

JIMMY CONNORS

Born: Belleville, III.

September 2, 1952

Height: 5'9"
Weight: 155 lbs.
Plays: Lefthanded

Profile: Banners 1st round pick; 4th overall. Presently co-ranked as the top male player in the U.S., and is one of the top four men players in the world. Hopeful that this year he can become the third man in history to win the Grand Slam. He captured the Australian Open early in the year. Has been scoring consistently in 1974 on the Independent Players Association tour. Fierce competitor. Plans to marry tennis lovely Chris Evert later this year.



BETTY STOVE

Born: Rotterdam, Netherlands

June 25, 1945

Height: 6'1"
Weight: 170 lbs.
Plays: Righthanded

Profile: Banners 2nd round draft selection; 29th overall. Number one ranked player in Holland, and rated as one of the finest doubles players in the world. She is very consistent in doubles competition, and ranks high in singles. All of her competitors on the Virginia Slims circuit agree that she can hit the ball as hard or harder than anyone on the circuit. She speaks four languages and is a fine photogapher.

BOB CARMICHAEL

Born: Melbourne, Australia

July 4, 1940

Height: 6'1"
Weight: 175 lbs.
Plays: Righthanded

Profile: Banners 4th round selection; 61st overall. A real veteran on the tennis circuit and a rugged competitor. He is an ex-carpenter, thus has the nickname "Nails". He has notched impressive victories over a number of very good players, and is extremely effective in doubles competition. He joined the WCT Circuit in 1970.



IAN CROOKENDEN

Born: Hamilton, New Zealand

December 10, 1943

Height: 6'2" Weight: 180 lbs. Plays: Lefthanded

Profile: After a few years hiatus from circuit play, Ian this past year returned to tournament action on the Schick tour. Has been spending the last few years as a teaching pro. He is no stranger to the Baltimore area, having served a while back as the pro at Greenspring Valley Country Club, He's tall and rangy, has a big service, and has seen Wimbledon competition. Acquired by the Banners in a trade with the Denver Racquets.



JOYCE WILLIAMS HUME

Born: Dundee, Scotland

July 22, 1944

Height: 5'5"
Weight: 120 lbs.
Plays: Righthanded

Profile: Banners 7th round draft pick: 100th overall. Has been concentrating on tennis for 15 years. She has been Scottish Ladies Champion for seven years, and presently is number two ranked woman player in Great Britain. Teaming up with Winnie Shaw, Joyce reached the semi-finals of the Ladies Doubles Championships at Wimbledon in 1972. In 1973, the team of Hume and Shaw reached the quarter-finals of the doubles at Wimbledon. Has been a member of the Wightman and Federation Cup teams for the past seven years. Very attractive, most pleasing personality and a fine sense of humor. Agressive and talented in both singles and doubles.



BYRON BERTRAM

Born: Johannesburg, South Africa

October 29, 1952

Height: 6'2"
Weight: 170 lbs.
Plays: Righthanded

Profile: Won every title open to 13-14 year olds in South Africa as he began his spectacular rise in the tennis world. Won the South African Juniors Title at 15, the youngest player ever to do so. Won the Junior Wimbledon title two years in succession, in 1969 and 1970. Currently among the top male players in South Africa. Has a great backhand, great wrists, and a definite drive to win. A handsome, personable young man, who also does well on the golf course. Obtained in a deal with the Cleveland Nets.



AUDREY MORSE

Born: Baltimore, Maryland

June 19, 1952

Height: 5'8"
Weight: 135 lbs.
Plays: Lefthanded

Profile: Drafted by the Banners in the 18th round; 278th overall. A Baltimore native, she is well-known throughout the Free State area as a young lady with bright tennis prospects. In 1972, Audrey was ranked second in the state of Maryland. In 1973, she upped that ranking to number one and took the titles in the Mid-Atlantic Tournament, the Maryland State Hardcourts Tourney, the Maryland State Claycourts Tournament, and the Margaret Chapman Tourney. With a most likeable personality, she is also the assistant pro at Baltimore's Perring Racquet Club.