

Sports Outlook

Sabatini confirms entry at Player's Challenge Tennis

Argentina's Gabriela Sabatini, the eighth-ranked player in the world and semi-finalist at the 1987 French Open, has confirmed her entry in the \$390,000 Player's Challenge Tennis Championships at the National Tennis Centre at York University August 15-21.

Sabatini, who teamed with Zina Garrison of the United States to capture the doubles title at last year's Player's Challenge in Montreal, will join defending champion Helena Sukova, 1986 runner-up Pam Shriver, third-ranked Chris Evert

and reigning Australian Open champion Hana Mandikova as top 10 players confirmed to the Player's Challenge.

She has risen to number eight in the world based on some excellent results in 1987, including a victory over Martina Navratilova in the semi-finals of the Italian Open in May. She says she's anxious to return to Canada.

Sabatini, 17, has built an impressive record with singles titles at the 1985 Japan Open and 1986 Argentine Open and Grand Slam semi-final appearances at the French

Open in 1985 and 1987 and Wimbledon in 1986.

The 5'8", 130-pound native of Buenos Aires, Argentina, has used her devastating backhand to post some outstanding doubles results with 1986 wins at the Player's Challenge with Garrison and European Indoors with Graf. She also teamed with Graf to finish as runners-up at the 1986 and 1987 French Open and they were semi-finalists in the 1986 U.S. Open doubles draw.

The Player's Challenge, which is considered the major championship between Wimbledon and the U.S. Open, is organized by Tennis Canada and sponsored by Player's. Session tickets are available at all Ticketron outlets in Canada and the United States or through the Player's Challenge Ticket Office at York University (416) 665-9784.

Banana Peels split games

The Banana Peels split a pair of recent games in Georgetown Youth Soccer Boys' Major Squirt division, edging the Rangers 1-0, and then losing to the Red Devils 5-1.

Christopher Coleman accounted for the only goal in the Banana Peels' win. As well as Coleman, Donald Jones and Jeremy Cadger

had solid games for the winners, while the entire Rangers' squad played extremely well.

In the other contest, Steven Smith led the way for the Devils with three goals, while Shane Thompson chipped in with the other two markers.

Coleman had the lone reply for the Banana Peels.

CNE hosts Rising Star event

The Canadian National Exhibition is producing its own talent contest this year. This event, Rising Star '87, will focus on the varied talents of young people, aged 12 to 24 years, over the twenty day run of the Fair.

Beginning with approximately one hundred acts, an elimination contest will be run in order to present a final

show on the Bandshell. This will produce a winner who will represent the CNE at the National Finals to be held on the same stage two nights later.

Entrants should write or phone to the Program Department of the CNE at 393-6239.

Martial arts demonstrations

Michael and Martin McNamara, 38-year-old identical twins, are among the best known and respected kickboxing and martial arts promoters in North America. They are the owners/founders of the Twin Dragon Kung Fu Clubs and the executive producers of "The Right To Fight" Kickboxing Championship

Series. Members of the Twin Dragon Kung Fu Clubs, from two locations in Toronto and one in Thornhill, will participate in Kickboxing bouts and martial arts demonstrations during the 21st annual CHIN International Picnic, Sunday, July 5th, from 1 p.m.

Dwarfs, Beavers post wins in peewee soccer action

A pair of games played in the Georgetown Peewee Soccer League ended in decisive victories for the winners.

Tim Horton Killer Dwarfs had six players share in the scoring as they rolled to a 9-1 win over Varian. Trent Cull led the way for the Dwarfs as he scored three times. Jason Breedon chipped in with a pair of markers, while Matthew Thompson, Steven Trickett, Kerry Jennings, and John Jickling added one each.

Kevin Shaw, Ian Sinclair, and Chris Roberts also had strong games for the winners.

In the other peewee outing, Beaver Lumber had little trouble with Johnson and Associates, as they took a 9-0 decision.

Kevin Tanas led the way for Beaver Lumber with three goals, while Graeme Buckrell and Jason Smith had two apiece, and Joey Blitk

and Brad Cuthbert added solo markers.

Stephen Burns, David Albano, and David Frost all played extremely well for the winners.

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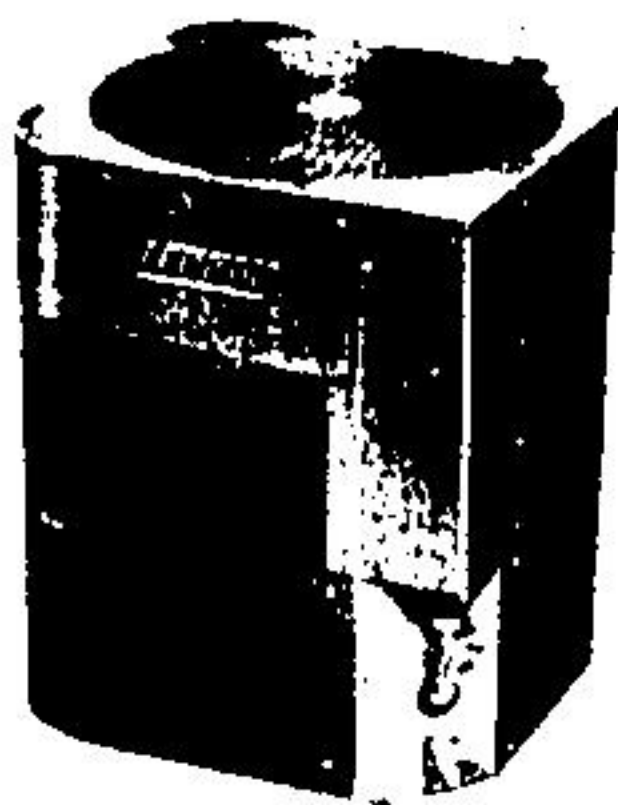


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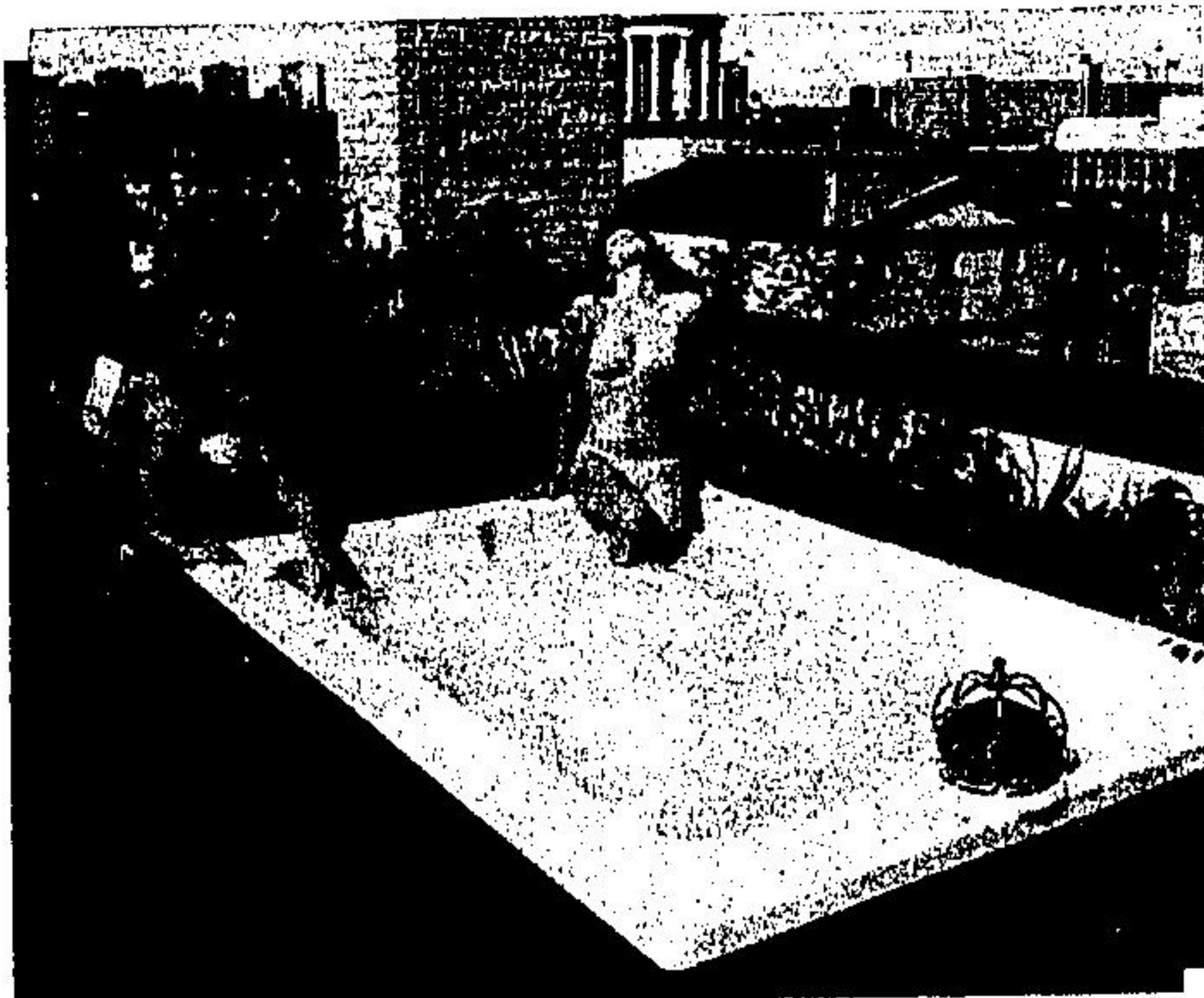
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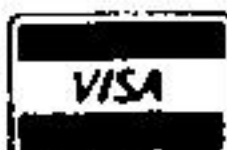
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