

A photograph of a tropical resort scene. In the foreground, there is a lush green lawn and a large, vibrant flower bed filled with various colorful flowers. Several tall palm trees are scattered throughout the scene, some leaning at angles. In the background, a modern, multi-story white building with balconies and railings is visible under a clear blue sky.

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EVENT	VENUE	DATE	SPONSOR(S)	DIRECTOR(S)	ADDED PRIZE MONEY
Villa D'Este	Villa D'Este Como Italy	June 6-8	Merit	Luigi Villa	
The Grand Prix of Backgammon	Casino- Divonne	June 13-15		Roland Jakober	30,000 Frs.
World Amateur Backgammon	Dunes Hotel Las Vegas	June 10-15		Louise Goldsmith/ Kate Wattson	
MERIT WORLD BACKGAMMON CHAMPIONSHIP	Monte Carlo	July 7-13	Merit-SBM	Lewis Deyong	\$15,000
Guy d'Arcangues Invitation	Biarritz Casino	August 29-31	Biarritz Casino	Guy d'Arcangues	\$5000
Geneva	La Reserve	Sept 12-14	Middle East Airlines	Roland Jakober	
Venice Cristal Cup	Hotel Excelsior	Sept. 19-21	Merit/Venice Casino	Luigi Villa	6 million Lire
Chicago Classic	Sheraton Plaza	Sept. 26-28	Black & White	Valerie Valentine	Minimum \$30,000
Scottish Backgammon Championship	Cafe Royal Edinburgh	October 6-9		Libby Weir-Breen	£1,000 minimum
Buchanan's Caracas Clasico	Caracas	October 25-26	Buchanan's Reserve	Caracas Bridge Club	\$5,000 International Match
Italian Backgammon Championship	Hotel Cavalieri Hilton, Rome	Nov. 7-9	Merit European Circuit	Luigi Villa	\$2,000
3rd TURNBERRY ISLE GOLD CUP	Turnberry Isle Florida	Jan 27 - Feb 1 1981	Turnberry Isle Yacht & Racquet Club	Lewis Deyong	*To be determined
2nd BLACK & WHITE SCOTCH WORLD TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP	Turnberry Isle Florida	Jan 27 - Feb 1 1981	Black & White Scotch	Lewis Deyong	\$20,000

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ISLE IN THE SUN

BLACK & WHITE/Turnberry Isle

January 1980

The second annual Turnberry Isle Gold Cup joined forces with the first Black & White World Team Championship to provide a week of outstanding backgammon, Jan 22/27 1980.

The 1980 Gold Cup was won by Michael Valentine of New Jersey and an outstanding performance was turned in by Joe Dwek of London, who reached the final round of both the individual event and the team event. Equally commendable was the success of Katie Wright of New York who won all 5 matches she played in the Team event. Her partners, Gino Scalamandre and Mike Carson, provided very adequate support and the trophy (which will be on permanent display in the Monaco Room of the newly minted Turnberry Hotel) will thus pass its first year in the host country.

Fourteen different nations kitted up teams for the Championship and Black & White Scotch and Turnberry Isle Club very generously donated the \$22,500 prize money. There was no entry fee in this event and altogether 68 three man teams competed. The semifinals were suitably international with New York I (Low, Lester & Magriel) losing to Great Britain (Dwek, Lorenz & Olsen) in one bracket, while eventual winners New York II defeated France (Baguenault, Hattu & Grinda) in the other.



Left to right: Gold Cup Winner, Mike Valentine, Eugene Liebowitz (Turnberry Corp.), Joe Dwek, Runner-up, Joe Suzyn and Mickey Wiernarz

The losing semi finalists in the Gold Cup were Tom Jarvis of Baltimore (winner of the expert division in the Black & White Washington Classic) beaten by Dwek, and Alberto Belli (Italy) beaten by Valentine. 143 players invested \$500 each to compete in the Championship Division and a further 103 entered the Open paying \$250. In all, over \$100,000 was distributed to various winners in various flights and the players seemed uniformly to enjoy the week.

A very well catered opening dinner, for the benefit of the Miami Ballet Society and ably directed by G.M. Joe Suzyn set the mood. Opening night concluded with the Ladies tournament, in which Denise Hemingway

made a decisive return to backgammon by winning the Gold Watch valued at \$2,500.

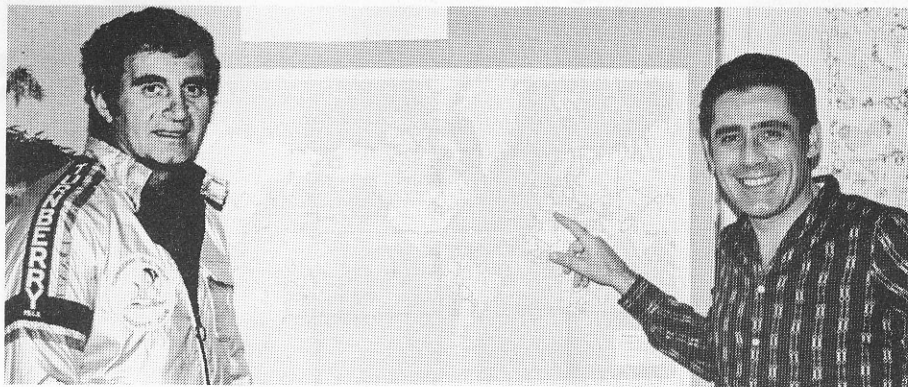
From Wednesday on a special men's doubles tennis tournament organised by top pro Fred Stolle occupied many of the Turnberry courts, and among many surprises were the first round defeats of the 2 favoured teams, Sobieski/Grinda and Ball/Goble. The eventual winners: Bernstein and Goldstein of Philadelphia. 50 players competed with a break only on Friday morning to allow time for a Pro-Am golf tournament which was won by Julius Boros jnr. and Gino Scalamandre (a double winner on the week). 32 local and national pros teamed up with many of the backgammon players,



Left to right: Bracha Hassidoff and Luigi Villa



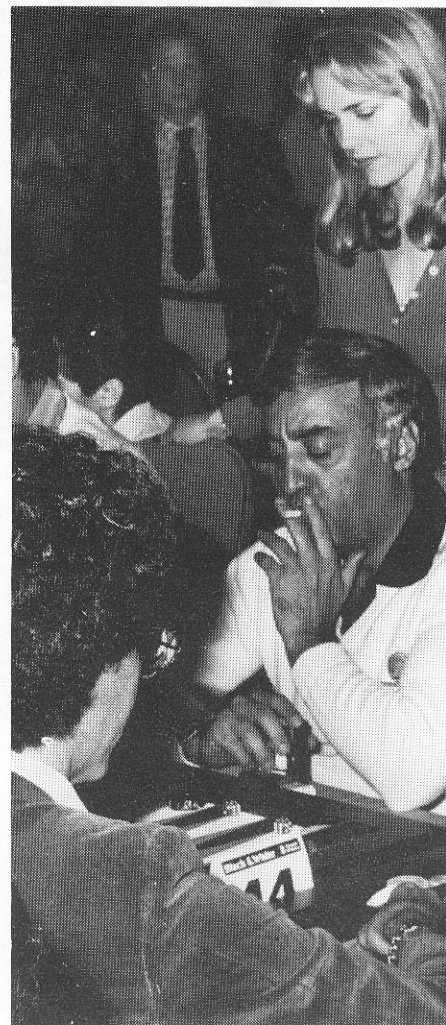
Howard Perlman, World Champion Luigi Villa and Jacques Ach



Backgammon's Best Friends: Don Soffer (Turnberry) and Andre Rolfo-Fontana (Monaco)



James Hunt smiles after defeating Scottie the Gammonoid while Mike Teilman looks on.



Standing, Laurie Arnold, Joe Suzyn and Nessim Murciano (back to camera)



J P McManus, Scottie and John Negri

and among the good golfers competing were Don Soffer the chief executive of Turnberry, Mickey Wiernasz and Joe Corr of Black & White Scotch, Marquis d'Arcangues, Lord Rennell of Rodd, James Hunt and many others.

The same evening a sparkling dinner cruise for 75 people was hosted by La Société des Bains de Mer,



Team Winners(New York)Gino Scalamandre, Katie Wright, Mike Carson with Roland Jakober in the background.

represented by Andre Rolfo-Fontana and the Direction of Tourisme et Congr s of Monaco, represented by Georges Bertollotti. Their guests were invited aboard Don and Carol Soffer's boat The Monkey Business.

Certainly Monaco had a very good Florida representation in January, as Princess Caroline and Philippe Junot arrived the following week to



Barclay Cooke and Donald Kahn

compete in Turnberry's Burt Reynold Pro-Celebrity Tennis Tournament.

Succeeding the Burt Reynolds were a ladies pro golf tournament, yacht racing, power boat racing and other scintillating events. All take place under a bright Florida sky. No wonder Turnberry Isle Yacht & Racquet Club is becoming everyone's favourite Isle in the Sun.

Lewis Deyong, Turnberry Isle Jan. 1980

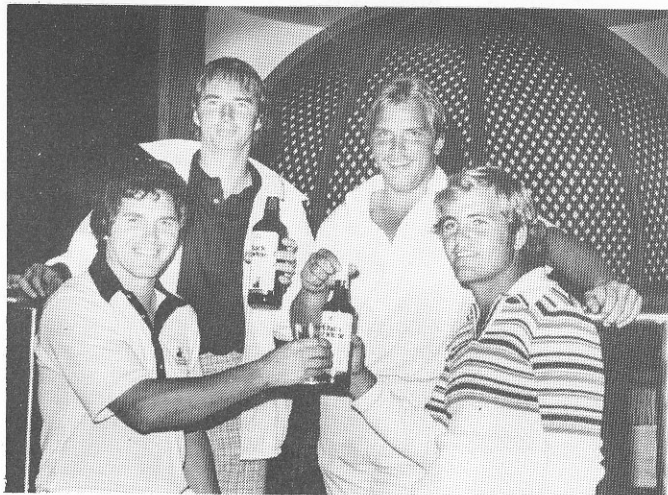
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M./Mme. Rolfo-Fontana at the Ballet Society Dinner



Don Soffer being presented with a Monte Carlo Yacht Club pennant by Georges Bertollotti (Press Officer of the Principality of Monaco)



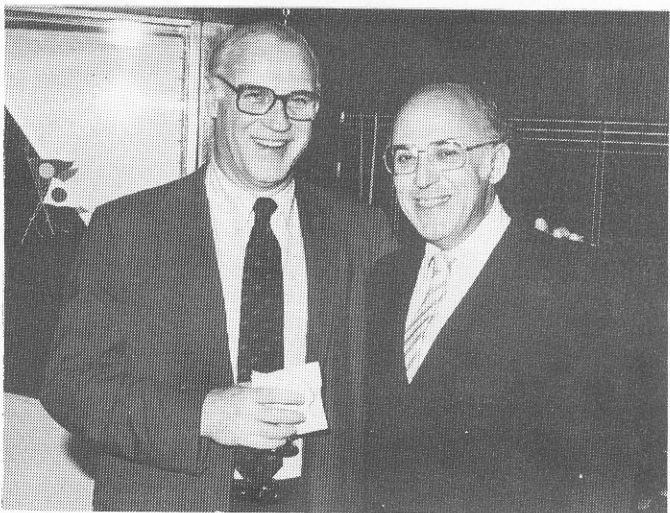
Winning golfers: Mickey Wiernasz, Julius Boros Jr. and friends



Sharon Lorenz congratulated by John Negri and Scottie



Marques d'Arcangues and Baroness von Meks



Joe Corr (Heublein) and Lewis Deyong



The Finnish Team



Miami Ballet Society Dinner



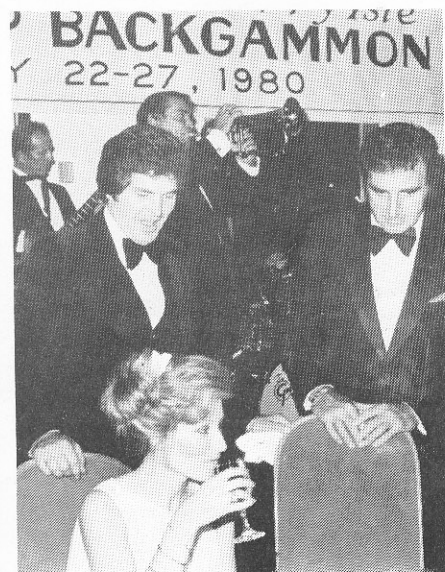
Our girl in Florida, Lorrie Mickel



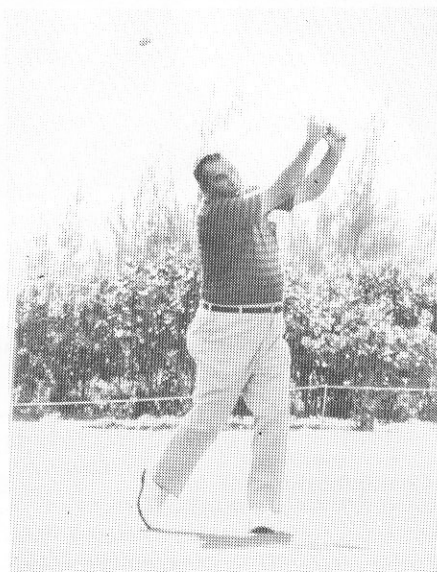
Eileen Wiernasz, Eva Teilman and Vickie Jakober



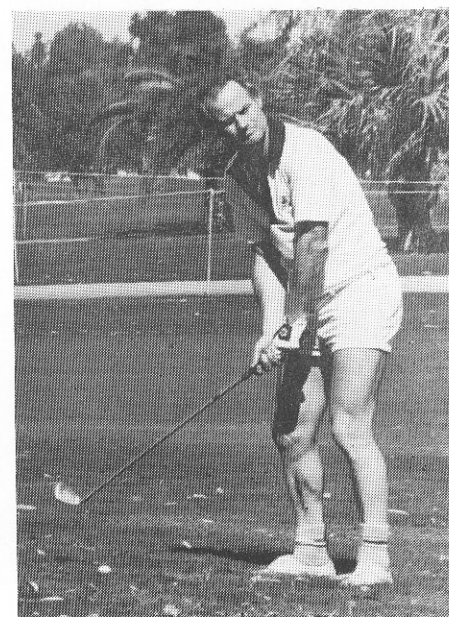
Jean Sobieski



Mickey Wiernasz, Don Soffer and Eileen Wiernasz



Turnberry Golf Pro and former US Open winner, Julius Boros



Lord Rennell

TURNBERRY ISLE TOURNAMENT

BLACK AND WHITE WORLD TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

WINNERS NEW YORK TEAM - KATIE WRIGHT, GINO SCALAMANDRE, MIKE CARSON

RUNNERS UP U.K. TEAM - BOBBY LORENZ, JOE DWEK, RICHARD OLSEN

TURNBERRY GOLD CUP

		Championship	Open	Juniors
Championship	Winner	Mike Valentine (USA)	Eric Seidel (USA)	Jim Painter (USA)
	Finalist	Joe Dwek (UK)	Bob Crawford (USA)	Ralph Mutchnick (USA)
	Semi-Finalist	Tom Jarvis (USA)	Julie Bank (USA)	Atte Wentinck (Holland)
	Semi-Finalist	Alberto Belli (Italy)	Alfred Dent (USA)	Menchu de Pedraza (Spain)
Consolation	Winner	Blackwell Williams (USA)	S. Dunkin (USA)	Herb Benton (USA)
	Finalist	Wayne McClintock (USA)	John Martin (USA)	Sharon Lorenz (UK)
	Semi-Finalist	Lee Genud (USA)	Jack Matatof (USA)	Judy Lee (USA)
	Semi-Finalist	Joseph Hassidoff (Israel)	E. Schara (USA)	Phyllis Talenfeld (USA)
Last Chance	Winner	J.P. McManus (Ireland)	Bracha Hassidoff (Israel)	Benjamin Khaloyan (USA)
	Finalist	Barclay Cooke (USA)	Carl Gross (USA)	Richard Green (UK)
Ladies Tournament	Winner	Denise Hemingway (USA)		