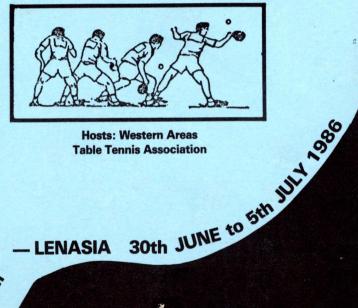
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19th S.A. INTERPROVINCIAL & S.A. OPEN



Hosts: Western Areas **Table Tennis Association**

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SOUTH AFRICAN TABLE TENNIS BOARD AFFILIATED TO THE INTERNATIONAL TABLE TENNIS FEDERATION

Message from the · President



ON behalf of the Board I wish to congratulate Western Areas Table Tennis Association for the splendid effort in hosting the BGM and the Interprovincial & South African Open Championship Tournament.

The Board's best wishes and felicitations go to the organisers, officials of affiliates, players, supporters and guests.

Let us spend the week together: playing, watching and enjoying the game we love. Let this also be a happy band of serious sportspersons cognisant of our responsibility to our players, the game and to the society in which we live. We bear a grave accountability to all our sportspersons. Our inspiration is the spirit of the people and the is aptly reflected in the words of Shelley:

'And earth's immense and trampled multitude In hope on their own powers began to look.'

The power of the people is unlimited. However, we must distance ourselves from the Panjandrums, 'liberals' and vulgar nationalism. We should try to become part of the new spirit of the working class in the efforts to change society into an egalitarian one.

Let us be inspired by Shelley:

'I will arise and waken

The multitude and like a sulphurous hill, Which on a sudden from its snows has shaken The swoon of ages, it shall burst and fill The world with cleansing fire:...'

<u>— E I VAWDA</u> President

Best wishes from A. Gandabhai & Damily

Message from

MR SAM RAMSAMY Sanroc, London

GREETINGS to participants for, the B.G.M. and the competition. The SA Table Tennis Board, as the bona fide member of the International Table Tennis Federation, has made tremendous sacrifices.

Your building champions have refrained from participating internationally as you do not wish to create a false impression overseas which could be exploited by apartheid-South Africa and its allies overseas.

Events in South Africa indicate that it will not be long before you again occupy your rightful place in international sport.

Good luck to all the competitors. I wish the B.G.M. truthful deliberations.

This is the time to go into the Townships and expand your membership. We need to mobilise for a strong anti-apartheid sports front.



MR H. ROY EVANS

PRESIDENT INTERNATIONAL TABLE TENNIS FEDERATION



Once again I take this opportunity in your Tournament Brochure to greet all your officials and participating players in the 19th Interprovincial and Open Championship of 1986.

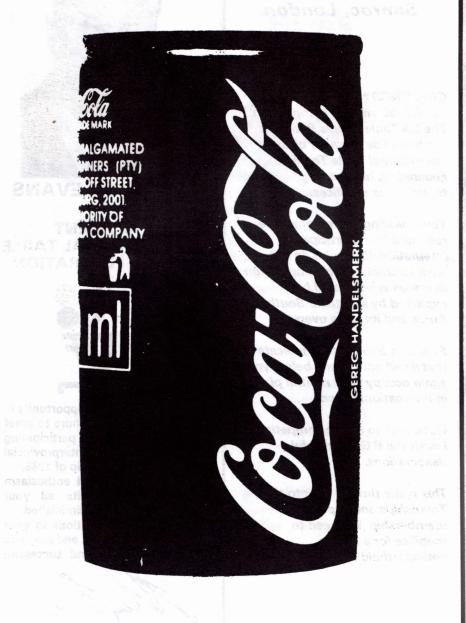
Your dedication and enthusiasm for our sport, despite all your difficulties, remain undiminished.

We send congratulations to your members and officials, and may you have an enjoyable and successful tournament.

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Compliments from M. Ukabhai & Family

Compliments from



Best wishes from Mr Y. Kara & Family

Message from the Chairman W.A.J.J.A.

<u>Welcome</u>

Having been accorded the honour of hosting the 1986 Open and Inter-provincial competitions, we in WATTA decided that the premier event on the SATTB calendar would also be an unforgettable sporting experience for the participants. After all, there can be no game without players.

 \mathbf{T} o that end, every member of WATTA has, for the past few months, been involved in one or more of the many activities that go into preparing for such an event.

We now welcome you, the player, to have and enjoy your day. This is your time to enjoy the game, the competition and peformances by the top players in the country.

A warm welcome also to those SATTB and provincial officials who are able to attend the tournament.

Welcome also to those members of the public and community organisations who have come to enjoy the game and support us in our endeavours.

VIJAY GAJJAR Chairman, Western Areas Table Tennis Association

Best of luck from Appletiser

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Message from the Transvaal Council of Sport

TRACOS joins WATTA in welcoming our fellow non-racial sportspersons to the Transvaal for the 19th Interprovincial Tournament and Open Championships of the South African Table Tennis Board.

We trust that our visitors will have an enjoyable time to their benefit and in the interests of their sport: table tennis.

TRACOS hopes that this activity will take place in such a manner that it will contribute towards our goal of playing sport in a non-racial, democratic country of equal opportunity where all sportspersons regardless of their colour, sex or religion will be able to reach their full potential as sportspersons and citizens living in a free country.

The question arises, once more, whether tournaments such as the present one should take place in the circumstances and conditions prevailing in the country. Should we not stop all sports activity and declare it irrelevant and a waste of energies which can be channeled into more important spheres?

It is generally agreed that our sports activities should continue for various reasons, which we are unable to spell out here but of which all non-racial sportsmen are aware.

Our administrators should be in the forefront. They can do that best in the context of the unions and associations which cater for sport.

It is commonplace to state that sport must take place in an orderly, disciplined manner if it is to serve the purposes it is intended to serve.

The qualities that are necessary for the successful pursuit of sport are also qualities which are essential if we are effectively strive for our rights.

Sportspersons and administrators must be motivated to learn the implications and parameters of our beliefs; they must know their place and importance and be made to realise that they must practise sport not for their personal glory and material gain but in the service of their community.

With compliments from Azads Cricket Club

SOUTH AFRICAN COUNCIL ON SPORT



Message from

President

THE South African Council on Sport (SACOS) extends best wishes to the South African Table Tennis Board on the occasion of the 19th Inter-Provincial Tournament and the SA Open Championship.

May the event be a brilliant display of the dedication and skills of our best table tennis players as well as a principled commitment to the non-racial cause in sport and society.

The country is facing a grave crisis. The government has been forced to introduce a permanent state of emergency. The economy is in tatters as overseas investors' confidence is shattered. A massive outflow of capital is causing the Rand to collapse. A huge foreign debt cannot be paid.

And the liberals are looking for a Lancaster-style settlement.

They want a modern-day Muzorewa to protect their investments and super-profits made on the backs of the black workers. They are looking to the black middle class and "moderates" to save their Apartheid profit system.

Let us build unity as one people for one NATION.

FRANK A VAN DER HORST

President

*Because of the state of emergency regulations, Mr Van der Horst's full statement cannot be published. The above article contains extracts from his original article.

Some other articles have also had to be cut or left out completely from this brochure, although they were written before the restrictions came into force. We apologise to the contributors concerned.

Compliments from V. Desai & Family

Tribute to PEDRO MEYER (MR TABLE TENNIS)

PEDRO Meyer was born on 12th July 1937. At the age of 11 in 1948 he started playing table tennis and within a few years, as a member of the Stephanian Table Tennis Club (of which he is now chairman), his talents as a player came to the fore.

Pedro's career stretches over 38 years but because of the lack of proper records it is obviously a mountainous task to attempt to list all his achievements.

Since 1953 when he won the Western Province Junior Singles title for the first time, there has never been a moment that anybody would have dared to suggest that Pedro was over the hill.

Local championships that had been staged during Pedro's career include the WP Open, Kenilworth Open, Salt River Open, Lansdowne Open, Boland Open and Stellenbosch Open. Pedro can lay proud claim to the fact that he has won the Men's Singles, Men's Doubles and the Mixed Doubles titles of all these championships on various occasions.

What is significant in his memory is that he won the WP Men's Singles titles for the first time in 1959. Ten years later in 1969 — again. Ten years later in 1979 — yet again. That is in addition to winning it a few times in the years in between.

He jokingly says his next WP Singles title will come in 1989! He is probably the only one who thinks of that as a joke...

His partners in the doubles events were his brother-in-law, Dennis Groenewald, and his sister Lola Meyer (now Jooste). He and Dennis won the SA Men's Doubles four times in a row from 1962. With Lola he won the SA Mixed Doubles in 1962 and 1972.

Even with other not so regular partners he has been successful in winning Doubles titles in both events. In 1984 he won the WP Men's Doubles partnered by Anver Lyners (they had never before played together).

One of the highlights of his career was the Southern Natal Silver Jubilee Invitation Tournament in Durban in 1964. Pedro emerged undefeated from among the giants of Southern Natal, most of them having been SA Singles Champions at some stage. Although he had not up to that stage even featured in an SA Men's Singles final, he beat every one of his opponents decisively.

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Good Luck from 'friend'



★ Back, from left: Y Ebrahim (manager), L Santamaria (captain), A Lyners, J Meyer, G Jackson and P Meyer (coach).

Front: W Domingo, L Walters, S Meyer, G January, B Jaftha and A D Jacobs

WESTERN PROVINCE TABLE TENNIS UNION

WE would like to express our sincere thanks to WATTA for staging the 1986 SA Interprovincial and Open. We appreciate the hard work that has gone into this project and we would like to show our appreciation by going out of our way to ensure that these championships will be a resounding success.

We are sure that we are going to see very exciting table tennis during the championships. May table tennis be the ultimate victor.

The team to represent Western Province Table Tennis Union at the 1986 SA Open consists of a blend of very familiar faces and not so familiar faces. There are Bruce and Simon who are representing WPTTU for the first time as juniors; in the women's team Denice is awarded her frist colours. She previously was awarded SACOS colours.

Anver, Glen, Grizelda, Lee, Lorenzo and Wesaam have all previously represented WPTTU and Jerome wins his first colours as a senior, having already represented WPTTU as a junior. With Joe as manager, and the experience of Pedro as coach, we hope to perform well at the Interprovincial.

Once again, many players from WPTTU have made their way to the SA Open to support the team and to participate in the SA Open. Their presence in the SA Open will ensure a delightful element of uncertainty in the outcome of the titles at stake!

Let us cement existing friendships; let us make new friends; let us renew rivalry on the tables; and may we see you all in Cape Town in 1988 when we host the SA Interprovincial and Open and celebrate the 50th Anniversary of WPTTU and the 40th Anniversary of the SATTB!

Compliments from S. Desai & Friends

Yours in the cause of a non-racial society. WPTTU

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Pedro's inclusion in the WP team spanned about two decades. In Cape Town in 1968 he reached the SA Open final for the first time only to be beaten by Billy Naidoo (also of WP), a player whom he had regularly beaten in club matches and local championships. In 1972 he again lost in the final to Billy Naidoo.

It seemed that the ONE title Pedro dreamed of was never going to be his — the SA Men's Singles.

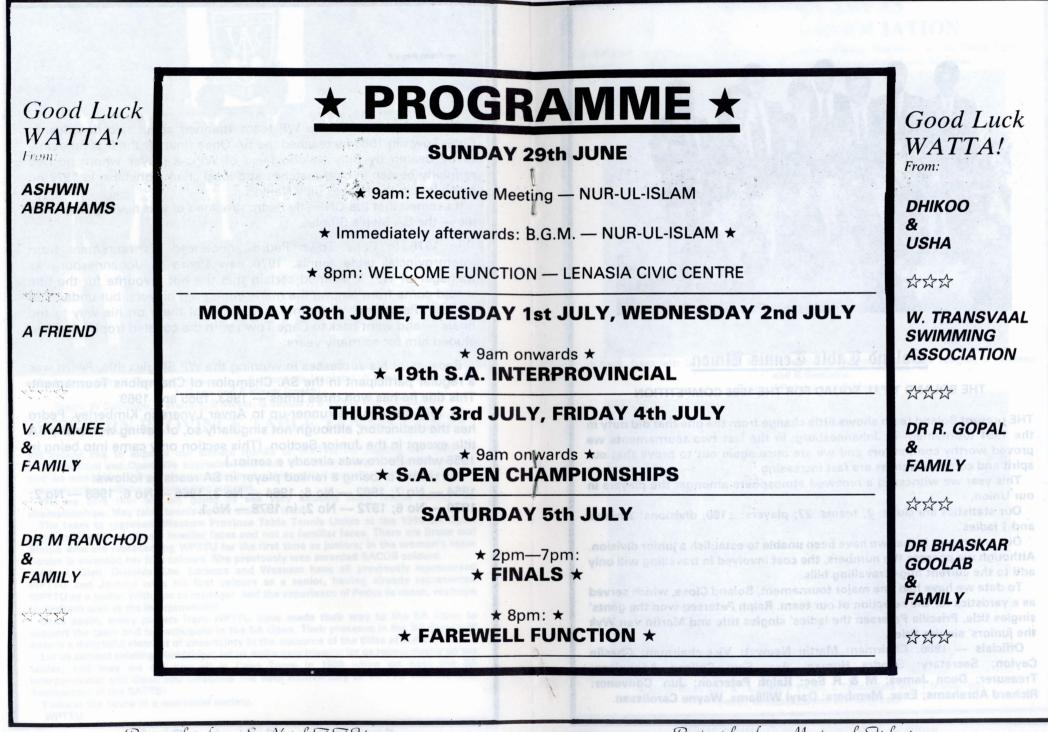
In 1976 in Cape Town Pedro announced his retirement from Interprovincial table tennis. 1978 saw Pedro in Johannesburg as manager of WP. It seemed certain that the hot favourite for the title would come from among the many young top players, but undaunted as ever, Pedro met and eliminated many of them on his way to the finals — and went back to Cape Town with the coveted trophy that had eluded him for so many years.

Because of his successes in winning the WP Singles title, Pedro was a regular participant in the SA. Champion of Champions Tournament. This title he has won three times — 1963, 1965 and 1969.

In 1981 he was the runner-up to Anver Lyners in Kimberley. Pedro has the distinction, although not singularly so, of having won every SA title except in the Junior Section. (This section only came into being in 1956 when Pedro was already a senior.)

His record of being a ranked player in SA reads as follows: 1954 — No 7; 1962 — No 6; 1964 — No 3; 1966 — No 6; 1968 — No 2; 1970 — No 6; 1972 — No 2; in 1978 — No 1.

Compliments from E. Vawda & Family



Best wishes from S. Natal J.J.U.

Best wishes from Mastoorah Fisheries



Boland Table Tennis Union

THE BOLAND T.T.U. SQUAD FOR THE 1986 COMPETITION

THE present Boland team shows little change from the one that did duty in the 1984 tournament in Johannesburg. In the last two tournaments we proved worthy competitors and we are once again out to prove that our spirit and competitiveness are fast increasing.

This year we witnessed a renewed atmosphere amongst the players in our Union.

Our statistics are clubs: 8; teams: 27; players: \pm 160; divisions: 3 men's and 1 ladies'.

Our only regret is that we have been unable to establish a junior division. Although we possess the numbers, the cost involved in travelling will only add to the current huge travelling bills.

To date we have had one major tournament, Boland Close, which served as a yardstick for the selection of our team. Ralph Petersen won the gents' singles title, Priscilla Petersen the ladies' singles title and Martin van Wyk the juniors' singles title.

Officials — 1986: Chairman: Martin Neewat; Vice-chairman: Cheslin Ceylon; Secretary: Sandra Human; Ass. Sec: Colleen Aanhuizen; Treasurer: Deon James; M & R Sec: Ralph Petersen; Jun. Convener: Richard Abrahams; Exec. Members: Daryl Williams, Wayne Carolissen.

NORTHERN AREAS TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

A SPECIAL welcome to the SATTB's newest affiliate, Northern Areas Table Tennis Association, who make their debut in this year's Interprovincial and SA Open.



★ Back, from left: G Mukhari, S MMkhabela (manager/captain), M Tonjeni, S Khotsao and R Bambisa. Front: J Rafube and S Maaga



★ Back, from left: K Thulase, P Phata, L Tshabalala and T Mahlangu. Front: M Ramokarane and M Mbele.

Best wishes from C. Sukha & Family

A TRIBUTE TO CASSIM BASSA (FATHER OF TABLE TENNIS)

AT the SA Table Tennis Board's BGM in 1956 Mr Cassim Bassa was elected President and he immediately started working towards total membership of the International Table Tennis Federation.

A team was selected to participate in the 1957 World Tournament in Stock-



holm, Sweden, and Cassim Bassa was elected to manage this team.

The team comprised C M Peer, Dr D Groenewald, P R Mandan, Dr A Valjie and M G H Moolla. As it was feared that travel documents would be withheld, they left the country as individuals and as soon as they had assembled overseas, they were officially announced as a Board team.

They felt the repercussions, being subsequently refused passports to travel overseas on several occasions. Dennis Groenewald was the last to obtain his passport in 1976.

Meanwhile Mr Bassa was constantly pressing the ITTF for full membership. In 1962 he arranged the visit to South Africa of Judge

Abou Amien Heif of Egypt, who was also head of the African Table Tennis Federation — the Board was also affiliated to the ATTF. Judge Abou Heif tried to form one table tennis body for the country but the SATTU (the white body) pleaded that government policy did not allow them the changes required by the Board and the ITTF.

Mr Bassa was elected by the ITTF to ϑ committee which looked after table tennis matters in Southern Africa. It was at this time that the SACOS was formed with the SATTB as one of its founding members.

Here again Mr Bassa, together with Mr M N Pather and other leading sporting personalities, was largely resposible for getting SACOS off the ground. It is interesting to note that the clause on non-racialism in sport in the SACOS constitution was originally taken from the ITTF Handbook on the insistence of Mr Bassa and the SATTB delegation.

The Board has fully supported SACOS at all times.

All the while Mr Bassa was regularly in contact with the table tennis community worldwide. Members of the Board felt that we were losing touch with new developments and not enough personal contact was being maintained with officials of other countries. To rectify this situation the Executive of the Board had virtually agreed to be represented at the next World Congress in Japan at the end of April, 1983. The obvious choice was Mr Bassa, who was looking forward to furthering the status of the Board.

The untimely death of Mr Cassim Bassa on Friday, 25 March 1983, has left a void in the ranks of the SATTB which will be very difficult to fill. While the Board will continue to function, we in table tennis will be very hard pressed to maintain the very high standard set by Mr Bassa.

Best wishes from S. Sukha & Family

TRIBUTE

MARGARET LUCKAY

STARTED as a keen youngster in 1973. Made her mark in 1976, annexing her first SA Open. Has stayed as SA's Number One since.

Her decade of dominance is remarkable considering the calibre of opposition she has met, such as C Roberts, M Volkwyn, N Dollie and Lee Walters .

Besides her ladies' title, she also took Transvaal to numerous SA Interprovincial ladies' triumphs, and the mixed double titles at the SA Open Championships.

Margaret has been a staunch supporter of non-racialism and Sacos policies.

WATTA, on behalf of the SATTB, salutes Margaret for her services to non-racial table tennis and non-racial sport in general.

E MOTALA

Mr Motala has served the SA Table Tennis Board for three decades. Together with the late Mr Cassim Bassa, Mr Motala formed a formidable partnership. Even after Mr Bassa's sad departure, Mr Motala has kept serving non-racial table tennis unflinchingly and with total dedication.

Again WATTA takes pride in saluting, on behalf of SATTB, a true son of South Africa.

PEDRO MEYER

Many people would say that Mr Pedro Meyer is to table tennis what Muhammad Ali was to boxing. Pedro has graced the game and the SATTB for over 25 years.

Pedro unselfishly gives hours and hours of his time to coaching and organising the game.

In recent years Pedro's children have shown that they certainly intend following in their dad's footsteps.

WATTA and the SATTB are proud to have Pedro in our ranks and salute him for his invaluable contribution to the game over the last 25 years.



Back (from left): R Chetty, S Cassimjee, R Chetty and V Dookhun. Seated: V S Naidoo, S Naidoo (Manager), A A Sheik. Absent — S Kushor.

NORTHERN NATAL TABLE TENNIS UNION

NNTTU has distinguished itself in 1986 with 11 clubs being affiliated to the union. This progressive upturn is due to the interest the sport has received from the young people of Pietermaritzburg.

For the first time, a record 32 juniors participated in the Pre-Seasons Junior Tournament of the NNTTU. This heralded the beginning of a Junior league.

A continuing major disappointment has been the lack of interest shown by female entrants. As a result we are unable to send a women's team.

The junior team is relatively new, with the exception of Vedprakash who represented the union for the first time in 1985 at the Champion of Champions.

Although the senior team comprises relatively young and new members, it is hoped that the tournament experience will generate enthusiasm which will lead to the coaching of vounger members in PM Burg.

NNTTU extends its best wishes to the members and the tournament committee of the Western Areas Table Tennis Association for a successful and enjoyable tournament.

- Manager.

Best wishes from:

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SOUTHERN NATAL TABLE TENNIS UNION

TABLE Tennis in Southern Natal has been in the doldrums during the past few seasons, due to a variety of factors. However, the union has resolved to make a new beginning in 1986 and to foster the game in the unit. The response from the large number of junior players to

SNTTU's league and championship has indeed been heartening and makes the officials optimistic about the future of the game.

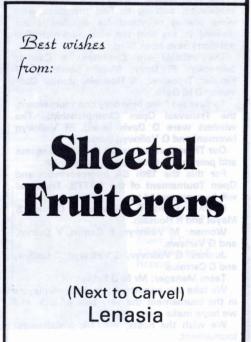
The team for the 1986 SA Interprovincial Championship is perhaps the youngest ever, and includes five players — Asif Ganie, Sanjay Makanjee, Reveen Ramlugan, Usha Bhaidas and Janice Nehemiah — who will be making their debut at the championship.

Whilst the players may lack experience there is an abundance of talent and it is hoped that the experience they gain will help to develop a formidable team in the future.

SNTTU extends to the SATTB, the host, WATTA, and all participants our best wishes for the Championships. May the spirit of sportsmanship and comradeship prevail.

SNTTU officials: President: C M Peer; Secretary: S Sumra; Asst Sec: H G M Randeree; Treasurer: A D Mulla; Record Clerk: J Hassim; Hon Auditor: A S Tayob.

1986 Southern Natal Open champions: Y Kajee (men), J Nehemiah (women), Asif Ganie (juniors) and M Parbhoo (juveniles) Rankings for 1986: MEN — 1 Y Kajee 2 S Akoo 3 Ashraf Ganie 4 A D Mulla. WOMEN — 1 J Nehemiah 2 Usha Bhaidas 3 B Parboodas 4 Urvashi Bhaidas. JUNIORS — 1 Asif Ganie 2 S Makanjee 3 Raveen Ramlugan 4 R Soni.





THE TRANSVAAL SQUAD TRANSVAAL TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

SINCE our successful campaign in 1984, our association has lost key players such as T Musson, M Luckay, L Smith and N Mirzakhani.

I am happy to add that the split in our association is no more.

The 1986 season started fairly late with the association battling to find members who were willing to stand for election. I am pleased to say that the vital administrative positions have been filled.

The officials are Chairman: Y Carrim; Secretary: M Davy; Match Secretary: G Fisasie; Treasurer: R Hoosain; Junior Convenor: D M Davis.

To date we have held only one tournament, the Transvaal Open Championships. The winners were D Davis (men), M Volkwyn (women) and Q Volkwyn (juniors).

Our Three-person League is still in progress and promises a thrilling and tense finish.

For this the 19th SA Interprovincial and Open Tournament of the SATTB, Transvaal will be represented by:

Men: D Davis, B Williams, Y Carrim, S Mayet and R Hoosain.

Women: M Volkwyn, F Carrim, Y Carrim, and G Variawa.

Juniors: Q Volkwyn, G Volkwyn, C Gaffney and C Carrolus.

Team Manager: Mr M G Fataar.

We take this opportunity to wish all players¹ in the tournament the very best of luck, and we hope make many new friends.

We wish the hosts, WATTA, a successful tournament.

- Joe Carrim, Chairman.

GOOD LUCK WATTA!

from

MR CHIPS

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Good luck from the Gopal Family at Luxmi Cinema, Lenasia

EASTERN PROVINCE



* Left, Monde Cola, men's winner, 1986 EP Closed Championship, Landile Msila and S Ganya, runner-up, 1986 EP Closed Championship



* Left, Selwyn Sammy, runner-up, 1986 EP Closed junors, and Punkie Nondumo, 1986 EP Closed junior champion.

Inset: Cheryl Scott, 1986 women's singles champion, EP Closed

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* All those who have helped in the preparation of the tournament

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