Subject: Re: Using Comm... err, alternative? Posted by davidf on Wed, 16 Aug 2000 07:00:00 GMT

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Mark Hadfield (m.hadfield@niwa.cri.nz) writes:

> widget_control, self.top, TIMER=3600 ?

Something like that. :-)

I had a birthday this week and, of course, I draw someone half my age for my first match in the tennis tournament last night. I'm beginning to hate kids. :-(

We are battling it out. The kid has a wicked serve he cranks right into my body. I can barely get my privates out of the way, let alone hit it back. But he is not handling my (slower) serve any better. He somehow manages to win the first set in a tie-breaker, but I'm not thinking of losing by any stretch of the imagination. We keep battling. One of the best matches I've played this summer.

We are 4-4 in the second when I hit a wicked approach shot, which he someone gets back over the net, barely. I rush in, s-t-r-e-t-c-h and hit the volley, but YIKES! I can't move my feet as fast as I used to and I'm stepping on my racket. WHAM! Face planted on the court. Ankle hurts like hell.

Can I continue? Hell, yes, I think. But I can't put any weight on the foot. It's been a great match, the kid deserves to win as much as I do, so I offer to play it out, as a courtesy. He hits three drop shots in the next game, which I look at disdainfully. He wins 6-4.

Headline in today's paper: WhatsHisName Upsets Fanning, No 2 Seed!!!!!

Aaaaahhhhhaaaa. It's hell to grow old.

Cheers,

David

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