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The game of Tennis occupied an important place in the sporting activities of the Northern Province. Due to the escalating cost of tennis gear, the dearth of proficient and dedicated coaches and a variety of other reasons the pride of place occupied by tennis has suffered a set-back in Jaffna. This Association has made several attempts to promote the game of tennis in the North by organising tennis clinics and the like. However, the absence of coaching facilities on a regular basis has seen a great hindrance to the upliftment of the standard of tennis.

It is in this context that I am most gratified to learn of the establishment of a "School of Tennis" in Jaffna by Mr. Christopher, S. Sebaratnam. In tennis circles he is probably best known as the father and mentor of Sri Lanka's National Champion, Frank. However, this is not his only qualification. Besides being a player of no mean repute, having won several District and Club Tournaments, he was one of those who did very well in the first training course for Coaches conducted by this Association. While residing in Colombo, he was a much sought after Tennis Coach of this Association.

A venture of this nature is not without problems. This Association will do everything in its power to ensure the success of this laudable project. I have no doubt that the sports loving public of Jaffna will rally round to support this worthy endeavour. It is my hope that this will pave the way for the establishment of similar schools in many other outstation centres and help in no small way to raise the standard of tennis.

I wish this School all success.

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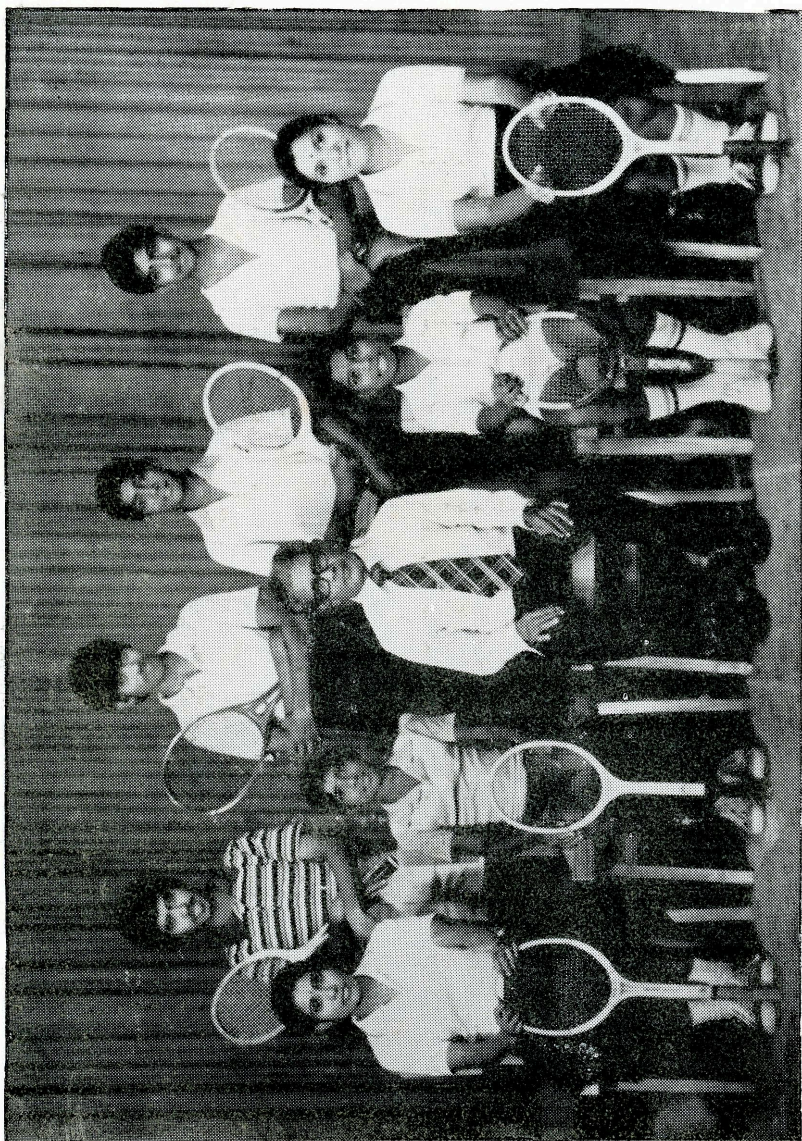
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Message from

V. Yogeswaran

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It is with great pleasure I sent this message to the souvenir published by the North Sri Lanka School of Tennis on the occasion of its first Open Championships. This championships will, no doubt, be a boost to the promotion of tennis in North Sri Lanka where tennis championships of this dimension is rare. I wish it to be made an annual event.

It is a matter for appreciation that in spite of various problems, some of which I am personally aware of, this school of tennis has grown from strength to strength and attained this prestigious status that it is today. The director of the school is well known as the father and architect of Sri Lanka's national champion and Davis Cup player Frank V. Sebaratnam. I fervently hope that under his able guidance this school will lay the foundations for more and more national champions in the future.

I wish the school every success in its efforts in promoting the game.

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DATE

EVENT

October 1980

Singles
Drawn Doubles

April 1981

Singles
Drawn Doubles

Oct. 1981

Singles O/15
U/15
Drawn Doubles

Oct. 1982

Singles O/15
U/15
Drawn Doubles

April 1983

Snr Singles
Jnr ..
Drawn Doubles

Oct. 1983

Snr Singles
Inter Singles
Jnr ..
Drawn Doubles

CHAMPIONSHIPS

WINNER/S

A. Gopikrishna
A. Ramapiran
&
S. H. Wilkin

A. Ramapiran
A. Ramapiran
&
P. N. Duraisamy

A. Ramapiran
A. G. Rajkumar
N. Srikumar
&
S. Mustaq

M. Visakan
P. M. T. Nishanthan
M. Visakan
&
C. Maheswaran

N. Varatharaj
P. M. T. Nishanthan
J. Allan &
P. Eeswaraj

P. M. T. Nishanthan
J. Allan
Kanjana Ganesan
A. Nirmalaraj &
D. V. Balraj

RUNNER / S UP

A. Ramapiran
A. Gopikrishna
&
A. G. Rajkumar

K. Ranjababu
A. G. Rajkumar
&
S. H. Wilkin

A. G. Rajkumar
P. M. T. Nishanthan
K. Ranjababu
&
P. Nandakumar

W. M. Jesuthasan
S. Crishanth
M. Anpuchelvan
K. Ranjababu

S. Crishanth (Finalists)
A. Nirmalaraj
P. M. T. Nishanthan
Viyanee Sebaratnam

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R. David
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OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS 1984

RESULT SHEET

EVENT	WINNER/S	RUNNER/S - UP
Men's Singles
Men's Doubles
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Women's Singles
Women's Doubles
	&	&

Mixed Doubles
	&	&

Boys' Singles (under 18)
Boys' Doubles (under 18)
	&	&

Boys' Singles (undnr 16)
Boys' Singles (under 14)
Veteran's Singles (over 45)
Veteran's Doubles (over 45)
	&	&

Men's Singles Consolation
Boy's Singles (under 18) Consolation

**The North Sri Lanka
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Most grateful to ...

1. Mr. V. Yogeswaran for the message he has sent us on this occasion and to Mr. & Mrs. Yogeswaran for having consented to be our chief guests.
2. The donors of challenge trophies and prizes.
3. Our well wishers and advertisers.
4. All competitors without whom there would have been no championships.
5. Our past and present students for their assistance and cooperation.
6. The Jaffna fort Tennis Club, the Jaffna United club and the Kachcheri Public services Club for allowing the use of their tennis courts.
7. The players of tennis clubs in the area who rendered valuable assistance and cooperation.
8. Our employees who worked tirelessly to make this championships a success.
9. Our printers for their jobs very well done at very short notice.
10. The press correspondents who have covered this championships.

North Sri Lanka School of Tennis

Open Championships 1984

ON

Jaffna Fort Tennis Courts

FROM

10th March to 18th March 1984

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Christopher S. Sebaratnam

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Christopher S. Sebaratnam

**Director & Chief Tennis Coach,
North Sri Lanka School of Tennis.**

Established in May, 1980, the North Sri Lanka School of Tennis has not remained content with the teaching of the theories, practicals and disciplines of the game of tennis. It has gone ahead conducting bi-annual championships in April and October to gear the students into competitive tennis which is a sine qua non for uplifting their standard. These championships are also meant to gauge the standard attained by the students for their promotions from the Junior grade (freshers) to the Intermediate and Senior grades. These championships are, evidently, confined to the ambit of the school of tennis. Open championships, about 95 % of which are held in the metropolis of Colombo are beyond access to our students due to the long distance, prohibitive expenses involved and the unsuitability of their dates, most of them being held when the schools are in sessions.

It is in this context that this school has ventured to conduct this first open championships in the fifth year of its inception. It is a most encouraging feature that 51 competitors, of which 26 are past and present students of this school, have entered it.

It is my humble view that this school has taken root as a plant of vigorous growth from which will emerge champions of national and international repute in the near future.

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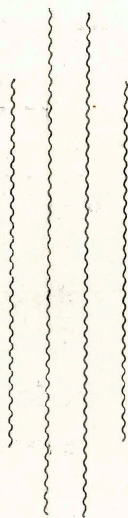
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