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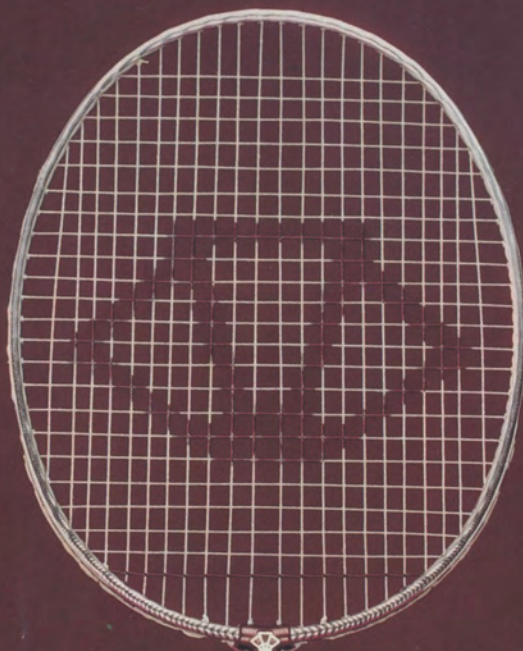
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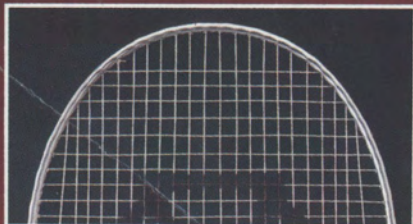
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readers' letters.

TO CUT OR NOT TO CUT... ...THAT IS THE DILEMMA



"TO be or not to be: that is the question," soliloquised a perplexed Hamlet. "To cut or not to cut" (the serve) must be the thought now uppermost in the minds of the worried IBF law-makers. For, as this magazine is being printed, the IBF may well be debating this thorny issue.

Yet a bare 12 months ago, the reverse spin-serve, if not exactly welcomed with open arms (51 voters to 35 against: not the required *two-thirds* majority) had been grudgingly accepted as one of the family. For a trial run, at least.

Why now the worried frowns, the hasty re-appraisal? The answer lies largely in the trim form of a 5'4" Chinese girl rejoicing in the name of Wu Dixi — and a cut serve the like of which has probably never been seen before and possibly deserves a place in the Guinness Book of Records. Until Wu's advent — or that of her serve — the pros and cons had been fairly evenly balanced. Now, surely, the mere 77 grains of her shuttle thuds the balance decisively down against the serve.

First though, the pros. No game can remain a museum piece and thrive. It must move with the times, develop new techniques and tactics if it is to maintain the interest of player and spectator alike.

Hadn't the server, too long, been the whipping boy, the underdog? Hedged about by no fewer than six restrictive laws, constantly plundered and pillaged by rapacious toe-to-the-line receivers. Not surprisingly in a desperate fight for survival, normally law-abiding men and women had stretched those laws to the limit — to the limit of even lynx-eyed service judges' abilities.

To end the one-sided battle, to restore the balance, it had been suggested — and even tested — that the receiver must be forced to move his base back 12" or 18", so taking the shuttle later. Without the inconvenience of additional court marking the spin-serve had achieved just this. In all fairness the server's new-found means of survival surely could not straightaway be dashed from his hands.

Besides, hadn't the first overarm tennis serves been greeted with the same horrified clamour? Wasn't the power



The start of the Wu Dixi serve. It ends with the shuttle swerving like a paper dart in a high wind.

serve — and its defiant reply — one of the glories of the game? If the cut smash and the cut drop-shot were acceptable, then why should the cut serve be singled out for different treatment?

The receivers' lobby, however, still had plenty of powder and shot. The only answer to the viciously spinning serve was to let it drop and then to lift to the

server's eager partner. That surely spelt shorter rallies: badminton would be in on the big serve, big-volley, short-rally tennis syndrome.

Besides, there was the expense. Spin servers thrive on a crisp shuttle, so changes were becoming more frequent. Add strings, cutting across feathers, could only add to an already swollen shuttle bill.

Honours were roughly even, in on-court play as well as off-court debate. Extra bite certainly gave the receiver problems, tipped the balance on occasions — but that extra bite wasn't always there. At least not until 28th March in the Wembley Arena when, during the final of the Ladies' doubles, Miss Wu Dixi etched her name as deep into badminton lore as did William Webb Ellis for rugby when he first picked up a ball and ran with it.

She cut the shuttle to such good effect that it swerved like a paper dart in a high wind, like a frolicsome boomerang. Players of the class of Verawaty-Fajrin, the world singles champion and Ruth Damayanti poked and prodded at it like un-coordinated beginners in a travesty of the game. Powerful, potential champions lost to a weaker pair — mainly on the strength of a *single* stroke.

Doubtless Miss Dixi can, and will, do it again. So, too, will others. The IBF's function is to maintain badminton as an enjoyable game and a pleasing spectacle. Miss Dixi's serve reduced it almost to a farce. Good play became impossible as for Trevino and Nicklaus putting on worm-cast greens or Boycott and Gooch batting on the village pitch against Lillee!

Enough is enough. The IBF will surely have to act. A lawyer's skill may be needed to arrive at the veto's wording. One that is open to no doubtful interpretations, one that will in no way debar the unoffending basic backhand serve. The last essential is that the wording will not add to the manifold problems of minute distinction that already beset the harassed service-judge.

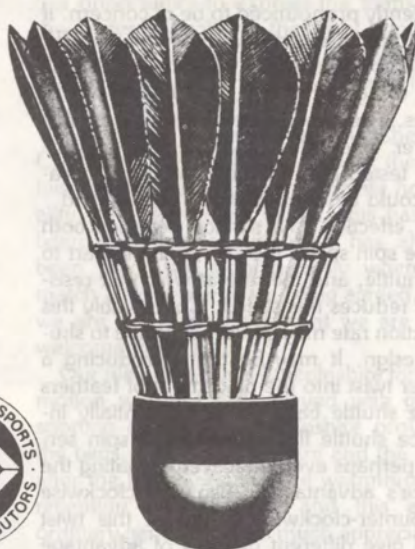
Players' initiative and hard practice would, sadly, be set at naught — but the overall game must benefit.

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New twist on the shuttle dilemma

SIR — Judging by reports and comments that have appeared on the (reverse) spin service, I wonder whether what may be a fundamental aspect has been overlooked.

To be propelled, a shuttlecock has to be hit on its base. Base and feathers can be hit (effectively) simultaneously, but hitting feathers alone cannot effect a return. A shuttle travelling feathers-first over the net and continuing in that fashion until it hits the ground would be unreturnable. If it is possible to deliver a service so that the shuttle behaves in this manner, the game would become a farce — the player winning the toss would proceed to deliver 15 unreturnable feathers-first services.

Usually air-resistance effects ensure that shortly after being hit the shuttle is travelling base-first. However, spinning the shuttle temporarily negates this correction. Until frictional effects slow the spin-rate sufficiently, the shuttle will not fly base-first, but rather with an orientation determined by the axis about which it was originally spun. In exactly the same way a spinning top will stay upright (apparently "defying gravity"), until its spin rate slows sufficiently and it falls over.

Thus, in *principle*, a shuttle could be made to land unreturnably feathers-first in the opposite service court, by spinning it appropriately on service.

Protagonists of the spin-service have based their case predominantly on analogy. They argue comparisons with other sports, and new service types previously introduced in badminton, where receivers developed counters in due course. The hole in this reasoning is that there is no comparison with the feathers-first shuttle and its associated unreturnability.

A feathers-first service may be possible in *principle*, but the crucial question is whether it can be achieved in *practice*. This depends on whether the shuttle can be spun sufficiently fast. If service action can produce this spin speed, or seems likely to do so in the future as players improve their techniques, there can be no argument against legislation to outlaw the spin service.

It would be very interesting to see published a sequence of high-speed photo-

graphs of the flight of a shuttle following a spin service. These should give an idea of whether this feathers-first effect is sufficiently pronounced to be of concern. If this is the case, one would think the IBF should consider commissioning a scientific study using high-speed photographic techniques. The experience of a shuttle manufacturer who advertised their nylon products tested by a leading scientific laboratory could be of assistance in this regard.

An effective spin service depends both on the spin speed the server can impart to the shuttle, and the rate at which air resistance reduces this speed. Conceivably this reduction rate may be very sensitive to shuttle design. It may be that introducing a greater twist into the placement of feathers in the shuttle base could substantially influence shuttle flight following a spin service, perhaps even effectively negating the service's advantages. Also, the clockwise or counter-clockwise nature of this twist could give different degrees of advantage to left and right-handers, and forehand and reverse spin servers. If this proves to be the case, legislators may find themselves with a bigger can of worms than they realise.

DR. D. S. BUTTERWORTH
Department of Applied Mathematics
University of Cape Town

An invitation from Holland

SIR — In view of the fact that our badminton club will be celebrating its 25th anniversary during the 1982/83 season, we are planning to organise a meeting between our club and two clubs from abroad. We have already sent invitations to our sporting friends in Germany and would like to take this opportunity to invite an English club to the Netherlands in February 1983 to be our guests for a long sporting and social weekend.

For information, here are some details about our club:
We have 350 members; our first team will play next season in the second league of the Netherlands; we run a total of eleven teams; and have a playing area containing eight courts.

Our village is situated half an hour from Rotterdam airport and one hour's drive from the Hook of Holland.

We thank you in advance for your kind co-operation and interest.

J. W. STELLING,
B. C. Florida,
Holland.

Editor's note: All clubs interested should contact the BA of E National Badminton Centre, Bradwell Road, Loughton Lodge, Milton Keynes. (Tel: (0908) 568822.)

Women and power in badminton

SIR — Referring to your editorial "*When silence is NOT golden*", published in the September 1981 issue, may I say that I think you could have stirred up a hornets' nest which is likely to start a war on men in badminton power.

Here are a few statistics which could prove eye-openers to down-trodden women. The IBF Statute Book claims that the Federation is the "Sole Governing Body" in the game of badminton in the world. Since its inception in 1934, there have been 133 past officials out of which ONLY TWO have been women... one of whom was a Maharani! Of the present governing body consisting of President, VPs, Councillors, Continental Rep's, Sub-Committees, etc arrives a total round figure of 80 VIPs. There are again just two ladies — a hard-worked Gen. Secy and, probably as a sop to women players... a solitary top woman player.

The National Federations have gladly followed the example of their domineering chauvinist peers, for out of 61 executives there appear to be only eight lady organisers.

You wonder about ladies being silent. Is it surprising, considering they have been deprived from the beginning, in spite of badminton being referred to as a "Ladies' Game", in spite of struggling women chaining themselves to rails, burning bras, or demanding in Parliament "We want what the men have!"

But seriously, if you think about it, don't you agree that women are being deprived of their rights? Uber Cup tournaments; Ladies' singles, Doubles; Mixed events in International and World Championships... but still NO women executives, Managers, or Chief Referees, in world events. It makes my blood boil at the way men have dominated... and intend to keep on dominating badminton positions at the top. Women have shown from the earliest ages that they can rise to the very top in a nation... witness Cleopatra, Catherine of Russia; Golda Meir, Indira Gandhi, and now, Margaret Thatcher.

I hope this letter will not be thrown into the waste basket. I feel other ladies should be encouraged to bring their views into the open. But because I don't want to be the target for hundreds of powerful males, I request you not to publish my name or address.

"A DISGRUNTLED FEMALE"

Tributes from Cheshire

SIR — Cheshire County Badminton has recently lost two of its oldest members in Harold Morland, a founder Vice-President and Norman Wrench who was a regular member of the successful Cheshire team in the pre-war years.

Harold represented Lancashire in both tennis and badminton and played for England five times in the latter sport in 1936/52. He was made an Honorary Vice-President of the B. A. of E. following his retirement as the Association's Treasurer in 1951. For many years, too, he was Treasurer of the International Badminton Federation. He was an active churchman and during his latter years, a keen golfer with his wife, Reta.

Norman Wrench, also was a first-class county player representing Cheshire in both tennis and badminton. At one time he was Honorary Secretary of the old Lancashire and Cheshire BA which was founded by a small group of professional and city players on Merseyside. He is survived by his wife Vera and family.

BILL EWING
President Cheshire
County B. A.

Enough is enough

SIR — I feel I must voice my opinion on the reverse spin service. I, too, have decided that enough is enough and that it should be banned.

I don't feel that it is a technical advance. Tennis and squash have not introduced new service styles yet they are more popular than ever today. Why, therefore, should badminton?

With top quality feathers at over £1 each being virtually demolished or seriously distorted after the reverse spin service by hitting feathers first — what is the cork head for?

After years of trying to achieve a near perfect flying missile with best feathers and a well-balanced cork, etc. — what has it all been for? Now the life span of a top-quality shuttle has virtually reached zero point.

I think it is time for a return to normal serving. If we don't then no doubt in time there will be no such thing as foul serving. Already I have noticed the reverse spin service creeping above the waist line on lot of occasions.

No doubt there would be second thoughts about the reverse spin service if top players had to provide their own feathers.

U. KASPER,
Lancaster.

Appreciation from Ulster

SIR — May I, through your magazine, take this opportunity to express the thanks for the Ulster Branch for the most generous and kind hospitality shown to our team which competed in the English Inter-County Championships.

We thank, in particular, the Cheshire County team and officials who for the past two seasons have provided private hospitality. We have never asked, this has not been necessary as the offer has always been made so spontaneously when the match arrangements are being agreed, that we are left in no doubt that we are very welcome visitors.

Our play-off against Lincolnshire for promotion was not only played with good, sporting spirit, but Lincolnshire provided the beds, paid the court hire and the meal after the match. Again, the warmth of the reception was fantastic and this extraordinary generosity was much appreciated.

Our team is basically made up of young players and they desperately need this type of competition to help them develop. We thank the Badminton Association of England for accepting us into their domestic competition, and the English counties who entertain us for not making us feel like interlopers.

We would welcome the opportunity to return this hospitality. Many sporting teams now come to compete in Ulster, including the England 'B', Scottish, Welsh, Norwegian, Indian, American and Dutch international squads. We extend the hand of friendship and the offer of equally warm hospitality to any of the English County teams who may agree to play in Ulster.

MRS. A. E. KINKEAD
Gen. Secty.
BU of Ireland (Ulster Branch)

The one-shuttle charade

SIR — A bird in the hand is worth twelve in the tube when the little red book says "thou shalt no covet thy neighbour's higher ranking".

I was dismayed to see the victor of a great player like Miss Ivana Lie of Indonesia in a tight hour-and-a-half match, in three games, seemingly go through a charade, the next day, to lose to her higher-ranked compatriot in less than ten minutes.

I therefore claim the record (Guinness, please note) of umpiring a quarter-final in the ladies' singles in the All-England Championships this year, when no new shuttles were used. The ladies on my court used one shuttle in the entire match, and the warming-up one at that!

CYNTHIA JOEL,
Umpire, Guildford.

Let's pool our youthful talent

SIR — I refer to Ian Graham's article concerning the Under-16 triangular series in Malmo, published in the April edition, when he comments on the Danes' routing of England and calls for a radical re-think at junior level.

Badminton is no different from most other sports in our small country. It lacks facilities, organisation and, of course, sufficient funds.

As a relative newcomer to the ESBA scene, and one involved at grass roots level — ages 10-14 — I soon became exposed to the weaknesses of our system and the dreaded "us" and "them" syndrome:-

"Unless you live in the South East area, players will not be noticed, and, of course, you lack quality coaches and sufficient competition."

The merits of those comments are irrelevant; is not the way forward to pool our limited resources by bringing together, at regular intervals, all our raw talent, perhaps even from the age of 12?

In recent years counties such as Lancashire, Yorkshire, Derbyshire, Northants, and Nottinghamshire have produced talented youngsters, however not necessarily in depth, so surely the way forward is to co-ordinate our effort. We have in Milton Keynes a centre accessible to most, and I know from my own travels that we have many committed players, coaches and, of course, willing parents.

Could any other country's U12s beat this team — Gallup, Laskey, Peatfield, Dineen, Harmsworth, Campbell, Day and Spencer?

MIKE SPENCER
Nottinghamshire

Too much pressure

SIR — I think badminton should be played for "pleasure". I feel that the game is taken too seriously by far too many people, especially the parents of young county players.

I am a junior county player and I used to enjoy my badminton immensely, but recently I feel I have had too much pressure put on me by my parents and I am not enjoying my game as much as I should be.

I know a lot of other players feel the same way; some have even given up playing completely because of their parents' constant pressurising.

If you have a son or daughter who plays badminton at a good level, by all means give your help and support, but don't pressurise him or her too much, it is not fair on them.

ANONYMOUS,
Essex.

SURREY SWINGS INTO TOP GEAR

HISTORY has a habit of repeating itself. Yorkshire's confrontation with Surrey in the 1967 Inter-County Championship final at Bradford resulted in a 13-2 win for the southern visitors.

Now, 15 years later, Surrey have again made the trip north to take on a strong Yorkshire side and emphasised their dominance in this season's final by notching up their 20th championship title with a convincing 11-6 victory.

Both teams were at full strength for this annual battle of county giants and prior to the match spectators and participants alike felt it would be a close encounter. Yorkshire supporters had done their team proud and the Huddersfield Sports Centre provided the focal point for the many hundreds who made the pilgrimage from the peaks and plains of this great county. Surrey, not to be outdone, arranged for a fleet of coaches to make the 400 mile round trip and southern support was much in evidence.

After the five singles events, Surrey had a narrow lead of 3-2 with Mark Elliott, Karen Bridge and Fiona Elliott scoring victories over John Unwin, Paula Kilvington and Di Simpson. Mike Brown (Yorks) had a comfortable win over Simon Radley (Surrey) while Don Burden (Yorks) took 1¼ hours successfully to settle his differences against Steve Jordan (Surrey).

The first two men's doubles were halved but then the Surrey girls pulled away and opened a significant gap. The experienced Karen Bridge & Fiona Elliott (Surrey) romped away against Pat Waldron & Linda Whittaker while Wendy Poulton & Alison Fulton (Surrey) slowly wore



Members of the victorious Surrey team



The gallant but unsuccessful Yorkshire side (Pics: Peter Richardson)

down Paula Kilvington & Gillian Topliss in three.

Six-three to Surrey before the reverse doubles and Yorkshire needed to halve the honours to stay in the match. Surrey, perhaps thinking of the long journey back, kicked into top gear and mopped up three of the four doubles matches to give them a 9-4 winning lead in the tie, and ensured Surrey's name would appear on the County Championship roll of honour for the 20th time.

With the match tucked away, Steve Jordan withdrew from the Mixed through illness and gave Yorkshire a walkover victory in one event which was later added to by Mike Brown & Pat Waldron who overcame Mark Elliott & Karen Bridge. Surrey victories for Duncan Bridge & Fiona Elliott over Phil Kidger & Di Simpson, and Phil Toler & Rachael Hutchinson over Don Burden & Paula Kilvington gave a final score line of 11-6 in Surrey's favour.

Automated Industrial Services are to be congratulated for the sponsorship support they gave to this I.C.C. Division One final and it was refreshing to see Saturn shuttles giving a good account of themselves in this, their first major event.

PETER RICHARDSON

YORKSHIRE 6, SURREY 11
(Yorkshire names first)

Men's Singles:

J Unwin lost to M Elliott 8-15, 7-15; D Burden bt S Jordan 10-15, 15-6, 15-11; M Brown bt S Radley 15-6, 15-5.

Ladies' Singles:

P Kilvington lost to K Bridge 5-11, 0-11; D Simpson lost to F Elliott 10-12, 6-11.

Men's Doubles:

M Brown & P Kidger lost to D Bridge & M Elliott 9-15, 11-15; D Burden & J Unwin bt S Jordan & P Toler 17-14, 14-17, 15-8; M Brown & P Kidger bt S Jordan & P Toler 17-14, 18-15; D Burden & J Unwin lost to D Bridge & M Elliott 8-15, 11-15.

Ladies' Doubles:

L Whittaker & P Waldron lost to K Bridge & F Elliott 12-15, 4-15; P Kilvington & G Topliss lost to W Poulton & A Fulton 8-15, 15-9, 5-15; P Kilvington & G Topliss lost to K Bridge & F Elliott 5-15, 4-15; L Whittaker & P Waldron lost to W Poulton & A Fulton 12-15, 3-15.

Mixed Doubles:

P Kidger & D Simpson lost to D Bridge & F Elliott 9-15, 12-15; M Brown & P Waldron bt M Elliott & K Bridge 12-15, 15-13, 15-12; D Burden & P Kilvington lost to P Toler & R Hutchinson 6-15, 15-6, 11-15; J Unwin & L Whittaker, walked over.

Let Something Rub off the Stars

THOUSANDS of club players flock to badminton's Mecca, Wembley Arena, each spring. Thousands return home surfeited with brilliant play: "Out of this world" they sigh. All too few return the richer in observed tactics and technique and with a determination to emulate the experts.

Agreed, one can't make a silk purse out of a sow's ear. You won't crunch that smash as hard as Luan Jin does; you won't achieve the steely wrist of Prakash Padukone or the tireless dancing feet of Morten Frost unless you train day in, day out. And what with the car and the kids, the garden and the telly, there isn't much time (or inclination) left for that kind of caper, is there?

But **something**, just a little something, can rub off if you give it a go and it will make badminton life more interesting. And if, trying it, you lose to "Old Bert" for the first time since '72, does it really matter?

Where to start? Why not with the Wu Dixi swinger? You had a go when it was all the rage to hold the bird with feathers downward. Now back to normality with feathers upwards and forefinger under cork, thumb on top of feathers. Swing short and crisp — though you could, also, try it the Dew way, a long cut across the shuttle from under the extended left arm. Dixi's paid dividends; the shuttle swerved like a gale-blown leaf. Experiment. Find what works!

If you're a middle-of-the-net man — take a leaf out of Billy Gilliland's book. Be lethal over the full 20 feet. It helps your partner and worries your opponents to death. Make your backhand as offensive as your forehand; practise



China's Luan Jin: Possesses a thunderbolt smash (Pic: Sport & General).

round-the-head smashes at tape level. Keep your balance — ready for the lunge-kill of a smart return to the forehand. If the pressure gets hot, be prepared to squat. Oh, and plenty of wrist to get the bird down: back-wall repairs don't come cheap.

It's part reflex, part observation of striker's racket, and part intelligent anticipation when your opponent is putting on the screw. So forget "Crossroads". Get down to the club early with a couple of pals who'll fire a continuous flurry of flat drives at you from mid-court.

When you tire of that why not take a leaf out of Dan Travers' defensive book. Impregnability: that's what you're after. The short lift to the back or to the net mustn't be resignedly accepted as "Finis". Scrape them back; hack them back: you're still in with a chance. Under big smash pressure you'll have to fall back — but still be fast enough to nip in and salvage the drop. A strong forearm and wrist lift, perfectly timed, may keep the attackers at bay, even tire them. But it doesn't do a lot to change the status quo.

Boring in does. Especially if now you're pushing, flat and fast, past or through the opposing net-player. Into



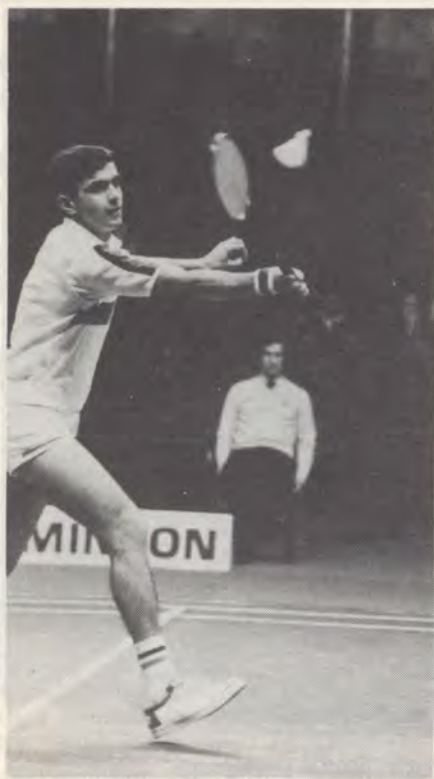
"Ballet dancer" Morten Frost in action (Pic: Sport & General)

the smasher's body if he is on balance; away from him if he's "cornered" or off-balance. A nice bit of work — but don't stand there like a self-satisfied lemon.

The job's only half-done. Go the whole hog. Snap up that fleeting half-chance, it should be there. After all, you placed you return to cramp and limit your opponent's reply or to hurry him into an inaccurate one, didn't you?

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COACHING CORNER



India's steely-wristed star Prakash Padukone



The start of the Martin Dew reverse spin service

So, again, it's feet off the mantelpiece. Down early to the club. Try the close-quarters stuff first. Stand half-court: your two accomplices at the net; rackets at the ready, dab repeatedly into the body, occasionally to either side, sometimes "dead-racket" one short. Slowly at first, then faster, faster... Speed it up. Watch the racket-head. Keep the return flat, angle it awkwardly, hit it faster. Get it away from, past, those threatening rackets.

If it's the all-out smash you need practice against, why not a conditioned game. If you stipulate only high serves you'll get plenty of defensive work — to say nothing of smashing and of service height and placement variation, the only slender weapon to hand. Play just another club game and your opportunities are sporadic — a smash now and again, not a constant stream which accustoms you to them, gives you a chance to experiment, gets you in the groove.

Now you could kill two birds with one stone. The attackers could give more thought to the sustained attack beloved of the Sidek brothers. The net-player, having had the practice previously outlined, will "Go Gilliland": have a crack at everything. In addition, based a couple of feet behind the short service-line, he can practise bounding back to take over from his attacking rear-court partner if the latter is being pressurised.

If, for example, the latter has smashed straight (and unwisely) down the line onto a defender's backhand, the shuttle may be whipped fast cross-court to the deep backhand corner. The misguided smasher may well be unable to get across court fast enough to deal effectively with that return, to maintain the attack. He will not, therefore, be sorry if his partner from not far short of mid-court, on seeing his unwise placement, moves anticipatorily a little cross-court, then bounds back to maintain the barrage of

smashes.

He himself will allow his forward momentum to carry him swiftly in to the net-position, quickly enough to take any still-rising pushes, drives or net returns. Obviously a clear-cut understanding, even a code word is necessary to prevent a clash on those occasions when he (the smasher) feels he can just make it cross-court and his net partner is damned sure he (the smasher) can't.

In all conditioned games it is wise to have a "deception proviso" — in this case, that occasional low serves may be interspersed with the high. This could be a three-pronged weapon. (1) The receiver wouldn't gradually slink back to an idle base near the back service-line, he would still have to stand well up — and **bound** back. (2) The server could practise the not unuseful singles device of the "reverse flick", the high, power serve deceptively and belatedly turned into a low one. (3) The receiver would, for such occasions, be legislated into fast-attacking lobs to the corners and practising a last-second deceptive turn of the wrist to keep the shuttle's proposed flight a mystery tour.

And, to return to the server's partner, again he must spot and attack such lifts, especially the one to his backhand. This on every occasion, no matter height or flight, must be attacked by an active round-the-head smash, not merely parried with a slothful stroll and a weakish backhand reply.

A dozen Louis Ross photos, a BA of E programme; a Carlton Classic outfit, even a Wembley cheese roll makes an excellent souvenir. A still better one is the Wu Dixi spin serve (if that's still legal tender); the Gilliland interception, the Travers brickwall defence or the Sidek non-stop attack.

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EUROPEAN HIGHLIGHTS



KAREN Bridge (England) receives the silver award as European Open singles runner-up to Denmark's Lene Koppen (right), the gold medallist.



DENMARK'S brilliant Jens-Peter Nierhoff on his way to becoming the new European singles champion. He beat England's Ray Stevens in the final.



ENGLAND'S all-conquering squad featuring (back row); Tredgett (left), Dew, Paul Whetnall (coach), Baddeley, Goode, Yates, Stevens, Ciro Ciniglio (team manager), and Jolly. (Middle row): Gillian Clark (left), Karen Bridge and Gillian Gilks. (Front row): Nora Perry (left), Jane Webster and Helen Troke.



NORA Perry and Gillian Gilks: Our M.B.E.s paired up to help England's team to a fine European triumph.

PICTURES: Louis Ross.



England Regain Coveted Team Title

ENGLAND's visit to Boblingen, Germany in April to compete in the Yonex-sponsored European Championships, proved a highly successful experience. As well as winning the team title, thus depriving the 1980 holders, Denmark, England's players captured the Ladies' and Mixed doubles titles (Gillian Gilks featured in both) and had contestants in all five finals of the Individual championships. Sussex international STEVE BADDELEY, a member of our successful squad, reports the action.

TEAM EVENT

ENGLAND completely dominated this section, winning 14 out of her 15 matches. The sole defeat was inflicted by Lene Koppen of Denmark who overcame Helen Troke, but not before the latter had threatened a major upset by taking the first set 11-5.

The match against Holland was an uneventful 5-0 victory. Sweden proved much tougher opponents but, here again, England ran out winners without loss. Nick Yates played controlled and accurate badminton to record his second win this season over Thomas Kihlstrom 15-13, 15-11. The most exciting match was the Men's Doubles between Dew and Tredgett and Karlsson and Kihlstrom. This was a three-ended contest with the full set going over the extra distance. The rest of the games were not so keenly contested but Jane Webster played well to beat rapidly-improving C. Magnusson in two sets.

England entered the final match, against Denmark, needing just two wins to clinch the Team event, since Sweden had previously beaten Denmark 3-2. I played Jens-Peter Nierhoff and fell behind in both sets, but managed to take the vital points since the Dane tended to tighten up and hit errors at the critical stages. I won 15-12, 15-11.

Helen Troke played strongly to rob Lene Koppen of the first set but, thereafter, Lene showed her extra speed. Dew and Tredgett cruised through the first set against a disorganised Fladberg and Nierhoff. Martin Dew produced a classic stroke at the end of this set when a highly-deceptive clear saw both Danes move into the net while the shuttle dropped smoothly into the back tramlines. However, the concentration of the English pair began to drop and this allowed the Danes into the game. Nierhoff began to win points rapidly with a viciously-spinning service and the Danes captured the second set. The third



Jubilation and disappointment: Mixed doubles winners Gillian Gilks and Martin Dew (right) with defeated finalists Nora Perry and Mike Tredgett

saw Martin and Mike resume their dominance of the contest. The match was clinched by Nora Perry and Jane Webster who achieved an easy two-set victory over Koppen and Ann Skovgaard. A highly-satisfying 4-1 result was gained by our All-England Mixed doubles champions, Martin Dew and Gillian Gilks, who beat "the family Skovgaard" in straight sets.

The whole team of 13 players accepted Gold medals for a win that was indeed a creditable performance in which England fielded a variety of singles players and different doubles pairings showing that we are a country with strength in depth.

Sweden finished second in our group for the first time, with Denmark third and Holland having to fight off the challenge of Group 2 winners. This they managed to do by overcoming the USSR by the narrowest of margins. Scotland were second in Group 2 with Ireland just behind. Wales,

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England's Ray Stevens shakes hands with his Danish conqueror, singles champion Jens-Peter Nierhoff



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disappointingly, finished second in Group 3 after losing to Czechoslovakia 3-2.

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

All-England singles champion Morten Frost was missing from the Danish line-up. The reason was that he has got himself into a legal tangle with his racket contract and decided, to avoid further trouble, to pull out of the Championships.

With the withdrawal of Frost, the overwhelming favourite, the Mens' singles was flung wide open and more than half a dozen players must have seen themselves in with a chance of taking this prestigious title. Ray Stevens saw his opportunity and came through the quarter vacated by Morten.

Ray disposed of Wales' Phil Sutton, Skripko — the runner from Russia with the largest thighs in the tournament — and met Anderson, from Denmark, in the semi-final. I was very disappointed to lose to T. Peterson, the rapidly-improving Swede who, in turn, fell to Anderson, despite leading by a set and 14-9.

The semi-final clash was a match in which Stevens was always ahead and in control and even Anderson's incredible turn of speed could not deny Ray his place in the final.

The bottom half of the draw produced a quarter-final confrontation between Nick Yates and Thomas Kihlstrom which was,

perhaps, the best match of the tournament. Nick produced rally after rally of almost errorless badminton. After pushing Kihlstrom from corner to corner, he would hit a deceptive cross-court drop which, time and again, forced an error or found a line.

Nick took the first set 15-5 and led 12-3 in the second. At this point, Thomas, feeling he was beaten, relaxed and began to play better. Gradually, he crept back into the match and Nick, too anxious to finish off the contest, hit a few errors.

Despite match points, a fading Nick was caught at 14-all and lost in setting. In the third set, both players were drained and exhausted but Nick hung on and eventually ran out (crawled out!) the worthy winner, after 1 hour, 20 minutes play.

Meanwhile, Kevin Jolly defeated U. Johansson and then played three ends with Nierhoff but the Dane was the stronger and more positive in the deciding set. In the semi-final, Nierhoff played well to defeat Nick, again in three ends. The first was keenly contested and went the Dane's way but Nick looked like he had the measure of the match when he took the second, to 5. However, Nierhoff dominated the third end with his ferocious smash and heavily-sliced drops.

In the Ladies' singles, Helen Troke had an unfortunate seeding and went down to Lene Koppen in the quarters, the latter comfortably reaching the final. In the



Triumphant doubles victors Gillian Clark and Gillian Gilks

bottom half, Jane Webster faced Karen Bridge in the semi-finals. Jane had beaten the Swiss holder Liselotte Blumer, and then Pia Nielsen of Denmark. Karen had defeated A. Borjesson and Zwiebler to reach her position.

Karen Bridge was an easy winner in the semis; Jane played very badly being unable to find any length and she hit clear after clear over the base line. Karen triumphed 11-0, 11-2.

Both English pairs reached the Ladies' doubles final. Perry and Webster had a slight hiccup in their semi-final when they lost the middle set to the young battling



Champion Jens-Peter Nierhoff with Erik Holst Andersen, head of Danish Yonex, for whom Nierhoff will work from October 1



Sweden's doubles champions Stefan Karlsson (left) and Thomas Kihlstrom

Danes, Nettie Nielsen and Dorte Kjaer. The latter's spin serve caused problems and even the third was level for most of the way until Nora took control of the last few points. Gilks and Clark found no opposition, not even from Lene Koppen and Ann Skovgaard.

Martin Dew and Mike Tredgett reached the final of the Men's doubles by defeating Nierhoff and Helledie (three ends), then Nordin and Wengberg (semis). The latter had knocked out the All-England heroes, Scotland's Gilliland and Travers. Ray Stevens and Andy Goode reached the semis by beating Skovgaard and Fladberg in three very close sets, but found the top Swedish pair Karlsson and Kihkstrom far too controlled.

The Mixed, like the Ladies, saw both top seeded English pairs reach the final. Gilks and Dew dropped the first set to Gilliland and Heatly on the way, but easily won the next two.

FINALS

The Ladies' doubles was first on court and quickly produced an upset. Gillian Gilks and Gill Clark demolished the World Champions, Nora Perry and Jane Webster, 15-3, 15-11 and looked a highly-polished pair. Jane was off form and Nora did not play well either, but no credit should be taken away from the two Gills. Gill (Gilks) played a lot of controlled touches but Gill (Clark) looked the best player on court. Her strength from the rear of the court, coupled with her aggressive defence which drives the shuttle back faster than it comes down, were clearly on display. If she can continually produce that sort of badminton, she has a long and successful career ahead.

The Ladies' singles looked like being one-way traffic when Lene Koppen took the first set 11-1. Karen Bridge battled doggedly in the second and began to hit a better length. In fact, some good net shots and accurate cut drops gave her a point for 10-all but Lene produced a perfect drop and the next rally clinched the title.

The Men's singles was a heavy disappointment for Ray Stevens and his many supporters. Having beaten Nierhoff twice this season, the general opinion was that he had an excellent chance to clinch a career-best singles title. On the day, the Dane



Sweden's dainty Maria Bengtsson in action



England's powerful Ray Stevens on the attack against Nierhoff

produced the better badminton and won by a large margin. Nierhoff has one of the heaviest smashes in the world and he hits almost as hard on the back-hand! Intermingled with the smash are heavily sliced drops to each front corner.

He constantly goes for his shots, hitting the line regularly and the net cord not infrequently with his net tumbles. He is unarguably the most exciting singles player to watch at present, certainly in Europe, but his ambitious style of play can produce a string of wild errors. In this tournament, he played better with each round and thoroughly deserved the title.

The Men's doubles was also disappoint-



Helen Troke in devastating form against Holland's Miss Duyverstein in the team event



Karen Bridge fighting strongly against Lene Koppen in the singles final

ing for England. Mike Tredgett partnered by Martin Dew could not play more than five rallies without breaking a string.

Paul Whetnall and Andy Goode could be seen frantically repairing the breaks but, despite their best endeavours, Mike's rackets sounded slacker and slacker as the match progressed. His shots were off, too, and the Swedish pair, Kihlstrom and Karlsson, were in no mood to allow him to settle. They played and served well to avenge their defeat at the hands of the English pair earlier in the week. Incredibly,

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it was Thomas Kihlstrom's first European title after losing four previous finals.

In the Mixed, Martin Dew and Gillian Gilks were a far better pair than Tredgett and Perry who were well below their best. Martin and Gill seem to have no weaknesses as a partnership. Both serve well — Gill's return to forehand serving is a wise move — and, while Martin plays deceptive pushes, drops and smashes from the rear and mid-court, Gill picks up anything loose at the net and punishes it.

EUROPEAN TEAM CHAMPS, (Boblingen, Germany) (Holders: Denmark)

GROUP ONE

Denmark lost to England 1-4; lost to Sweden 2-3; beat Holland 5-0.

England bt Denmark 4-1; bt Sweden 5-0; bt Holland 5-0. Sweden bt Denmark 3-2; lost to England 0-5; bt Holland 4-1.

Holland lost to Denmark 0-5; lost to England 0-5; lost to Sweden 1-4.

Final placings: England (champions) 1; Sweden (runners-up) 2; Denmark (1980 holders) 3; Holland 4.

GROUP TWO

USSR bt F R Germany 4-1; bt Scotland 4-1; bt Ireland 4-1. F R Germany lost to USSR 1-4; lost to Scotland 0-5; lost to Ireland 2-3.

Scotland lost to USSR 1-4; bt F R Germany 5-0; bt Ireland 3-2.

Ireland lost to USSR 1-4; bt F R Germany 3-2; lost to Scotland 2-3.

Final placings: USSR 1; Scotland 2; Ireland 3; F R Germany 4.

GROUP THREE

Wales bt Austria 5-0; bt Norway 5-0; lost to Czechoslovakia 2-3.

Austria lost to Wales 0-5; bt Norway 3-2; lost to Czechoslovakia 2-3.

Norway lost to Wales 0-5; lost to Austria 2-3; lost to Czechoslovakia 1-4.

Czechoslovakia bt Wales 3-2; bt Austria 3-2; bt Norway 4-1.

Final placings: Czechoslovakia 1; Wales 2; Austria 3; Norway 4.

GROUP FOUR

Belgium bt Hungary 5-0; bt Finland 3-2; lost to Poland 2-3.

Hungary lost to Belgium 0-5; bt Finland 3-2; lost to Poland 1-4.



Russia's stocky star Anatoli Skripko becomes airborne.

Finland lost to Belgium 2-3; lost to Hungary 2-3; lost to Poland 2-3.

Poland bt Belgium 3-2; bt Hungary 4-1; bt Finland 3-2.

Final placings: Poland 1; Belgium 2; Hungary 3; Finland 4.

GROUP FIVE

Yugoslavia lost to Iceland 2-3; lost to Switzerland 2-3; bt Italy 4-1; bt France 3-2.

Iceland bt Yugoslavia 3-2; bt Switzerland 3-2; bt Italy 5-0; bt France 4-1.

Switzerland bt Yugoslavia 3-2; lost to Iceland 2-3; bt Italy 5-0; bt France 5-0.

Italy lost to Yugoslavia 1-4; lost to Iceland 0-5; lost to Switzerland 0-5; bt France 3-2.

France lost to Yugoslavia 2-3; lost to Iceland 1-4; lost to Switzerland 0-5; lost to Italy 2-3.

Final placings: Iceland 1; Switzerland 2; Yugoslavia 3; Italy 4; France 5.

ENGLAND GROUP RESULTS IN DETAIL

England 4, Denmark 1

S Baddeley bt J-P Nierhof 15-12, 15-11; H Troke lost to L Koppen 11-5, 4-11, 0-11; M Tredgett & M Dew bt S Fladberg & Nierhoff 15-5, 17-18, 15-10; N Perry & J Webster bt L Koppen & S Skovgaard 15-7, 15-6; M Dew & G Gilks bt S Skovgaard & A Skovgaard 15-11, 15-9.

England 5, Holland 0

K Jolly bt L Coene 15-10, 15-6; H Troke bt K Duyvestein

11-0, 11-2; M Tredgett & R Stevens bt Kristanto & V Dongen 15-4, 15-9; N Perry & J Webster bt J van Beusekom & M Ridder 15-0, 15-11; M Dew & G Gilks bt R Ridder & M Ridder 15-8, 18-17.

England 5, Sweden 0

N Yates bt T Kihlstrom 15-13, 15-11; J Webster bt C Magnusson 11-5, 12-11; M Dew & M Tredgett bt S Karlsson & T Kihlstrom 13-8, 15-11, 18-15; N Perry & G Gilks bt Bengtsson & Magnusson 15-8, 15-4; M Tredgett & N Perry bt Wengberg & Bengtsson 15-3, 15-7.

PROMOTION AND RELEGATION MATCHES

Holland (Bottom Group One) bt USSR (Winners Group Two) 3-2 (No change). F R Germany (Bottom Group Two) bt Czechoslovakia (Winners Group Three) 4-1. (No change).

Poland (Winners Group Four) bt Norway (Bottom Group Three) 3-2. (Poland promoted to Group Three; Norway relegated to Group Four).

Iceland (Winners Group Five) bt Finland (Bottom Group Four) 3-2. (Iceland promoted to Group Four; Finland relegated to Group Five).

EUROPEAN OPEN CHAMPS, (Boblingen, Germany)

Men's Singles: Quarter-finals: R Stevens (Eng) bt Skripko (USSR) 15-6, 15-11; Andersen (Den) bt Peterson (Swe) 3-15, 17-14, 15-12; Nierhof (Den) bt K Jolly (Eng) 15-7, 7-15, 15-8; N Yates (Eng) bt T Kihlstrom (Swe) 15-5, 14-17, 15-10. Semi-finals: Stevens bt Andersen 15-8, 15-10; Nierhof bt Yates 15-10, 5-15, 15-4. Final: NIERHOFF bt Stevens 15-9, 15-4.

Ladies' Singles: Quarter-finals: L Koppen (Den) bt H Troke (Eng) 11-5, 11-8; C Magnusson (Swe) bt N Nielsen (Den) 11-2 11-7; K Bridge (Eng) bt Zwiebler (Ger) 11-4 11-5; J Webster (Eng) bt P Nielsen (Den) 11-5 11-0 11-2. Final: KOPPEN bt Bridge 11-1 11-9.

Men's Doubles: Quarter-finals: M Dew & M Tredgett (Eng) bt Nierhoff & Helledie (Den) 15-6 2-15 15-8; Nordin & Wenberg (Swe) bt B Gilliland & D Travers (Scot) 7-15 15-12 15-7; R Stevens & A Goode (Eng) bt S Skovgaard & S Fladberg (Den) 8-15 15-13 18-16; S Karlsson & T Kihlstrom (Swe) bt Klauer & Treitinger (Ger) 15-3 15-7. Semi-finals: Dew & Tredgett bt Nordin & Wengberg 15-5 15-2; Karlsson & Kihlstrom bt Stevens & Goode 15-8 15-4. Final: KARLSSON & KIHLMSTROM bt Dew & Tredgett 15-9 15-3.

Ladies' Doubles: Quarter-finals: N Perry & J Webster (Eng) bt J van Beusekom & M Ridder (Hol) 15-3 15-2; Kjaer & Nielsen (Den) bt Pickartz & Schmeider (Ger) 15-6 15-3; L Koppen & S Skovgaard (Den) bt Bengtsson & Magnusson (Swe) 15-5 15-11; G Gilks & G Clark (Eng) bt Bellasowa & Pogorian (USSR) 15-10 15-9. Semi-finals: Perry & Webster bt Kjaer & Nielsen 15-9 14-17 15-11; Gilks & Clark bt Koppen & Skovgaard 15-6 15-2. Final: GILKS & CLARK bt Perry & Webster 15-3 15-11.

Mixed Doubles: Quarter-finals: N Perry & M Tredgett (Eng) bt Magnusson & Nordin (Swe) 15-8 15-6; Borjesson & Wengberg (Swe) bt Ridder & Ridder (Hol) 17-16 8-15 17-16; G Gilks & M Dew (Eng) bt Heatly & Gilliland (Scot) 9-15 15-3 15-6; Skovgaard & Skovgaard (Den) bt G Clark & A Goode (Eng) 15-6 4-15 15-9. Semi-finals: Perry & Tredgett bt Borjesson & Wengberg 15-8 15-5; Gilks & Dew bt Skovgaard & Skovgaard 15-12 15-8. Final: GILKS & DEW bt Perry & Tredgett 15-12 15-5.



Martin Dew, left, and Mike Tredgett in action in the doubles final against Karlsson and Kihlstrom



Denmark's Nettie Nielsen goes for a high shot.

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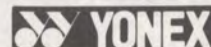
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Badminton Association Of England News

All the prizewinners in the giant raffle

A total of £8,000 in prize money has been won in a two-part raffle organised by the Badminton Association of England in aid of the National Badminton Centre Development Fund. The Grand Draws were made at Wembley during the recent All-England Championships and resulted as follows:

SOUTHERN DRAW

PRIZE	WINNER'S NAME	CLUB SELLING WINNING TICKET
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	Mary Kemp	Botleys Park Hospital
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	John Evans	Brockenhurst
	Miss J. Kennedy	Pinehurst
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	Terry Doust	Carlton
	Mr. P. Weston	R.A.F. Northolt
	D. J. Blythe	St. Saviours
	Jane A. Guest	Newton Abbot
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	T. Barnes	Guiting Power
	Jenny Mancuso	Brookwood Hospital
	J. Rowden	St. Barnabas
	Mid Twentyish B.C.	Mid Twentyish B.C.
	Shaun Elliott	Newton Abbot
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	R. O'Hara	St. Joseph's

THE BRAVERY OF AUSSIE DARREN MACDONALD

IT'S a billion-to-one chance! Yet it had to happen sometime, but why to 14-year-old nice lad Darren McDonald of Geelong, Victoria, Australia? And why by his sister's hand?

Darren and his kid brother were putting elder sister, Julie, through her paces, two against one, no holds barred. Julie was smashing in play — and she's a big girl with a smash like the kick of an outback mule.

Sure, the shuttle went over the net. So, too, travelling much faster, did that tiny lead slug. Normally it's securely housed in the cork to give the shuttle weight and speed. On this occasion it was flying free. And it hit Darren dead centre in one eye.

Not that Darren knew much about it. Fortunately, he was flat out. And, with drugs, stayed that way for a month. A power failure didn't help, either, for the air-conditioned system went kaput. In the humid heat young Darren — he should have lain entirely still — tossed and turned.

This movement brought on a series of haemorrhages. However, several weeks later, fighter Darren was up and about, but with only 9% vision in that eye. "Oh, sure, I could tell if someone turned the light out — but that's about all."

Australian ophthalmic surgeons did their best but the damage was internal, to the retina, and deep-seated. London's Moorfields might have the answer; Melbourne hadn't.

Youth looks to the future. So Darren strode round the golf courses — it's good for the eye to look at green. And he peered at trees and bushes for minutes on end until slowly, very slowly, focus, strength, distance, all improved.

He started to play badminton again, to adapt, to regain form. But there hung over him, and will hang over him, regular checks.

In England, he visits Moorfields — "They're great to me," he says.

So 15-year-old Darren and 18-year-old sister Julie decided to come to England to spend three months playing the tournaments. This trip and the one they made the following year have paid dividends. In Australia Darren ranks at No. 3. And he is in the running for the "Sportsman of the Year" award. In New Zealand, in the recent Thomas Cup play-off v Malaysia he gave Misbun Sidek a fright. In the Netherlands he reached the quarters; in the Essex Championships he nearly pipped Wales' Phil Sutton.

Some of the credit he spontaneously gives to coach Paul Whetnall; some must



Darren MacDonald resting during the Welsh Open in Cardiff

go to his own eager initiative. When Thailanders came to Melbourne for the "Silver Bowl" Darren made no bones about it. He'd like to train with them. And they were happy to have him as their guest.

So, together with another 18-year-old, Paul Morgan, he flew to Thailand. Settled in with the rest of the Thomas Cup squad. Language was no problem. Thais communicate with Indonesians and Malaysians in English and seem to have innumerable English pen-friends. Every man jack of them produced Thai-English dictionaries.

Good coaches they certainly were! Up at

6 their squad exercised until 9 in the alleged cool of the morning. Breakfast 9-10. Domestic chores till noon. Then lunch and do-as-you-please till 2. Head down till 4 to give the savage sun a chance to burn itself out, the sapping humidity to abate.

Play was in a badminton hall down whose length ran, almost as far as the eye could see, 15 or 16 courts. Sure, kids played on every vacant lot with gap-toothed rackets and moulting shuttles. But it was to halls like these that they gravitated when the chance arose.

Routines, practices, singles, doubles. Pressure play and more pressure play. The accent on wrist and feet. Six days a week! It was great. Chinda (the coach) was great. I was proud of those Thais," says Darren.

Snags? There must have been some in a six-week stay. "Well, in camp, the Thais were great. But on the one day off I was left alone. No invitations to someone's home or into Bangkok".

But that was the only snag in six weeks, a happy period which set Darren's fires of enthusiasm blazing even more brightly.

Time is no object for him. (It is, though, for sister Julie whose employers, the Commonwealth Bank, vetoed another British trip). He's just finished his carpentry apprenticeship — with his father.

Unfortunately, money is a problem for Darren. Yonex help him with equipment. But if he's ever to achieve his goal, he needs a sponsor. Anyone like to back a Dinkum Aussie — with guts and lots of badminton skill?

PAT DAVIS



..... Competing during the Essex Open at Redbridge.

TALKING POINTS

STILL GOING STRONG

THREE years old! The Carlton Classic outfit of tracksuit, shirt and shorts sent to us for "on-court test". And they are still withstanding the tests of usage and time and of sweat and the twin-tub pretty well.

The shirt has retained its shape and hasn't shrunk. Shorts, too, are still sharply white; "popper" fastening and elastic have as firm a grip as ever. The tracksuit is in excellent fettle though the jacket no longer comes up "whiter than white". But then, as it is just dumped on the floor, courtside...

All that, despite strenuous and regular efforts by a "partner" who has very decided views about on-court smartness: "You just can't wear them like that!"

A WRIGHT GOOD JOB

STAFF Coach Les Wright does a sterling stint. Too often it goes unsung. Good, therefore, to hear a paean of praise from Hants BA's Coaching Secretary, Kathie Adams.

His four days in Hampshire involved crossing the Solent to the Isle of Wight and a visit to Winchester to coach juniors: this was a bonus even for the talented squad. Then a testing session, body and mind, at Eastleigh for league players. And finally, Hampshire's usual tribute to Les, a course of more than 40 coaches to bring them bang up-to-date with current trends.

Final accolade, from the caretaker: "Makes you feel you really want to get in there with them, doesn't it!"



Staff coach Les Wright (fifth from right, standing) seen with a group of Hampshire's coaches at Eastleigh Technical College

GET WELL, WONG

SIXTY-four-year-old maestro Wong Peng Soon (All-England Singles champion 1950-52 and 1955) is in Singapore Hospital after a stroke. First hint of trouble when he was due to play Korea's No. One lady Sun Ai Hwang ("I always said I would take on best men when young; best women when old").

The doctor in charge? Oon Chong Jin whose special qualification was that he was All-England Junior Singles champion in 1957.

Our best wishes to that great fighter Wong Peng Soon.

LENE IS TOPS

WITH 37,000 votes out of 100,000 Lene Koppen was hailed as Denmark's most popular player by readers of Danish daily, "Ekstra Bladet". National soccer team scored a mere 13,000! And Lene outshone Bjorn Borg when awarded Volvo Cup for "finest Nordic achievement of 1981". And so say all of us!



Lene Køppen: Voted Denmark's most popular player

A FAIR ISLE — WITH SNAGS

BADMINTON is played in some outlandish places. Fair Isle, halfway between the Orkneys and Shetland, boasts more rare birds than residents (fewer than 100). Nevertheless badminton, senior and junior, flourishes in the Community Hall recently built by the island's owners, the National Trust for Scotland. Snags? An away match could cost £200 for a small charter plane. Go by sea if you've a cast-iron stomach — but storms do blow up and the island can be cut off for days, even weeks.

LUCKY THIRTY

EIGHTY-two-year-old Frank Devlin (18 All-England titles) is coaching thirty lucky lads and lasses of Dunlavin on one court. Irish resurgence is certainly long overdue.

TWO FROM GREENLAND

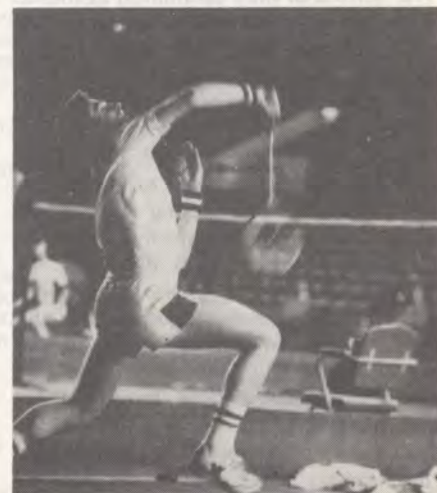
HUGE but scantily-populated Greenland entered two players from Nuuk for the Nordic Championships held in Reykjavik, Iceland. Didn't stop smiling Lene Koppen from taking all three titles — to make her tally 25!

DROP IN THE OCEAN

BADMINTON's £180,000 in sponsorship payments puts the sport 18th in the money give-away table. Top of the tree, motor-racing, rates a cool £18,000,000. Horse racing comes a surprisingly bad second, with a mere £2,000,000.

PRAKASH HOGS HEADLINES

INDIA's Prakash Padukone has been awarded the title of Padma Shri in the Republic Day Honours List. Further good news — his contract has been



India's Prakash Padukone gets in his country's Honours List.

extended by Yonex and Akai for another year in Denmark.

He is married to Ujjala Karkal, a 22-year-old Bachelor of Commerce who works for a leading Bombay travel agency.

SCOTS' LAMENT

SBU Administrator Judy Budge has resigned. Never one to push herself forward — unless there was work to be done — she will be sadly missed. Judy now works for an engineering firm by Erskine Bridge in sight of her much-loved Clyde and mountains.

HANDSOMELY PAID

POONA, now called Pune, was once the home of British Blimps. It was recently, too, scene of the Indian Masters in which the authorities and administrators built a badminton stadium specially for the occasion. Umpires, officials, linesmen and "volunteers" were all "handsomely paid" for their services. This sets a tricky precedent for other less-generously-sponsored tournaments.

SEND IN THE CLOWNS

DANISH Masters was played in the Circus

Building in the centre of Copenhagen. Early days' attendances were so poor that the cynics suggested "Send in the Clowns". Last laugh was with the organisers: finals day was a complete sell-out.

CAPITAL RADIO CALLING

GORDON Richards, manager of a number of leading players, has left Guildford in Surrey to return to the "Land of his Fathers". More particularly to Varteg, near Pontypool, where he and his wife have charmingly renovated a miner's cottage — Assistant Manager's at that. In February, says Gordon, he was hemmed in by 12-foot drifts!

Gordon can frequently be heard on Capital Radio. Recently, he did an 18-hour phone-in on Sports Injuries and General Fitness.

MANY HAPPY RETURNS

CONGRATULATIONS — belated but sincere — to Redbridge (Essex) S.C. who became ten years old on March 20.

What Wimbledon is to the West of London so is Redbridge to the East. Its five

excellent courts are the venue for the Essex Championships and the proving ground for the famous Redbridge Squad of licensed players.

Redbridge rose, phoenix-like, from the ashes (fortunately only metaphorical) of North Ilford L.T.C. when its tennis, badminton and table-tennis facilities in Beehive Lane, Gants Hill, were lost. Undismayed by the immensity of their task, a band of stalwarts, including Essex B.A., Bill and John Havers, and Arthur and Stanley Jones raised over £100,000 to build a new centre. Many of them are still working today — voluntarily.

Each year's surplus has been ploughed back to give still better equipment and service. A success story indeed. One which can be measured in terms of friendliness as well as of facilities for its — 4,500 members!

Anniversary Week naturally included badminton and the famous "Redbridge Squad" of Stevens, Jolly, Goode, Scott, Asquith, Gilliland, Nora Perry, Jane Webster... and the "Backhand Boy", Flemming Delfs, Denmark's 1977 World Singles Champion.

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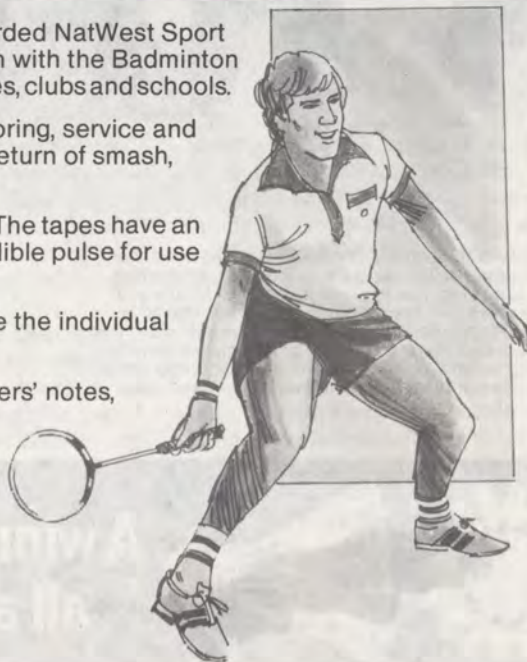
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THE perfect badminton service is simple. Just a matter of a few giant elastic bands, bulldog clips, steel springs and the ingenuity of Archimedes.

That wonderfully dotty BBC TV programme, "The Great Egg Race", turned its attention recently to the problem of bringing racket and shuttlecock together and produced some splendiferous results.

Three machines were invented in the space of two hours and tested on court. The winner, from London's Central School of Art and Design, proved even more of a service automaton than Nora Perry, though not nearly as comely.

In the space of its two-minute test-firing it delivered 14 shuttles into the correct court area though it was later criticised by guest judge Michael French for its over-reliance on hand feeding, the shuttle being speared with a straw which was then withdrawn manually when the rotating racket approached. Let us hope Malaysia's spin service experts, the Sidek brothers, were not watching. It might have given them even more devilish ideas.

Preserving the insanity of the occasion was the device invented by the Royal Naval Engineering College at Manadon, Plymouth. They clung to tradition by first of all building what looked like a flag-pole but minus the white ensign, it could, on reflection, have been a cybernetic model of Billy Gilliland. Unfortunately, those wonderful folk who brought us victory at Trafalgar could not, on this particular field of battle, get a single shuttle into play. Nevertheless their flailing rotor arm and totally unsynchronised Bombs Away

Service- With a Twang



England's effervescent, comely star Nora Perry. (Pic: Steve Perry)

shuttle torpedo tubes earned the most oohs and aahs.

It may have scored zero on the test range but it was awarded maximum points (25) in a subsidiary marking section for design atrocity and audacity. Eat your heart out, sorceress Wu Dixi.

Presiding benignly over this boffins' imbroglio was that distinguished inventor, Heinz Wolff, who would make a good match with Dr. Strangelove and clearly would haf vays of making you all remember the second law of thermodynamics. He saw the challenge of the contestants — three to each team — as the making of a "mechanical muscle".

The third team in the contest, from the British Engineerium in Hove, used a lobbing action in their machine and performed nearly as well as the Central School of Art and Design in the shuttle test — getting 11 into court.

One or two of the contestants sheepishly admitted to playing the game, though as commere Charlotte Allen remarked, this might not necessarily be an advantage.

Professor French, of Lancaster University, had devised a method of measuring drag on a shuttle, much more pronounced than on a ball, he declared. This enabled him to work out how hard the shuttle had to be hit to achieve a given service. For a fairly long serve the shuttle needed to travel at up to 20 metres per second. For those who still speak English that worked out at 44.738726 miles per hour.

Think about it, next time your serve falls short!

PETER JESSUP

KEEPING THAT SPORTS EVIL AT BAY



Sweden's Sture Johnsson: One of Vic Chamberlain's heroes.

HOW would you have fancied spending the five days of the recent All-England championships hidden away in a caravan? That was the fate of Essex county badminton stalwart, Vic Chamberlain.

From his temporary mobile home pitched beside the cavernous practice court on Wembley Arena's eastern-wing wasteland he looked after the drug testing of competitors. He managed to lock up and get away to watch quite a lot of the matches, although since his heroes of old, like Sture Johnsson, retired he's been less than enchanted with the modern players.

Twenty competitors have their names drawn out of a hat for the drugs tests and — a crafty move, this — there is no guarantee that a player won't be tested twice. The key factor about the testing, of course, is its deterrent effect.

The urine samples are sent to the Chelsea College Drug Control Centre where the check for stimulants and anabolic steroids costs £50 a time. The cost is largely subsidised by the Sports Council, anxious to nip in the bud any hint of the drugs menace that has over-

shadowed some sports and Eastern European ones, in particular.

In the event of a positive result — there has only been one in four years of testing and nobody is saying what happened about that — it could cause a considerable rumpus because the results on some days, may not get through until after the championships have finished and competitors returned home. As a safeguard, a second sealed specimen is retained so that it can be opened and analysed in the presence of a witness.

Players with colds and minor ailments have to tread carefully because over-the-counter treatments can still get them into trouble. They are urged to declare any treatment beforehand. One of the leading seeds at Wembley, in fact, had a minor chest complaint but opted not to take any medicine.

For Mr Chamberlain, now retired from his job as a trouble-shooter with the Gas Board, is work that calls for a great deal of tact and diplomacy. At least his working conditions have improved considerably. "For two years," he said, "we were working from some disused loos."

PETER JESSUP

MORTEN AND LI LINGWEI HEAD LISTS

THESE interim ranking lists, issued by the International Badminton Federation, are based on the results of seven tournaments played during the period January to March, 1982. They are the Japan Open, Scottish Open, Dutch Open, German Open, Swedish Open, Danish Open and All-England.

Final ranking lists to include major events to the end of the current season, will be issued by the IBF in due course and be published in later issues of this magazine.

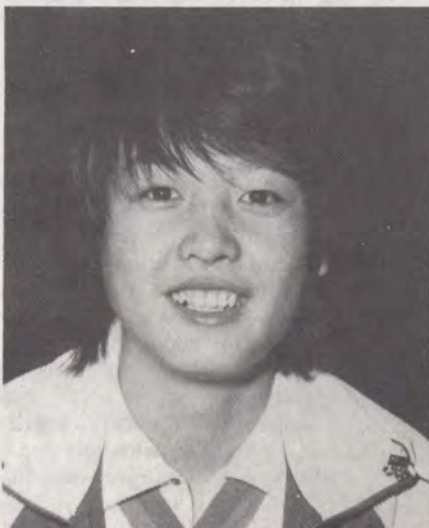
MEN'S SINGLES

Ranking

- 1 M Frost Hansen (Den)
- 2 P Padukone (Ind)
- 3 Luan Jin (Ch)
- 4 M Sidek (Mal)
- 5 T Kihlstrom (Swe)
- 6 I Sugiarto (Indo)
- 7 He Shangquan (Ch)
- 8 Liem Swie King (Indo)
- 9 R Stevens (Eng)
- 10 S Baddeley (Eng)
- 11 K Jolly (Eng)
- 12 Jiang Guoliang (Ch)
- 13 J P Nierhof (Den)
- 14 Chen Changjie (Ch), Chen Tianlung (Ch), Han Jian (Ch)
- 17 Li Yongpo (Ch)
- 18 H Arbi (Indo)
- 19 F Delfs (Den)
- 20 T Bingyi (Ch), T Wadood (Pak)
- 22 H Hasegawa (Jap)
- 23 S Wijatno (Indo)
- 24 S Fladberg (Den)
- 25 S Karlsson (Swe), M Svarrer (Den)
- 27 R Hadiyanto (Indo)
- 28 A Goode (Eng)
- 29 P Sutton (Wales)
- 30 S Modi (Ind)
- 31 D Sartika (Indo)
- 32 M Kjeldsen (Den)
- 33 E Kurniawan (Indo), N Yates (Eng)
- 35 T Kuenstler (Ger)
- 36 Cheng Jian Huang (Ch)
- 37 S Butler (Eng), R Sidek (Mal), K Zeniya (Jap)
- 40 D McDonald (Aust)
- 41 Jooblong Park (Kor), N Tier (Eng)
- 43 D Tailor (Eng)
- 44 U Pawar (Ind)
- 45 C Lundberg (Swe)
- 46 T Carlsen (Den), G Kurniahu (Indo), C Thomsen (Den), M Tsuchida (Jap)
- 50 G Scott (Eng), Shoon Keat Wong (Sing)
- 52 T Pettersson (Swe)
- 53 J Sidek (Mal)
- 54 Sze-Yu (Hongkong)
- 55 D Burden (Eng), M Maly (Czech), G Robson (NZ)
- 58 T Kjaer (Den)
- 59 C Dobson (Eng)
- 60 U Johannson (Swe), V Schmakov (USSR), J Selvaraj (Mal), B Svenningsen (Den)
- 64 Bezborov (Indo), L Coene (Hol), Eun-Ku Lee (Kor), T Farooq (Pak), U Persson (Swe), K Priestman (Can), Saw Swee Leong (Mal)
- 71 M Butler (Can), G Carlsson (Swe), K Gondo (Jap), S Miyamori (Jap), Scherpen (Ger), G Simon (Ger), P Tryon (Can), Wang Yue-Pin (Ch)
- 79 M Elliott (Eng)



Men's leader: Morten Frost Hansen (Denmark)



Heading Ladies' list: China's Li Lingwei

- 80 G Asquith (Eng), N Aun (Mal), M Bitten (Can), M Cattermole (Eng), J Miles (NZ), B Thompson (Ire).

LADIES' SINGLES

Ranking

- 1 Li Lingwei (Ch)
- 2 Wu Jiangui (Ch)
- 3 Zhang Ailing (Ch)
- 4 Wu Dixi (Ch)
- 5 Xu Rong (Ch)
- 6 Lene Koppen (Den)
- 7 Fumiko Tokkairin (Jap)
- 8 Chen Ruizhen (Ch)
- 9 Zheng Yuli (Ch)
- 10 Sumiko Kitada (Jap), Lie Ing Ivana (Indo)
- 12 Sun Ai Hwang (Kor)
- 13 Jun-Ja Kim (Kor)
- 14 Kirsten Larsen (Den)
- 15 Song Youping (Ch)
- 16 Karen Bridge (Eng)
- 17 Amy Ghia (Ind)
- 18 Helen Troke (Eng)
- 19 Guan Weizhen (Ch)
- 20 Jane Webster (Eng)
- 21 Verawaty Fajrin (Indo), Joke van Beusekom (Hol)
- 23 Yoon-Suk Kim (Kor)
- 24 Gillian Clark (Eng)
- 25 Yoshiko Yonekura (Jap)
- 26 Anette Boerjesson (Swe), Kimiko Jinnai (Jap)
- 28 Rikke Sorensen (Den)
- 29 Sang-Hee You (Kor)
- 30 Sherry Liu (Ch Taipei), Nettie Nielsen (Den)
- 32 Atsuko Tokuda (Jap)
- 33 Christine Magnusson (Swe)
- 34 Pamela Hamilton (Scot), Diane Underwood (Ire)
- 36 Hiromi Tsukioka (Jap)
- 37 Sandra Skillings (Can)
- 38 Eva Maria Zwiebler (Ger)
- 39 Svetlana Beliasova (USSR)
- 40 Lena Axelsson (Swe), Wendy Massam (Eng), Kirsten Schmieder (Ger), Diane Simpson (Eng)
- 44 Warditer Pogossjan (USSR)
- 45 Denyse Julien (Can)
- 46 Maria Francisca (Indo), Leung Chau-Ha (Hongkong)
- 48 Claire Backhouse (Can), Linda Cloutier (Can), Saori Kondo (Jap)
- 51 Pia Nielsen (Den)
- 52 Maria Bengtsson (Swe)
- 53 Liselotte Blumer (Switz), Joanna Falardeau (Can), Madhumita Goswami (Ind)
- 56 Gillian Martin (Scot), Linda Persson (NZ)
- 58 Annette Bernth (Den), Karin Duyvestijn (Hol), Lise Kissmeyer (Den), Marjan Ridder (Hol), Catherine Troke (Eng).

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R S (Tiny) Lucas towers above linesmen and scorers after their presentation to him at the 1981 All-England Championships on the occasion of his retirement from the event. (Pic: Peter Richardson)

AVID readers of post-war "Badminton Gazettes" were sorely puzzled by contributions under unknown initials, V. H. B. S. No great player, no leading administrator, no eager contributor bore such initials. Who then was V. H. B. S.?

No less than "Verdens Hohster Badminton Spieler." Not the name of a leading German player, a Maywald or a Bochow, simply German for "the world's tallest badminton player." But to the English he was "Tiny" Lucas; to the Danes, "der Engelesk skyscraper".

His "fame", yes, fame, for he is known the world over, rested not solely on his massive 6'7", 19½-stone frame. Nor on his playing record, for Tiny will admit he wasn't the world's greatest. It rested largely on a long-service record of 27 years as Linesman Organiser at the All-England Championships, from 1955/81. To control 150-190 linesmen is no mean task, especially so when it is beset by inevitable absences, late arrivals, sudden hurried and anguished departures to unspecified destinations.

It was a job that needed tact and authority; charm and efficiency. "Tiny" as large in bravura as in body, had all of these.

Such organisation was not his only way of putting a lot back into the game. He was Canada's representative on the I.B.F. from 1962/76, and a member of the B.A. of E. Council. More than that,

he was a driving force in the formation of the Badminton Umpires' Association of England. Jack of all trades, he undertook in turn the posts of Treasurer, Secretary, Chairman and President and, once wedged aloft in the creaking chair, was an excellent umpire himself.

Adding rather more than a cubit in three or four adolescent years, he soared over the 6' mark. During which period the lights had to be raised annually in the office where he worked as an embryo stockbroker.

His playing career began way back in '27 — in the garden. Then, eager for better things, he joined the highly inappropriate "Cozie Club" in Dulwich before moving on to Streatham.

Born in Kent but living in Surrey he had the unusual distinction of playing in both Kent and Surrey County trials in the same week. His partner on both occasions, was Wray Kirby — born in Surrey but living two yards inside Kent.

Finally, Tiny cast his lot with Kent; Wray, with Surrey.

While Tiny admits enjoying playing with me (I'm 6'3" tall) and 6'4", 17-stone Irish International Ian Maconachie, neither partner, however, reciprocates. "With Tiny I suffered from badminton claustrophobia. Besides I've always had a horror of being run over by a bus!" Maconachie says: "As a senior pro I felt I was entitled to pass my time at the net. Unfortunately, Tiny had the same idea

from which it was very hard to wean him. With both of us 'up' it was definitely overcrowded". On summer occasions Tiny would visit the Maconachie's at their Sandwich home; they house a shed full of shattered deck-chairs to prove it!

Tiny is a man who engenders fun. Seldom happier than with a diminutive pint mug in one large hand and his pipe in the other, he could readily be prevailed upon to create a humorous atmosphere with one or two stories from his vast repertoire.

Doubtless his biggest success was when he partnered 4' 7" tall Walt Siour. The latter with shorts nearly down to his ankles, had been known to nip between Tiny's legs rather than circumnavigate him if the Lucas Reach was unlikely to make contact with a teasingly placed drop.

This "double-feature" was such a crowd pleaser that in the august atmosphere of Wembley Arena where world reputations were at stake, Referee Herbert Scheele had to admonish his County colleague over the tannoy: "Will people watching play on Court 5, please moderate their laughter as more serious games are being played on other courts."

Tennis was his other forte. Against his better judgment he was once persuaded by his charming badminton partner, Joy Prebble, (daughter of A. D. Prebble, one of badminton's early "greats" both in play and administration) to enter the "Wimbledon Warm-up", the Beckenham Championship. Fate unkindly rewarded such temerity by drawing them against Argentina's Enrique Morea and America's "Gorgeous Gussy" Moran, whose lace-trimmed panties shocked 1949 audiences far more than did Erica Roe's recent ample display at Twickenham.

Some face was at least saved until Morea changed from his heavily-cut serve to his all-out "blaster". Then, to quote Tiny: "As often as not I was picking my racket out of the stop-netting!"

R. S. ("Tiny") Lucas — Heaven alone knows what R. S. stands for — has done a fine job. Without him in the driving seat Wembley will never be quite the same.

Though he'll tell you, "I don't think badminton's the fun it was", he'll still be there, be sure of that.

Thank you, Tiny! May your shadow never grow less!

PAT DAVIS

PETER WINS SERVICE-TO-SPORT TROPHY

PETER Birtwistle, the BA of E's Events Committee chairman who has done so much to promote badminton through sponsorship and television, has received a top regional award for his services to sport.

He was awarded the Lancashire Evening Post/Rothman's Service to Sport trophy at Preston's Guild Hall — the scene of several top international badminton events he has helped to organise for the North-West.

A Vice-President for the BA of E, Peter — known in Lancashire as "Mr. Badminton" — has been Events Committee chairman since it was re-organised six years ago. The committee forms policy, principles and financial arrangements and deals with sponsorship and televising of the major matches in Britain.

For the past 24 years, though, Peter has been the chairman of the Lancashire County BA, building Lancashire into the largest and, Lancastrians would argue, the most efficiently-run county in the country with plenty of top honours to its name.

Since he retired from business, Peter has devoted all his spare time to his beloved badminton, making just a little room in the summer months for his other, lesser known role as a lawn tennis official. He has umpired on the Centre Court at Wimbledon during the All England Championships.

Peter's ability and expertise reflect his dynamism. He admits: "I think voluntary work must be done to the best of one's admin. ability because, if it is not, the work falls on the shoulders of somebody else. I can't stand the type of man who joins a committee because he likes to see his name on the programme."

His association with badminton goes back to his boyhood when he started playing at Chorley Drill Hall. Before the second world war, he played for Lancashire's second team, but joined the Territorials in 1937.

In spite of a war injury, he later resumed his badminton career and was selected again for Lancashire in 1947, and became a "regular" there. He won his first international cap in 1948-49 against Malaya, and played several times for England until his last international in the 1952-53 season.

As a national badminton official, Peter has travelled all over the world, helping more and more people to appreciate the



Peter Birtwistle on duty on the Centre Court during the 1979 Championships at Wimbledon (Pic: Tommy Hindley)

sport he loves. This latest award proved particularly fitting as Peter was nomi-

nated for it by another Lancashire stalwart, Ron Edwards.

ANGELA BROWN

SUCCESSFUL YEAR FOR THE BWA



ERIC BROWN

THE Badminton Writers' Association formed last year with the declared aim "To further the interests of Badminton and those involved in its media coverage" has, in the words of the Chairman, Richard Streeton, "Had a useful and consolidatory 12 months, is now firmly established and shows all the signs of becoming even more active in the future."

Richard Streeton's words — he was in hospital at the time — were conveyed to members of the Association at their first annual meeting during the All-England Championships at Wembley.

Among decisions taken at the meeting were:

1. There was to be an immediate increase of £1 in subscriptions, to a figure of £3;
2. The introduction of an annual award to the "player or official who, in the opinion of members, had given the most outstanding service to badminton in the previous 12 months."
3. Five new members were enrolled but applications from another dozen were referred to the committee.
4. Invitations to join the Badminton Writers' Association will be issued to selected badminton-orientated journalists from abroad.
5. All the Association's officers were re-elected unopposed. Sue Ashton, Minutes Secretary, was elected Assistant Secretary.
6. Eric Brown, the Secretary/Treasurer, points out that the £3 subscription for the 1982-83 season are now due. Anyone wishing to join the Badminton Writers' Association should contact Eric Brown at 157, Picardy Road, Belvedere, Kent.

WITH THE JUNIORS

JENNY, NEW CHAMPION

THE Scottish Under-18 Championships at Meadowbank, Edinburgh, provided a frustrating final day for Gillian Martin, the Brookfield, Paisley girl who could be set for a long spell in the full Scotland team.

She reached the last stage of all three events she was eligible for — and lost each time. In the process she also lost the two junior titles she won last year, but the set-back should be only temporary. It was just one of those days when nothing would go right.

The new girls' singles champion is Edinburgh's Jenny Allen, who has been there or thereabouts for some time. Miss Allen seemed to sense Miss Martin's nervousness and although she lost the first set narrowly, she went on to take the next two in comfort for her first major title.

The boys' singles title-holder is Anthony Gallagher (Perth), the brother of national senior champion Charlie Gallagher. He knocked out top seed Ken Middlemiss and No. 2 seed Kevin Scott (both of Edinburgh) in the semi-finals and final respectively, and could emulate his elder brother in time. *See Results section.*

IAIN MACKENZIE



Jenny Allen, new Scottish Under-18 singles champion (Pic: Peter Richardson)

THE WILLEY BROTHERS IN FORM

THE Willey brothers, of Hampshire each shared a doubles title at this year's Slazenger South Western Counties Junior Championships at Melksham.

Adrian took the Under-15 Boys' cups in company with Paul Edavane, while Mark shared the Under-18 title with Richard Lancashire. Adrian Willey also marked the occasion by reaching his first Open singles final. Taking full

advantage of a good win over the No. 1 Welsh boy, Ian Russell, he progressed to the final, his path being made easier by the scratching of his doubles partner.

Other notable doubles were chalked up by the fast-improving Under-16 National squad players. Alison Fisher (Essex) won the Under-18 Girls' singles and doubles just missing out on the hat-trick in a good Mixed doubles final. Lisa Chapman (Derby) shared the Under-18 Girls' and Mixed doubles cups with Alison and Robert Baddeley (Sussex) who had earlier taken the Under-18 Boys' singles title.

Lisa Chapman also enjoyed the distinction of moving straight from Under-15 Doubles champion to Under-18 Girls doubles champ!

With the majority of the top Under-15s on parade, not many upsets were recorded.

The Under-18s however presented a different picture, with the top few players on duty elsewhere or resting for other battles. In both Boys' events the finalists came through from the 5/6 seeding brackets and this after some close struggles. The standard is much more even and improving just below the top, which must be good for the game.

Debbie Hore struggled through to win the Under-15 Girls' singles, but was lucky in her semi-final where Jane McCann let Debbie off the hook. Another jittery performance against a strong and gutsy Lancastrian, Sara Halsall, who had done very well to reach this stage... and Debbie had won — but not with the authority of a national champion.

Paul Edavane and Adrian Willey took the Under-15 Boys doubles, their opponents in the final, Paul Holden & Adrian Casey not rising to the heights of their semi-final against Matthew Smith and Anders Nielsen.

Debbie Buddle and Clair Palmer concluded the Under-15 events with a workmanlike performance in the Girls' doubles, their success being challenged by two fast-improving "Under-14" pairings.

Robert Baddeley came through his quarter of the draw reasonably comfortably, which possibly put him in better stead for the latter games, where his application to the job, coupled with good use of his steep and penetrating smash, saw him home to a deserved win in the Under-18 Boys' singles. Martin Lawrence's progress to this point had been much more difficult.

Alison Fisher, proving that "good goods are wrapped in little parcels" thoroughly deserved the Under-18 Girls' singles cup (much to the disappointment of the South West supporters urging on Devon's Sue Louis) her footwork being a joy to watch.

Mark Willey and Richard Lancashire survived some tough battles en route to the Boys' Doubles title, where once again "local" hopes were dashed at the final hurdle. The South-West combination of Miles Johnson (Devon) and Paul Stott (Avon) worked up a good understanding and, in this company, deserved their place in the final, but fell victims of the severe hitting of Mark and Richard.

Alison Fisher and Lisa Chapman, benefitting from their better understanding as a pair, were never seriously challenged until the final where the scratch pairing of Debbie Hore and Jane Edwards got off to a flier, but a switch of tactics by the Under-16 pair changed the game as they

JUDY LEAVES S.B.U.

THE Scottish Badminton Union has a new Administrator. She is Anne Smillie, who stepped up recently from her post as Assistant Administrator to replace Judy Budge. A new assistant is being appointed.

Judy had been with the SBU since 1974 and in recent years was heavily involved in helping to formulate and process the Union's Five-Year-Plan for expansion and improvement of the game in Scotland, as well as the transfer of headquarters from Edinburgh to Glasgow and the setting up of the new badminton complex in the latter city.

"I enjoyed my eight years in badminton circles very much", she told me shortly before departure to a job as personal assistant to the director of a small industrial company. "However, I felt it was time to move on. I could not contribute much more to the Union without going over the same ground, and the change of scene will provide a fresh challenge with the hope of promotion which I could not have had with the SBU, and a higher salary".

Judy, a single girl with a university degree and a strong interest in Gaelic culture (she collects Gaelic music and is learning the language) ran the Union's busy office with calm, courteous efficiency. She let the Scottish game down in only one way: "I didn't enjoy playing at all. I tried it once, never again. But, at least, after eight years, I've learned which end of the shuttle you are supposed to hit".

IAIN MACKENZIE

kept the shuttle much flatter at Jane and cut out her big smash.

Robert Baddeley and Lisa Chapman concluded four very full days' play when they won the Mixed Doubles cups, after an inevitable three-setter and, in so doing, denied Alison Fisher her hat-trick.

The tournament committee record their sincere thanks to Slazengers Ltd for their support and sponsorship of the event. *See Results section*

TONY WINSLOW



Mark Willey (Hants). With partner Richard Lancashire, Mark smashed his way to the doubles title at Melksham.

MORE CASH VITAL FOR FORWARD MARCH

DESPITE the emergence, in the season just ended, of Billy Gilliland and Dan Travers as a doubles partnership of world ranking, it has to be accepted that Scotland still have a long way to go before they can claim to the Asians, Denmark and England that they are a real threat to their world and European domination.

It would be good to see the Scots — as a team and not as individuals — up there among the top half-dozen, and I say that, without bias. No sport benefits if at national level only one or two clubs, and at international level one or two nations, lift all the trophies.

Look at football, for example. In the past 20 years (and this is being written before the 1982 final has taken place) the Scottish Cup has been won by either Celtic or Rangers 18 times. In the same period, those two clubs have won the Scottish title 18 times between them. The result is a series of repetitively boring competitions and people are staying away.

Obviously, in any sport, there will be winners and losers, individuals and teams with outstanding ability which will lead to prizes. My point is not to deny the winners their glory, but to improve standards all round so that there are more starters who have a chance of being in at the finish.

One reason Scotland may have that chance in future years is the approach of the Scottish Badminton Union's coaching director Allan Campbell. His philosophy is that if a player has the basic ability and is physically fit, he has to be coached mentally as well as physically to become a winner. Campbell, a 36-year-old Glasgow University graduate in history and economics (unlikely qualifications for a sports organisation's coach) did not have a racket in his hand until he was in his twenties. Music was his main interest. He was an accomplished violinist and led the university orchestra.

"I took the game up in my last year for some exercise and as a means of relaxing during study for the final examinations. Probably I had an eye for the shuttle but it was just a fun game for me; there was never any question of representative status".

ALLAN Campbell, the SBU's Coaching Director, talks to IAIN MACKENZIE about the way ahead for badminton north of the border.



Allan Campbell, the Scottish BU's coaching director.

His aim was to become a schoolmaster and when the S.B.U. found him he was teaching history and modern studies north-west of Glasgow. "I applied for the job in 1980 because my interest in the coaching side of the game had developed and there was a challenging job to be done. The Union never had a full-time coaching director before, so there was a lot of fresh ground to be dug", says Allan.

Was his lack of experience as a leading player not a handicap? Was there not resentment among players of international class that someone who had not experienced the tensions of top-level play should be telling them what to do?

"I didn't find it a handicap at all. On the contrary, it was my very lack of experience which made me think more about the game. Not having the practical, physical side to lean on I was forced to concentrate on the theoretical, mental one. Oddly enough, if there was resentment at all it was from the lower levels and not from those at the top.

"Take Billy Gilliland and Dan Travers for instance. They know the value of good coaching, whether I am in charge or some other coach. They are always willing to learn and their results last season prove my point.

"The problem in Scotland is that so many don't know the real value of coaching. Too many players, and here I'm not talking about the church hall type of player who uses the game solely for fun and exercise but about the one who has potential, look on coaching as a waste of time. Of course bad coaching can lead to stereotyped play and lack of individualism, but it does have a big part to play in success — of that I'm certain."

Campbell is equally certain that in Scotland there are several very talented juniors who are capable of coming through to senior level and, in 5 - 10 years from now, matching the best in Europe if not the world. Cash, or the lack of it, could be his biggest problem.

"England will cheerfully send an Under-18 squad to the Far East for match practice against people they could meet at senior level in a year or so. We do well if we scrape up the cash to cross the border for an Under-18 fixture somewhere in the North of England."

It is indeed, a very different shuttle game. Campbell himself was almost excluded from a Thomas Cup party — would you believe — which went to Holland for that famous victory over the Dutch by 9-0, because of shortage of funds. It was only at the last moment, and after some frantic effort behind the scenes that sense prevailed and he was allowed to travel.

That is not a criticism of the Union. Like so many sports bodies these days they have to watch the pennies, and pruning, whenever possible, is the order of the day. Unhappily, one result is that Campbell's job is made harder but it is something he accepts, if reluctantly.



Scotland's giant-killers Billy Gilliland, left, and Dan Travers (Pic: Peter Richardson)

"Our players do not get enough experience against really good opposition. I'd like to do a lot more for the seniors, but there simply isn't the money available. There are regular squad meetings, coaching, training and practice sessions, talk-ins, you name it...

everything except enough international match practice — and that's where the lack of cash becomes a major stumbling block.

Making do with the resources he has, Campbell is working on how to harness the individual skills of leading players

into a united team effort, something the Scots have often lacked. They must, he says, learn to support each other without having doubts about their own team-mates' ability.

"What we must do is try to develop a completely different mental approach, where there is no criticism of each other, and a positive rather than negative or neutral outlook. This is difficult because no-one, to my knowledge, has used this approach in badminton coaching before, but it can be done.

"I have used it in schools with some success. I realised that the kids were all out for themselves without thought for anyone else. Clearly I am not suggesting that in a singles championship anyone should put another player first, but badminton is as much a team game as, say, golf. The Ryder Cup squad must do better if each man supports everyone else."

He believes that until recently top Scots players had too many self-doubts, thought of themselves too often as the underdogs. That attitude is changing, as witness the demolition of Holland in the Thomas Cup but, as I said at the start, there is still a long way to go.

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BADMINTON RESULTS

Danish Open Champ. Copenhagen

Men's Singles: Quarter-finals: M Frost (Den) bt Li Yong Po (China) 15-4, 15-6; He Shanguan (Ch) bt H Arbi (Indo) 10-15, 15-12, 15-11; I Sugianto (Indo) bt S Karlsson (Swe) 15-13, 16-17, 15-4; P Padukone (I) bt B MacDougall (Can) 15-1, 15-1. **Semi-finals:** Frost bt He Shanguan 15-3, 15-3; Padukone bt Sugianto 15-2, 15-4. **Final:** Frost bt Padukone 15-7, 15-8.

Ladies' Singles: Quarter-finals: L Koppen (Den) bt I Lie (Indo) 11-5, 11-6; Xu Rong (Ch) bt Yeon Ja Kim (Korea) 12-9, 11-4; Wu Dixi (Ch) bt K Bridge (Eng) 11-6, 11-5; Wu Jiaqiu (Ch) bt S Kitada (Jap) 12-9, 11-2. **Semi-finals:** Xu Rong bt Koppen 11-9, 12-10; Wu Jiaqiu bt Wu Dixi 11-4, 11-1. **Final:** Wu Jiaqiu bt Xu Rong 11-5, 11-0.

Men's Doubles: Quarter-finals: He Shanguan & Jiang Guoliang (Ch) bt T Kihlstrom & S Karlsson (Swe) 18-13, 15-8; Joo Bongpark & Eun Ku Lee (Korea) bt Fladberg & S Skovgaard (Den) 15-1, 15-8; Li Yong Po & Tian Bingyi (Ch) bt J Knudsen & M Frost (Den) 15-8, 15-13; H. Christian & L Pongoh (Indo) bt G Scott & A Goode (Eng) 15-12, 15-11. **Semi-finals:** Bongpark & Eun Ku Lee bt He Shanguan & Guoliang 15-8, 15-9; Christian & Pongoh bt Li Yong Po & Tian Bingyi 15-12, 15-11. **Final:** Bongpark & Eun Ku Lee bt Christian & Pongoh 15-9, 11-15, 18-16.

Ladies' Doubles: Quarter-finals: N Perry & G Gilks (Eng) bt I Kurniawan & T Widayastuti (Indo) 15-2, 15-10; Lin Ying & Wu Dixi (Ch) bt Yeon Ja Kim & Uoon Suk Kim (Korea) 15-6, 15-12; Sun Ai Hwang & Yoo Sang Hee (Korea) bt A Tokuda & Yonekura (Jap) 15-5, 15-9; Xu Rong & Wu Jiaqiu (Ch) bt R Damayanti & Farjini Werawaty (Indo) 15-7, 15-12. **Semi-finals:** Ling Yin & Wu Dixi bt Perry & Gilks 12-15, 17-16, 15-8; Xu Rong & Wu Jiaqiu bt Sun Ai Hwang & Yoo Sang Hee 9-15, 15-7, 15-11. **Final:** Lin Ying & Wu Dixi bt Xu Rong & Wu Jiaqiu 15-12, 15-3.

Mixed Doubles: Quarter-finals: M Dew & G Gilks (Eng) bt S Pamungkas & R Damayanti (Indo) 15-1, 15-11; S Fladberg & P Nielsen (Den) bt D Bridge & G Clark (Eng) 15-8, 15-2; S Skovgaard & A Skovgaard (Den) bt B Gilliland (Scott) & K Chapman (Eng) 7-15, 15-11, 15-12; T Kihlstrom (Swe) & N Perry (Eng) bt C Dobson & G Gowers (Eng) 15-9, 15-11. **Semi-finals:** Dew & Gilks bt Fladberg & Nielsen 15-8, 8-15, 15-7; Kihlstrom & Perry bt Skovgaard & Skovgaard 18-15, 15-7. **Final:** Kihlstrom & Perry bt Dew & Gilks 15-12, 15-9.

Swedish Open Champs (Malmo)

Men's Singles: Quarter-finals: I Sugianto (Indo) bt T Wadood (Pak) 15-10, 15-10; K Jolly (Eng) bt Li Yongbeo (China) 15-5, 15-8; M Sidek (Mal) bt Tian Bingyi (China) 18-17, 15-10; P Padukone (Indo) bt He Shanguan (China) 15-3, 15-4. **Semi-finals:** Sugianto bt Jolly 17-15, 15-3; Sidek bt Padukone 12-15, 15-10, 15-5. **Final:** Sidek bt Sugianto 9-15, 18-14, 15-13.

Ladies' Singles: Quarter-finals: Wu Dixi (China) bt F Tokhairin (Jap) 11-4, 11-1; A Ghia (Indo) bt Sang Hee Yoo (Kor) 12-10, 11-7; Wu Jiaqiu (China) bt S Kitada (Jap) 11-4, 11-4; Xu Rong (China) bt Yoon Suk Kim (Kor) 11-7, 11-7. **Semi-finals:** Wu Dixi bt Ghia 11-5, 12-10; Wu Jiaqiu bt Xu Rong 12-9, 11-2. **Final:** Wu Dixi bt Wu Jiaqiu 11-12, 11-2, 11-1.

Men's Doubles: Quarter-finals: Karlsson & Kihlstrom (Swe) bt Park & Lee (Kor) 10-15, 15-8, 15-6; Li Yong Po & Tian Bingyi (China) bt Sidek & Sidek (Mal) 18-15, 17-14; Christian & Pongoh (Indo) bt Ann & Heng (Mal) 15-7, 15-8; M Tredgett & M Dew (Eng) bt Yang Guoliang & He Shanguan (China) 15-10, 15-9. **Semi-finals:** Karlsson & Kihlstrom bt Yong Po & Bingyi 18-14, 15-6; Christian & Pongoh bt Tredgett & Dew 17-14, 18-13. **Final:** Christian & Pongoh bt Karlsson & Kihlstrom 15-11, 15-8.

Ladies' Doubles: Quarter-finals: N Perry & J Webster (Eng) bt Cloutier & Farleadeau (Can) 15-1, 15-2; Xu Rong & Wu Jiaqiu (China) bt Hwang & Hoo (Kor) 15-5, 15-6; G Gilks (Eng) bt Kitada & Jinnai (Jap) 15-7, 15-7; Wu Dixi & Liu Ying (China) bt Tokhairin & Takamine (Jap) 15-3, 15-4. **Semi-finals:** Xu Rong & Wu Jiaqiu bt Perry & Webster 15-11, 15-7; Wu Dixi & Liu Ying bt Gilks & Clark 15-9, 3-15, 15-4. **Final:** Xu Rong & Wu Jiaqiu bt Wu Dixi & Liu Ying (No score given). **Mixed Doubles:** Quarter-finals: Ertanto & Imelda (Indo) bt M Tredgett & N Perry 18-15,

3-15, 15-10; D Bridge & G Clark (Eng) bt D Travers & C Hamilton (Scott) 15-7, 15-5; Wengberg & Borjesson (Swe) bt W Gilliland & C Healty (Scott) 13-15, 15-12, 15-13; D Tailor & K Bridge (Eng) bt M Dew & G Gilks (Eng) 15-4, 18-16. **Semi-finals:** Bridge & Clark bt Ertanto & Imelda 15-9, 6-15, 17-14; Tailor & Bridge bt Wengberg & Borjesson 15-8, 15-5. **Final:** Bridge & Clark bt Tailor & Bridge 15-9, 17-16.

Jersey Open Champs (St. Helier)

Men's Singles: Semi-finals: P Brogden (Lancs) bt R Sharp (Kent) 15-7, 15-13; J Rudynathan (Malaysia) bt M Rayson (Jersey) 15-10, 15-7. **Final:** Brogden bt Rudynathan 15-7, 15-12.

Ladies' Singles: Semi-finals: Mrs S Whittaker (Lancs) bt J Gunter (Surrey) 11-1, 11-2; B Jones (Lancs) bt Mrs G Appleby (Kent) 12-9, 6-11, 12-11. **Final:** Whittaker bt Jones 11-5, 11-4.

Men's Doubles: Semi-finals: J Rudynathan (Mal) & P Gardner (Surrey) bt I Legrand & N Rivet (Middx) 15-1, 15-12; P Brogden & J Whittaker (Lancs) bt I Lawson & S Hughes (Herts) 15-5, 15-7. **Final:** Brogden & Whittaker bt Rudynathan & Gardner 15-9, 15-12.

Ladies' Doubles: Semi-finals: Mrs S Whittaker & B Jones (Lancs) bt Mrs G Appleby (Kent) & J Gunter (Surrey) 15-4, 15-10; K Casey & Mrs J Andrews (Middx) bt C & J Laurens (Jersey) 15-5, 15-10. **Final:** Casey & Andrews bt Whittaker & Jones 15-10, 4-15, 15-11.

Mixed Doubles: Semi-finals: P Brogden & Mrs S Whittaker (Lancs) bt I Legrand & K Casey (Middx) 15-9, 15-7; N Rivett & Mrs J Andrews (Middx) bt R Sharp (Kent) & D Henderson (Surrey) 15-4, 11-15, 15-12. **Final:** Brogden & Whittaker bt Rivett & Andrews 15-7, 15-10.

Middlesex Champs, (Stamford Hill)

Men's singles, Quarter-finals N Webster bt P Walden 15-3 15-4. T Riley bt Atkinson 15-4 15-2. J Rudynathan bt A Salvidge 15-17 15-9 15-3. S Wilkie bt Lancashire 13-15 15-6 15-9. **Semi-finals** Riley bt Webster 15-4, 15-3. Wilkie bt Rudynathan 9-15 15-9 15-4. **Final** Wilkie bt Riley 7-15 15-12 15-11. **Ladies' singles, Semi-finals** F Elliott bt N Roope 11-1, 11-1. W Massam bt J Shipman 11-0 11-0. **Final** Massam bt Elliott 12-10 5-11 11-6. **Men's doubles, Semi-finals** H Koay & K Yong bt M Parker & A Salvidge 15-5 15-8. N Webster & M Anderson bt C Kok & J Rudynathan 15-10 15-11. **Final** Koay-Yong bt Webster-Anderson 15-10 15-7.

Ladies' doubles, Semi-finals W Massam & F Elliott bt N Roope & L Salmon 15-2 15-2. J Forrester & J Shipman bt R Millard & C Stevens 15-7 15-8. **Final** Massam-Elliott bt Forrester-Shipman 15-7 15-7. **Mixed doubles, Semi-finals** F Elliott & M Parker bt J Forrester & S Wilkie 12-15 15-2 15-3. C Virdee & M Anderson bt N Roope & A Downes 15-10 13-15 15-4. **Final** Elliott-Parker bt Virdee & Anderson 15-3 15-0.

Guernsey Open Tour

Men's singles, Quarter-finals T Stokes bt S Donaldson 15-6 15-5. M Leadbeater bt A Trebert 15-4 15-2. J Stuart bt A Gent 15-9 15-9. G Martin bt S Trebert 15-9 15-11. **Semi-finals** Stokes bt Leadbeater 15-8 15-6. Martin bt Stuart 15-6 9-7 ret. **Final** Stokes bt Martin 15-7 15-8.

Ladies' singles, Quarter-finals W Lutton bt D Turvey 11-6 11-7. A Dunn bt Mrs P Leadbeater 11-6 11-7. B Hunt bt J Humpleby 11-6 11-4. C Troke bt Mrs J Scott 11-1 11-3. **Semi-finals** Lutton bt Dunn 11-8 5-11 11-8. C Troke bt Hunt 11-6 11-3. **Final** C Troke bt Lutton 11-0 11-0.

Men's doubles, Semi-finals I Lawson & S Hughes bt M Leadbeater & A Trebert 15-7 15-11. T Stokes & R Moore bt C Wells & J Stuart 15-8 15-3. **Final** Stokes-Moore bt Lawson-Hughes 15-5 15-4.

Ladies' doubles, Semi-finals C Troke & J Gunter 15-9 18-14. S Tardif & Mrs F Smith bt J Humpleby & Mrs S Davis 15-2 15-9. **Final** Tardif-Smith bt C Troke-Gunter 11-15 15-10 15-11.

Mixed doubles, Semi-finals T Stokes & C Troke bt P Sloper & J Gunter 15-6 15-5. J Stuart & Mrs J Scott bt R Moore & S Gammie 15-2 15-3. **Final** Stokes & C Troke bt Stuart & Scott 15-9 15-5.

West of England Champs (Bristol)

Men's singles, Quarter-finals S Wassell bt J Miles 15-9 15-4. P Sutton bt M Elliott 15-8 15-1. G Robson bt J Ford 15-10 15-6. D Burden bt G Asquith 12-15 15-9 15-6. **Semi-finals** Sutton bt Wassell 15-5 15-9. Burden bt Robson 15-8 15-12. **Final** Burden bt Sutton 9-15 15-7 15-9.

Girls' singles, Quarter-finals Jill Benson (w/o) J Edwards bt W Poulton 11-6 11-4. F Elliott bt T Whittaker 11-2 11-2. A Nelson bt D Simpson 11-3 11-8. **Semi-finals** Edwards bt Benson 11-1 11-6. Elliott bt Nelson 11-8 11-4. **Final** Elliott bt Edwards 11-4 11-7.

Men's doubles, Semi-finals G Robson & J Miles bt L Williams & C Rees 11-15 15-7 15-5. M Elliott & D Burden bt G Reeves & J Ganner 17-15 15-3. **Final** Elliott-Burden bt Robson-Miles 15-5 15-6.

Ladies' doubles, Semi-finals Mrs B Cooper & J Lord bt W Poulton & N Bewley 15-6 15-7. F Elliott & J Pringle bt Mrs S Martin & Mrs K Tredgett 4-15 15-8 15-11. **Final** Elliott-Pringle bt Cooper-Lord 8-15 15-11 15-13.

Mixed doubles, Semi-finals T Stokes & J Pringle bt A Finch & Mrs K Tredgett 15-4 15-8. P Brogden & B Cooper bt J Cocker & D Simpson 15-7 15-4. **Final** Stokes-Pringle bt Brogden-Cooper 15-7 15-12.

Hull Open (Hull)

Men's singles, Quarter-finals B Wallwork bt D Keating 15-10 15-8. Rudy bt I Bucknell 18-17 12-15 15-9. P Higman bt J Doran 15-7 15-12. A Wood bt S Sutcliffe 15-11 15-8. **Semi-finals** Wallwork bt Rudy 15-10 14-9 ret. Wood bt Higman 18-17 15-11. **Final** Wood bt Wallwork 15-11 15-2.

Ladies' singles, Quarter-finals P Kilvington bt J Lord 11-2 11-5. L Campbell bt J Pringle 11-1 11-7. B Beckett bt Julie Benson 11-3 11-4. K Lister (w/o). **Semi-finals** Kilvington bt Campbell 11-5 11-2. Beckett bt Lister 11-6 11-8. **Final** Kilvington bt Beckett 12-11 11-8.

Men's doubles, Semi-finals J Cocker & P Brogden bt Rudy & D Constantine 15-6 15-7. J Bucknell & D Keating bt B Wallwork & A Wood 15-5 10-15 15-11. **Final** Cocker-Brogden bt Bucknell-Keating 15-6 15-7.

Ladies' doubles, Semi-finals P Kilvington & B Beckett bt Mrs B Cooper & J Lord 18-16 4-15 15-11. Mrs M Witty & J Pringle bt K Lister & L Campbell 15-10 15-6. **Final** Kilvington-Beckett bt Witty-Pringle 11-15 15-8 15-6.

Mixed doubles, Semi-finals D Roebuck & C Morgan bt B Wallwork & Mrs B Cooper 15-4 15-5. P Brogden & Mrs M Witty bt A Wood & J Lord 15-5 15-10. **Final** Brogden-Witty bt Roebuck-Morgan 15-10 1-15 15-4.

Cumbria Open (Carlisle)

Men's singles, Quarter-finals S Denner bt P Cannell 15-7 15-2. P Brogden bt K Davidson 15-5 15-5. W Taylor bt M Adams 15-11 15-6. P Higman bt G Kirkup 15-8 15-8. **Semi-finals** Brogden bt Denner 15-11 15-8. Higman bt Taylor 15-12 11-15 15-11. **Final** Brogden bt Higman 15-12 15-11.

Ladies' singles, Quarter-finals S Orwin (w/o) Mrs J Holder bt C Dickinson 5-11 11-3 11-5. A Allen bt C Lund 8-11 11-1 11-4. Julie Benson bt Mrs R Cannell 11-2 11-3. **Semi-finals** Orwin bt Holder 11-0 11-9. Julie Benson bt Allen 11-2 11-3. **Final** Julie Benson bt Orwin 12-10 7-11 11-6.

Men's doubles, Semi-finals J Cocker & P Brogden bt M Brown & R Green 15-8 11-15 15-7. A Hall & C Lilley bt N Holcroft & S Shotton 15-5 15-11. **Final** Cocker-Brogden bt Hall-Lilley 15-7 15-8.

Ladies' doubles, Semi-finals Julie Benson & J Lord bt K Fife & Mrs J Lilley 18-13 15-12. L Whittaker & Mrs S Whittaker bt Mrs B Cooper & P Waldron 15-9 8-15 15-3. **Final** Benson-Lord bt Whittaker-Whittaker 18-16 15-12.

Mixed doubles, Semi-finals I Brown & P Waldron bt I Higman & J Thompson 15-8 15-2. P Brogden & Mrs S Whittaker bt J Cocker & K Redhead 15-7 15-11. **Final** Brogden-Whittaker bt Brown-Waldron 15-6 15-9.

Sussex Junior Champs

UNDER-16
Boys' singles, Semi-finals K Stedman bt D Shepherd 7-15 15-5 15-10. A Hayward bt G Coyston 15-11 11-15 18-16. **Final** Hayward bt Stedman 13-18 15-11 15-10.

Boys' doubles, Semi-finals G Coyston & D Shepherd bt P Stacey & T Stedman 15-10 15-12. A Hayward & K Stedman bt N Pratt & N Higson 15-3 15-5. **Final** Hayward-Stedman bt Coyston-Shepherd 15-11 10-15 15-3.

Girls' singles, Semi-finals L Germain bt P Hammond 11-9 11-5. K Dummer bt S Frostick 11-6 11-3. **Final** Dummer bt Germain 11-6 11-0.

Girls' doubles, Semi-finals L Germain & S Frostick bt D Brophy & T Rudman 15-5 15-1. K Dummer & S Carter bt D Proud & P Hammond 15-4 15-7. **Final** Dummer-Carter bt Germain-Frostick 12-15 15-11 17-15.

UNDER-14
Boys' singles, Semi-finals P Harmer bt P Bishop 15-13 15-12. S Whale bt S Simmonds 15-12 18-13. **Final** Whale bt Harmer 15-12 18-13.

Girls' singles, Semi-finals S Foster bt D Hampton 11-0 11-8. A Taylor bt C Wesley 11-0 11-0. **Final** Taylor bt Foster 12-10 11-2.

Boys' doubles, Semi-finals P Bishop & K Chamberlain bt D Proctor & C Jordan 15-5 15-9. P Harmer & S Simmonds bt C Lawrence & S Whale 15-1 15-3. **Final** Harmer-Simmonds bt Bishop-Chamberlain 17-14 17-16.

Girls' doubles, Semi-finals S Foster & A Taylor bt J Perry & L Wickham 15-1 15-1. V Smithers & C Wesley bt L Langley & G Deane 15-3 15-3. **Final** Taylor-Foster bt Smithers-Wesley 15-3 15-2.

UNDER-12
Boys' singles, Semi-finals K Lawrence bt H Smith 17-15 17-15. M Dummer bt J Simmonds 15-1 15-6. **Final** Dummer bt Lawrence 15-12 15-1.

Boys' doubles, Semi-finals M Dummer & H Smith bt W Sellars & T Busby 15-8 15-7. K Lawrence & J Simmonds bt P Haylar & R Taylor 13-15 15-9 15-5. **Final** Dummer-Smith bt Lawrence-Simmonds 15-6 15-12.

Girls' singles, Semi-finals T Groves bt M Smith 11-0 11-1. A Pallant bt L McIntosh 11-6 11-8. **Final** Groves bt Pallant 11-4 11-2.

Girls' doubles, Semi-finals M Smith & L McIntosh bt J Marks & N Groves 15-9 11-15 15-1. T Groves & A Pallant bt K Mobsby & C Jones 15-0 15-8. **Final** Groves-Pallant bt McIntosh-Smith 15-5 15-3.

Slazenger S. West Counties Junior Champ. Melksham

UNDER-18
Boys' Singles: Quarter-finals: T Moseley bt M Haddon 15-5, 15-7; R Baddeley bt J Knight 15-11, 15-2. M Lawrence & P Walden 15-2, 10-15, 18-15; P Edavane & M Smith 15-9, 17-18, 15-9. **Semi-finals:** Baddeley bt Moseley 15-11, 15-4; Lawrence & Edavane 18-16, 17-14. **Final:** Baddeley bt Lawrence 11-15, 15-6, 15-2.

Girls' Singles: Semi-finals: S Louis bt D Hore 5-11, 12-10, 11-5; A Fisher bt B Blair 11-4, 11-9. **Final:** A Fisher bt S Louis 11-9, 11-5.

Boys' Doubles: Semi-finals: M Johnson & P Stott bt M Lawrence & D Grover 15-6, 15-18, 15-12; M Willey & R Lancashire bt Johnson & Stott 17-15, 18-17. **Final:** M Willey & Lancashire bt Johnson & Stott 17-15, 18-17.

Girls' Doubles: Semi-finals: D Hore & J Edwards bt S Louis & B Blair 15-6, 15-7; A Fisher & Lisa Chapman bt D Buddle & C Palmer 15-7, 15-7. **Final:** A Fisher & L Chapman bt D Hore & J Edwards 8-15, 15-7, 15-9.

Mixed Doubles: Semi-finals: T Moseley & A Fisher bt J Elliott & K Gregory 15-12, 15-6; R Baddeley & Lisa Chapman bt M Lawrence & S Thomas 15-5, 15-9. **Final:** Baddeley & L Chapman bt Moseley & A Fisher 15-1, 16-18, 15-7.

UNDER-15:
Boys' Singles: Quarter-finals: M Smith bt M Pallant 15-6, 15-6; A Nielsen & A Casey 15-12, 15-7; A Willey bt I Russell 17-15, 15-11; J Leather bt I Roberts 15-5, 15-3. **Semi-finals:** M Smith & A Nielsen 15-6, 15-11; A Willey bt J Leather 15-6, 15-11. **Final:** Smith & Nielsen 15-8, 15-11.

Girls' Singles: Semi-finals: D Hore bt J McCann 9-12, 11-8, 12-10; S Halsall bt D Buddle 11-6, 11-6. **Final:** D Hore bt S Halsall 11-3, 4-11, 11-6.

Boys' Doubles: Semi-finals: P Edavane & A Willey bt I Russell & I Roberts 15-11, 15-13; P Holden & A Casey bt M Smith & A Nielsen 7-15, 15-12, 15-13. **Final:** Edavane & A Willey bt Holden & Casey 15-7, 15-5.

Girls' Doubles: Semi-finals: D Buddle & C Palmer bt K Pearson & L Widelow 15-6, 17-14; A Roope & S Halsall bt K Rogers & D Hore 15-8, 15-7. **Final:** Buddle & Palmer bt Roope & Halsall 17-14, 15-12.

BADMINTON RESULTS

Scotland Youth B Squad v North East (Glasgow)

Scottish Youth 21, North East (Durham & Northumberland Juniors) 3.
(Scottish names first).

Boys: C Andrew bt D Robson 15-6, 15-3; C Douglas bt M Wilcox 15-9, 15-1; G Stangoe bt V Malcolm 15-8, 15-9; M Ferrier bt R Andrews 15-8, 15-8; A McMillan bt J Oliver 15-2, 15-5; S Howie lost to R Bradley 17-18, 15-9, 14-17; Andrew & Douglas bt Robson & Wilcox 15-11, 15-3; Stangoe & McMillan bt Andrew & Oliver 15-9, 15-6; Ferrier & Howie bt Malcolm & Bradley 6-15, 15-6, 15-11.

Girls: F Stark bt J Ruffell 11-4, 12-10; E Allen bt J Potts 11-0, 12-10; A Nairn bt C Spring 11-3, 11-8; J Leith bt A Maughan 11-1, 11-3; A Gordon bt M Gow 11-0, 11-3; D Stevenson bt D Godfrey 11-6, 11-1; Allen & Nairn bt Ruffell & Potts 15-12, 12-15, 15-9; Stark & Gordon bt Spring & Maughan 15-8, 15-9; Leith & Stevenson bt Gow & Godfrey 10-15, 15-5, 15-12.

Mixed doubles: Stangoe & Allen lost to Robson & Spring 15-11, 9-15, 2-15; Andrew & Stark bt Wilcox & Maughan 15-11, 15-12; Douglas & Nairn bt Andrews & Potts 17-16, 15-8; Howie & Leith lost to Oliver & Ruffell 8-15, 8-15; McMillan & Gordon bt Malcolm & Gow 15-2, 15-5; Ferrier & Stevenson bt Bradley & Godfrey 15-3, 15-2.

Scottish Under-18 Champs (Edinburgh)

FINALS

Boys' singles A Gallagher (Perth) bt K Scott (Edin) 6-15 15-1 15-10.

Girls' singles J Allen (Edin) bt G Martin (Brook) 9-12 11-3 11-7.

Boys' doubles G Stangoe & C Andrews (Edin) bt A Hutcheson (Penicuik) & K Middlemiss (Edin) 15-12 5-15 15-6.

Girls' doubles E Allen (Edin) & S Bell (Paisley) bt J Allen & Martin 10-15 15-6 18-15.

Mixed doubles Middlemiss & Bell bt Hutcheson & Martin 10-15 15-6 15-11.

Surrey Schools' Singles Tour.

FINALS

UNDER-13

Boys: R Mason bt K Mott 21-10. **Girls:** C Barnard bt J Ashfold 21-6.

UNDER-15

Boys: A Joel bt C Hodges 21-4. **Girls:** A Roope bt S Leggatt 21-6.

Senior Boys: R Longman bt C Hunt 21-2. **Senior Girls:** Winner A Roope.

INTER-COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS

RESULTS AND TABLES

DIVISION 1

Avon & Somerset	7	Essex	10
Derbyshire	6	Lancashire	11
Warwickshire	15	Durham	2
Hampshire	8	Essex	9
Lancashire	16	Durham	1
Warwickshire	2	Yorkshire	15
Durham	7	West Strathclyde	4
Yorkshire	12	Lancashire	5
Surrey	13	Avon & Somerset	4
Essex	8	Kent	9
Gloucestershire	11	Hampshire	6
Derbyshire	7	Warwickshire	10

Semi-finals:- Yorkshire 11 Kent 6
Lancashire 8 Surrey 9

Final:- Surrey 11 Yorkshire 6

NORTH	W	L	MF	MA
Yorkshire	5	—	71	14
Lancashire	4	1	55	30
Derbyshire	2	3	44	41
W. Strathclyde	2	3	35	50
Warwickshire	2	3	34	51
Durham	—	5	15	70

SOUTH	W	L	MF	MA
Surrey	5	—	53	32
Kent	4	1	53	32
Essex	3	2	41	44
Gloucestershire	2	3	40	45
Hampshire	1	4	35	50
Avon & Somerset	—	5	28	57

DIVISION II

Sussex	9	Kent	8
Leinster	8	Cheshire	9
Surrey	16	Hertfordshire	1
Hertfordshire	2	Middlesex	15
Cheshire	12	Derbyshire	5
Nottinghamshire	6	Yorkshire	11
Avon & Somerset	2	Wiltshire	9
Devon	10	Cornwall	7
Surrey	15	Essex	2
Cheshire	13	Staffordshire	4
Essex	10	Hertfordshire	7
Staffordshire	10	Yorkshire	7
Devon	10	Avon & Somerset	2
Wiltshire	8	Worcestershire	9
Cornwall	8	Worcestershire	9
Lancashire	2	Scottish Midlands	9
Leinster	6	Staffordshire	11
Middlesex	13	Sussex	4
Cornwall	7	Avon & Somerset	2
Devon	4	Glamorgan	13

Semi-final: Surrey 2 9 Glamorgan 8

FAR NORTH

	W	L	MF	MA
Lothian	5	—	66	19
Cumbria	3	1	37	31
Northumberland	2	3	42	43
Scottish Midlands	2	2	31	37
Lancashire	1	4	35	50
East Strathclyde	1	4	27	58

NORTH & N. MIDLANDS

Cheshire	5	—	57	28
Staffordshire	4	1	51	34
Yorkshire	3	2	51	34
Leinster	2	3	48	37
Nottinghamshire	—	4	19	49
Derbyshire	—	4	12	56

S. MIDLANDS & WEST

Glamorgan	4	1	68	17
Worcestershire	4	1	43	42
Devon	3	2	43	42
Avon & Somerset	2	3	37	48
Wiltshire	2	3	35	50
Cornwall	—	5	32	53

CENTRAL & EAST

Surrey	5	—	63	22
Middlesex	4	1	65	20
Sussex	3	2	39	48
Kent	2	3	34	51
Essex	1	4	30	55
Hertfordshire	—	5	24	61

DIVISION III

Cumbria	2	6	Durham	2	11
Norfolk	6	Northamptonshire	11		
Lothian	2	Cumbria	2	8	
Gwent	13	Glamorgan	2	4	
Lothian	2	Durham	2	13	
Gloucestershire	2	Cornwall	2	5	
Worcestershire	2	Worcestershire	10		
Bedfordshire	4	Northamptonshire	13		
Gwent	16	Shropshire	1		
Norfolk	8	Suffolk	10		
Lothian	2	U. Strathclyde	13		
Durham	2	Lothian	2	6	
Derbyshire	3	Lincolnshire	13		
Essex	3	Buckinghamshire	7		
Gloucestershire	2	Devon	2	6	
Wiltshire	2	Cornwall	2	3	
Buckinghamshire	12	Kent	3	5	
Hampshire	2	Berkshire	9		
Shropshire	13	Worcestershire	2	4	
Glamorgan	2	Worcestershire	2	8	
Lancashire	3	Cheshire	3	14	
Warwickshire	2	Lincolnshire	9		
Cornwall	2	Dorset	12		
Kent	3	Buckinghamshire	7		
Ulster	12	Lancashire	3	5	
Dorset	14	Wiltshire	2	3	
Cheshire	2	Cheshire	2	13	
Devon	2	Gloucestershire	2	7	
Buckinghamshire	8	Berkshire	9		
Nottinghamshire	2	Warwickshire	2	10	
Norfolk	6	Bedfordshire	11		
Glamorgan	2	Gwent	9		
Cornwall	2	Gloucestershire	2	17	
Lincolnshire	10	Nottinghamshire	2	7	
Shropshire	6	Oxfordshire	11		
Berkshire	11	Essex	3	8	
Hampshire	2	Kent	3	6	
Cheshire	2	Lancashire	3	8	
Durham	2	Upper Strathclyde	12		
Hampshire	2	Buckinghamshire	4		
Gwent	11	Oxfordshire	6		
Devon	2	Cornwall	2	0	
Worcestershire	2	Glamorgan	2	5	
Bedfordshire	4	Suffolk	0		
Oxfordshire	17	Shropshire	0		
Upper Strathclyde	17	Cumbria	2	0	
Lancashire	3	Staffordshire	2	6	
Devon	2	Wiltshire	2	4	

Essex	3	13	Kent	3	4
Nottinghamshire	2	8	Lincolnshire	9	
Gloucestershire	2	8	Dorset	9	
Kent	3	10	Hampshire	2	7
Derbyshire	3	2	Nottinghamshire	2	15
Devon	2	8	Dorset	9	
Buckinghamshire	7	Essex	3	10	

Play-offs:-
Lincolnshire 4 Ulster 13
Northamptonshire 9 Berkshire 8

FAR NORTH	W	L	MF	MA
Upper Strathclyde	6	—	80	22
Durham	3	2	44	41
Lothian	2	4	43	59
Cumbria	—	5	25	60

NORTH	W	L	MF	MA
Ulster	6	—	73	29
Cheshire	4	2	59	43
Staffordshire	1	5	36	66

Lancashire 3 1 5 36 66
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NORTH MIDLANDS	W	L	MF	MA
Lincolnshire	6	—	66	36
Warwickshire	4	2	53	49
Nottinghamshire	2	4	59	43
Derbyshire	—	6	35	67

SOUTH MIDLANDS	W	L	MF	MA
Oxfordshire	5	2	72	47
Glamorgan	5	3	62	74
Worcestershire	4	2	61	41
Gwent	3	3	63	39
Shropshire	—	7	6	73

WEST	W	L	MF	MA
Dorset	7	1	8	48
Devon	6	2	98	38
Gloucestershire	5	3	81	55
Wiltshire	2	6	55	81
Cornwall	—	8	34	102

CENTRAL	W	L	MF	MA
Berkshire	7	1	85	51
Essex	7	1	84	52
Buckinghamshire	2	6	59	77
Hampshire	2	6	58	78
Kent	2	6	54	82

EAST	W	L	MF	MA
Northamptonshire	5	—	59	26
Suffolk	4	2	59	43
Bedfordshire	2	4	46	56
Norfolk	—	5	32	53

DIVISION IV

Glamorgan 3	7	Gloucester 3	10
Nottinghamshire 3	11	Warwickshire 3	6
Norfolk 2	6	Suffolk 2	11
Nottinghamshire 3	11	Lincolnshire 2	6
Sussex 2	14	Hampshire 3	3
Cambridgeshire 8	Northamptonshire 2	9	
Leicestershire 13	Warwickshire 3	9	
Cumbria 3	5	Staffordshire 3	12
Lincolnshire 2	3	East Glywd	
Avon & Som'set 3	14	Glamorgan 3	
Middlesex 2	17	Isle of Wight	0
Glamorgan 3	7	Dorset 2	10
Lincolnshire 2	8	Nottinghamshire 3	9
Hertfordshire 2	3	Buckin'gshire 2	14
Berkshire 2	13	Isle of Wight	4
Hunts & Peterboro	8	Bedfordshire 2	9
Yorkshire 3	11	Northumberland 2	6
Cheshire 3	10	Northumberland 2	7
Buckin'gshire 2	12	Hunts & Peterboro	5
Gwent 2	4	Oxfordshire 2	13
Northamp't'shire 2	6	Suffolk 2	11
East Glywd	16	Warwickshire 3	1
Isle of Wight	2	Hampshire 3	15
Warwickshire 3	7	Lincolnshire 2	10
Norfolk 2	9	Northamp'shire 2	8
Gloucestershire 3	13	Glamorgan 3	4
Yorkshire 3	16	Cumbria 3	1
Leicestershire 15	Nottinghamshire 3	2	
Suffolk 2	12	Cambridgeshire	5
Northumberland 2	13	Staffordshire	3
Hunts & Peterboro	5	Buckin'gshire 2	12
Hampshire 3	10	Berkshire 2	7
Avon & Som'set 3	11	Dorset 2	6
Herefordshire	7	Gwent 2	10
Gloucestershire 3	8	Dorset 2	8
Isle of Wight	0	Middlesex 2	17
Cumbria 3	4	Cheshire 3	13
Warwickshire 3	8	East Glywd	9
Bedfordshire 2	6	Buckin'gshire 2	11
Nottinghamshire 3	5	East Glywd	12
Gwent 2	9	Herefordshire	8
Glamorgan 3	8	Avon & Som'set 3	9
Buckin'gshire 2	11	Bedfordshire 2	6
Warwickshire 3	10	Nottinghamshire 3	7
Hampshire 3	1	Middlesex 2	16
Yorkshire 3	11	Cheshire 3	6
Sussex 2	17	Isle of Wight	0
Leicestershire 10	East Glywd	7	
Gwent 2	7	Pembrokeshire	10

Bedfordshire	2	9	Hunts & Peterboro	8
Middlesex	2	15	Sussex	2
Staffordshire	3	0	Yorkshire	3
Oxfordshire	2	7	Pembrokeshire	10
Northumberland	2	9	Cheshire	3
Gloucestershire	3	9	Dorset	2
Gwent	2	10	Herefordshire	7

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