

# Portfolio

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A year ago, the J.P. Morgan Tournament of Champions had a birthday. The iconic event celebrated its twentieth staging in Grand Central with a special anniversary dinner in a glittering eyrie atop J.P. Morgan's corporate headquarters.

A couple of dozen former champions attended the gala, including the following seven active Professional Squash Association players whose portraits fill this portfolio. All seven are scheduled to play in the 2018 iteration this month.

Andreas Hofweber took these photographs in a curved reception room, the subjects standing ten feet away, the beginnings of a hallway behind them. It was a spontaneous, flash-bulb popping moment: no make-up, no fussing with lighting or background or hair.

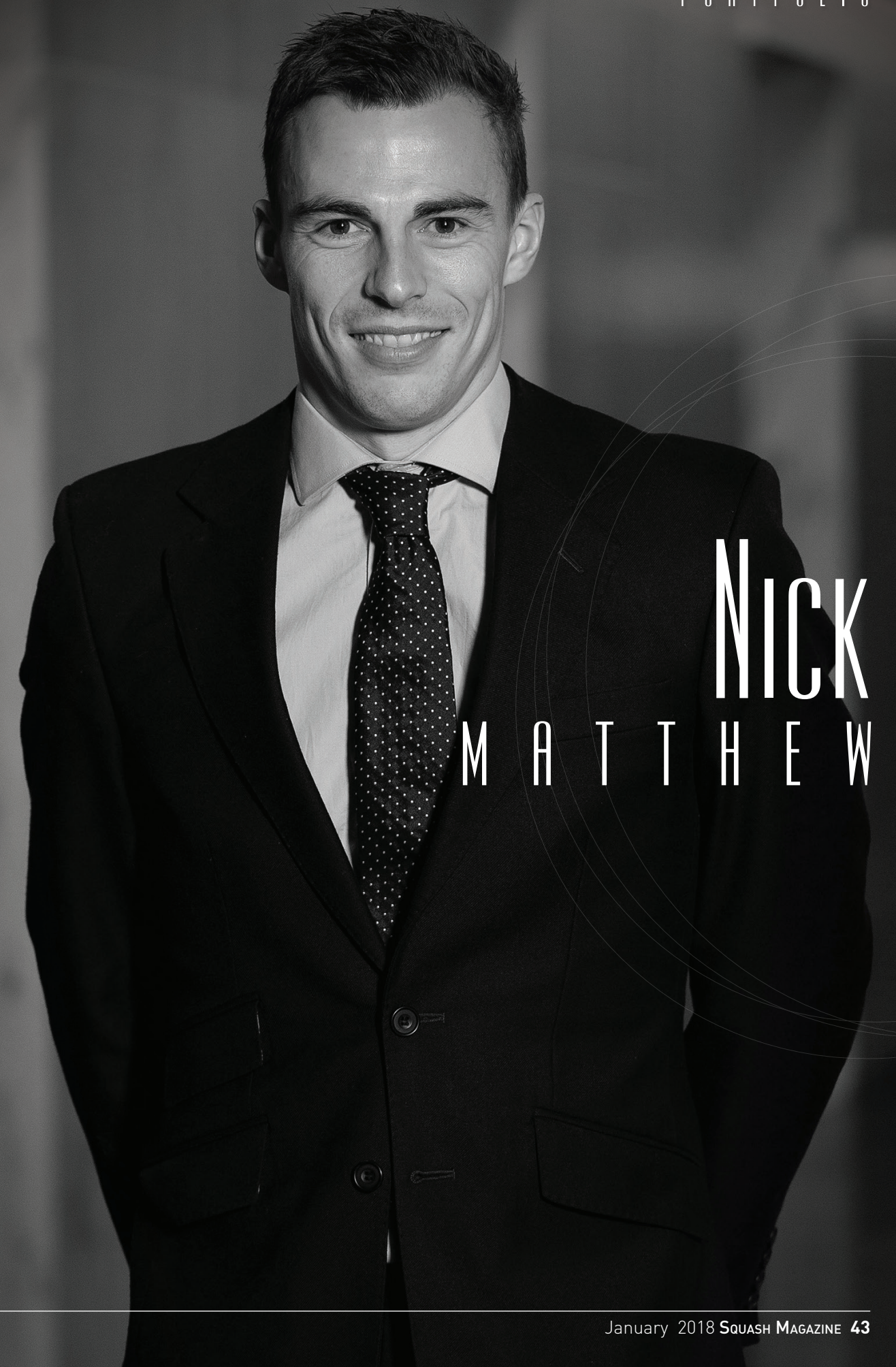
Hofweber, born in Germany, is based in New York and shoots around the world. His work has appeared in *Vogue*, *Cosmopolitan*, *Entertainment Weekly* and *Forbes*.

He captures these seven stars brilliantly. You can see their egos, their doubts, their senses of humor, their ambition and acquiescence, their youth. Some seem in motion, about to burst through the lens. Others are firmly rooted, as if they've been there a thousand years. At second glance you glimpse rich subtleties: an unshaven face, a hand not completely folded beneath an arm; a hint of jewelry underneath a shirt; a tie rakishly askew; the first sign, perhaps, of male pattern baldness.

In twenty years, we might look back and view this as a golden age of squash and these seven as its most splendid, eye-blinding avatars.

—The Editors

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NICK  
MATTHEW

A black and white portrait of Nour El Sherbini, a squash player. She is smiling and looking directly at the camera. She has long, dark hair and is wearing a dark-colored V-neck sweater over a necklace with a small pendant. The background is a blurred indoor setting.

NOUR  
EL SHERBINI

A black and white portrait of Gregory Gaultier, a squash player. He is smiling and looking directly at the camera. He has short hair and is wearing a dark suit jacket over a white shirt and a dark tie. His arms are crossed. The background is a blurred indoor setting.

GREGORY  
GAULTIER

RANEEM  
ELWELLY

JAMES  
WILLSTROP

# NICOL DAVID



# MOHAMED ELSHORBAGY