

Injury sidelines Gerry Peace

March upsets men's applecort three tennis titles for Pauline Kent



RENE MARCH came out of nowhere to win the men's singles championship of the Halton Hills tennis tournament.

Unseeded Rene March of Ballinacorney surprised everybody by winning the men's singles championship and Pauline Kent played remarkably consistent tennis to win every event she entered in the second annual Halton Hills Tennis Association Tournament which concluded on the weekend.

The big story of the 10 day tourney, however, was an unfortunate injury to veteran Gerry Peace, Saturday, which prevented him from defending his men's singles crown and also cost him and partner Tom Brotherton a crack at their second straight men's doubles title.

Peace and Brotherton led 2-1 in the third set of a tough semi-final match against Al Adams and Sid Harris when something snapped in Peace's leg as he was running towards the net. Gerry first thought he had a cramp, but the injury was later diagnosed as a pulled tendon, which forced him out of the tournament. Adams and Harris, who won the first set 7-6 on a tie breaker, but dropped the second 1-6, advanced to the finals.

The injury not only sent

Adams and Harris on to the finals and left Brotherton on the sidelines, but also allowed North Halton's teaching pro Doug Cairncross to advance the men's singles final. Peace was to play Cairncross in the semi-finals.

March, a former member of Toronto's Boulevard Club, gave the younger Cairncross a quick 6-1, 6-2 lesson in the men's singles championship match after coming from behind to sideline John Moore 4-6, 6-2, 6-2 in the semi-finals.

Pauline Kent (nee Marks) outlasted Isla Allison 6-2, 6-7, 6-0 in the ladies' singles final, after Isla took care of top seeded Doreen Thompson, the defending champion, in the semi-finals. Mrs. Kent defeated Marilyn Serjeantson in her semi-final match.

With the singles crown

already in her corner, Mrs. Kent teamed up with Pat Harris to defeat Isla Allison and Clara Brandt for the ladies' doubles championship 6-2, 6-4, Sunday. After that, she teamed up with husband Bernie to win the mixed doubles championship over Bob and Audrey Houston 6-2, 6-3.

In the ladies' doubles semi-finals, the Allison-Brandt team eliminated the top seeded combo of Doreen Thompson and Marilyn Serjeantson, while Mrs. Kent and Mrs. Harris ousted Paddy Brown and Marg Gray.

Bernie and Pauline Kent qualified for the mixed doubles finals with a 6-2, 6-3 win over Don and Marcia Gregg of Acton. The Houstons won their semi-final match 6-

4, 6-2 over Peter and Joanne Marks, also of Acton.

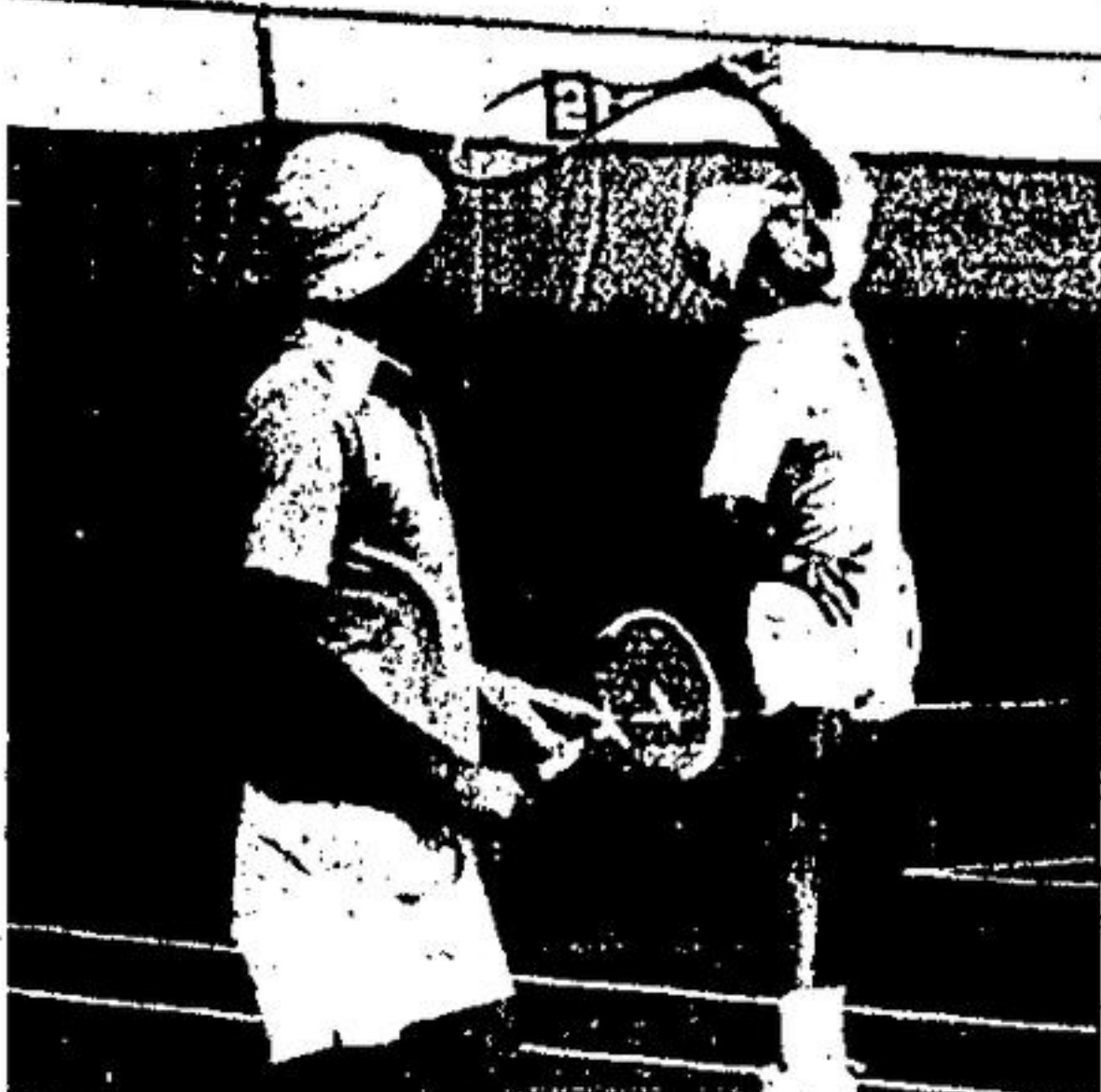
Bernie Kent and Peter Marks won their second men's doubles title of the season, beating Adams and Harris in straight sets in the final. They also won the Alcott Club crown in June. Kent and Marks ousted Bernie Kovacs and Don Gregg of Acton in their semi-final, while Adams and Harris advanced following the injury to Gerry Peace.

In consolation play, Ed Serjeantson defeated Gary Brown in straight sets for the men's title, Acton's Christine Steen took the ladies' title over Elizabeth Doig, John Dallison and Ray Hayes topped Don Hurley and Ik Soon Geh in men's doubles, Carol MacLeod and Audrey Houston won over Ann Ken-

ney and Pat McCarthy in ladies' doubles and Don Hurley and Mary Hughes teamed up to beat Ralph and Ellen Melton in mixed doubles.

Gerry Peace and Isla Allison were headed for the mixed doubles semi-finals when they were upset by Peter and Joanne Marks in a match that didn't end until the wee hours of Saturday morning.

Alcott Club President John Dallison headed the committee which organized the event. Bill Kent and Don Gibson helped with the consolation rounds, while Ed Serjeantson and Acton's John Kavanagh supervised junior play. All spent countless hours at the courts and deserve the thanks of players and fans.



PETER MARKS gets ready to smash the ball as his partner Bernie Kent looks on. The pair won the men's doubles.

Glen plans Sept. tourney

The Glen Williams men's fastball team is planning a 16 team tournament for the Glen ballpark, Saturday and Sunday, September 17 and 18.

The team held a tournament in early July, but rain delayed play so much that the final game could not be played because of a village curfew. There were only six teams entered in that tournament.

Junior tennis finals finish on weekend

The junior finals of the Halton Hills Tennis Association Tournament were held on the weekend.

There was an all-Georgetown show in the championship and consolation rounds of boy's singles in the age 12-years and younger group.

Mike Mitchell downed Ken Kavanagh in the championship; Andy Lenz took Scott Hibbard in the consolation round.

In boy's doubles in the same age bracket Andy Lenz and Georgie Adams beat Mike Mitchell and Bill Wheeler in the championship round. All are from Georgetown. In the consolation game John Wheeler and Kevin Powers won out over Mark Moody and Greg Marks.

The finals of the boys singles, 18 and younger, for the championship have to be settled later this week. Mike Morris and Dave Bew are in contention.

In the consolation round, Gary Pickles of Acton beat John Thorpe.

In boy's doubles for the same age, Brian Hayward and Grant Richardson of Georgetown downed Mike Morris and Gordon Bruce of Acton.

In the consolation round, Gary Pickles and Dave Mills of Acton took Mark Rose and Wayne Richardson.

Acton's Sherry Ancker downed Stacey Hurley of Georgetown to win the girl's singles championship in the age 16 and younger category. Stacey, 13, normally plays in the 14 and under group.

In consolation play, Sharon Barton of Georgetown beat Pam Brabant, also of Georgetown.

In doubles action for girls 16 years of age and younger, Georgetown's Stacey Hurley and Pam Brabant reigned over Acton's Sharon Cook and Lori Vermullen.

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