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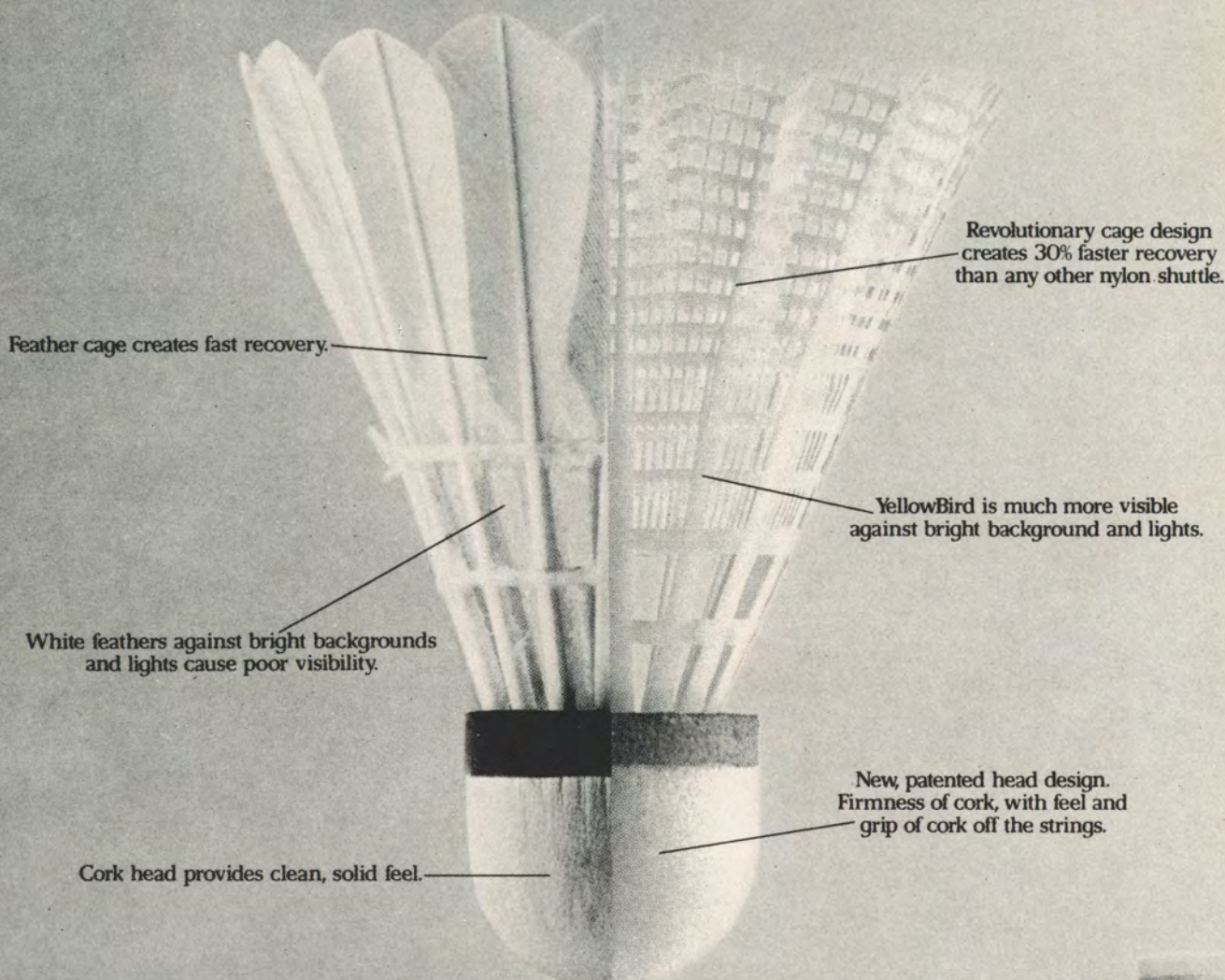
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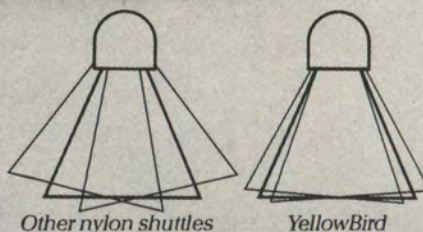


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A Preface from the President

This issue of *World Badminton* is the consequence of a decision taken during the recent Annual General Meeting of the Federation held in Auckland, New Zealand.

At the request of Mr. H.A.E. Scheele of England, who wished to retire as editor of the publication which he initiated, a replacement was appointed. Mr. Lorne Wortman of Canada now takes over that important responsibility. I take this opportunity to sincerely thank Mr. Scheele and his wife Betty for the splendid job they have done over the years with *World Badminton* and trust that many of the ideas they incorporated will continue to be featured in forthcoming issues.

To Mr. Wortman, every success in his new enterprise. Badminton owes him a great deal for his acceptance of the editorship. In the past, he has proved himself to be a most capable administrator and his interest in the future of the game further qualifies him for the job.

At the Annual General Meeting it was also decided that subscription to the publication was mandatory for every Member Association — the number of copies received being proportional to the size of the Association concerned. This will mean a substantial increase in readership and in the coverage of major badminton events. Changes have and will be made to *World Badminton's* format and content, some of which are evident in this edition. Succeeding issues will comprise at least 16 pages.

Another major change in the new magazine is that future editorials will be written by the Council, to reflect its opinions and decisions. This was not the case in the previous magazine, where Mr. Scheele voiced his own opinion, to which he was fully entitled, being the editor.

The Auckland meeting was held in conjunction with the Uber Cup Matches. Japan won a convincing victory over a superb Indonesian team. The matches that I saw were probably some of the best ever played by women competitors. They were televised and, hopefully, video-

taped. In this issue you will read a first hand report by Mr. Brian Humberstone.

The AGM dealt with several other important matters. It was decided to set up a special ad hoc committee for the purpose of obtaining sponsorships that would permit promising players to devote more of their time to badminton and reach even greater heights of proficiency. Such sponsorships would not become effective until after the next AGM in 1979, permitting time for the Federation to study the committee's recommendations carefully in order to protect its members and the players involved from hasty and ill considered decisions. A comprehensive, preliminary proposal is to be discussed at the next Council meeting in Frankfurt this October.

The existing split in the world of badminton was also on the agenda and it was decided that those parties opposing the IBF should be invited to talks where they could suggest ways in which we could overcome our differences. Personally, I feel that the controversy is much smaller than it seems to be. It is not so much a split in the game itself, but a split between those who want to let politics dominate the sport and those who want — as much as possible — to minimize political influence on badminton and sport generally.

I also believe that badminton is heading toward new horizons. Somehow we are growing out of a rather small coat into a much larger one. The game's success will depend on the co-operation between players and administrators — an objective, I am sure, that is shared by us all.

With the Olympics ahead, the IBF must now start the next phase of marketing the game. We wait, however, for the IOC's decision as to where the 1984 Games will be played.

Good luck . . . great badminton . . . and best wishes to all of you.

STELLAN MOHLIN
President

International Badminton Federation

BADMINTON'S FIRST WORLD RANKINGS!

MEN'S SINGLES:

1. Liem Swie King, Indonesia
2. Rudy Hartono, Indonesia
3. Flemming Delfs, Denmark
4. Svend Pri, Denmark
5. Iie Sumirat, Indonesia
6. Thomas Kihlstrom, Sweden
- 7T. Pradupone Prakash, India
- 7T. Sture Johnsson, Sweden

LADIES' SINGLES:

1. Gillian Gilks, England
2. Saori Kondo, Japan
3. Wendy Clarkson, Canada
4. Lene Koppen, Denmark
5. Verawaty Wiharjo, Indonesia
6. Hiroe Yuki, Japan
7. Jane Webster, England
8. Joke Van Beusekom, Holland

MEN'S DOUBLES:

1. Tjun Tjun & Wadjudi, Indonesia
2. Chandra & Christian, Indonesia
3. Ray Stevens & Mike Tredgett, England
4. Bengt Froman & Thomas Kihlstrom, Sweden

LADIES' DOUBLES:

1. A. Tokuda & M. Takada, Japan
2. Imelda Wiguno & Verawaty Wiharjo, Indonesia
3. E. Ueno & Yonekura, Japan
- 4T. Claire Backhouse & Jane Youngberg, Canada
- 4T. Nora Perry & Anne Statt, England
- 4T. Widiastuty & Masli, Indonesia

MIXED DOUBLES:

1. Mike Tredgett & Nora Perry, England
2. Steen Skovgaard & Lena Koppen, Denmark
3. Svend Pri & Gillian Gilks, Denmark and England
4. Rob & Marjan Ridder, Holland

There they are — carefully calculated, but no doubt controversial. They are based by *World Badminton* almost entirely on the results of three major international events — the All England Championships, the European Championships and the Uber Cup Interzone Finals.

Let us give you some of the reasoning behind our choices, even though you may not entirely agree:

MEN'S SINGLES

By virtue of his strong All England victory (average points — against only 6.1 per game) LIEM SWIE KING is the obvious No. 1. Countryman HARTONO after a year out of action survived a narrow 3rd round All England match (18 - 17 in the third) over Johnsson and went on to defeat Delfs in the semi-finals. DELFS the current world champion did not have a great season but he finished strongly to win the European title and gain No. 3. PRI failed to live up to his top seeding at the All England and was unable to compete in the European, but still holds down No. 4 spot. SUMIRAT gains No. 5 for reaching the semis at Wembley. No. 6 goes to KIHLMSTROM, finalist to Delfs in the European. A strong All England performance (losing to Delfs in three) gains PRAKASH a tie for No. 7. JOHNSON, who lost 18 - 17 in the third to Hartono at Wembley and was a European semi-finalist to Delfs shares 7th place.

LADIES' SINGLES

GILKS is the All England champion and clearly No. 1 choice. KONDO was undefeated in the Uber Cup at Auckland and finalist to Gilks at Wembley. CLARKSON, at No. 3, upset reigning world champion Koppen in the All England and lost narrowly to Kondo. KOPPEN had a good win over Yuki at Auckland and captured the European Crown to earn No. 4 spot. WIHARJO, despite a loss to Borgstrom of Denmark in the All England, recovered strongly in the Uber Cup to beat Yuki. YUKI is rated No. 6. WEBSTER was surprise finalist in the European to edge out VAN BEUSEKOM, who lost in 3 to Kondo at Wembley.

MEN'S DOUBLES

The two Indonesian teams, TJUN TJUN/WADJUDI and CHANDRA/CHRISTIAN continue their complete domination of world badminton. In the first four rounds neither pair lost a single game in the All England. STEVENS/TREDGETT lost early in the All England but recovered to win the European title and gain No. 3. FROMAN/KIHLMSTROM were All England semi-finalists and European finalists.

LADIES' DOUBLES

TOKUDA/TAKADA won the All England and were undefeated at Auckland, making this pair an obvious choice for No. 1 in the world. WIGUNO/WIHARJO were early losers at Wembley but redeemed themselves with their Uber Cup victory over the No. 2 Japan team UENO/YONEKURA who were the All England finalists. Tied for 4th place are BACKHOUSE/YOUNGBERG, All England semi-finalists; PERRY/

STATT, the European champions; and WIDIASTUTY/MASLI, All England semi-finalists.

MIXED DOUBLES

TREDGETT/PERRY dominated with victories in the All England and European championships to gain No. 1. World champions SKOVGAARD/KOPPEN were the runners-up in both major events. PRIGILKS extended Tredgett/Perry to three at Wembley and won the Rotterdam International. The RIDDERS were All England and European semi-finalists.

World Badminton plans to publish new world rankings with each issue. These rankings will be updated on the basis of all sanctioned tournaments and International match results in the current period. They will *not* be based on overall results during the course of a playing season, as is normally the case with national rankings published by many national associations, but on a player's latest position as of the ranking date.

Later this year *World Badminton* rankings will be *computerized*, resulting in a clear-cut system of evaluation without the necessity of applying as many subjective judgments as is now the case.

Computerized rankings are now in use in other sports — notably tennis and table tennis. *World Badminton* will be fortunate to be working with an expert in this field, William Thorpe of Ottawa, Canada. Mr. Thorpe has had a great deal of experience in this area. Three years ago he created the first program for computer draws. His program, which follows precisely IBF regulations for national open championships, has been adopted by the Canadian Badminton Association for all major events held in that country. A notable exception, for reasons unknown, is the XI Commonwealth Games held this August in Edmonton, Canada.

Computer *draws* require considerably less time and effort, producing a 64-draw in less than a minute including a scheduled time for each match and a draw sheet which can be reproduced in a program without the cost of typesetting.

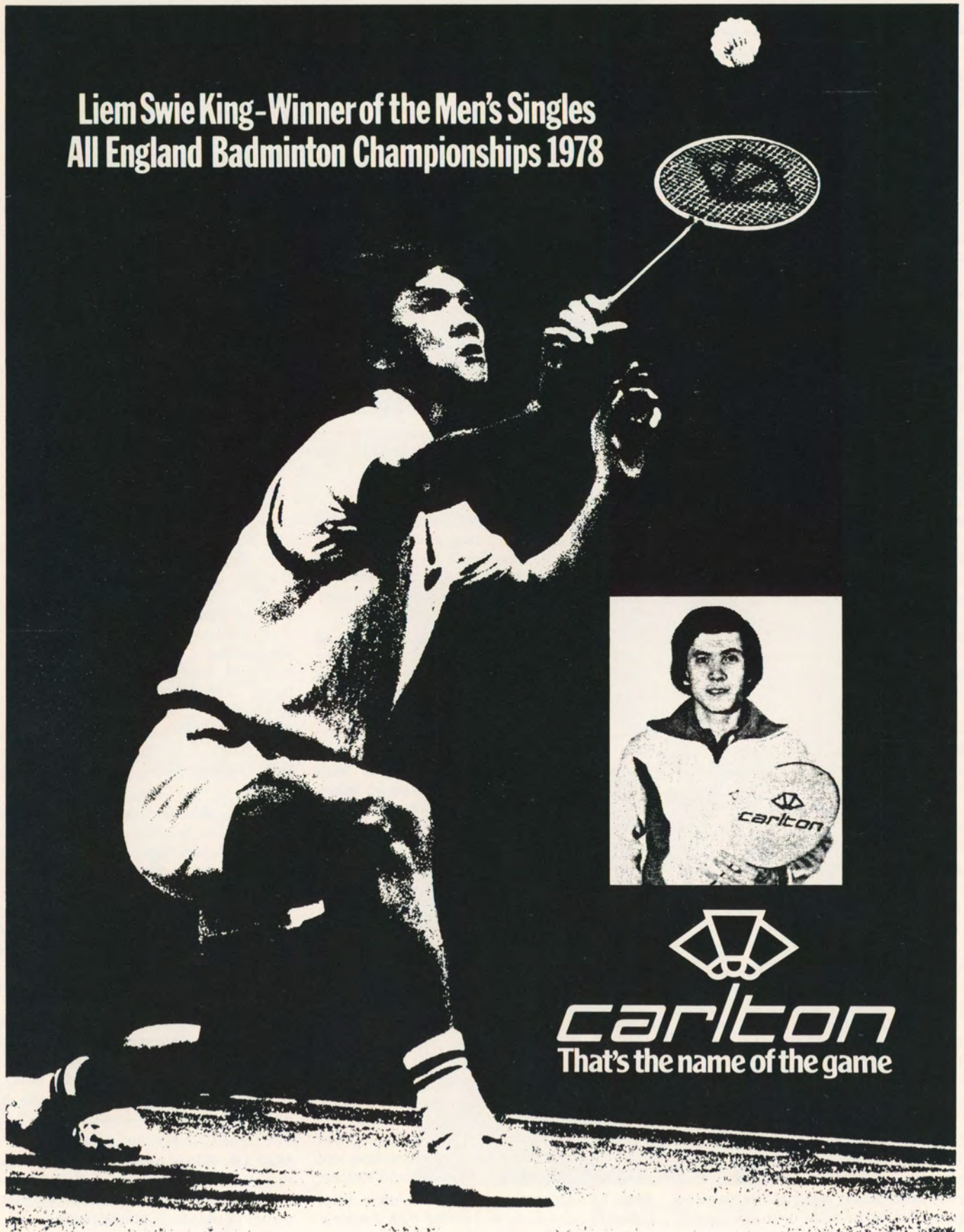
Computer *rankings* may prove much more complicated. The only judgment factor required in draw making is at the time of seeding. But for rankings, judgment must be applied in several ways. Should all matches between players be considered equal? Or should the All England be given highest priority? Are the scores of a match relevant? How long should a particular result be recognized — 3 months, 6 months, a year? All of these vital questions must be answered before the computer takes over.

Read the next issue of *World Badminton* to see how close we have come to the eventual goal of computer rankings. In the meantime, all national associations which have players listed above, will be requested to submit to us on September 30th, the results of all sanctioned competitive matches in which these players have participated. Special report forms for this purpose will be mailed to the associations concerned early that month.

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JAPAN CAPTURES UBER CUP IN AUCKLAND

By Brian Humberstone

Mr. Humberstone is sports editor of the New Zealand Herald — that country's largest newspaper. He has covered the Olympic Games on four occasions, winning the Dulux Award for sports journalism when they were played in Montreal. He will be attending the XI Commonwealth Games which are being held in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada this month.

New Zealand badminton enthusiasts will long remember the golden fortnight when Auckland (our largest city of about 750,000) became world capital for the sport during the staging of the 8th contest for the women's Uber Cup trophy.

As predicted by many, it was won by the splendid Japanese team, who downed Indonesia on the final day by 5-2 after gaining a winning 4-2 lead.

But the result, at least to the hosts, was not necessarily the main feature. Perhaps it was secondary to the fact that badminton gained many more followers because of the wizardry shown by so many of the teams over the 5 rounds in Auckland.

Badminton is a thriving, lively sport in this country, but it would scarcely rate among the top 10 in its number of players. Now, as a result of that wonderful fortnight and the generous coverage given by its press, New Zealand badminton, in the words of the National Federation chairman, Murray Weatherston, "could enter a new era."

The 1978 Uber Cup left a treasure of memories. Here are just a few of them:

- ★ The wonderful mid-week match in which Lene Koppen beat Hiroe Yuki — the only win for Denmark against the rampant Japanese.
- ★ The courageous but fairly hopeless fight of the United States against the former champions, Indonesia.
- ★ The first womens' doubles on the final day in which Verawaty Wiharjo and Imelda Wiguno downed Japan's Yoshiko Yonekura and Emiko Ueno after so many stirring rallies.
- ★ The tears cascading down the cheeks of Hiroe Yuki as she stepped forward to receive the prestigious Uber Cup.

But perhaps the best way to tell of those 14 golden days is to treat them in diary form, relating a few highlights from each day:

May 7 The Japanese were the first of the five visiting sides to reach Auckland. They looked extremely attractive in vivid green blazers and white skirts. "Which one is Yuki?" asked the press, and the famous champion did her best to answer questions in her uncertain English.

May 9 Into Auckland flew the Danes after an exhausting flight of more than thirty hours. Tom Bacher, the astute coach of the team, began to speak of the pressures which would be facing the Japanese, who had been installed as favourites for the contest. One wonders if Tom meant some of his views to be noted by the Japanese prior to their semi-



The victorious Japanese team from left to right: Yoshiko Yonekura, Emiko Ueno, Mikiko Tokada, Atsuko Tokudo, Saori Kondo, Hiroe Yuki with Uber Cup, Hiroe Amanoe (Coach) and Mr. Takafusa Itagak (Manager).

final of May 17. Flying in the same day were the Australians who, as a result of the rearranged draw, now faced the Japanese on the second day of the contest. "We'll be doing our best," said manager Mrs. June Bevan, "We've got nothing to lose."

May 10 The Indonesians touched down at Auckland International Airport — and they had the Uber Cup. On the same day it was revealed that Lene Koppen had beaten her coach, a former All England doubles champion, in a training session. The world champion incidentally was relieved to find that the temperatures were much warmer than during her visit to Auckland for an international tournament the previous year. Also having their first hit that day were the Americans, perhaps the biggest unknown quantity of the five visiting sides.

May 11 There was an unfortunate setback for the Indonesians when their manager, Mr. Suharso Suhandinata, received a message that his father (who died later) was seriously ill and that he would have to return to Jakarta. Much now depended on the young coach, Christian Hadinata, to prepare his players.

May 12 All was in readiness for the first tie — New Zealand vs. the United States the following day. Many predicted that this could be the closest tie of the entire series. How wrong they were. Leith Shand, the home coach, was pleased that his squad had been cutting down on errors in training and spoke of a possible 5-2 New Zealand victory.

May 13 Opening day began with a brief colourful ceremony and ended with the com-

plete trouncing of the New Zealand team, 7-0. Numerous questions were asked about New Zealand and what went wrong? But perhaps that was being a little ungenerous to the Americans who brought such a disciplined approach to their game. The only New Zealander to put up a real fight was the number 3 singles player, Robin Denton, who took Judianne Kelly to 11-9 in the third game. The New Zealander, mother of a seven-months old daughter, played some delightful angles to win early points. But Miss Kelly, a honey-blond physical education teacher, came back well to take the rubber.

May 14 All the majesty and might of Japan were brought into play against the luckless Australians, who could only garner 19 points, while their opponents established a winning 4-0 lead. Although they were outclassed the Australians never gave up trying, and it said much for the resolution of Audrey Swaby and Beverley Hite that they should go to a 7-1 lead against the All England champions, Atsuko Tokuda and Mikiko Takada before the Japanese took charge. The Japanese really did provide an exciting new dimension of the game to New Zealanders, who were impressed by the ease with which the Asians could delay their stroke so late and find holes in the Australians' defence right from the back of the court.

May 15 There was no play this day, but there was a lively battle off court between the Danes and the Japanese. Against Australia, Yuki had played number 1, Miss

Tokuda 2 and Saori Kondo three. But the Japanese created a stir when they submitted Kondo, Yuki and Tokuda in that order. Tom Bacher refused to accept such a change, and then the referee, Mr. Val Horne ruled that Yuki should stay at one, and Kondo and Tokuda should be second and third respectively.

Still the Danes were not happy. How could the Japanese justify such a change in the short time that had elapsed since their tie with Australia? None of the Japanese singles players had showed poor form and there had been no injuries, claimed the Danish coach. The Japanese camp, however, replied that Kondo was recovering from a shoulder injury and reminded all concerned that she was the All Japan champion and runner-up in the last All England. The decision was left to a special committee hearing to be held the next day.

May 16 The Indonesians made it to the final by gaining a clear 7-0 victory over the United States. Yet all must have left Badminton Hall wondering just what the Americans might have done if their team had come from a country where badminton was a major sport. Often throughout her visit to New Zealand the American manager, Vicki Toutz, spoke of the need for sponsorship and for more money to be injected into the game back home. Miss Toutz emphasized how much her team would love to make regular tours of Europe and play in the All England and other great European events. Yes, it was a 7-0 victory for Indonesia, but in most of those matches there were times when it seemed that the Americans had the ability to actually win the rubber. Cheryl Carton, for instance, took a 6-1 lead in the second game against the opposing number one, Verawaty Wiharjo, only to be overtaken. And Cindy Baker was a game and 7-3 up against Lie Ing Hoa, who had to settle down and play some safe, economical stuff to win the match. The Indonesians left the impression that they were capable of consistent badminton, but did they have the flair and the skill to overcome their predicted opponents, Japan, in Saturday's final?

May 17 Apart from Lene Koppen's success over Yuki, the Japanese — playing Kondo at 2 and Tokuda at 3 — swept the Danes without much trouble. The Koppen-Yuki match, however, was one of the finest ever seen in this country. There was the speed of Koppen around the court and the elegant stroking of Yuki to make the gallery gasp. Koppen won 11-5, 12-10.

Every bit as impressive was Kondo, wonderfully agile as she moved into smash after smash often taking to the air to score her winners.

The Danes suffered a second misfortune this day. Shortly before midnight, Imre Rietveld Nielsen took a nasty spill. The next day she had to have an operation on a torn tendon, although she was able to leave with her team mates at the end of the contest.

May 18 Administration took the stage this

day, when the International Badminton Federation held its Annual Meeting. Much smaller attendance than usual was an embarrassing reminder to officials of the rift created in the game through the formation of the World Badminton Federation.

The meeting will be remembered for the failure of Sweden to oust Taiwan from the IBF and the latter country agreeing to drop ROC (Republic of China) from after its name. It was a concession grudgingly made, said Stanley Jones, an eloquent English lawyer looking after Taiwan's interests. Open Badminton was deferred for a year, despite moves by Sweden and Canada to introduce it at this stage.

But the players were not entirely forgotten on this day. There was much interest in the announcement that Japan would retain the same team and singles' order for the final and Indonesia was bringing Regina Masli into the doubles following her recovery from an injury.

May 19 Apart from a reception at which Stellan Mohlin, the IBF president, made a witty speech and a Council meeting which tightened its policy toward countries which wished to flirt with the WBF, the great discussion surrounded the outcome of the next day's final. Indonesia or Japan — the latter being the hot favourites.

May 20 At about 5.45 p.m. Atsuko Tokuda and Mikiko Takada scored match point against Imelda Wiguno and Verawaty Wi-

harjo to gain a winning 4-2 lead. Yet the fact that it had taken four and one-half hours for the Japanese to reach this position is testimony to the courage and skill with which their opponents defended the trophy.

The losers had contributed much on this final day. There had been the unexpected dominance of Miss Wiharjo. Her power and consistency were too much for Yuki, who simply could not get in the game.

And then there was the great doubles win of Misses Wiguno and Wiharjo against Emiko Ueno and Yoshiko Yonekura. The glistening Uber Cup beside the court was, I suspect, forgotten by both players and spectators as point after point was decided by superb skill and rarely by stupid error. Such sustained brilliance at the back of court and close to the net by all four players brought much applause. New Zealanders may not see another such game for a long, long time.

But in the end it was the all-round brilliance of the Japanese which ensured the Cup's journey back to Tokyo. Kondo was far too strong for Lie Ing Hoa, as was Atsuko Tokuda for Tjan So Gwan.

Japan finally finished off the contest, winners by 5-2. All that was now required was the closing ceremony at which a tearful Yuki accepted the trophy for the winners and Pam Bristol, the American girl, made a charmingly short speech on behalf of the players.

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Ranked No. 2 in the world, Verawaty Wiharjo (crouching) and Imelda Wiguno of Indonesia.

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Thus ended the greatest fortnight in the history of New Zealand badminton. Herewith results of the five matches with the players of the first mentioned teams taking precedence in all cases:

QUARTER-FINALS

United States v. New Zealand

Singles:

Cindy Baker beat Mary Livingston, 12 - 10, 11 - 3; Judianne Kelly beat Robin Denton, 2 - 11, 11 - 9, 11 - 9; Cheryl Carton beat Alison Branfield, 11 - 6, 11 - 2.

Doubles:

Diana Osterhues and Janet Wilts beat Branfield and Denton, 15 - 9, 18 - 15; Pam Bristol and Kelly beat Branfield and Denton, 15 - 11, 17 - 14; Bristol and Kelly beat Sinton and Mrs. Alison Sinton, 15 - 3, 15 - 6; Osterhues and Wilts beat Livingston and Sinton, 15 - 6, 15 - 3.

United States - 7, New Zealand - 0.

Japan v. Australia

Singles:

Atsuko Tokuda beat Audrey Swaby, 11 - 1, 11 - 0; Hiroe Yuki beat Sue Daly, 11 - 3, 11 - 0; Saori Kondo beat Joan Jones, 11 - 2, 11 - 0.

Doubles:

Tokuda and Mikiko Takada beat Swaby and Beverley Hite, 15 - 4, 15 - 9; Emiko Ueno and Yoshiko Yonekura beat Jones and Daly, 15 - 6, 15 - 1; Ueno and Yonekura beat Swaby and Hite, 15 - 4, 15 - 3; Tokuda and Takada beat Jones and Daly, 15 - 1, 15 - 3.

Japan - 7, Australia - 0.

SEMI-FINALS

Indonesia v. United States

Singles:

Verawaty Wiharjo beat Cheryl Carton, 11 - 3, 11 - 8; Tjan So Gwan beat Judianne Kelly, 11 - 2, 12 - 9; Lie Ing Hoa beat Cindy Baker, 8 - 11, 11 - 7, 11 - 2.

Doubles:

Imelda Wiguno and Wiharjo beat Diana Osterhues and Janet Wilts, 15 - 9, 15 - 12; Regina Masli and Lie Ing Hoa beat Pam Bristol and Judianne Kelly, 15 - 12, 12 - 15, 15 - 5; Masli and Hoa beat Osterhues and Wilts, 15 - 18, 15 - 6, 15 - 12; Wiguno and Wiharjo beat Bristol and Kelly, 15 - 12, 15 - 8.

Indonesia - 7, USA - 0.

Japan v. Denmark

Singles:

Hiroe Yuki lost to Lene Koppen, 5 - 11, 10 - 12; Atsuko Tokuda beat Pia Nielsen, 11 - 1, 12 - 10; Saori Kondo beat Inge Borgstrom, 11 - 6, 11 - 3.

Doubles:

Emiko Ueno and Yoshiko Yonekura beat Koppen and Imre Rietveld Nielsen, 15 - 5, 15 - 12; Tokuda and Mikiko Takada beat Pia Nielsen and Borgstrom, 15 - 12, 15 - 4; Tokuda and Takada beat Koppen and Rietveld Nielsen, 15 - 3, 14 - 10 (defaulted with Nielsen injury); Ueno and Yonekura beat Pia Nielsen and Borgstrom, 15 - 11, 15 - 10.

Japan - 6, Denmark - 1.

FINALS

Japan v. Indonesia

Singles:

Saori Kondo beat Lie Ing Hoa, 11 - 3, 11 - 3; Hiroe Yuki lost to Verawaty Wiharjo, 3 - 11, 6 - 11; Atsuko Tokuda beat Tjan So Gwan, 11 - 5, 11 - 4.

Doubles:

Emiko Ueno and Yoshiko Yonekura lost to Imelda Wiguno and Wiharjo, 15 - 10, 8 - 15, 12 - 15; Mikiko Takada and Tokuda beat Regina Masli and Theresia Widiastuty, 15 - 10, 15 - 8; Tokuda and Takada beat Wiguno and Wiharjo, 15 - 5, 15 - 7; Ueno and Yonekura beat Masli and Widiastuty, 15 - 11, 15 - 12.

Japan - 5, Indonesia - 2.



Hiroe Yuki of Japan fought hard against Lene Koppen of Denmark, but to no avail.

Commonwealth Games attract Internationalists

It has been said that this important sporting event is second only to the Olympics in international range and quality. It is being held this month in Edmonton, one of the largest cities in Western Canada. Participating in the badminton events will be teams from Australia, England, Guernsey, India, Isle of Man, Jamaica, Kenya, Malaysia, Mauritius, New Zealand, Northern Ireland, Scotland, Singapore, Trinidad & Tobago, Wales, Zambia and the host country.

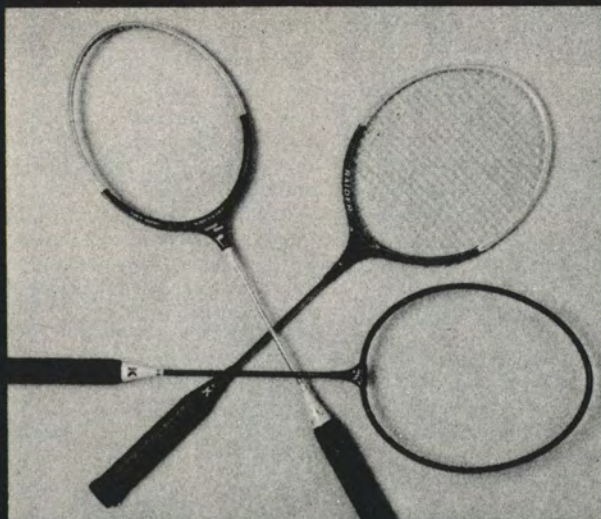
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Open Badminton

The working committee given the job of producing acceptable regulations for "open badminton" held its first meeting in Copenhagen on 30th June. As many people expected they came across far more problems than had at first been realized. The presence of current international players was a great advantage and after long discussion the basis of a set of regulations has emerged.

These will involve changes to the present amateur regulations to ensure that "amateur" players will operate under the Olympic eligibility code, with "licensed" players being allowed to exceed this. Any increased levels of prize money will have to be paid through National Associations and a revised structure of sanction, management and control will be recommended to include representation of all interested parties.

The draft regulations agreed will go to the Council in October and will thereafter be sent out to all members for comment.



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CONDENSED SUMMARY OF DECISIONS TAKEN AT THE IBF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 18th MAY, 1978 IN AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND — twenty-five countries were represented with a total of 59 votes out of a potential 95 votes.

- Financing of new 'World Badminton' magazine adopted by vote — 38 for, 11 against.
- Budgets for 1978 and 1979 adopted.
- It was reported that the Asian Badminton Confederation and the Hong Kong Badminton Association had resigned.
- Association Gallega de Badminton was accepted as a Temporary Associate Member.

It was decided to defer the application of the Africa Badminton Federation as it was thought the name did not cover the actual situation.

Bangladesh Badminton Federation was accepted as a full member after an English motion had been defeated which called for deferment as no definite information was available on the 'World Badminton Federation' situation.

- A Swedish motion to expel Taiwan Badminton Association was defeated by 27 votes in favour of the motion and 30 against.
- After the meeting had formally endorsed the request made by Council that the Taiwan Badminton Association drop the letters R.O.C., it was announced by the delegate from the Taiwan B.A. that they were prepared to do so under protest. The Council motion was not voted on as its condition had been fulfilled. At the President's request, this decision was confirmed in writing by the Taiwan delegates before the end of the meeting. The letter was read to the meeting and found acceptable.
- The membership of the Badminton Associations of Aruba and Malawi were terminated due to unpaid subscription arrears. The Badminton Associations of Iceland and Peru had paid before the meeting.
- The meeting took note of the change of name of the American zone to Pan-American zone.
- Rule 7(c) — alteration agreed.
- Rule 8(g) — alteration agreed.
- Rule 11(c) — alteration agreed.
- Rule 13 — alteration agreed.
- Rule 2(a) — alteration agreed.
- Rule 2(d) — was adopted after a vote: 48 in favour, 9 against. A Swedish resolution to change Rule 2 was withdrawn.
- Rule 16(c) — An amendment to wording was accepted. This wording was adopted by a vote of 42 in favour and 5 against (a two thirds majority was required) and is shown below:

"INSERT after Rule 16(b) the following new Rule:—

16(c) (i) If in the opinion of the Council any member acts directly against the Federation or its principles or purposes the Council may suspend the membership of such member but may remove such suspension at any time.

(ii) If the suspension of a member shall be in operation at the date of a General Meeting, the General Meeting

may by a bare majority of the votes cast confirm or remove the suspension, but confirmation of a suspension by a General Meeting shall not affect the power of the Council to remove the suspension in light of later developments in accordance with sub-rule (i) hereof.

- (iii) During a period of suspension all subscriptions or other payments made or due to the Federation of the suspended member shall be apportioned by the Council. If and so long as a member is suspended such member shall be deprived of all rights of membership and shall not be eligible to participate in any playing event promoted or sanctioned by the Federation or sanctioned by the Federation or in any officially recognized international Badminton fixture."

A similar Swedish motion was withdrawn.

- Law 7 — alteration agreed.
- Law 22 — alteration agreed.
- Law 14(a) — alteration agreed: 45 in favour, 8 against.
- Law 14(d) — referred back to Council for further study on the wording. (Item 36 on 'Recommendation to Umpires' was also referred back to Council for similar reasons.)
- Law 14(f) — referred to Council for further study.
- Law 14(h) — alteration was adopted nem. con.
- T.C./U.C. Reg. 5 — alteration adopted.
- T.C./U.C. Reg. 7(e) — alteration adopted.
- T.C./U.C. Reg. 11(b) — alteration adopted.
- T.C./U.C. Reg. 11(b) (v) — alteration adopted.
- T.C./U.C. Reg. 11(f) — referred back to Council for further study.
- T.C./U.C. Reg. 11(f) (v) — alteration adopted.
- T.C./U.C. Reg. 11 — alteration adopted.
- World Champs. Reg. 3(b) — alteration adopted.
- World Champs. Reg. 10(a) — alteration adopted.

- World Champs. Reg. 10(d) — referred to Council for further study.
- World Champs. Reg. 11 — adopted.

Regulations Governing Amateurism
Clause 2 — alteration adopted.

It was decided that Clause 4 be referred to Council for further study but at a later stage of the meeting it was decided to adopt the last six lines, beginning "IF a player who has been deprived (to end)" as a new Clause 5.

- After a lengthy discussion, the Swedish motion was defeated with 20 votes in favour and 30 against. Thereupon, the Canadian proposal was withdrawn.

A resolution was put forward at this point by the Badminton Association of England, but its introduction was defeated under Rule 12(b). It was, therefore, deferred and was reconsidered under 'Any Other Business'. The proposal to commit the IBF to 'Open Badminton' from the 1979 AGM was adopted by 50 votes in favour with 6 against and was referred to Council to have the necessary legislation ready for the next AGM.

- The following officers were elected for 1978-79:

President:	Mr. S. Mohlin
Vice-Presidents:	Mr. S. R. Chadha; Drs. Sudirman
Hon. Secretary:	Drs. H. Valken
Hon. Treasurer:	Drs. H. Valken

Council:

2 years:	I. D. Palmer; H. R. Ward; M. Khir Johari; L. D. Wortman; P.-E. Nielsen.
1 year:	A. E. Jones; Dr. H. Barge

- After a report was given on the eight replies received in which some were against service court alterations and others wanted longer time for experiments, the matter was again referred to Council.
- Doping and Femininity Controls (IOC controls) were adopted.
- It was decided to hold the next AGM during the Thomas Cup Inter-zone finals being held in Jakarta, Indonesia from 25th May to 5th June, 1979, with 36 votes in favour to 3 against.

- The draw for the Pan-American zone of the 1978-79 Thomas Cup was made as follows:

Bye	U.S.A.	}	
Peru			
Canada			
Bye	Taiwan	}	
Bye	Mexico		

To be completed by 31st March, 1979.

The draw for the Inter-Zone ties was then made:

Bye	Indonesia	}	
Panamerica			
Australasia		}	
Bye	Europe		
Bye	Asia		

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Tournament Titles — any National Organization that wishes to use the name of a sponsor in the title of its National Open Championship should apply to the Council of the Federation for permission.

Pro appointed

We have been advised by R.O. Fyfe, Honorary Secretary of the Australian Badminton Association, that Miss Kay Marie Terry has been declared a professional within the terms of his Association's By Laws.

Open Championship Dates 1978-79

November 1978

23-26 XIV Mexican Open Championships at Mexico City.

Secretary: Miss B. Grebe, Shakespeare 103, Col. Nueva Anzures, Mexico 5, D.F.

29-2nd Canadian Open at Toronto. Dec.

December 1978

1-2 Welsh Open Championships at National Sports Centre, Cardiff.

Secretary: Mrs. M. Hybart, Lynwood, Tal-y-garn, Pontyclun, Mid-Glamorgan.

1-3 Polish Open Championships at Wroclaw.

Secretary: Mrs. J. Slawska, Polish Badminton Assn., 03-901 Warsaw, Stadion X-lecia.

February 1979

16-17 Irish Open Championships at Dublin

Secretary: Tournament Secretary, Irish Open Champs., c/o Badminton Hall, Whitehall Road, Teremure, Dublin.

March 1979

10-13 Danish Open Championships

21-24 All England Championships at Wembley

Secretary: Tournament Secretary, B. A. of E., 44-45 Palace Road, Bromley, Kent. BR1 3JU

May 1979

5-6 International Championships of Slovenia at Ljubljana

Secretary: Mr. M. B. Zaletel, Kidriceva ulica 6, 61000 Ljubljana.

August 1979

14-17 Selangor (50th Anniversary) Invitation Championships at Kuala Lumpur.

Secretary: Mr. V. Nadesalingam, Public Trustee Office, Law Court Building, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

28-1st New Zealand Open Championships at Waitemata. Sept.

Secretary: Mr. G. Robertson, P.O. Box 2685, Wellington.

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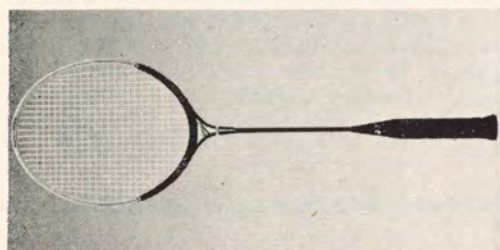
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