



Greg Rusedski - Upcoming Tennis Superstar

**CANADIAN
TENNIS SUPERSTAR
GREG RUSEDKI
SERVES NOTICE**

With Toronto Star files

When he pushed two-time champion Stefan Edberg to a four set match (with three tiebreakers) at Wimbledon this year, Ukrainian Canadian Greg Rusedski received national and international attention in the tennis world. He followed this up with his first major Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP) tournament win in Newport, Rhode Island, making Greg the first Canadian male to win such a tournament in 24 years.

Greg, the highest ranked player in Canada, continues to climb in the rankings of world tennis stars, where he is now 108th, a quantum leap from his No.603 ranking in the world at the end of 1991. In July, 1993, The Toronto Star included a full page feature with the headline "Rusedski serves notice: Hard-hitting lefthander

courting tennis stardom". At 6-foot-4, 19-year-old Greg has already shown that he can play with the world's best. In 1991, he was the junior doubles champion in Wimbledon, where he also reached the semi-finals in singles, the first Canadian to do so. That year, he was the singles junior and doubles semifinalist in the US Open.

Greg's serve is rated in the top ten players on the tennis tour. In the past year, Greg played in 16 international ATP and Challenger tournaments in Japan, Asia, China, Hong Kong, Israel and the Middle East. In the Canadian Open this summer in Montreal, his home city, Greg reached the second

round, and barely lost on national television, thrilling many Canadian viewers. Unfortunately, an injury kept Greg out of the US Open.

Plans for 1993-94 include a tournament in Moscow in November, followed by tour visits through Kuala Lumpur, Sydney, Tokyo and Beijing.

Tennis is an expensive sport - \$50,000 is just the starting point for going on the tour for one year. Add coaches, trainers, and experts and the costs skyrocket. All this has put an enormous financial burden on the young tennis star's family, and although exposure will surely bring in financing in the future, the need for sponsors is crucial at the present time. Greg Rusedski definitely looks like a winning investment!

If you would like to help Greg, contact the Policy and Trade Center at (613) 829-0900.

**UKRAINIAN CANADIAN
CONGRESS TO
PROMOTE BILATERAL
RELATIONS**

Excerpts from an address by Oleh Romaniw, UCC President to the Ukrainian-Canadian Professional and Business Federation Convention, Winnipeg, July 2, 1993.

This gathering of business, government, academic and community people from across Canada says much about the performance of the organized Ukrainian Canadian community over the past several years. The independence of Ukraine has created a new dynamic, both on the international political scene and within the Ukrainian diaspora. This convention provides a snapshot of the role Canada's Ukrainian community has played, is playing, and can play, in developing stronger ties with Ukraine for the mutual benefit of ourselves and our ancestral homeland.

It has been almost two years since Ukraine declared its independence and took her rightful place in the world community of nations. That singular act instilled a new hope for the future within our Ukrainian Canadian community. There was a new vitality within the community which not even our own recessionary troubles could stifle.

As Canadians of Ukrainian descent, we know Canada is in an excellent position to take advantage of the vast Ukrainian market. We can contribute our professional skills to further Canada-Ukraine bilateral relations and our linguistic understanding of the region can only serve to enhance Canada's economic potential there. When you add into the equation the fact that Canada was the first Western country to recognize the independence of Ukraine, you have all the necessary ingredients for a strong and vibrant partnership.