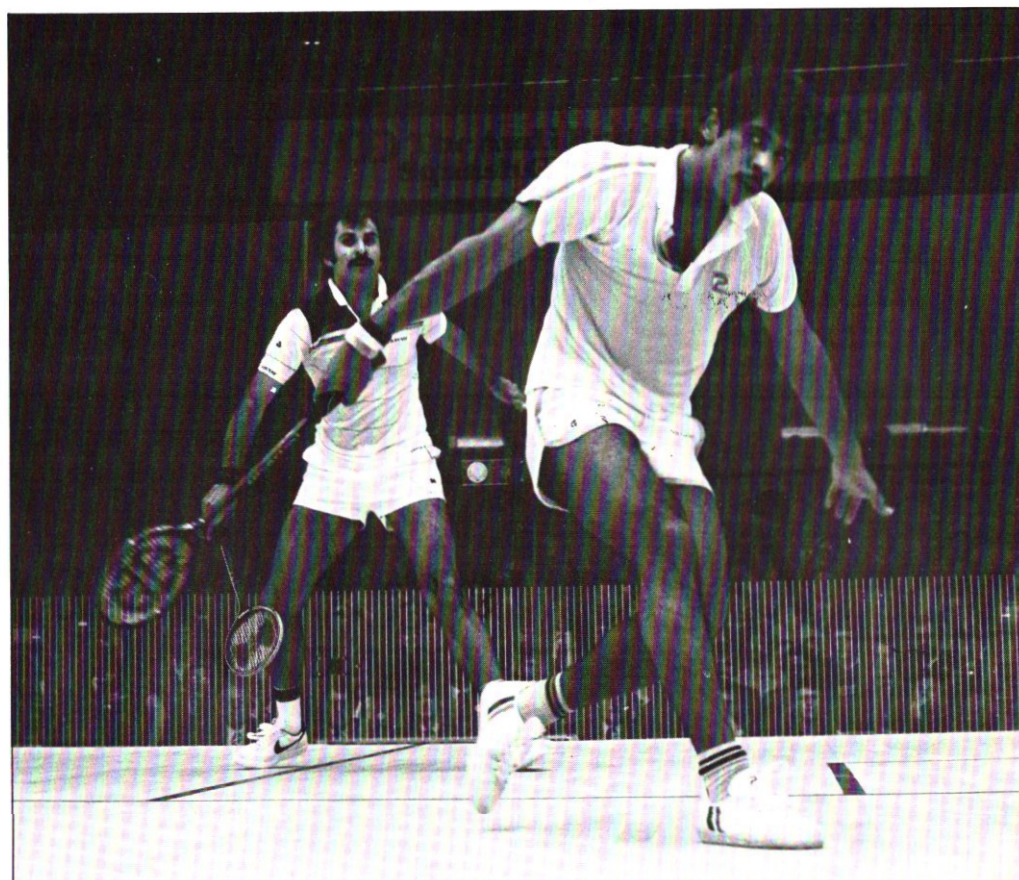
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Audi consider it vital to balance the activities of their sponsorship programme, and hence the importance which they place on the Audi Junior Squash Foundation. The Foundation provides sponsorship for eight of the area junior championships contested at boys U-12, U-14, U-16 and

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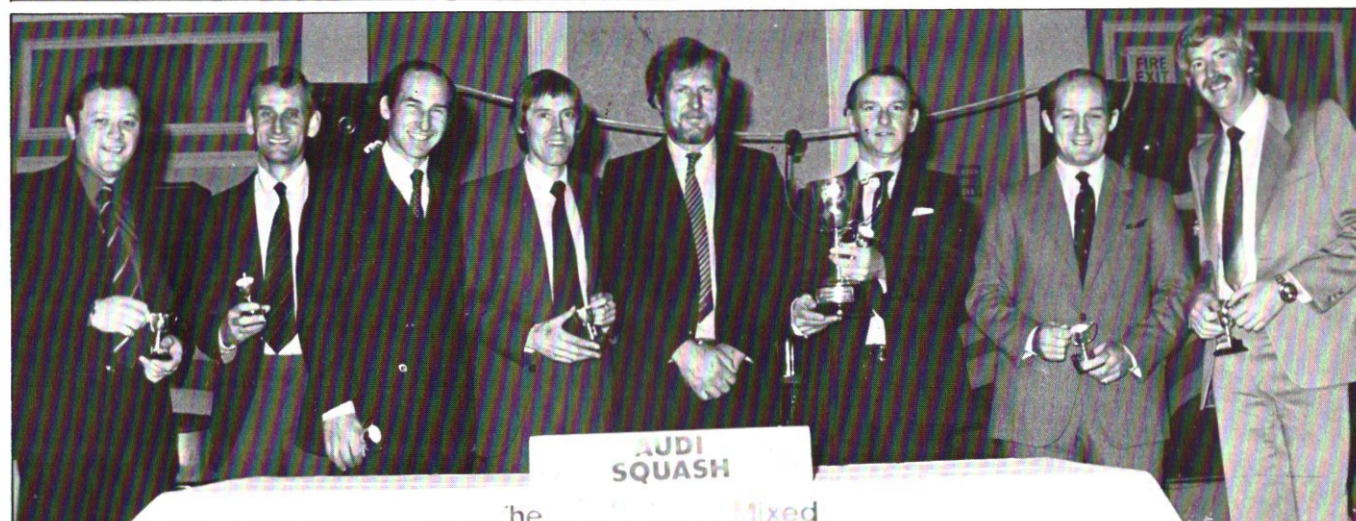
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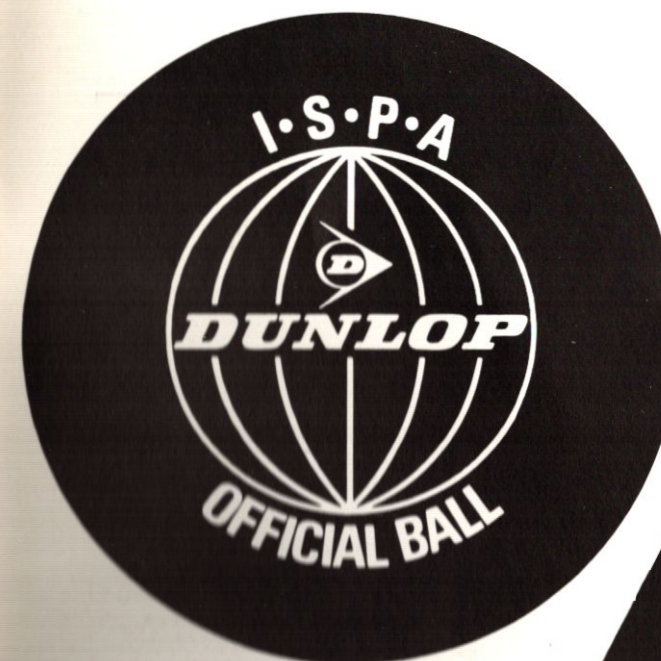
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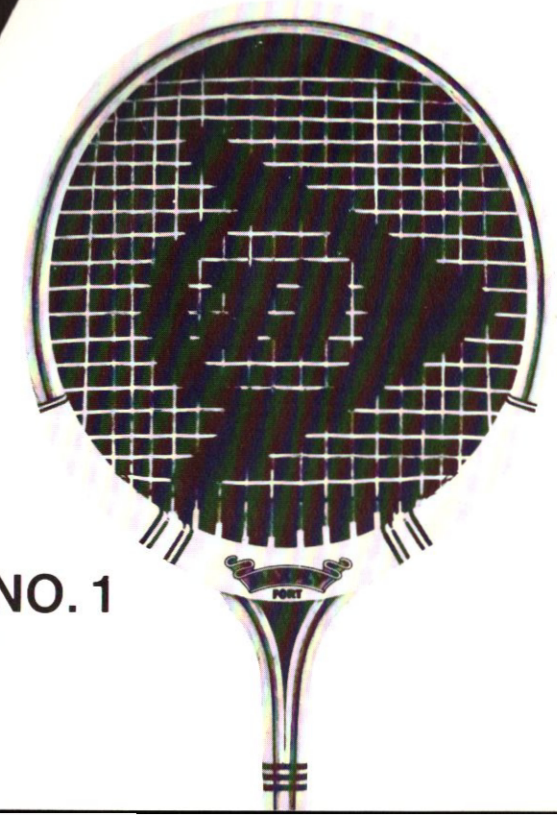
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