

A CUT ABOVE OTHERS

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WE were all housed in the same block for the 1970 Bangkok Asian Games.

My only contact with Tan Yee Khan and Ng Boon Bee was during our meals. We would greet each other as we passed by their table.

I looked up to them with envy. They were already “big names” in the world of badminton.

Despite their international status, I noticed Yee Khan and Boon Bee carried themselves with a quiet disposition.

They had a professional outlook that today’s sports personalities could emulate.