

OPTIONS FINALLY AROUND

Wilson Staff Squash Balls Enter the Market



How many times has the question been raised over whether an alternative to the standard double yellow dot ball is available? Getting more to the point, we're talking about a ball with consistent bounce and playability that might make you go "hmmm."

We've found what you're looking for and, like Tom Hanks, you might refer to it as, simply, Wilson. But unlike Wilson the volleyball, this one is Staff® the squash ball. That's right, Wilson has put two bright yellow dimples on a sphere of black non-marking rubber with a WSF endorsement and made it available to you. Just "Staff," a pair of yellow dots and a big fat "W" on the surface. Of course Wilson does offer the complete line of balls in the now familiar range of "playing levels." Wilson calls them "extra slow" (double yellow dot); slow (yellow dot); medium (red dot); and fast (blue dot).

Grab a couple and bat them around the court for a while. You wanted a new friend on the court, and now you've got one. Check it out.

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POWER PLAYERS

Two New Racquets from HEAD Offer a Wallop of Power

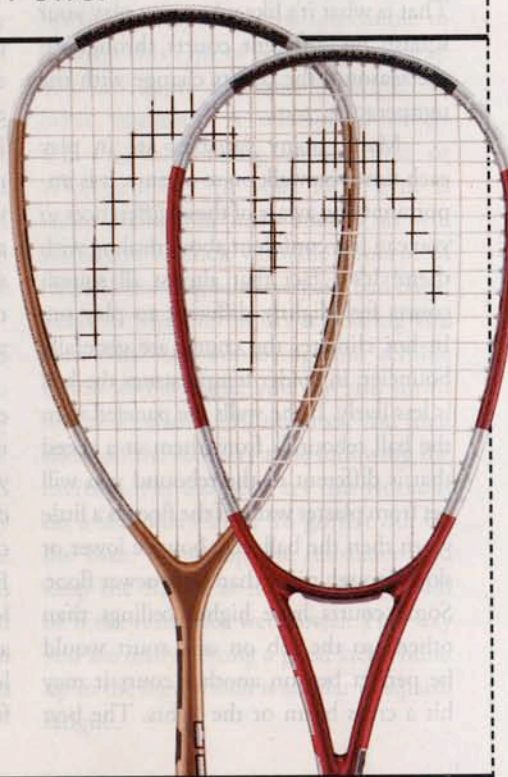
If you're packing huge paws, have a need for speed, and are looking for 450 horses and a Hemi under the hood, you might want to drop by your local body shop and put your foot to the floor on one of the new HEAD Liquidmetal sticks.

The 160 and the 150 both come standard with power to burn and handles built for mits that can tame the beast. The 160, weighing in at a stout 173g strung, features an open throat and even balance. Make no mistake, the 160 is growling out of the bag and does take a full swing to keep it under control. But the stiffness of the frame provides ample touch for those rare moments when you decide to drop the ball short.

The 150 sports a closed throat, tips the scales at 161g strung, and is also evenly balanced but feels lighter in the head than the 160. As a result, the 150 is very maneuverable for quick reflex shots but maintains its power supply.

Technically speaking, all of the Liquidmetal frames feature the secret sauce (a.k.a., Liquidmetal) at 2, 4, 8 and 10 o'clock on the head to prevent energy loss on ball impact. The purpose is to transfer all of the energy absorbed upon impact back to the ball, thereby increasing the power provided by the racquet.

Check 'em out in your local pro shop. If you want power, the Liquidmetal 150 and 160 are raring to go.



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