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2021	June	30	1 <sup>st</sup> European Open	2022	May	28	10 <sup>th</sup> El Gouna, Egypt
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2021	July	07	PSA \$1m prize money 1989	2022	June	11	1 <sup>st</sup> Dutch Open 1964
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2021	Nov	20	Hashim Khan climbs wall 1957!	2022	Sept	10	Texas Open start
2021	Nov	22	Jansher Khan's final (8 <sup>th</sup> ) World Open	2022	Sept	11	1 <sup>st</sup> French Open
2021	Nov	25	Malaysian Open – first 10 finals	2022	Sept	21	1 <sup>st</sup> Egyptian Open
2021	Dec	01	Sarah Fitz-Gerald birthday	2022	Sept	26	<b>England v Pakistan Test Match 1984</b>
2021	Dec	10	Jahangir Khan birthday	2022	Sept	27	Bath Club Cup centenary (part 1)
2021	Dec	11	1 <sup>st</sup> Squash 57 British Open	2022	Oct	01	Netsuite Open, San Francisco
2021	Dec	18	1 <sup>st</sup> Iran Open (1969)	2022	Oct	05	Home Internationals, UK
2021	Dec	22	Cassie Jackman birthday	2022	Oct	07	1 <sup>st</sup> Australian Championship 1928
2021	Dec	29	1 <sup>st</sup> N American No 1 (Jonathon Power)	2022	Oct	10	1 <sup>st</sup> US Open
2022	Jan	04	Susan Devoy birthday	2022	Oct	24	Heather McKay WISPA Hall of Fame
2022	Jan	06	<b>Tour wins by nation 2001 - 2021</b>	2022	Oct	27	1 <sup>st</sup> Swedish Open (2002)
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2022	Apr	20	1 <sup>st</sup> Hong Kong Open (1985) report	2023	Jan	17	<i>Mostafa Asal, 7<sup>th</sup> Egyptian World 1</i>
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2022	May	05	Bermuda Open Champions	2023	Jan	28	Greek Open 1953
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2022	May	23	Pakistan Junior 1978 players	2023	Feb	06	Rhonda Thorne 65 <sup>th</sup> birthday
2022	May	26	US Grand Prix 1995	2023	Feb	16	Amr Bey Tatler feature 1937
2022	May	27	Supersquash in Japan	2023	Feb	18	Oxford v Cambridge Match

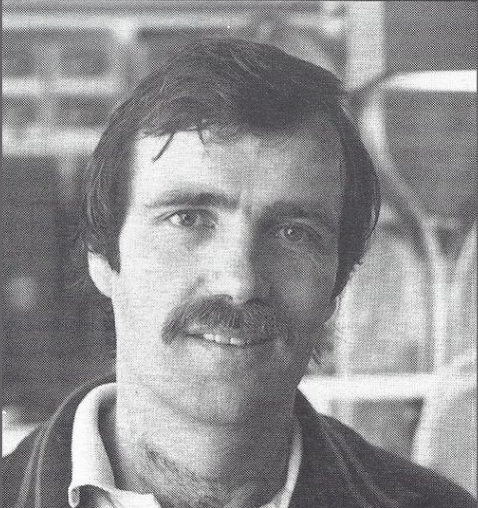
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2023	May	25	Ross Norman parachute injury	2024	Feb	07	Pittsburgh Open finalists
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2023	May	30	Mahmoud Karim interview 1949	2024	Feb	16	Scotland men beat Egypt 1959
2023	June	01	Jonah Barrington oversize racket!	2024	Feb	20	1 <sup>st</sup> New Zealand Men's Champs 1932
2023	June	09	Simon Parke / Jonathon Power boxing!	2024	Feb	22	Windy City Open winners
2023	June	10	North American Open in Mexico 1975	2024	Feb	24	1 <sup>st</sup> Pakistan Amateur Champ 1954
2023	June	21	Women's Tour promo shot 2004	2024	Feb	27	SRA v Jeu De Paume, Paris 1954
2023	June	22	Surviving British Amateur Players 1951	2024	Feb	29	US Women's Open/Wolfe Noel 1959
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2023	July	31	England v Scotland 1937/38	2024	Mar	18	England v Scotland (1937)
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2023	Aug	15	Willstrop / Opie birthdays	2024	Mar	25	Amr Bey titles (1930s)
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2023	Aug	21	Hashim Khan grip	2024	Mar	27	<b>Canary Wharf Class finalists</b>
2023	Aug	23	British U19 (Drysdale) Finalists 1960s	2024	Mar	30	Debenhams Family Championships
2023	Aug	25	Wolfe Noel Cup early events	2024	Apr	03	<b>German Open champions</b>
2023	Aug	26	Nicol David 40 <sup>th</sup> birthday	2024	Apr	04	<b>Pakistan Open champions</b>
2023	Aug	28	Hong Kong Open 2003 cancelled	2024	Apr	06	Ahmed Safwat / Torsam Khan
2023	Sept	06	South Africans, Watson / Coppinger	2024	Apr	09	Bryan Patterson (BJO winner)
2023	Sept	10	Qatar Classic, women's event	2024	Apr	11	<b>England v Pakistan 1984</b>
2023	Sept	13	Swedish Nationals, early winners	2024	Apr	12	<b>Black Ball finalists</b>
2023	Sept	15	1 <sup>st</sup> Australia beat England 1962	2024	Apr	13	USA v Canada v GB 1924
2023	Sept	20	Dubai Classic 1993	2024	Apr	17	Petros Tzamaloucas 30 years Greece
2023	Sept	30	GB tour to NZ, 1967	2024	Apr	19	<b>El Gouna finalists</b>
2023	Oct	02	Paul Johnson – England No1 1998	2024	Apr	23	Swiss Masters 1982 poster
2023	Oct	09	US Open moves to softball 1985	2024	Apr	27	Anne Page (USA 1930s)
2023	Oct	10	70 <sup>th</sup> Strawson Memorial Match	2024	May	03	50 years of PSA legends poster
2023	Oct	11	US Open prize money parity 2013	2024	May	10	Greek Open 1971
2023	Oct	16	New Zealand Nationals 1939	2024	May	13	Hashim Khan team Trophy 1978
2023	Oct	26	Swiss Open winners	2024	May	14	Far East Circuit 1984
2023	Oct	30	Hiddy Jahan, England 1 (1983)	2024	May	15	JSM SuperSquash 1994 Group photo
2023	Nov	06	Denmark v Australia (1965)	2024	May	31	Cumberland Cup
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2023	Nov	11	1 <sup>st</sup> Swedish Women's Open (1976)	2024	June	17	Cali, Colombia events
2023	Nov	14	Singapore Open past finalists	2024	June	18	<b>World Tour Finals history</b>
2023	Nov	20	1 <sup>st</sup> Rhodesia [Zimbabwe] Open (1957)	2024	June	22	Women's tour reaches \$1m - 2004
2023	Nov	21	1 <sup>st</sup> Indian Nationals (1953)	2024	June	29	Roger Jones, Finnish squash
2023	Nov	23	Mahmoud Karim profile 1949				
2023	Nov	27	Jahangir Khan retires 1993				

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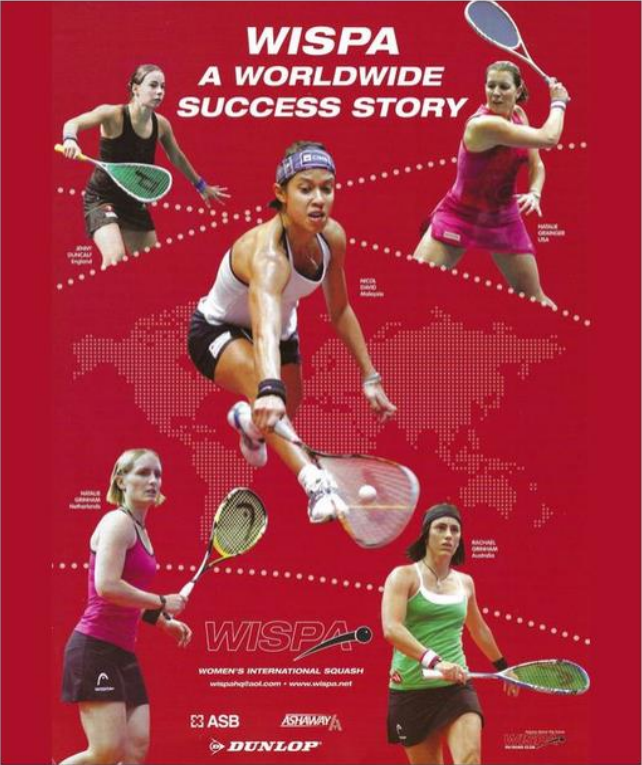
**Squash Library**  
29 June at 08:35

When the men's European Team Championship started in 1973, Finland competed. Their number one was an Englishman, Roger Jones, who was the Finnish national coach. He led the side for ten years and in 1975 commented, 'The Finns have the ability and determination to become one of the leading European nations in squash. It may take a little time but you must remember that squash did not start in Finland until 1968.' [European Squash Federation](#)



**Squash Library**  
22 June at 08:12

20 years ago in 2004 the women's pro tour (WISPA), then separate from the men's, reached an annual \$1 million prize fund, with a \$1.1 million total. The increase was due to new events in 2004 in Kuwait, Brunei, Bahrain, Shanghai and a Qatar Airways series. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)



**Squash Library**  
16 June at 08:13

The PSA World Tour Finals which start today in Bellevue, Washington, USA, began in 1993 for men and 1998 for women. The Library's history of the dates, venues, sponsors and finalists is at <https://www.squashlibrary.info/post/world-tour-finals>. Full results at [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com). [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)



**Squash Library**  
17 June at 08:39

The just completed PSA Club Campestri event in Cali, Colombia marks a return to the city for tour events, the last seemingly being in 1997 when David Palmer (AUS) was beaten by Tim Garner (ENG) in the final. Full results for this year and previous editions at [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) (including pre-final defeats for rising stars Thierry Lincou (FRA), Paul Price and Anthony Ricketts (AUS) in 1997, and the title for Graham Ryding in 1996, beating fellow-Canadian Sabir Butt in the final). [Federación Colombiana de Squash Squash - PSA World Tour](#)





**Squash Library**  
12 June at 08:13

In the late 1970s Tretorn sponsored a club mixed team event in UK – here are the 1977/8 season final results, played at Wimbledon Stadium in SW London, featuring some top players (with poster-boy Hiddy Jahan handicapping himself by carrying more than a racket!). [England Squash](#)



**Final:**  
**Nottingham beat Richmond Town 3-2**  
 Gawain Briars lost to Jonny Leslie 4-9 3-9 4-9  
 John Le Lievre lost to Ian Robinson 4-9 0-9 7-9  
 John Roe beat Chris Herridge 9-7 9-2 10-8  
 Lesley Moore beat Katarina Du Boye 10-8 5-9 9-7 9-1  
 Val Watson beat Jenny Congdon 9-4, 9-2, 9-0

**Semi-finals:**  
 Nottingham beat Manchester Northern 5-0  
 Richmond Town beat Squash Plymouth 4-1

**Quarter-finals:**  
 Manchester Northern beat Durham 4-1  
 Nottingham beat Hull 5-0  
 Squash Plymouth beat Aylesbury 4-1  
 Richmond Town beat Woodford Wells 4-1


**Squash Library**  
15 May at 08:16

When the second women's JSM SuperSquash took place in Tokyo, Japan, 30 years ago in 1994, a player group photo was taken, as seen here. The event itself saw Australian Michelle Martin retain her title, beating Carol Owens 10-8 9-4 10-8 in the final. [Squash - PSA World Tour 公益社団法人 日本スカッシュ協会](#)



**Squash Library**  
31 May at 07:52

North London's Cumberland Club, home of the London Open, added squash to Lawn Tennis in 1933, when they built two courts. A year later the club applied to join the Bath Club Cup, the London league that had begun in 1922 – an application that was turned down on the basis that it was not a 'social club'. This rejection led to the club initiating the Cumberland Cup, which became the premier London league and is still contested.



**Squash Library**  
14 May at 08:15

This month 40 years ago a three-nation event was started in Asia with the Yeo's-Pepsi Far East Squash Circuit 1984. The first leg was held in Hong Kong, followed by Singapore and Malaysia. Each event had the same final, world number two Qamar Zaman (left) playing brother-in-law Maqsood Ahmed – with Zaman winning them all. They had left players including Magdi Saad, Gogi Alauddin, Gawain Briars, Chris Dittmar and Philip Kenyon in their wakes on the circuit. [1Malaysia Squash Hong Kong Squash Singapore Squash](#)



**Squash Library**  
13 May at 08:07

In May 1978 Pakistan hosted the World Open Team Championship in Karachi – which was neither the World Open nor Team Championship! In the unofficial event Pakistan B beat Pakistan A in the final. Here are the squads. [Pakistan Squash Federation](#)

**World Open Team Championship  
for the Hashim Khan Trophy  
1978**

**SEEDING**

1. PAKISTAN Team - A
2. PAKISTAN Team - B
3. AUSTRALIA
4. EGYPT
5. ENGLAND
6. NEW ZEALAND
7. SWEDEN
8. NORTH AMERICA

<p><b>AUSTRALIA</b></p> <p>C. Nancarrow J. Shalton D. Williams S. Buerdick S. Chappell — Manager</p> <p><b>EGYPT</b></p> <p>G. Awad A. Saliman Alwan S. Ali D. Hafeez — Manager</p> <p><b>ENGLAND</b></p> <p>J. Robinson A. Dwyer S. Parnon B. O'Connor Andrew Blakey — Manager</p> <p><b>HONG KONG</b></p> <p>R. Eustice B. Traverser J. Wason D. Chey Simon Sealow — Manager</p> <p><b>INDIA</b></p> <p>Mal. Raj Manohanda Sud. Colah Vijendra Singh Gajendra Singh Anil Nayyar — Manager</p>	<p><b>JAPAN</b></p> <p>Seiji Sakamoto Kiyomasa Taniguchi Yusaku Iwata Satoru Kamamura Harada — Manager</p> <p><b>MALAYSIA</b></p> <p>N. M. Din T. T. T. Kin R. C. B. Lee S. Khoo Philip Yap — Manager</p> <p><b>NEW ZEALAND</b></p> <p>T. Noughton P. Denny M. Lilley P. McPherson Stephen Clarke — Manager</p> <p><b>NIGERIA</b></p> <p>G. Martins T. Afolabi S. Oshobanye S. Sokolun Dr. O. Hoku — Manager</p> <p><b>NORTH AMERICA</b></p> <p>R. Patena S. Gishman C. Caldwell S. Khan Mohammed Khan — Manager (Senior)</p>	<p><b>PAKISTAN - A</b></p> <p>Qamar Zaman Hidayat Jilani Touqan Khan Rahmatullah Khan</p> <p><b>PAKISTAN - B</b></p> <p>Muhammad Khan Osip Akbaridin R. G. B. Lee Masroor Ahmad</p> <p><b>PHILIPPINES</b></p> <p>F. Pinyan P. Hecilla D. Sanchez G. Samsing Salvador Cervantes — Manager</p> <p><b>SINGAPORE</b></p> <p>Benny Sim Rajesh Singh Jeremy Teo Peter Hill Mal. Haridas Nair — Manager</p> <p><b>SWEDEN</b></p> <p>Lars Kruus Mikael Hedstrom Rik. Bostrom Lef. Laxer</p>
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**Squash Library**  
3 May at 08:28

To celebrate the formation of PSA (then ISPA for male players) fifty years ago – Library details at <https://www.squashlibrary.info/.../psa-forming-the-...> - PSA have produced a great montage of stars. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)

**Squash Library**  
27 April at 08:25

Anne Page from Philadelphia, was an early American women's star. She won four national titles beginning in 1936, the fourth after WW2. She also managed to adapt to the international softball game by reaching the British Open semi-finals in 1939. [US SQUASH](#)

Photo: US Squash

**Squash Library**  
11 May at 08:20

Greece had begun holding its open championship in 1945, and in 1971 it is hardly surprising that a group of players were smiling at being flown out from UK to the sun and accommodated by Renta-Villa company to play in it. LtoR: Ray Twine, David Morgan, Bob Johnson, Tony Swift, Jonah Barrington.





**Squash Library**  
23 April at 08:27

When the Swiss Masters took place in 1982 a poster featuring the results and player pics was signed by many of the stars – and generously given to the Library by Ann Safwat. [Swiss Squash](#)

**EL GOUNA INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Year	MEN'S		WOMEN'S	
	Winner	Runner Up	Winner	Runner Up
2023	Ali Farag (EGY)	Mostafa Asal (EGY)	Nouran Gohar (EGY)	Neli Gilis (BEL)
2022	Mostafa Asal (EGY)	Paul Coll (NZL)	Hania El Hammamy (EGY)	Nouran Gohar (EGY)
2021	Mohamed ElShorbagy (EGY)	Paul Coll (NZL)	Nour ElSherbini (EGY)	Nouran Gohar (EGY)
2020	Not played			
2019	Ali Farag (EGY)	Karim Abdel Gawad (EGY)	Raneem El Welily (EGY)	Nouran Gohar (EGY)
2018	Marwan ElShorbagy (EGY)	Ali Farag (EGY)	Raneem El Welily (EGY)	Nour ElSherbini (EGY)
2017	Gregory Gaultier (FRA)	Karim Abdel Gawad (EGY)	Nour ElSherbini (EGY)	Raneem El Welily (EGY)
2016	Mohamed ElShorbagy (EGY)	Gregory Gaultier (FRA)		
2015	Ramy Ashour (EGY)	Mohamed Elshorbagy (EGY)		
2014	Ramy Ashour (EGY)	Mohamed Elshorbagy (EGY)		
2013	Not played			
2012	Ramy Ashour (EGY)	James Willstrop (ENG)		
2011	Not played			
2010	Karim Darwish (EGY)	Ramy Ashour (EGY)		

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THE SQUASH RESULTS & ARCHIVE HUBS

**Squash Library**  
17 April at 08:23

When Petros Tzamaloukas plays in the European Team Championship division 3 which begins today in Bucharest, Romania, it will mark a possibly record-breaking period of 30 years representing Greece. The 49-year-old's first European Championship was the 1994 edition in Zoetermeer, Netherlands. Impressive! [Petros Tzamaloukas Squash Academy](#) [Squash.gr](#) [European Squash Federation](#)

The 1994 Greek squad, L to R: Panos Malamis, Petros Gavalas, Nikos Moustroufis, George Barletis (Manager), Pana Vasiliou, Petros Tzamaloukas (and right).

**Squash Library**  
13 April at 08:25

The first USA, Canada and Great Britain matches took place in Philadelphia 100 years ago. The 1924 matches saw USA beat GB 3-2 on the 'narrow' home courts. The following year GB scored an easy 5-0 win over USA in the return fixture at Bath Club in London, with the visitors unused to the wider courts. [England Squash](#) [US SQUASH](#)

**The 1924 results:**

**USA beat Gt Britain 3 – 2**

Charles Peabody bt Sam Toyne 15-7 15-6 15-7  
 Wally Johnson beat Theodore Drysdale 15-9 15-10 15-13  
 Ralph Powers beat W 'Ginger' Basset 9-15 15-8 15-9 15-3  
 W.F. Harrity lost Timmy Roberts 9-15 12-15 9-15  
 Tevis Huhn lost Dugald Macpherson 18-15 11-15 14-18 12-15

*(Note: It wasn't until 1927 that HiHo to nine points was introduced)*

**Squash Library**  
12 April at 08:07

The Black Ball Championships being played this week in Cairo began in the year following the 2017 opening of the 19-court facility (including an all-glass court). Here are the past finalists, full results at [www.squashinfo.com](#). [Black Ball Sporting Club](#) [Egyptian Squash Federation](#) - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)

**BLACK BALL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Year	MEN'S		WOMEN'S	
	Winner	Runner Up	Winner	Runner Up
2023	Mohamed ElShorbagy (ENG)	Tarek Momen (EGY)	Nouran Gohar (EGY)	Hania El Hammamy (EGY)
2022	Paul Coll (NZL)	Ali Farag (EGY)	Nouran Gohar (EGY)	Nour ElSherbini (EGY)
2021*	Marwan ElShorbagy (EGY)	Fares Dessouky (EGY)	Nour ElSherbini (EGY)	Hania El Hammamy (EGY)
2021*	Marwan ElShorbagy (EGY)	Fares Dessouky (EGY)	Nour ElSherbini (EGY)	Amanda Sobhy (USA)
2020*	Fares Dessouky (EGY)	Ali Farag (EGY)	Sarah-Jane Perry (EGY)	Hania El Hammamy (EGY)
2020*	Fares Dessouky (EGY)	Ali Farag (EGY)	Hania El Hammamy (EGY)	Nour ElSherbini (EGY)
2019			Raneem El Welily (EGY)	Nour ElSherbini (EGY)
2018	Karim Abdel Gawad (EGY)	Ali Farag (EGY)		

\* played twice in the year.

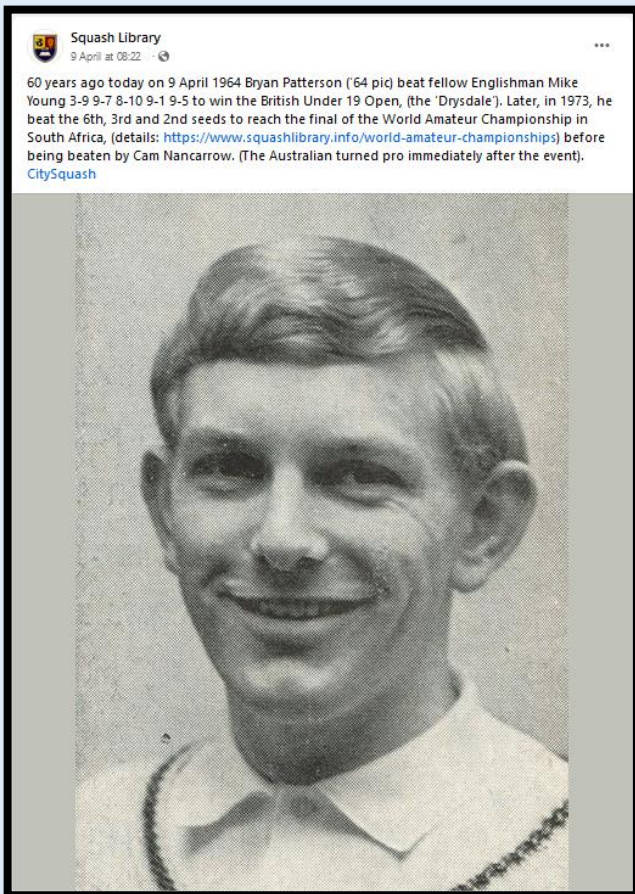
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**Squash Library**  
11 April at 08:25

40 years ago today on 11 April 1984, an England v Pakistan test match was played at Wembley Conference Centre using the court that had featured the final of the British Open the day before. <https://www.squashlibrary.info/.../england-v-pakistan...>, for the details. [Pakistan Squash Federation](#) [England Squash](#)





Squash Library 4 April at 08:31

Squash Library would like to complete a full list of past Pakistan Open winners, but there are still gaps. Can anybody help plug them? Details would be gratefully received via comments or Email (info@squashlibrary.info) please. Thanks, Andrew Pakistan Squash Federation

### PAKISTAN OPEN WINNERS

1953	A.J. Quraishi	1990	Jansher Khan
1954	A.J. Quraishi	1991	Jahangir Khan
1955	A. Hamid	1992	Jansher Khan
1956		1993	Not played, World Open hosted
1957	A.J. Quraishi	1994	Jansher Khan
1958	A.J. Quraishi	1995	Jansher Khan
1959	A.J. Quraishi	1996	Not played, World Open hosted
1960		1997	Jansher Khan
1961		1998	Amjad Khan
1962		1999	Peter Marshall (ENG)
1963	Aftab Jawaid	2000	Not played
1964		2001	Not played
1965		2002	Jonathon Power (CAN)
1966		2003	Not played, World Open hosted
1967	Mohammed Saleem	2004	James Willstrop (ENG)
1968	Aftab Jawaid	2005	Thierry Lincou (FRA)
1969	Jonah Barrington (IRL)	2006	Thierry Lincou (FRA)
1970	Mohammed Saleem	2007	Aamir Atlas Khan
1971		2008	Aamir Atlas Khan
1972	Mohamed Yasin	2009	
1973	Mohibullah Khan	2010	
1974		2011	
1975	Mohibullah Khan	2012	
1976	Maqsood Ahmed	2013	
1977	Maqsood Ahmed	2014	
1978	Daulat Khan	2015	
1979	Jahangir Khan	2016	
1980	Jahangir Khan	2017	Marwan ElShorbagy (EGY)
1981	Jahangir Khan	2018	Karim Abdel Gawad (EGY)
1982	Jahangir Khan	2019	
1983	Jahangir Khan	2020	
1984	Jahangir Khan	2021	
1985	Jahangir Khan	2022	
1986	Jahangir Khan	2020	
1987	Jansher Khan	2021	
1988	Jahangir Khan	2022	
1989	Jahangir Khan	2023	

Players from Pakistan unless stated.



Squash Library 3 April

The German Open makes a welcome return to the calendar this week after a long gap. Here is the Library list of former German international champions: [Deutscher Squash Verband](#) e.V.Squash - PSA World Tour



### GERMAN INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONS

1976	Gogi Alauddin (PAK)
1977	Gogi Alauddin (PAK)
1978	Mihael Hellstrom (SWE)
1979	Lars Kvant (SWE)
1980	Lars Kvant (SWE)
1981	Lars Kvant (SWE)
1982	Gamal Awad (EGY)
1983	Hiddy Jahan (ENG)
1984	Ross Norman (NZL)
1985	Ross Norman (NZL)
1986	Ross Norman (NZL)
1987	Chris Dittmar (AUS)
1988	Not held
1989	Not held
1990	Not held
1991	Jahangir Khan (PAK)
1992	Jansher Khan (PAK)



**Squash Library**  
30 March at 08:20

In 1981/2 a 'family' event was initiated in UK. The Debenhams Family Championships featured four categories: father & son, father & daughter, mother & daughter, brother & sister, husband and wife. Sons and daughters needed to be aged U19, brothers and sisters U23, with no age stipulation for husband and wife. It ran for 3 years, but without expanding pairings e.g. father & mistress, wife and lover, to increase entries.  
Jane & Stuart Courtney (left), won the first husband and ... See more

**Squash Library**  
27 March at 08:20

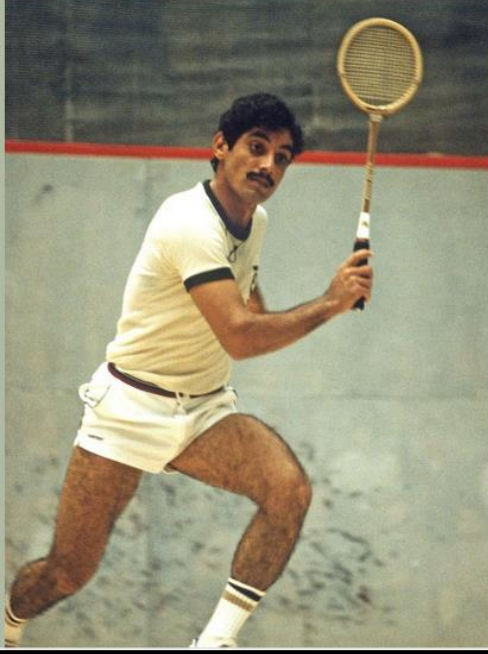
The Canary Wharf Classic in London has a new name (London Classic) and venue (Alexandra Palace) this week, and also adds a women's draw for the first time. Here are the past finalists; [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) for full results. Squash - PSA World Tour

**CANARY WHARF SQUASH CHAMPIONSHIP**

YEAR	WINNER	RUNNER-UP
2004	James Willstrop (ENG)	Thierry Lincou (FRA)
2005	John White (SCO)	Anthony Ricketts (AUS)
2006	Thierry Lincou (FRA)	Anthony Ricketts (AUS)
2007	James Willstrop (ENG)	John White (SCO)
2008	James Willstrop (ENG)	Cameron Pilley (AUS)
2009	David Palmer (AUS)	James Willstrop (ENG)
2010	Nick Matthew (ENG)	Gregory Gaultier (FRA)
2011	Nick Matthew (ENG)	Peter Barker (ENG)
2012	Nick Matthew (ENG)	James Willstrop (ENG)
2013	James Willstrop (ENG)	Peter Barker (ENG)
2014	Nick Matthew (ENG)	James Willstrop (ENG)
2015	Nick Matthew (ENG)	Simon Rosner (GER)
2016	Mathieu Castagnet (FRA)	Omar Mossad (EGY)
2017	Nick Matthew (ENG)	Fares Dessouky (EGY)
2018	Mohamed ElShorbagy (EGY)	Tarek Momen (EGY)
2019	Paul Coll (NZL)	Tarek Momen (EGY)
2020	Mohamed ElShorbagy (EGY)	Ali Farag (EGY)
2021	Paul Coll (NZL)	Ali Farag (EGY)
2022	Fares Dessouky (EGY)	Mostafa Asal (EGY)
2023	Paul Coll (NZL)	Joel Makin (WAL)

**Squash Library**  
26 March at 08:33

Jahangir Khan is one of only two players who have won a major final without losing a point. He did it at the ISPA Championship in England in 1982, aged 18, when he beat countryman Maqsood Ahmed 9-0 9-0 9-0 in 24 minutes. Maqsood (pictured) only served four times. Meanwhile Heather McKay inflicted the same scoreline on her own countrywoman Beverley Johnson in the final of the British Open 1968. Squash - PSA World TourPakistan Squash FederationSquash Australia



**Squash Library**  
25 March at 08:32

In the 1930s when Egyptian diplomat Fattah David Amr Bey was posted to London, he won five British Open and six British Amateur titles. From 1931 he was undefeated until his retirement in 1938. Here are the championship details.(British Open history: <https://www.squashlibrary.info/british-open>; the challenge: <https://www.squashlibrary.info/men-s-british-open-the-...>). British Open Squash - from SquashSiteEgyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش

**F. D. AMR BEY—BRITISH AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.**

1928 Lost to G. D' O. Sheppard in the second round, 9-7 7-9 9-10 2-9.  
1929 Lost to Victor Cazalet in the fifth round, 5-9 3-9 7-9.  
1930 Lost to Victor Cazalet in the semi-final, 9-6 7-9 9-7 1-9 0-9  
1931 Beat Dugald Macpherson in the final, 9-7 9-6 4-9 5-9 9-0.  
1932 Beat Edward Snell in the final, 9-1 9-0 9-4.  
1933 Beat G. O. M. Jameson in the final, 9-0 9-2 9-4.  
1934 Did not compete.  
1935 Beat Edward Snell in the final, 9-1 9-0 9-1.  
1936 Beat Edward Snell in the final, 9-4 9-0 9-2.  
1937 Beat John Stokes in the final, 9-3 9-4 9-2.

**F. D. AMR BEY—BRITISH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.**

1932 Beat Don Butcher (holder) 9-0 9-7 9-1, and 5-9 5-9 9-2 9-1 9-0.  
1933 No event  
1934 Beat Don Butcher 9-4 8-10 10-8 9-0, and 9-6 6-9 9-2 6-9 9-5.  
1935 Beat Jim Dear 9-3 6-9 8-10 9-2 9-4 and 9-4 9-7 3-9.  
1936 Beat Jim Dear 9-7 7-9 9-7 5-9 9-6, and 9-6 8-10 9-1 9-6.  
1937 Beat Jim Dear 10-8 10-8 4-9 1-9 9-4 and 9-7 8-10 9-6 9-5.

**Squash Library**  
21 March at 08:16

Now that this year's Australian Open is underway, if you want to look back at past winners, here: <https://www.squashlibrary.info/post/australian-open-winners>, is the list that Squash Library published recently. Squash - PSA World TourSquash Australia

1946	J Watson
1949	J Watson
1950	Abdul Bari
1951	Eric Metcalfe
1952	J Garrett
1953	Brian Boys
1954	Brian Boys
1955	Brian Boys
1956	Brian Boys
1957	Hashim Khan (PAK)
1958	No competition
1970	Jonah Barrington (IRL)
1971	Geoff Hunt
1972	No competition
1973	Geoff Hunt
1974	No competition
1975	Mohibullah Khan
1976	Geoff Hunt
1977	Geoff Hunt
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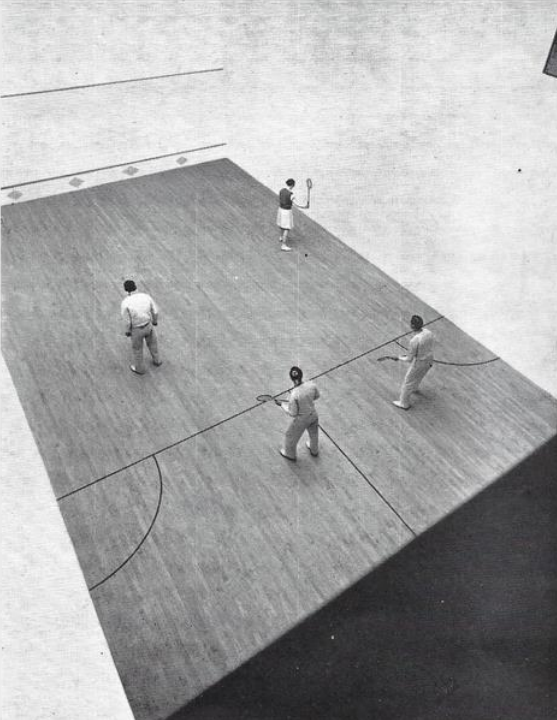


**SQUASH AUSTRALIAN OPEN**



**Squash Library**  
18 March at 08:24

Today (18 March) in 1937, the first match between England and Scotland was held at the St John's Wood Squash Club in North London. It featured both singles and doubles (the club had a doubles court – pic), and was won 6 – 1 by England. [England Squash](#) [Scottish Squash](#)



**Squash Library**  
15 March at 08:24

The first Dutch Open was held this month sixty years ago in 1964 at The Hague. The semis saw Mike Corby (right) beating Heron, an Englishman living in Netherlands, while Skinner (left) beat 16-year old Dutch player Bakker, before Corby won the all-English final to win the inaugural trophy.

Quarters: Skinner bt Leary 3-0, Bakker bt van Dyk 3-0, A Heron bt R Jonasson 3-1, Corby bt E Prosser 3-0. Semis: Skinner bt Bakker 3-1, Corby bt Heron 3-1. Final: Corby bt Skinner 5-9 9-5... See more



**Squash Library**  
7 March at 08:13

Today, 7th March 2024, marks exactly to the day the 50th Anniversary of the start of the 1st Swiss Open Squash Tournament in March 1974. It was held at the Geneva Squash Club until 2013 before being revived in Uster in 2021. [GENEVA SQUASH CLUBS](#) [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)

**SWISS OPEN CHAMPIONS**

MEN'S		WOMEN'S		MEN'S		WOMEN'S		
1974	John Easter	ENG		2001	Hadihan Sliff	ENG	Cheryl Beaumont	ENG
1975	John Easter	ENG		2002	James Willstrop	ENG	Wendy Maitland	SCO
1976	Philip Kenyon	ENG		2003	Stefan Leifels	GER	Suzanne Horner	ENG
1977	Jonny Leslie	ENG		2004	Daivide Bianchetti	ITA	Annelize Naude	NED
1978	Jonny Leslie	ENG		2005	Shahier Razik	CAN	Dom Lloyd-Walter	ENG
1979	Frank Donnelly	AUS		2006	Omar Abdel Aziz	EGY	Lauren Briggs	ENG
1980	Dean Williams	AUS		2007	Stephen Coppinger	RSA	Margriet Huisman	NED
1981	Magdi Saad	EGY		2008	Shaun Le Roux	RSA	Sarah Kippax	ENG
1982	Peter Verow	ENG		2009	Nicolas Muller	SUI	Camille Serme	FRA
1983	Dean Williams	AUS		2010	Dylan Bennett	NED	Gaby Schmolli	SUI
1984	Kelvin Smith	AUS		2011	Kashif Shuja	SCO	Yathreb Adel	EGY
1985	Dale Stryer	CAN		2012	Karim Ali Fathi	EGY	Emily Whitlock	ENG
1986	Fredrik Johnson	SWE		2013	Lucas Serme	FRA	Miniam Metwally	EGY
1987	Fredrik Johnson	SWE		2014	Not played		Not played	
1988	Jason Nicolle	ENG		2015	Kristian Frost	DEN	Not played	
1989	Anthony Hill	AUS		2016	Kristian Frost	DEN	Not played	
1990	David Poole	ENG		2017	Not played		Not played	
1991	Tony Hands	ENG		2018	Youssef Ibrahim	EGY	Not played	
1992	Paul Lord	ENG		2019	Dimitri Steinmann	SUI	Not played	
1993	David Campion	ENG		2020	Ryosei Kobayashi	JPN	Not played	
1994	Nick Taylor	ENG		2021	Nick Wall	ENG	Cindy Merlo	SUI
1995	Stefan Leifels	GER		2022	Ben Smith	ENG	Katie Mallif	ENG
1996	Marcus Berrett	ENG		2020	Ryosei Kobayashi	JPN	Not played	
1997	Adrian Hanson	RSA		2021	Nick Wall	ENG	Cindy Merlo	SUI
1998	Paul Gregory	ENG		2022	Ben Smith	ENG	Katie Mallif	ENG
1999	Scott Handley	ENG		2023	Yannick Wilhelmi	SUI	Amina El Rihany	EGY
2000	Adrian Hanson	RSA			Jenny Tranfield	ENG		

**Squash Library**  
5 March

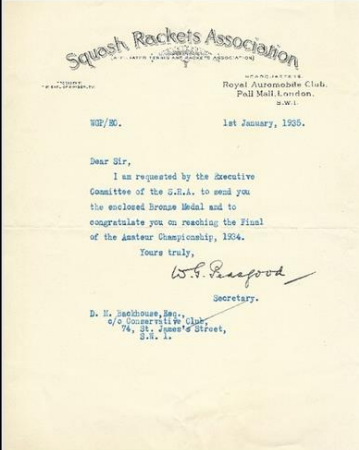

The men's Canadian Open being played this week began as a hardball event when the 'Khan dynasty' dominated. After amalgamating with the NAO in 1965 it was revived in 1985, and a year later in 1986 included a women's event for the first time. [Squash Canada](#) [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)

**CANADIAN OPEN SQUASH CHAMPIONS**

MEN'S HARBALL		MEN'S SOFTBALL		WOMEN'S	
1956	Roshan Khan (PAK)				
1957	Hashim Khan (PAK)				
1958	Azam Khan (PAK)				
1959	Henri Salaun (USA)				
1960	Azam Khan (PAK)				
1961	Hashim Khan (PAK)				
1962	Roshan Khan (PAK)				
1963	Hashim Khan (PAK)				
1964	Hashim Khan (PAK)				
1965	Mohibullah Khan (Snr) (PAK)				
From 1990 to 1995 the Men's Canadian Open was amalgated with the North American Open (NAO)					
1996	Mohibullah Khan (Snr) (PAK)				
1997	Ralph Howe (USA)				
1998	Mohibullah Khan (Snr) (PAK)				
1999	Sharif Khan (PAK/CAN)				
1970	Sharif Khan (PAK/CAN)				
1971	Sharif Khan (PAK/CAN)				
1972	Sharif Khan (PAK/CAN)				
1973	Sharif Khan (PAK/CAN)				
1974	Sharif Khan (PAK/CAN)				

**Squash Library**  
2 March

Desmond Backhouse, unusually for the time a left hander, was beaten 9-7 9-0 9-4 in a 38 minute final of the British Amateur championship 1934 by Cyril Hamilton. Later, Backhouse (pic), received this letter from the SRA with his medal. [England Squash](#)



Squash Library  
29 February at 08:45

In Feb 1959 the Merion Cricket Club in Philadelphia hosted the 26th Women's Open and the USA v GB Wolfe-Noel Cup. See the programme with written results and player profiles on the Library website at <https://www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources> and the Wolfe-Noel history at <https://www.squashlibrary.info/post/wolfe-noel-challenge-cup>. US SQUASHEngland Squash

**THE 27th ANNUAL U.S. WOMEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP.**


**February 18-21, 1959**

**AT THE MERION CRICKET CLUB**  
Haverford, Pennsylvania

**WOLFE-NOEL CUP**  
**United States vs. Great Britain**  
**February 23, 1959**

Squash Library  
27 February at 08:20

This week 70 years ago in 1954 the British SRA sent a team to Paris for the first time, playing both 3 string squash and 2 string real tennis (jeu de paume) matches against the club there, Societe Sportive Jeu de Paume et de Racquets. Société Sportive du Jeu de Paume & de Racquets FFsquash - Fédération Française de SquashEngland Squash



**The results:**  
SRA bt Jeu de Paume  
3 – 0  
Norman Borrett (pic) bt Robin Lees  
9-10 10-8 9- 2 9-1.  
Tony Mallett bt Wing-Cdr. E. Holden  
9-5 9-2 9-4.  
D. Dugdale bt H. North 9-6, 9-0, 9-8.



Squash Library  
24 February at 08:13

The first Pakistan Amateur Championship, organised by the newly-formed Pakistan SRA, was played this week 70 years ago in 1954 at the Karachi Gymkhana Club (pic), and attracted an entry of twenty-three players. Pakistan Squash Federation



**The results:**  
**Quarter finals:**  
Brigadier J. A. Faruqi b D. M. Dastur  
9-0 9-0 9-0.  
Sir G. B. Constantine b Nasim Ahmad  
9-6 10-8 3-9 1-9 9-2.  
A. J. Quraishi b H. D. Habib  
9-2 9-1 9-0.  
Moneer Ahmad b P/O T. Mohsin  
9-4 9-5 9-10 9-5.  
**Semi-Finals:**  
Faruqi b Constantine 9-7 9-6 9-5.  
Quraishi b Moneer Ahmad 9-5 9-0 9-2.  
**Final:**  
Quraishi b Faruqi 9-2 10-8 9-5.

Squash Library  
22 February at 08:17

The Windy City Open being played this week in Chicago started as a hardball event and was won no less than 12 times by Mark Talbott, legend of that variation. Having moved to the international game, most recently it has become biennial, alternating with the World Championship in the city. Windy City Open Squash - PSA World TourUS SQUASH

**WINDY CITY OPEN WINNERS**

	Winner
2023	Not played
2022	Paul Coll (NZL)
2021	Not played
2020	Ali Farag (EGY)
2019	Not played
2018	Mohamed ElShorbagy (EGY)
2017	Gregory Gaultier (FRA)
2016	Mohamed ElShorbagy (EGY)
2015	Nick Matthew (ENG)
2014	Gregory Gaultier (FRA)
2013	Borja Golan (ESP)
2012	Saurav Ghosal (IND)
2011	Oliver Pett (ENG)
2010	Not played
2009	Not played
2008	Not played
2007	Amr Shabana (EGY)
2006	David Palmer (AUS)
2005	John White (SCO)
2004	Nick Matthew (ENG)
2003	Paul Price (AUS)
2002	Nick Taylor (ENG)
2001	Thierry Lincou (FRA)
2000	Clive Leach (ENG)

	Winner
1999	Stephen Meads (ENG)
1998	Marcus Berrett (ENG)
1997	Martin Heath (SCO)
1996	Paul Johnson (ENG)
1995	Mark Chaloner (ENG)
1994	Gary Waite (CAN)
1993	Mark Talbott (USA)
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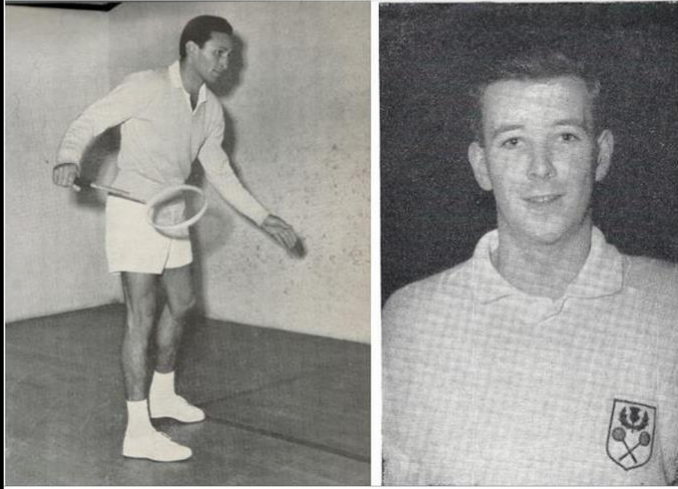
The first New Zealand Men's Championship was played at the Christchurch Club in 1932 – ten players (pic) competed. For anybody still awaiting the final result: Geoffrey Kingscote (2nd right, front) bt Peter Hall 9-5 9-7 9-5. Kingscote was not only the first national champion but the first President of NZ squash too. Squash New Zealand Poipātū Aotearoa



Photo courtesy Joseph Romanos



Sixty five years ago in 1959 Scottish Men beat Egypt 3-2 in Edinburgh. While Ibrahim Amin beat Mike Oddy in the next British Amateur winners match, Oliver Balfour (right) caused a major upset beating Tewfik Shafik (left). A result unlikely to be replicated currently.  
Mike Oddy It Ibrahim Amin 9-1 9-7 5-9 5-9 3-9; Oliver Balfour bt Tewfik Shafik 9-1 9-7 9-4; George Chisholm bt S. Hamid 9-5 9-7 9-7; D. Shaw It A. Halfawy 9-3 9-5 3-9 2-9 6-9. W. H. Matheson bt G. El Dib 9-5 9-1, 6-9 6-9 9-6.  
[Egyptian Squash Federation - المصري للإسكواش](#) [Scottish Squash](#)

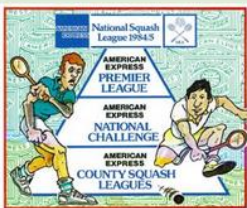


60 years ago today (12 Feb 1964) an Australian women's group who had come to UK to play the British Open played an sanctioned unofficial test against a British Team, winning 3/2 at the Lansdowne Club in London. (All five matches were played on the famous Bruce Court). This was the first women's match between the two nations.  
The visiting number one was Heather Blundell (McKay) who had already won the British Open title twice, pitted against Fran Marshall who had won in 1961 before McKay started her extraordinary run of 16. Marshall had been her opponent in the two finals and had amassed a number of points in her 3/0 defeats, but here could only muster one in 15 minutes of play.  
Australia beat Great Britain 3-2  
Heather Blundell beat Fran Marshall 9-1 9-0 9-0  
Jenny Irving lost Sheila Macintosh 2-9 9-7 3-9 9-2 2-9.  
Pat McClenaghan beat Anna Craven-Smith 10-9 7-9 5-9 10-8 10-8  
Barbara Baxter lost Mary Muncaster 5-9 9-6 9-2 2-9 6-9.  
Helen Plaisted beat Pauline White 10-8 4-9 4-9 9-5 9-5.  
[England Squash](#) [Squash Australia](#)



Back row (LtoR): Pauline White, Sheila Macintosh, Janet Bisley (Morgan), Mary Muncaster, Fran Marshall, Anna Craven-Smith. Front row (LtoR): Jenny Irving, Helen Plaisted, Pat McClenaghan, Barbara Baxter, Heather Blundell (McKay)

40 years ago in 1984 in the largest single sponsorship deal in the history of British squash, American Express put up £100,000 to back a pyramid framework linking the existing SRA league network with a new national Premier League.  
The structure consisted of three distinct but interconnected tiers. At the base 39 county leagues which attracted some 50,000 players throughout the country. The leading club from the top division of each was eligible to enter the American Express National Challenge.  
At the top was the creation of the Premier League in which the country's top ten teams competed during the season, featuring all the top national men along with overseas stars.  
[England Squash](#)

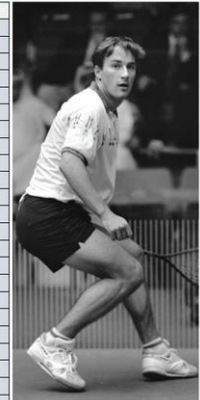


Manchester Northern (back row) beat off a Cannons challenge to win the inaugural Premier League.  
(Back: David Pearson, Robert Forde, Adrian Davies, Willie Hosey, Geoff Williams.  
Front: Nigel Stiles, Ross Norman, Jamie Hickox, Martin Bodimeade, Danny Lee).

The men's Pittsburgh Open being played this week began in 1993 with two wins for Canadian Jamie Crombie (pic). Here is the Library list of finalists. Full results are at [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com).  
[Squash - PSA World Tour](#)

**PITTSBURGH OPEN SQUASH CHAMPIONSHIPS - MEN'S**

YEAR	WINNER	RUNNER-UP
1993	Jamie Crombie (CAN)	Sabir Burt (CAN)
1994	Jamie Crombie (CAN)	Chris Clare (ENG)
1995	Jonathon Power (CAN)	Byron Davis (AUS)
1996	Craig Rowland (AUS)	Rodney Durbach (RSA)
1997	Juha Raumolin (FIN)	Tim Garner (ENG)
1998	Juha Raumolin (FIN)	Billy Haddrell (AUS)
1999	Paul Price (AUS)	David Palmer (AUS)
2000	Not played	
2001	Lee Beachill (ENG)	Olli Tuominen (FIN)
2002	Thierry Lincou (FRA)	Anthony Ricketts (AUS)
	Not played	
2009	Joel Hinds (ENG)	Bernardo Samper (COL)
2010	Shawn Delierre (CAN)	Stephane Galfi (ITA)
2011	Alister Walker (BOT)	Adrian Grant (ENG)
2012	Not played	
2013	Not played	
2014	Karim Abdel Gawad (EGY)	Alister Walker (BOT)
2015	Karim Abdel Gawad (EGY)	Alan Clyne (SCO)
2016	Not played	
2017	Zahed Mohamed (EGY)	Ivan Yuen (MAS)
2018	Max Lee (HKG)	Ben Coleman (ENG)
2019	Gregoire Marche (FRA)	Zahed Salem (EGY)
2020	Fares Dessouky (EGY)	Saurav Ghosal (IND)
2021	Not played	
2022	Not played	
2023	Diego Elias (PER)	Marwan Elshorbagy (EGY)





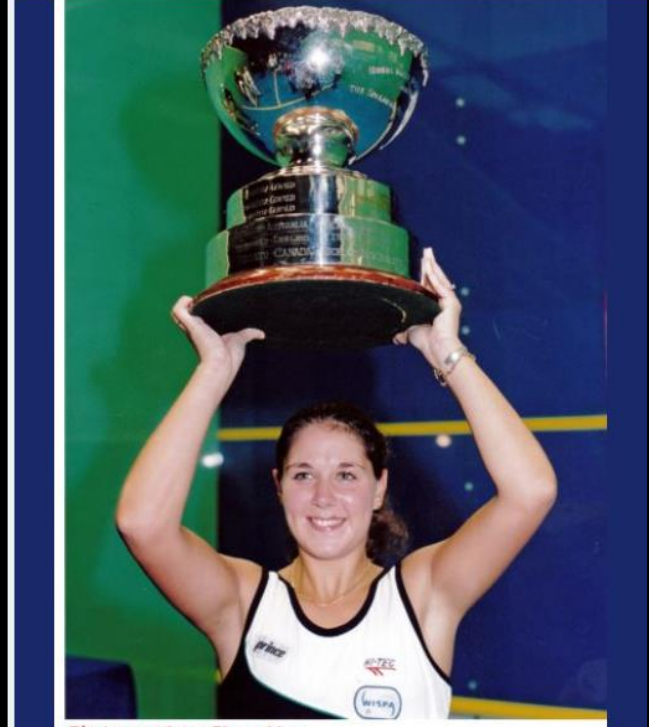
**Squash Library**  
6 February at 08:21 · 🌐

When aged 32, Heather McKay chose this month 50 years ago (1974) to turn professional. The Australian explained why, saying 'One of the main reasons for turning pro was that the British tournaments and especially the British Women's Championship, have become open events. I've done everything I've wanted to in squash. I've broken records [of championship wins] in Australia and Britain, and I wanted to put something back into the game. I can do more of this as a professional.' [Squash Australia](#)



**Squash Library**  
3 February at 08:09 · 🌐


Cassie Jackman (ENG) regained the women's World number 1 ranking 20 years ago in Feb 2004, 17 months after undergoing a second back surgery. The 1999 World Open winner held it for a further six months. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)



*Photo courtesy Steve Line*


**Squash Library**  
5 February at 08:29 · 🌐

After Jonah Barrington turned pro in February 1969 his stellar amateur career was recognised by the award of an MBE in the British Queen's Birthday Honours List in July of that year. British world champions Martine Le Moignan, Peter Nico, Cassie Jackman, Nick Matthew (OBE) and Laura Massaro have been honoured too. Earlier, 1938 British Open champion Jim Dear had received an MBE too, for combined services to tennis, rackets and squash, as did ten times British Open champion Janet Morgan (Shardlow) and overseas stars such as Heather McKay.



**Squash Library**  
1 February at 08:23 · 🌐

In a battle between two British Open winners Hashim Khan beat Mahmoud Karim 9-3 9-3 9-7 in the final of the Dunlop Championship in London in 1952, but even the loser seemed content with the result! [Egyptian Squash Federation](#) - [المصري للإسكواش](#) [Pakistan Squash Federation](#)



Squash Library  
31 January at 08:17

Nouran Gohar will not be going for a hat-trick of wins of the Gaynor Cup in Cincinnati this week. Here is a Library list of the past finalists including her, with Kanzy El Defrawy a 14-12 in the 5th first winner in 2017. Full past results at [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com). Squash - PSA World Tour

GAYNOR CUP WOMEN'S EVENT, CINCINNATI		
DATE	WINNER	RUNNER-UP
2023	Nouran Gohar (EGY)	Olivia Clyne (USA)
2022	Nouran Gohar (EGY)	Olivia Fiechter (USA)
2021	<i>Not played</i>	
2020	Amanda Sohby (USA)	Sarah-Jane Perry (ENG)
2019	Hania El Hammamy (EGY)	Victoria Lust (ENG)
2018	Donna Urquhart (AUS)	Victoria Lust (ENG)
2017	Kanzy El Defrawy (EGY)	Zeina Mickawy (EGY)




Squash Library  
27 January at 08:29

Carol Weymuller, the name in the title of the event taking place currently at the Heights Casino in Brooklyn, New York was the squash and tennis pro at the club, as well as being US team captain twice. She and husband Fred started the first junior programme in New York; and were both inducted into the US SQUASH Hall of Fame in 2008. Carol Weymuller OpenUS SQUASH



Squash Library  
30 January at 08:33

The first New Zealander to reach the top ten of the men's World Rankings was Bruce Brownlee. Coming from a squash playing family, he had swept the board in NZ Junior Champs before he beat Jonny Leslie 3-1 to win the British Amateur in December 1976 (pic). A year later he had turned pro, and a few months later and with a number of wins, including beating Mohibullah Khan, he reached a high of number six in the world. However, he was battling with a severe hip injury termed bilateral osteoarthritis – essentially a round ball in an egg-shaped socket. His arduous training regime had exaggerated the issue, so, in a short career that did also include representing his country in three World Team Championships, he was forced to retire at the age of 26. Squash New Zealand Poipātū Aotearoa




Squash Library  
26 January at 08:14

The Carol Weymuller Women's Open now taking place at Heights Casino in New York began in 1975; beginning as a hardball event until switching to softball in 1993. Here is the Library list of past winners: Carol Weymuller OpenSquash - PSA World Tour

CAROL WEYMULLER OPEN WINNERS			
Winner		Winner	
		<i>Hardball years</i>	
2023	Gina Kennedy (ENG)	1992	Demer Holleran
2022	Rowan Elaraby (EGY)	1991	Demer Holleran
2020	Nouran Gohar (EGY)	1990	Ellie Pierce
2018	Nour El Tayeb (EGY)	1989	Karen Kelso
2017	Nour ElSherbini (EGY)	1988	<i>Not played</i>
2016	Nour ElSherbini (EGY)	1987	Karen Kelso
2015	Nour ElSherbini (EGY)	1986	Alicia McConnell
2014	Alison Waters (ENG)	1985	Alicia McConnell
2013	Nicol David (MAS)	1984	Alicia McConnell
2012	Laura Massaro (ENG)	1983	Alicia McConnell
2011	Raneem El Welily (EGY)	1982	Alicia McConnell
2010	Jenny Duncalf (ENG)	1981	Alicia McConnell
2009	Jenny Duncalf (ENG)	1980	Alicia McConnell
2008	Natalie Grainger	1979	Virginia Akabane
2007	Natalie Grainger	1978	Barbara Maltby
2006	Rachael Grinham (AUS)	1977	Barbara Maltby
2005	Nicol David (MAS)	1976	Barbara Maltby
2004	Natalie Grainger	1975	Barbara Maltby
2003	Cassie Jackman (ENG)	<i>Winners USA unless stated</i>	
2002	Carol Owens (NZL)	<i>* delayed until January 2002</i>	
2001	Sarah Fitz-Gerald (AUS)*		
2000	Leilani Joyce (NZL)		
1999	Michelle Martin (AUS)		
1998	Michelle Martin (AUS)		
1997	Sarah Fitz-Gerald (AUS)		
1996	Cassie Jackman (ENG)		
1995	Michelle Martin (AUS)		
1994	Cassie Jackman (ENG)		
1993	Fiona Geaves (ENG)		

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**Squash Library**  
23 January at 11:34

Federico Usandizaga was the first South American male to make a real mark internationally. The Argentinean won gold at the first Pan American Championships in 1991 (and again in 93/96/97). Details at [www.squashlibrary.info/asian-panam-events](http://www.squashlibrary.info/asian-panam-events). He also as a bronze medallist when squash debuted in the PanAm Games in 1995 and again in 1999. He reached number 18 in the PSA rankings. [Asociación Argentina de Squash Rackets Federacion Panamericana de Squash](#)



**Squash Library**  
20 January at 07:42

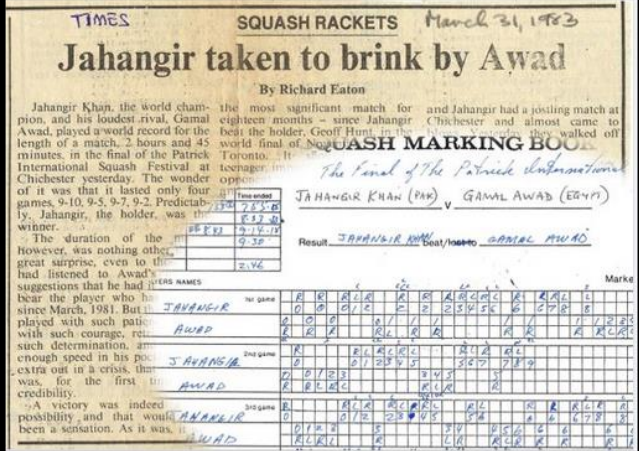
Seven years ago this month Australian Natalie Grinham played her last match at the 2017 Tournament of Champions. This after a career that included a record three gold medals at a single Commonwealth Games (Melbourne 2006, pic), and reaching four World Open finals, losing in 2004 to Vanessa Atkinson (NED), Nicol David (MAS) in 2006 & 2009, and her sister Rachael in 2007. [Squash - PSA World Tour Tournament of Champions](#)



*Photo courtesy Steve Line*

**Squash Library**  
18 January at 09:05

On 30 March 1983 Jahangir Khan beat Gamal Awad in a then world record 165 minutes – for only four games! The event was the final of the Chichester Festival in England, and saw Egyptian Awad trying to outlast his opponent, at that point unbeaten for two years. Here, at <https://www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources> is the following morning's Times Newspaper report by top squash journalist Richard Eaton, together with the marker's score-sheet (which muddled up the hours!). [Squash - PSA World Tour Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش](#) [Pakistan Squash Federation](#)



**TIMES SQUASH RACKETS March 31, 1983**  
**Jahangir taken to brink by Awad**  
By Richard Eaton

Jahangir Khan, the world champion, and his loudest rival, Gamal Awad, played a world record for the length of a match, 2 hours and 45 minutes, in the final of the Patrick International Squash Festival at Chichester yesterday. The wonder of it was that it lasted only four games, 9-10, 9-5, 9-7, 9-2. Predictably, Jahangir, the holder, was the winner.

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the most significant match for and Jahangir had a jostling match at Chichester and almost came to beat the holder, Geoff Hunt, in the world final of the Patrick International Squash Festival in Toronto. It was a teenager, in fact, who took the match to the final of the Patrick International Squash Festival at Chichester yesterday. The wonder of it was that it lasted only four games, 9-10, 9-5, 9-7, 9-2. Predictably, Jahangir, the holder, was the winner.

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**MARKING BOARD**  
*The Final of the Patrick International Squash Festival*  
**JAHANGIR KHAN (PAK) v GAMAL AWAD (EGYPT)**  
Result: **JAHANGIR KHAN** beat **GAMAL AWAD**

PLAYERS NAMES	1st game	2nd game	3rd game	4th game	Marked
JAHANGIR	10	5	7	2	
AWAD	9	9	2	9	

**Squash Library**  
16 January at 08:21

On this day (16 January) in 1956 Egyptian Ibrahim Amin won the first of his two British Amateur titles at the Lansdowne Club, London. Runner up was Roy Wilson (ENG, left), the holder, who squandered two match balls at 8-4 in the deciding game in the 4-9 9-7 2-9 9-7 10-8 match. [England Squash Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش](#)









**Squash Library**  
23 December 2023 at 08:18

Ten years ago in December 2013 Nouran Gohar won her first Tour title when aged 16 she beat Czech Lucie Fialova in the final of the Prague Open. The home favourite lost 11-5 11-6 11-5 to the Egyptian rising star. [Squash - PSA World Tour Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش](#)




**Squash Library**  
18 December 2023 at 08:20

The US Junior Open, which began 30 years ago in 1993, has now breached the 1,000 entry mark for the first time for this week's event, with entries from 35 nations compete across five Philadelphia venues. Past winners at [www.us squash.org/about/champions/junior/](http://www.us squash.org/about/champions/junior/) . US SQUASH



**Squash Library**  
10 December 2023 at 07:53


Jahangir Khan celebrates his 60th birthday today. Born 10 Dec 1963, the Pakistani player included six World Open and ten British Open titles amongst his array of achievements. He also spent 94 months as world number one, and was unbeaten for 5yr 7 months from April 1981 until October 1986. He also went on to become President of the WSF. Happy birthday legend!



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**Squash Library**  
20 December 2023 at 08:14

Squash has a number of stars who have had parents who were national champions themselves. To start the ball rolling: three times Australian champion Judith Tissot (1956-58, left), mother of Sarah Fitz-Gerald, along with Roshan and Jahangir Khan (father winning several national titles plus the British Open in 1957). Contributions welcomed.



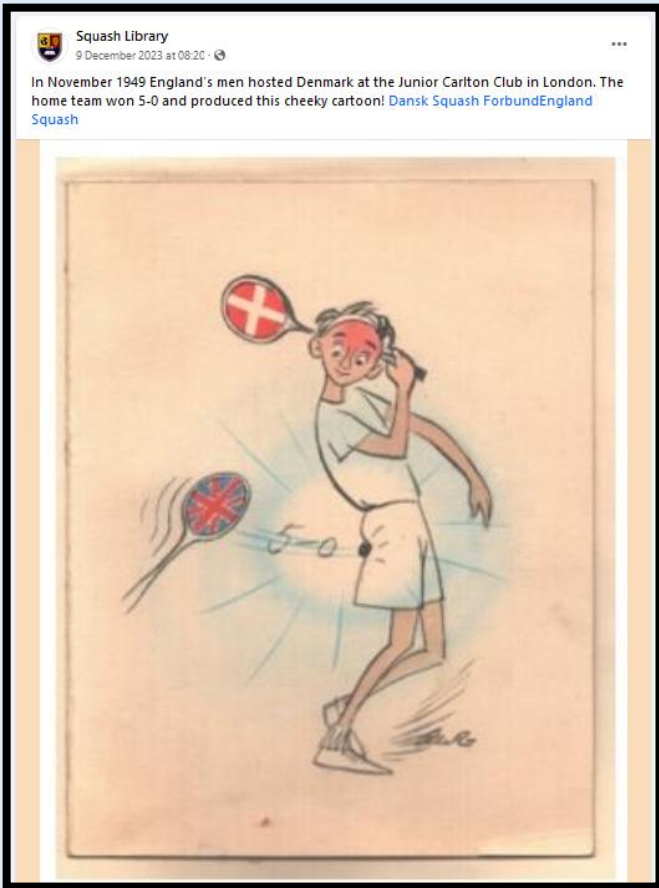
**Squash Library**  
19 December 2023 at 08:10

In December 1993 India staged its first major international squash event, the US\$55,000 Mahindra Men's International Challenge held at the Bombay Gymkhana Club. With Jansher Khan absent due to political tensions between Pakistan and India, Australia Brett Martin (left) won the event, beating Sami Elopuro (right) from Finland in the final. (Full results at <http://www.squashinfo.com/.../1453-mens-mahindra...>). [Squash - PSA World Tour Squash Australia Squash Suomi Finland Squash Rackets Federation of India](#)



*Photo courtesy Steve Line*





**Squash Library**  
9 December 2023 at 08:20

In November 1949 England's men hosted Denmark at the Junior Carlton Club in London. The home team won 5-0 and produced this cheeky cartoon! [Dansk Squash Forbund](#) [England Squash](#)

**Squash Library**  
5 December 2023 at 08:30

This week's New Zealand Open returned last year after a three decade gap (except for a women's edition in 2009). There were some illustrious names amongst the earlier finalists as can be seen here, with full results at [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com). [Squash New Zealand Poipātū Aotearoa Squash - PSA World Tour](#)

NEW ZEALAND OPEN SQUASH CHAMPIONSHIPS				
DATE	MEN'S WINNER	MEN'S RUNNER-UP	WOMEN'S WINNER	WOMEN'S RUNNER-UP
2022	Mohamed ElShorbagy (ENG)	Paul Coll (NZL)	Joelle King (NZL)	Tesni Evans (WAL)
2009	Not played			
1993	Paul Steel (NZL)	Simon Baker (AUS)	Natalie Grinham (NED)	Natalie Grainger (USA)
1992	Hansi Wiens (GER)	Austin Adarraga (ESP)	Michelle Martin (AUS)	Liz Irving (AUS)
1991	Chris Dittmar (AUS)	Rodney Martin (AUS)	Susan Devoy (NZL)	Michelle Martin (AUS)
1990	Jansher Khan (PAK)	Chris Robertson (AUS)	Robyn Lambourne (AUS)	Danielle Drady (AUS)
1989	Chris Dittmar (AUS)	Rodney Martin (AUS)	Susan Devoy (NZL)	Martine Le Moignan (ENG)
1988	Jansher Khan (PAK)	Chris Dittmar (AUS)	Susan Devoy (NZL)	Danielle Drady (AUS)
1987	Rodney Martin (AUS)	Stuart Davenport (NZL)	Susan Devoy (NZL)**	Lisa Opie (ENG)
1986	Ross Norman (NZL)	Chris Robertson (AUS)	Susan Devoy (NZL)	Lisa Opie (ENG)
1985	Ross Norman (NZL)	Stuart Davenport (NZL)	Susan Devoy (NZL)	Lucy Soutter (ENG)
1984	Jahangir Khan (PAK)	Chris Dittmar (AUS)	Susan Devoy (NZL)	Lisa Opie (ENG)
1983	Jahangir Khan (PAK)**	Qamar Zaman (PAK)	Robyn Blackwood (NZL)	Joanne Williams (NZL)
1982	Jahangir Khan (PAK)	Gamal Awad (EGY)	Vicki Cardwell (AUS)	Rhonda Thome (AUS)
1981	Kevin Shawcross (AUS)	Stuart Davenport (NZL)	Vicki Cardwell (AUS)	Robyn Blackwood (NZL)
1980	Jahangir Khan (PAK)	Bruce Brownlee (NZL)	Jenny Webster (NZL)	Annette Owen (NZL)
1979	Geoff Hunt (AUS)	Bruce Brownlee (NZL)	Jayne Ashton (ENG)	Annette Owen (NZL)
1978	Geoff Hunt (AUS)	Maqsood Ahmed (PAK)	Lyle Hubinger (AUS)	Barbara Wall (AUS)
1977	Cam Nancarrow (AUS)	Roland Watson (RSA)	Not played	
1976	Bruce Brownlee (NZL)	Howard Broun (NZL)	Pam Buckingham (NZL)	Jenny Webster (NZL)

\*\* Additional title wrapped into the World Open title held there

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30 November at 08:50

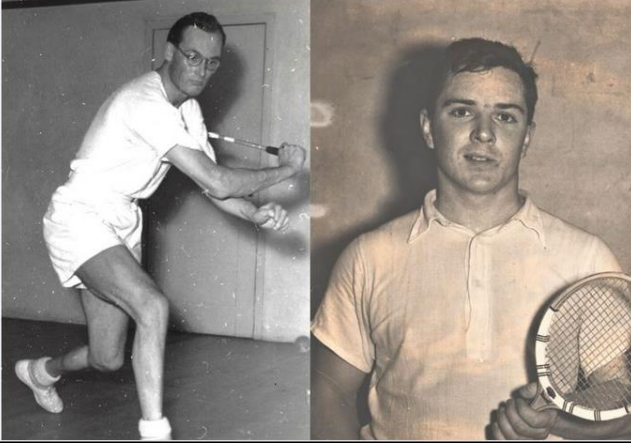
The Hong Kong Open being played this week, a major and popular Tour stop, began in 1985 for men, and 1990 for women. Here is a list of past finalists: [www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources](http://www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources). Holders are Hania El Hammamy & Mostafa Asal (pic). [Squash - PSA World Tour Hong Kong Squash](#)

2022	Mohamed ElShorbagy (EGY)	Karim Abdel Gawad (EGY)	Nouran Gohar (EGY)
2021	Nick Matthew (ENG)	Cameron Pilley (AUS)	Nicol David (MAS)
2020	Ramy Ashour (EGY)	Gregory Gaultier (FRA)	Nicol David (MAS)
2019	James Willstrop (ENG)	Borja Golan (ESP)	Nicol David (MAS)
2018	Ramy Ashour (EGY)	James Willstrop (ENG)	Nicol David (MAS)
2017	Amr Shabana (EGY)	Karim Darwish (EGY)	Nicol David (MAS)
2016	Amr Shabana (EGY)	Gregory Gaultier (FRA)	Nicol David (MAS)
2015	Amr Shabana (EGY)	Gregory Gaultier (FRA)	Nicol David (MAS)
2014	Amr Shabana (EGY)	Gregory Gaultier (FRA)	Nicol David (MAS)
2013	Amr Shabana (EGY)	Ramy Ashour (EGY)	Nicol David (MAS)
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**Squash Library**  
29 November at 08:42

England had played Scotland before and Ireland shortly after WW2, but their first match against Wales was played at Cardiff Squash Club on this day - 29th November - in 1951. England were unbeaten in international matches and won this match 5-0.  
 Brian Phillips (England) (captain, left) bt Lawrence Verney (Wales, right) (captain) 4-9, 10-8, 9-3, 9-7; Alan Seymour-Haydon bt D. E. Williams 9-4, 3-9, 9-2, 9-2; Geoffrey Atkins bt D. O. Bartlett 9-2, 9-7, 9-4; Alan Fairbairn bt D. H. Andrews 9-7, 9-0, 9-3; Colin Haycraft bt G. E. Needham 7-9, 9-3, 3-9, 9-7, 9-3. [England Squash Squash Wales - Sboncen Cymru](#)



**Squash Library**  
23 November at 08:23

Immediately after World War 2 Mahmoud Karim dominated the sport, winning four British Open titles before the Egyptian lost twice to Hashim Khan in finals. Here, [www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources](http://www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources) is a profile of him that appeared in 1949. [Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش](#)

**MAGIC FROM THE NILE**


**Sunday Times 1949**

**Mahmoud Karim**



**Squash Library**  
28 November at 08:25

At the Hong Kong Open ten years ago Nicol David equalled Sarah Fitz-Gerald's record of 90 tour finals. She won the event and raised her own career total to 81 titles from 102 finals, according to [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) data. [Squash - PSA World Tour Hong Kong Squash Nicol David](#)




*Photo courtesy Steve Line*

**Squash Library**  
21 November at 08:08

70 years ago the first Indian national championships were held by the newly-formed SRA, of India at the Cricket Club of India, Bombay, from 14th to 22nd November 1953. The results: [Squash Rackets Federation of India](#)


**Men's:**  
**Semi-Finals:** Rajkumar Narpal Singh (Jodhpur) b Mahinder Singh (Calcutta) 9-6 9-7 9-2.  
 Colonel N. S. Bhagat (Indian Army) b Narpal Singh (Idar) 8-10 10-8 9-3 10-8.  
**Final:** Rajkumar Narpal Singh b Bhagat 9-2 9-4 9-4.  
**Women's:**  
**Semi-Finals:**  
 Miss Tehmi Vakeel b Miss Kumud Apte 9-4 10-9 2-9 5-9 10-8.  
 Mrs. L. Riggall (England) b Mrs. Leela Uttamsingh 9-0 9-2 9-1.  
**Final:** Mrs. Riggall b Miss Vakeel 9-3 9-1 9-0.  
**Junior Championship:**  
**Final:** M. H. Chinoy b Pratap Lulla 9-6 5-9 10-9 9-7.  
**Professional:**  
**Final:** Jamal Din (C.C.I., Bombay) b D. L. Shinde (Poona) 9-4 10-8 9-3.

*Jamal Din*



**Squash Library**  
27 November at 08:19


This week, thirty years ago, over two and a half years after his last British Open win, Jahangir Khan returned after injury and seeming retirement to reach the 1993 World Open final. He lost to Jansher Khan, but the following day they joined up to spearhead Pakistan beating Australia in the final to win their sixth World Team title - on his home turf of Karachi. He then officially retired. [Squash - PSA World Tour World Squash Federation Pakistan Squash Federation](#)



*The winning Pakistan squad (LtoR): Jahangir Khan, Jansher Khan, Zarak Jahan Khan, Mir Zaman Gul.*

**Squash Library**  
20 November at 08:21

The first Rhodesia Open (the country is now called Zimbabwe), took place in July 1957 at the Nkana Squash Club in the city of Kitwe. Featuring players from South Africa, Kenya the final was won by 2nd seed Bill Addison (pic) (KEN), beating 3rd seed Mike Timm (RSA), the Cape Townner going down 7-9 9-3 9-2 9-6. [Squash Rackets Association of Zimbabwe SRAZ](#)






**Squash Library**  
14 November at 08:08

Going into this week's Singapore Open here is the [Squash Library](#) list of past winners and runners up. It features so many great star winners, but surprisingly Jahangir Khan only reached the final once, in 1988, where he lost to Jansher Khan. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)

SINGAPORE OPEN FINALS				
Men's Winner	Men's Runner-Up	Women's Winner	Women's Runner-Up	
2022	Mohamed Elshorbagy (ENG)	Diego Elias (PER)	Joelle King (NZL)	Nour El Tayeb (EGY)
2019	Elvinn Keo (MAS)	Jeung-Taek Lee (KOR)	Wen Li Lai (MAS)	Jennyca Ariado (PHI)
2017	Ramit Tandon (IND)	James Huang (TPE)	Low Wee Wern (MAS)	Ka Yi Lee (HKG)
2016	Tang Ming Hong (HKG)	Elvinn Keo (MAS)		
2015	Dong Beng Hee (MAS)	Valentino Bong (MAS)		
2014			Delia Arnold (MAS)	Rachel Arnold (MAS)
2013			Rebecca Chiu (HKG)	Sharon Vaisey (MAS)
2011			Rachael Grinham (AUS)	Tania Bailey (ENG)
2010			Shelley Kitchen (NZL)	Annelize Naude (RSA)
2009			Sarah Fitz-Gerald (AUS)	Clare Nitch (RSA)
2008			Michelle Martin (AUS)	Leilani Joyce (NZL)
1999	Paul Price (AUS)	Omar Elborbassy (EGY)	Michelle Martin (AUS)	Sarah Fitz-Gerald (AUS)
1997	Martin Heath (SCO)	Billy Haddrell (AUS)	Sarah Fitz-Gerald (AUS)	Michelle Martin (AUS)
1996	Martin Heath (SCO)	Colin Jahan Khan (PAK)	Michelle Martin (AUS)	Michelle Martin (AUS)
1995	Zarak Jahan Khan (PAK)	Mark Chaloner (ENG)	Michelle Martin (AUS)	Suzanne Horner (ENG)
1994	Peter Nicol (SCO)	Zarak Jahan Khan (PAK)	Michelle Martin (AUS)	Sue Wright (ENG)
1993	Peter Nicol (SCO)	Anthony Hill (AUS)	Suzanne Horner (ENG)	Sue Wright (ENG)
1992	Jansher Khan (PAK)	Brett Martin (AUS)	Michelle Martin (AUS)	Sue Wright (ENG)
1991	Jansher Khan (PAK)	Chris Robertson (AUS)	Martine Le Moignan (ENG)	Michelle Martin (AUS)
1990	Jansher Khan (PAK)	Chris Dittmar (AUS)	Lisa Opie (ENG)	Michelle Martin (AUS)
1989	Jansher Khan (PAK)	Chris Dittmar (AUS)	Lisa Opie (ENG)	Chanelle Snady (AUS)
1988	Jansher Khan (PAK)	Jahangir Khan (PAK)	Lisa Opie (ENG)	Martine Le Moignan (ENG)
1987	Jansher Khan (PAK)	Chris Dittmar (AUS)	Martine Le Moignan (ENG)	Alison Cumings (ENG)
1986	Jansher Khan (PAK)	Gamar Zaman (PAK)	Lucy Soutter (ENG)	Ridley Frisley (AUS)
1985	Philip Kenyon (ENG)	Maqsood Ahmed (PAK)	Lucy Soutter (ENG)	Lim Seok Hui (SIN)
1984	Gamar Zaman (PAK)	Maqsood Ahmed (PAK)	Lim Seok Hui (SIN)	Barbara Hartman (SUI)
1983	Gamar Zaman (PAK)	Maqsood Ahmed (PAK)	Lim Seok Hui (SIN)	Chia Chew Lan (SIN)
1982	Ali Aziz (EGY)	Mo Asran (EGY)	Julianne Harris (AUS)	Sue Paton (SIN)
1981	Atas Khan (PAK)	Fahim Gul (PAK)	Sue Paton (SIN)	Rukhshana Rashid (PAK)
1980	Atas Khan (PAK)	Fahim Gul (PAK)	Sue Paton (SIN)	Tracy Oh (SIN)
1979	Atas Khan (PAK)	Fahim Gul (PAK)	Sue Paton (SIN)	Annette Andrews (SIN)
1978	Atas Khan (PAK)	Fahim Gul (PAK)	Rose Tablanite (PHI)	Tracy Oh (SIN)
1977	Rahim Gul (PAK)	Fahim Gul (PAK)	Rose Tablanite (PHI)	Annette Andrews (SIN)
1976	Maqsood Ahmed (PAK)	Atas Khan (PAK)	Rose Tablanite (PHI)	Annette Andrews (SIN)
1975	Gogi Alauddin (PAK)	Mohbulban Khan (PAK)	Helen Cooper (HKG)	Helen Chochan (SIN)
1974	Gamar Zaman (PAK)	Mohbulban Khan (PAK)	Bette King (SIN)	Gyula Donovau (MAS)
1973	Gamar Zaman (PAK)	Mohbulban Khan (PAK)	Muriel Hocking (SIN)	Jeanne McCall (SCO)
1972	Barry Thomson (SRI)	Tan Eng Han (SIN)	Muriel Hocking (SIN)	Helen Chochan (SIN)
1971	Malcolm Simons (SRI)	Ron Jacques (AUS)		
1970	Malcolm Simons (SRI)	Fred Howel (MAS)		

**Squash Library**  
6 November at 08:15

An Australian team visited Denmark in 1965, their first international match against the country. Dane Peter Gerlow (pic), twice winner of the British Junior Open, came very close to a memorable win over future British Open finalist Cam Nancarrow.



**Scores:**  
Cam Nancarrow (A) b Peter Gerlow 0-9, 9-6, 4-9, 9-3, 10-8;  
Dick Carter (A) b J. Philips 9-1, 9-7, 9-5;  
Ken Hiscoe (A) b Nils Middelboe 9-3, 9-4, 9-3;  
Geoff Hunt (A) b P. Rodtger 9-1, 9-3, 9-1.

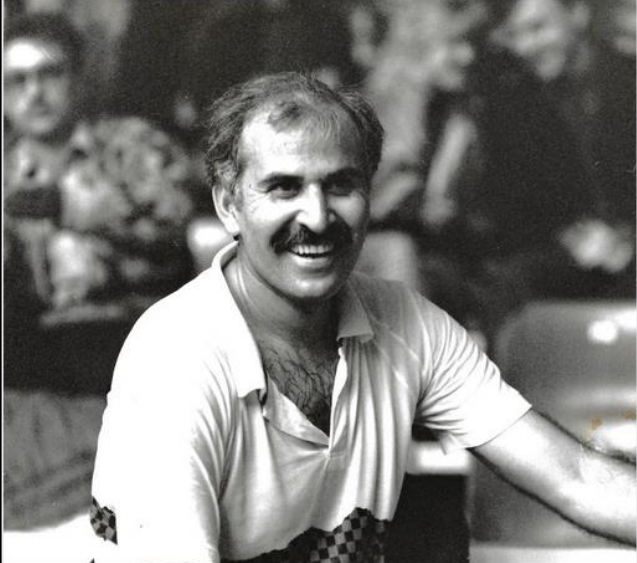
**Squash Library**  
11 November at 08:35

When a women's event was added to the Swedish Open in Gothenburg in 1976 the final was not completed. In an all-English match Barbara Diggins (left) got to 5-2 up in the first game when she tore her achilles tendon, leaving Theo Johnson (right) as the inaugural champion. [Svensk SquashEngland Squash](#)



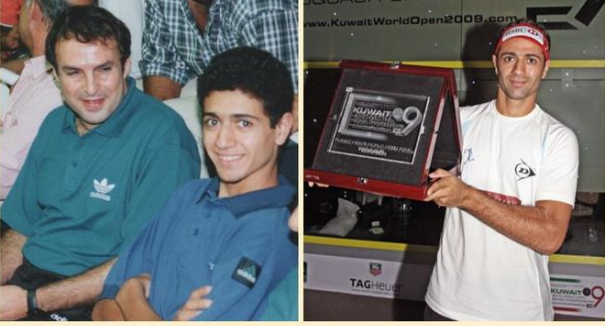
**Squash Library**  
30 October at 08:18

Forty years ago in October 1983, Hiddy Jahan took top spot in the English rankings having qualified for England. The Pakistan born player who had represented England in the World Team Championships earlier in the month took over from Gawain Briars as national No1. [England Squash](#)



**Squash Library**  
7 November at 08:45

Egyptian Amr Shabana never won the World Juniors before going on to win the World Championship (unlike countrymen Mohamed Elshorbagy and Ramy Ashour). Seen here as a junior with mentor Ahmed Safwat – on this day in 2009 in Kuwait he won the last of his four 'Worlds' beating Ashour 11-8 11-5 11-5 in the final. [World Squash Federation Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش](#)



**Squash Library**  
26 October at 08:40


The Swiss Open taking place this week began in 1974, and featured some world champions on their way up. Here is the full list of past winners. [Swiss SquashSquash - PSA World Tour](#)

SWISS OPEN CHAMPIONS				Squash Info					
				THE SQUASH RESULTS & ARCHIVE WEB					
	MEN'S	WOMEN'S		MEN'S	WOMEN'S				
1974	John Easter	ENG		2000	Adrian Hanson	RSA	Jenny Tranfield	ENG	
1975	John Easter	ENG		2001	Hadrian Stiff	ENG	Cheryl Beaumont	ENG	
1976	Philip Kenyon	ENG		2002	James Willstrop	ENG	Wendy Matland	SCO	
1977	Jonny Leslie	ENG		2003	Stefan Leifels	GER	Suzanne Horner	ENG	
1978	Jonny Leslie	ENG		2004	Davide Bianchetti	ITA	Annelize Naude	NED	
1979	Frank Donnelly	AUS		2005	Shahier Razik	CAN	Dom Lloyd-Walker	ENG	
1980	Dean Williams	AUS		2006	Omar Abdel Aziz	EGY	Lauren Briggs	ENG	
1981	Magdi Saad	EGY		2007	Stephen Copping	RSA	Margriet Huismann	NED	
1982	Peter Verow	ENG	Martine Le Moignan	ENG	2008	Shaun Le Roux	RSA	Sarah Kippax	ENG
1983	Dean Williams	AUS	Vicki Cardwell	AUS	2009	Nicolas Muller	SUI	Camille Seme	FRA
1984	Kelvin Smith	AUS	Heather Wallace	SCO	2010	Dylan Bennett	NED	Gaby Schmolh	SUI
1985	Dale Styner	CAN	Susan Devoy	NZL	2011	Kashif Shuja	NZL	Yathreb Adok	EGY
1986	Fredrik Johnson	SWE	Alison Cumings	ENG	2012	Karim Ali Fathi	EGY	Emily Whitlock	ENG
1987	Fredrik Johnson	SWE	Lisa Opie	ENG	2013	Lucas Seme	FRA	Miriam Metwally	EGY
1988	Jason Nicolle	ENG	Lucy Soutter	ENG	2014	Not played		Not played	
1989	Anthony Hill	AUS	Not played		2015	Kristian Frost	DEN	Not played	
1990	David Poole	ENG	Alison Cumings	ENG	2016	Kristian Frost	DEN	Not played	
1991	Tony Hands	ENG	Cassie Jackman	ENG	2017	Not played		Not played	
1992	Paul Lord	ENG	Hugoline Van Hoom	NED	2018	Youssef Ibrahim	EGY	Not played	
1993	David Campion	ENG	Linda Charman	ENG	2019	Dimitri Steinmann	SUI	Not played	
1994	Nick Taylor	ENG	Carol Owens	AUS	2020	Ryosei Kobayashi	JPN	Not played	
1995	Stefan Leifels	GER	Linda Charman	ENG	2021	Nick Wall	ENG	Cindy Merlo	SUI
1996	Marcus Berrett	ENG	Sarah Cook	NZL	2022	Ben Smith	ENG	Katie Maliff	ENG
1997	Adrian Hanson	RSA	Kate Major	AUS	2020	Ryosei Kobayashi	JPN	Not played	
1998	Paul Gregory	ENG	Leilani Joyce	NZL	2021	Nick Wall	ENG	Cindy Merlo	SUI
1999	Scott Handley	ENG	Rachael Grinham	AUS	2022	Ben Smith	ENG	Katie Maliff	ENG



**Squash Library**  
16 October at 08:30

The New Zealand National Men's Championship began in 1932, and in case you were wondering, Bill Renton from Timaru retained his 1938 title in 1939, again beating Peter Hall in the final at the Devonport Naval base. He was also R/U in the first for post-war finals. [Squash New Zealand Poipātū Aotearoa](#)



N.Z. SQUASH RACKETS CHAMPIONSHIP : DEVONPORT, AUCKLAND : JUNE, 1939.

Burgess-Lieutenant Horne, Surgeon-Commander Anthony, P. D. Hall, W. E. Renton, Captain Barnes.

**Squash Library**  
10 October at 08:22

Frank Strawson died on a Queen's Club squash court 70 years ago in 1953, aged 60. Strawson (pictured) was a British international who was a great promoter of the sport, and himself learned to play left-handed after being wounded in WW1. Tonight Queen's Club in London sees the 70th anniversary of the Strawson Match, started in the year of his death, and played every year since except for Covid years. Here are the match details from the first match in 1953, featuring top players of the time playing for the SRA or Jesters Club. From then until now all the results were recorded in the Strawson book, and signed by the participating players.




THE FIRST MATCH played on the Royal Automobile Club on "Sunday, November 16, 1953. The Dublin Club beat the S.R.A. by four sets to one.

MEMORABLE MATCHES

Captain F.R. Adams-Trenchard (S.R.A.)	Dr. F.F. Stiller (Dublin Club)
W.F. Burch (S.R.A.)	W.C. A. P. (Dublin)
A.R.A. Wilson (S.R.A.)	W.C. A. P. (Dublin)
H.E. Hooper (S.R.A.)	W.C. A. P. (Dublin)
A.P. Duggan (S.R.A.)	W.C. A. P. (Dublin)
H.T.A. (Dublin)	W.C. A. P. (Dublin)

MEMBERS:  
A.V.B. (O.A.) Wilson  
D.W. Butler

THE SQUASH RACKETS ASSOCIATION  
FRANK STRAWSON  
MEMORIAL MATCH



**Squash Library**  
11 October at 08:31

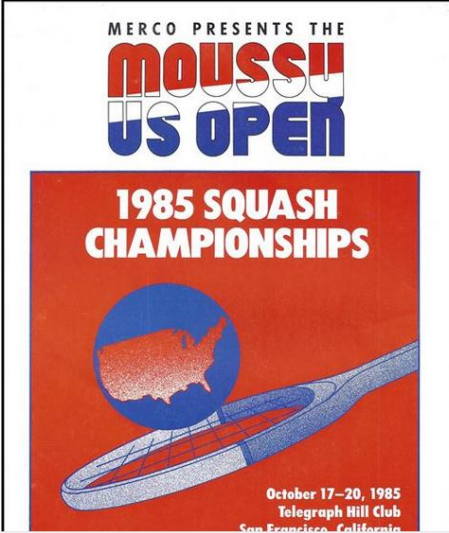
Ten years ago a milestone was reached when the US Open 2013 offered prize money parity for the Men's & Women's events for the first time, leading the way for 'majors'. The winners that year who took home the same sums were Gregory Gaultier (FRA) & Nicol David (MAS). [US SQUASH Squash - PSA World Tour](#)



Photos courtesy Steve Line

**Squash Library**  
9 October at 08:24

This week's US Open which was first played by men in 1954 moved from hardball to softball in 1985 when played on converted racquetball courts at the Telegraph Hill Club in San Francisco. A home player has yet to win the softball version. [Squash - PSA World Tour US SQUASH](#)

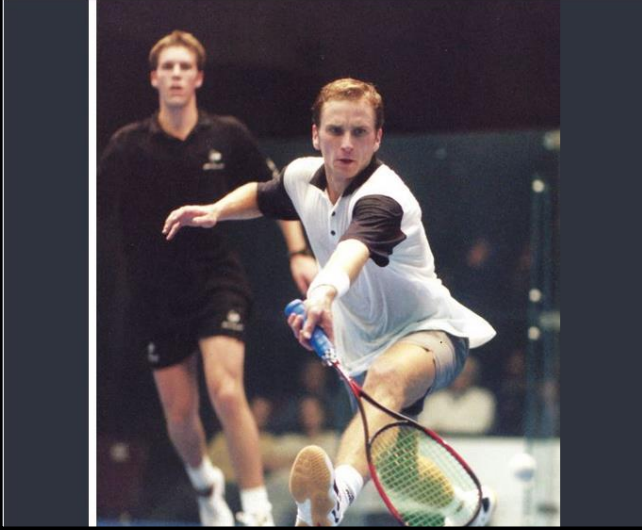


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**1985 SQUASH CHAMPIONSHIPS**

October 17-20, 1985  
Telegraph Hill Club  
San Francisco, California

25 years ago in 1998, Paul Johnson, then aged 26, and now a regular SquashTV commentator, jumped two places in the England rankings, leaping above Simon Parke, to reach the top spot for the first time - as well as getting to 4th place in the world rankings.



The first major squash event held in Dubai was the Dubai Classic began today (20 Sept) in 1993, held on a showcourt in the basketball hall at the Al Ahli Sports Complex. In the final Jansher Khan (PAK) beat Australian Rodney Martin 15-7 15-8 15-7. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)



In 1967, the year that the world federation was formed, New Zealand was looking to develop the sport there by bringing in overseas players. That year a Great Britain Team led by Jonah Barrington arrived to play matches against invitation teams, that for the first two included Australian Geoff Hunt guesting. Barrington and Hunt ended up all-square. [Squash New Zealand Poipātū Aotearoa England Squash](#)



Pictured: L to R Jonah Barrington, Peter Stokes, Paul Millman (Mike Corby not present)

**The results:**

**GB bt Christchurch Invitation 3-1**

- Barrington lt Hunt 2 - 3
- Corby bt J. Isaacs 3 - 1
- Stokes bt G. Davidson 3 - 0
- Millman bt G. Bird 3 - 0

**GB bt Timaru 4-0**

- Barrington bt Hunt 3 - 2
- Stokes beat G. Bird 3 - 0
- Millman beat B. Rippon 3 - 1
- Corby bt G. Davidson 3 - 1

**GB bt Wellington 4-0**

- Barrington bt J. Isaacs 3 - 0
- Corby bt R. N. Hawkes 3 - 0
- Stokes bt K. Green 3 - 0
- Millman bt B. Christie 3 - 0

**GB bt Central Districts 2-1**

- Barrington lt T. Johnston 2 - 3
- Stokes beat D. Burmeister 3 - 2
- Millman beat G. Haddon 3 - 1

After 46 wins against home countries, Denmark, Netherlands and South Africa, England suffered its first ever defeat on 31 December 1962 when beaten 4-1 by Australia at the RAC, London.

**The scores:**

Jeremy Lyon lt Ken Hiscoe 3-1, Richard Boddington bt Owen Parmenter 3-2, Tony Gathercole lt Dick Carter 3-0, John Skinner lt Ken Binns 3-1, Terry Pickering lt Doug Stephenson 3-0.

L to R: back: Ken Binns & Ken Hiscoe; middle: Dick Carter & Doug Stephenson; front: Owen Parmenter & John Cheadle. [England Squash Squash Australia Squash South Africa Squash Bond Nederland Dansk Squash Forbund](#)





**Squash Library**  
13 September at 07:17 · 🌐

Following the beginning of the men's Swedish squash championship in 1937 two Stockholm families dominated by winning eleven of the first fifteen editions. The start of the event was enabled by the opening of Stockholm SC earlier that year. Lennart Johncke and cousin Torsten shared five (from ten finals) while two members of the Froander family, Erik and Ake, won six. (Left: Erik Froander, Right: Lennart & Torsten Johncke).  
[Svensk Squash](#)

**Squash Library**  
6 September at 08:23 · 🌐

Roland Watson was ranked in the World Top 20 (indeed as high as six in 1978) but it took nearly 40 years before the next South African breached the men's top 20. Stephen Coppinger did so ten years ago in 2013, and reached a career high of 14 three times during 2015, according to [www.squashinfo.com](#) data. [Squash - PSA World TourSquash South Africa](#)

Roland Watson

Steve Coppinger

*Photos courtesy Steve Line*

**Squash Library**  
10 September at 07:20 · 🌐

2015 was the last time a Women's draw was part of the Qatar Classic. They have re-joined the men at the PSA World Tour Platinum event taking place at the Khalifa International Tennis & Squash Complex in Doha starting today. (In 2015 Laura Massaro (ENG) beat Nour El Sherbini (EGY) 11-8 12-14 11-9 8-11 11-9). Past Men's & Women's results at [www.squashinfo.com](#). [Squash - PSA World TourQatar Squash Federation](#)

**Squash Library**  
28 August at 09:09 · 🌐

Peter Nicol couldn't defend his 2002 Hong Kong Open title (where he beat Jonathon Power in the final) as 20 years ago in August 2003. The event was cancelled as the area was in the grip of the SARS (Severe acute respiratory syndrome) virus. [Hong Kong SquashSquash - PSA World Tour](#)

2002  
Cathay Pacific Squash Open  
國泰航空壁球公開賽

**Squash Library**  
26 August at 07:30 · 🌐

Nicol David celebrates her 40th birthday today. After winning two World Juniors and her first Tour title, the Finnish Open when aged 16, the Malaysian's stellar career included winning the World Championship 8 times. She was also world number 1 for a record 109-month unbroken run; and in October 2018 she ended a record 14 year, 9 month (177 months) unbroken run in the world top 20. Happy birthday, superstar! [Nicol DavidSquash - PSA World Tour Squash Racquets Association of Malaysia](#)



**Squash Library**  
25 August at 08:25

The American women's team had won the trans-Atlantic challenge – the Wolfe Noel Cup - 3-2 on the home ground of the Harvard Club, Boston in 1935, but when they travelled to the Lansdowne Club in London in 1936 to play softball on international size courts Great Britain prevailed 5-0.

In 1937 the Great Britain team travelled to the Junior League Club in New York, and again lost 3-2, before the US team completed the symmetry by again losing 5-0 at the Queens Club in London before WW2 intervened.

The full Library history of the Wolfe Noel Cup is at [www.squashlibrary.info/post/wolfe-noel-challenge-cup](http://www.squashlibrary.info/post/wolfe-noel-challenge-cup).

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The pictured US 1936 team:  
L to R: Betty Dunn, E Drury, Agnes Lamme, Anne Page, Cecile Bowes. Sitting: Eleanor Sears, the captain, with the Wolfe Noel Cup.

The 1937 Great Britain team:  
L to R: Betty Cook, Ann Alexander, Eliza Wolfe (captain), Anne Lytton-Milbanke, Helena Barrett, Sheila McKechnie.

**Squash Library**  
19 August at 08:11

30 years ago the English Men's National Championship in 1993 (English only rather than British that year), was severely impacted by a stand-off with top players who would not play if the event continued to be designated as a required event for national ranking and eligibility for national team selection, and prize money not increased.

Phil Whitlock, supported by Peter Marshall, negotiated a compromise with the SRA for that year whereby the conditions were removed, and would only be reinstated if the prize money reached a threshold in future years. But the players rejected this, and seventeen players, including Del Harris, Chris Walker, Simon Parke, Jason Nicolle and Marshall didn't play. Whitlock broke ranks with the rest and did so, beating Mark Allen in the final. [England Squash](#)

**Squash Library**  
23 August at 08:17

Six wins from nine finals of the British Under 19 Open (The Drysdale Cup), these five met up this week at the RAC, with the cup in front and the honours board behind. They are (LtoR): Iain Nicholson - finalist 1972, Bryan Patterson - winner 1964, Peter Verow - winner 1970 & 72, losing finalist 1971, Chris Orriss - winner 1966, Stuart Courtney - losing finalist 1966, winner 1967 & 68.

**Squash Library**  
15 August at 08:17

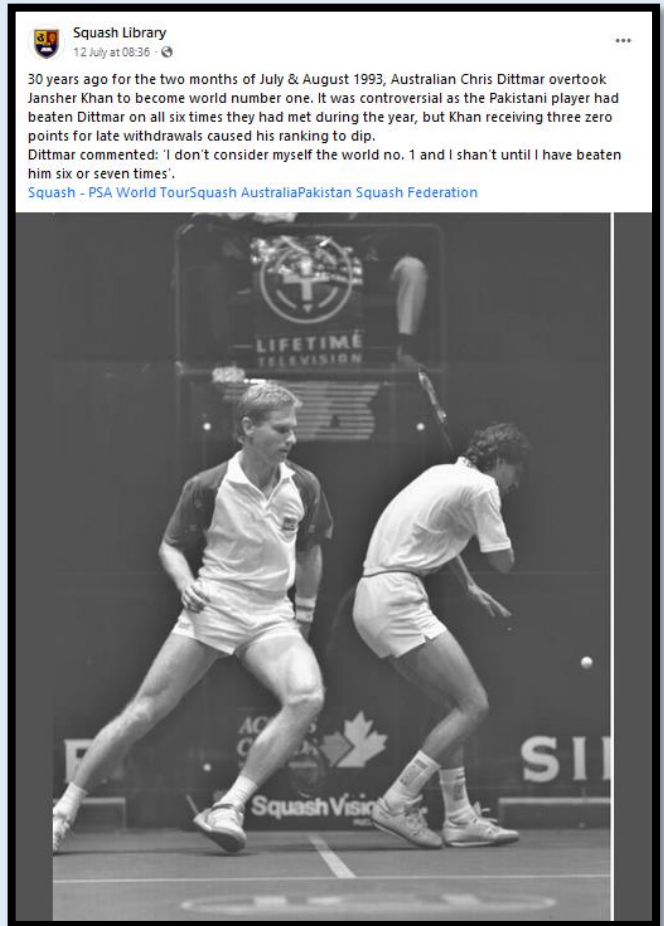
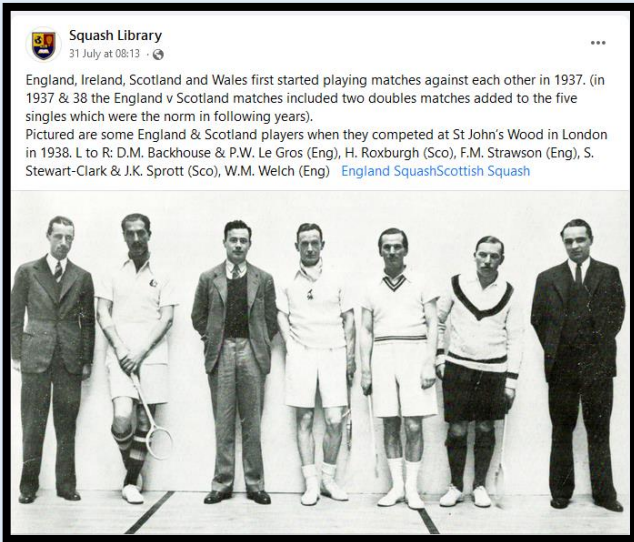
Coincidentally, two players who each won the British Nationals four times celebrate 'big' birthdays today. James Willstrop who turns 40 ended a run of 24 successive appearances in the Men's British Championship last year (1999 – 2022). Meanwhile, Lisa Opie is 60 today, the Guernsey player not only took four Nationals titles, but a British Open crown in 1991 too. Go to [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) for the full British Nationals winners and results history. [England SquashJames Willstrop](#)

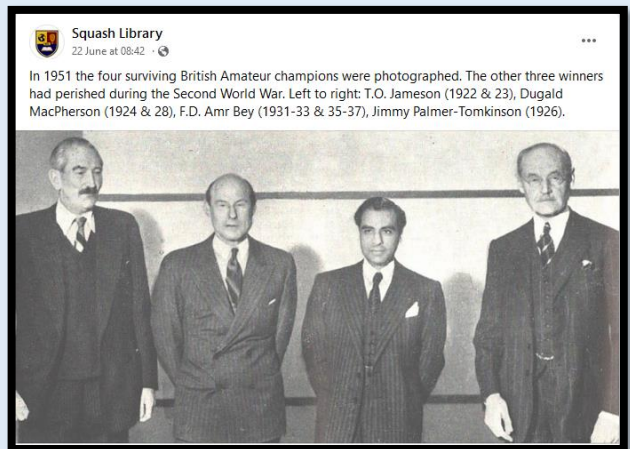
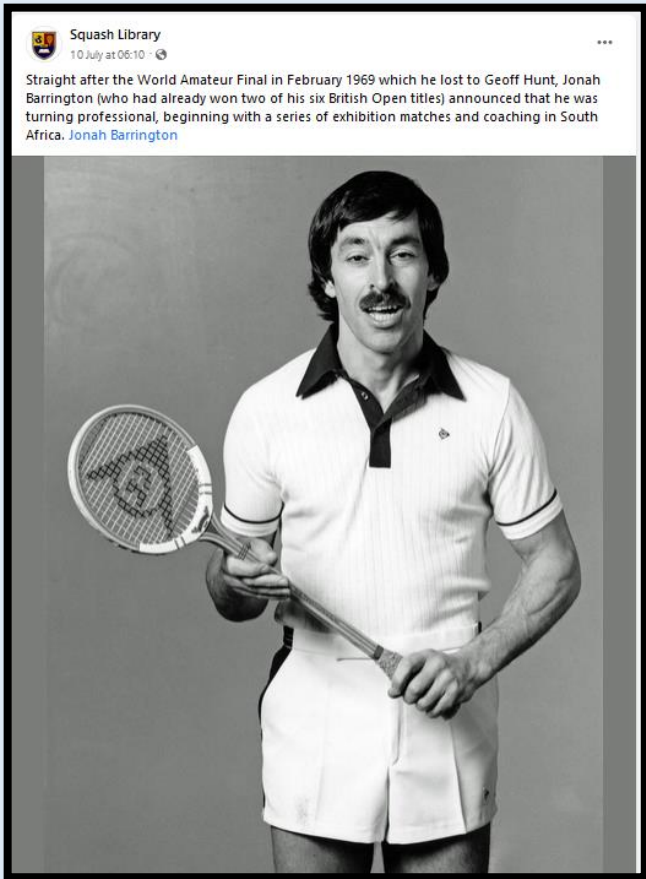
Photos courtesy Steve Line.

**Squash Library**  
21 August at 08:12

These two photos of seven times British Open champion Hashim Khan were taken in 1952, and clearly illustrates how short a grip the seven times British Open champion used.









Squash Library  
10 June at 08:45

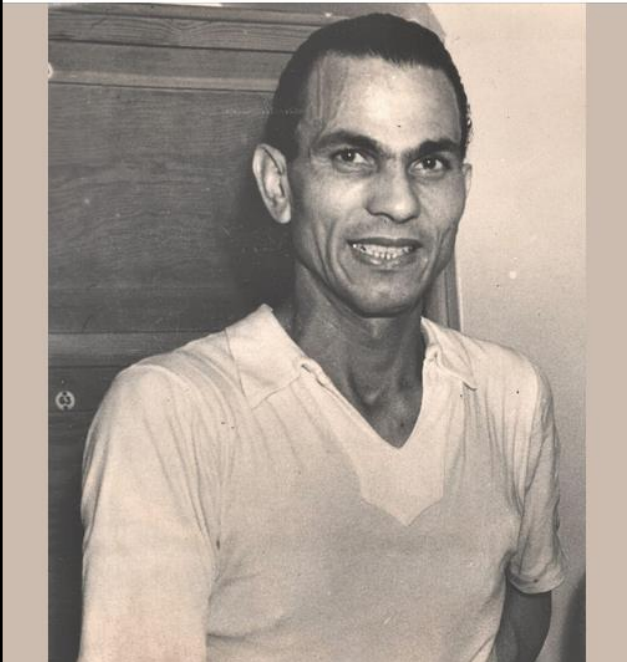
The North American Open only went south of USA once. In 1975 the Palace Squash Club in Mexico City hosted the event but the title went back to USA with Victor Niederhoffer (right) thwarting Sharif Khan's attempt to win a seventh successive title, the American winning 15-9 15-7 4-15 15-11. (Khan, left, went on to in the next six editions, so gathering 12 out of 13 with just the Mexican gap). [US SQUASH](#)



Squash Library  
30 May at 08:30

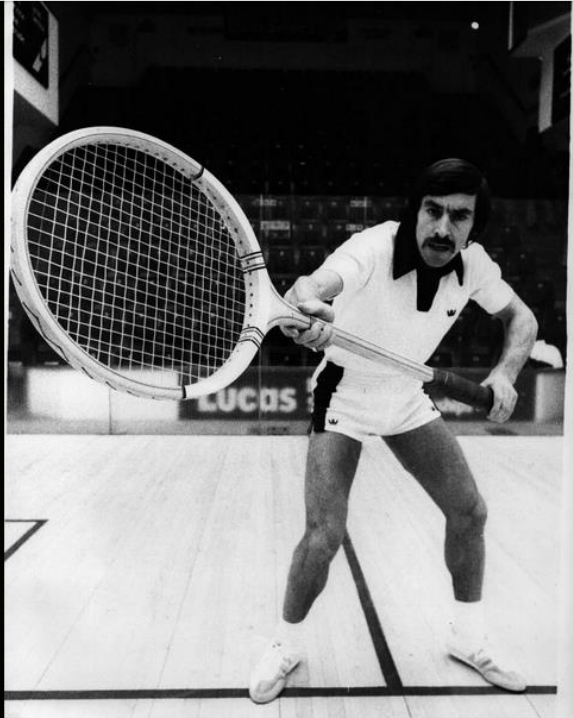
When Egyptian star Mahmoud Karim toured Australia in 1949 the Herald Newspaper in Melbourne report included this about combining squash and tennis, which he also played. 'He explained that he finds the squash touch so much lighter and different to tennis that his squash accuracy is upset if he mixes the two games'.

The report added about the four times British Open champion (1947-50): 'He has not been beaten in a competitive game since 1934, the year he won the Egyptian championship for the first time. That was only a year after he first played the game. He played Amr Bey, who was pre-war champion, many times in non-competitive games, and beat him consistently.' [Egyptian Squash Federation](#) - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش



Squash Library  
1 June at 08:54

The sport should reconsider whether six times British Open champion Jonah Barrington is a legend as he was clearly using an oversized racket! The full Library British Open history is at [www.squashlibrary.info/british-open](http://www.squashlibrary.info/british-open). [Jonah Barrington British Open Squash - from SquashSite](#)



Squash Library  
29 May at 08:21

For the first time in its history the South African men's championship 1951 was played away from Johannesburg. It was played in Cape Town, at the Olympic Sports Club. The holder, Brian Callaghan of Transvaal, retained his title beating the Western Province champion David Hodgson in the final.

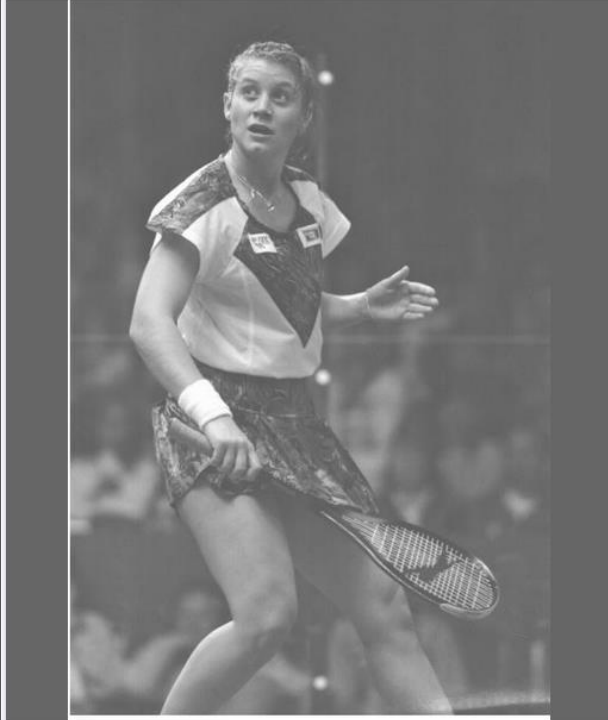
Score: B. Callaghan bt Hodgson, 9-5, 9-1, 9-6.  
(Pic: Brian, left, with losing semi-finalist brother Denis). [Squash South Africa](#)





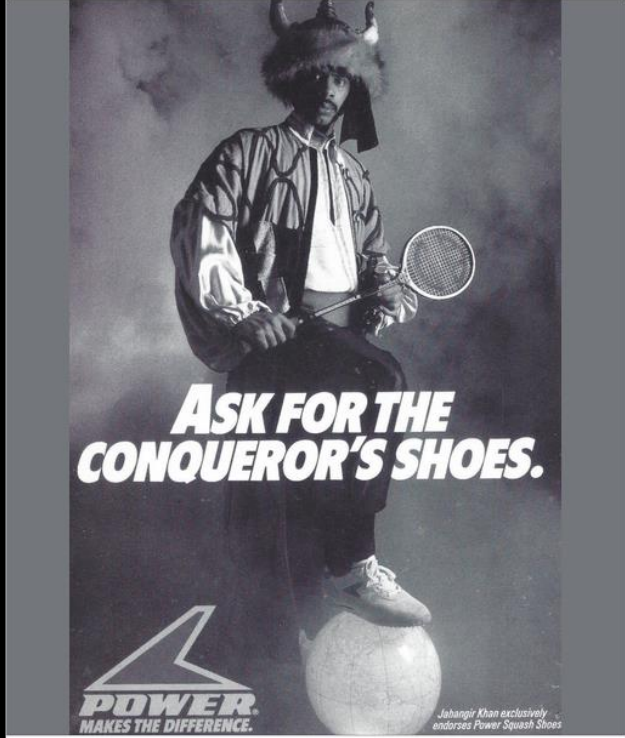
**Squash Library**  
26 May at 08:14

The Women's Dronfields 2023 taking place in Brussels this week is the first Tour event held in Belgium since the Cup Olympics in Antwerp in 1998, according to [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) data. That event 25 years ago was won by England's Sue Wright (pic) who beat Michelle Martin (AUS) 6-9 0-9 9-0 9-6 9-2 in the final. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)



**Squash Library**  
22 May at 08:21

The meaning of the word Jahangir is conqueror of the world, so it was only natural that this theme should be used in a shoe advertisement after Jahangir Khan (PAK) had won his third World title in 1983. [Pakistan Squash Federation](#)



**Squash Library**  
25 May at 07:52

40 years ago, in May 1983 Ross Norman was in hospital having had a steel traction bar inserted through his fibula. This the result of his first parachute jump at Thraxton Airfield in Hampshire, England where he landed awkwardly and extensively damaged his left knee, including displacing the ligament under his kneecap. Not only was he able to fully recover, but on 11 November 1986 in Toulouse the New Zealander ended Jahangir Khan's 5y 7m unbeaten run to become World Open champion. [Squash New Zealand](#)



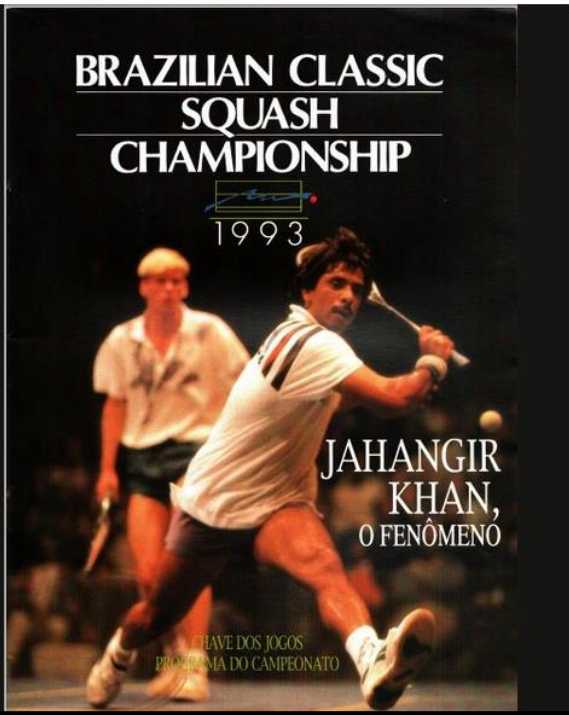
**Squash Library**  
19 May at 08:21

The Paraguay Open being played this week was first staged from 1987 to 1991 It returned in 2009 when it was won by Rafael Alarcón (BRA), R/UP was Gilly Lane (USA), and semi-finalists Bart Ravelli (NED) and Esteban Casarino (PAR). L to R: Ravelli, Alarcón, Lane, Casarino. Past results at <http://www.squashinfo.com/history/782/mens/paraguay-open> L to R: Ravelli, Alarcón, Lane, Casarino. [Asociación Paraguaya de SquashSquash - PSA World Tour](#)





This week 30 years ago Brazil burst onto the major event scene with the \$141,000 Men's Brazilian Classic held on a showcourt in the theatre of the Hotel Nacional in Rio De Janeiro. While the event suffered with court arrival delays and sponsorship withdrawals promoter Jose Seixas de Maia Neto managed to get the event on, enabling Jansher Khan to win his fiftieth PSA title. In the 87 minute final he defeated Chris Dittmar 9-15 15-5 15-7 8-15 15-6. [Federacion Panamericana de Squash Squash - PSA World Tour](#)



Following on from yesterday's photo of British Amateur winners taken in 1951, here is a much more recent one – taken this week! It features three British Under 19 Open winners taken with the Drysdale Cup on the gallery of the RAC Court 1, with the backdrop of their honours board. They are L to R: Chris Orriss (Eng,1966), Anil Nayar (India, 1965), Stuart Courtney (Eng, 1967 & 68).



25 years ago today 1995 World Junior Champion Jade Wilson took her own life. The prodigiously talented New Zealander was aged only 21, the first New Zealander to win the World Junior. Even though her career was so short she was later inducted into the New Zealand Squash Hall of Fame. Sadly gone, but certainly not forgotten. [Squash New ZealandWorld Squash Federation](#)



At the British Amateur Championships 1951, the four surviving champions were photographed together. They were L to R: Tom Jameson (1922/23), Dugald Macpherson 1924/28), F D Amr Bey (1931-33, 35-37, Egyptian Ambassador to UK), Jimmy Palmer-Tomkinson (1926). Three other past winners had perished in WW2.




Ten years ago Saurav Ghosal became the first Indian male PSA top 20 player when he was ranked 18 in the February 2013 listing. He is currently placed at 19. Dipika Pallikal-Karthik holds the female accolade, having reached the top 20 before him in October 2011. (Historical rankings can be found at <http://www.squashinfo.com/rankings>). [Squash Rackets Federation of IndiaSquash - PSA World Tour](#)




**Squash Library**  
3 May at 08:26 · 🌐

In January 1993 the first Tour Finals took place at the Vitis Club, Zurich, Switzerland. The eight players competing were Jansher Khan, Chris Dittmar, Brett & Rodney Martin (playing each other), Peter Marshall, Tristan Nancarrow, Rodney Eyles and Chris Walker. The highlights are at [www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos](http://www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos) on the Library YouTube channel, with the Library event history at [www.squashlibrary.info/post/world-tour-finals-1993-2022](http://www.squashlibrary.info/post/world-tour-finals-1993-2022) and the results at [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com). Squash - PSA World Tour



**Squash Library**  
2 May at 08:45 · 🌐

25 years ago the February 1998 PSA World Rankings saw a Scot rise to top spot for the first time. During 1997 Peter Nicol had beaten Jansher Khan at the Al Ahram International in Cairo, the Kuwait Open and in the Mahindra Challenge, and so overtook him. During the period until October 2004 Nicol managed 60 months as number one (a period during which he changed his allegiance to England). [England Squash Scottish Squash Squash - PSA World Tour](http://www.squashinfo.com)



**Squash Library**  
28 April at 08:16 · 🌐

Forty years ago the 1983 European Team Championships were staged at the newly completed Racket Sport Centrum Munich, conveniently situated next to Hirschgarten, Munich's largest beer garden!

At the time it was the largest squash facility in the world, with no less than 28 courts and a three sided glass showcourt, too.

17 women's and 19 men's team filled the courts, with England beating Ireland 3/0 in the Women's Final while Sweden scored their second triumph over England, winning 3/2 in the Men's Final. (squads pictured).

Later in 1983 the centre hosted the Men's World Open. [The European Squash Federation Deutscher Squash Verband e.V.](http://www.squashinfo.com)



**Squash Library**  
27 April at 08:20 · 🌐

Finn Olli Tuominen played for the first time in 1998 and this week, now aged 44, he has recorded a record 24th successive appearance in the European Team Championships. (His total could have been 26 if Covid had not cancelled 2020 & 21). [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) for event results. [The European Squash Federation Squash Suomi Finland](http://www.squashinfo.com)





**Squash Library**  
25 April at 08:33

Squash Library has produced a family tree to show how the Khan families that have had such an impact on the squash world, champions and coaches alike, are linked. Go to [www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources](http://www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources) to see it. **Pakistan Squash Federation**

Hashim  
1914-2014

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1926-2020

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**Squash Library**  
21 April at 07:26

1983 World Champion and four times British Open champion (1980-3) Vicki Cardwell celebrates her birthday today (21 April). The Australian, born in 1955, announced her retirement at the time of her 1983 British win, aged 27. However, she carried on competing stayed in the top 20 until her 40th birthday, and only stepped off the Tour at the end of 1998!  
**Squash Australia**

**Squash Library**  
22 April at 08:17

Alister Walker made history for the first time ten years ago when the former English international won Botswana's first international title, winning Gold at the African Championships 2013, beating Zambia's Kelvin Ndhlovu in Windhoek, Namibia. **Squash Federation of Africa SFA**

**Squash Library**  
20 April at 08:36

In November 1983 Point-A-Rally scoring was trialled at a three day event in Gt Yarmouth, England, the Pro-Kennex Challenge. It used a best of 3 games to 11 points for the early rounds (and a 3 point sudden death at 10 all) designed for shorter, high incident matches. Full information at [www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources](http://www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources). Semis and final were best of 5 games.

It was promoted by World Championship Squash Ltd, a promoter group working with ISPA (former name of PSA) who tested new rules, courts and white balls.

The players were LtoR: Philip Kenyon, Ross Thorne, Chris Dittmar, Hiddy Jahan, Gawain Briars, Dean Williams, Maqsood Ahmed (with Stuart Davenport absent).

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SQUASH PRESENTS  
**THE PRO-KENNEX CLASSIC**  
November 7-9th 1983  
Great Yarmouth Marina Centre

**Squash Library**  
19 April at 08:24

Squash Canada began their Hall of Fame in 1983 to recognise their most successful / influential players, administrators, coaches, referees etc. The full list of inductees is at <https://squash.ca/hall-of-fame/>, which now numbers 48 with the latest entries. [Squash Canada](#)

### 2023 Canadian Squash Hall of Fame Inductees Announced





Sabir Butt



Lolly Gillen



Jamie Crombie



Dick Pound

Induction ceremony will take place Saturday May 13th at the Forum in Montreal during the Canadian Squash Championships.

**Squash Library**  
7 April at 08:35

70 years ago the 1953 New Zealand Championships were played at Palmerston North. The Library has found this photo of the Men's Semi finalists: L to R: Don Mocham (winner), Ack Malcolm, Les Milne (R/U), Peter Vesty. (Women's winner was Australian Rae Maddern). [Squash New Zealand](#)



**Squash Library**  
3 April at 08:34


The record international span has been extended beyond Paraguayan Esteban Casarino's 26y 7m. Irishman Steve Richardson first represented his country at the Under 16 Home Internationals on 29 April 1987, and carried on until the Men's World Team Championship 2019 (15 – 21 Dec) when aged 47. A whopping nearly 32y 7m!

*Richardson pictured at the World Teams 2019.*



**Squash Library**  
17 April at 08:37

Thirty years ago, within a year of reaching the 1992 British Open final where he was beaten by Jansher Khan, Australian Chris Robertson was forced to retire due to an osteo-arthritis hip problem. He has since been a highly successful coach in Wales, England and Hong Kong. [British Open Squash - from SquashSite](#)





**Squash Library**  
1 April at 08:25

Squash Library asked if anybody could beat the recorded spans of country representation, and Paraguay's former No1 Esteban Casarino has raised the mark to 26 years, 7 months. He first played in the Pan American Championships 1992, beginning on 27 August when he was aged 16, and continued until the South American Championships which ended on 6 April 2019 (where he took a doubles bronze medal). Such was the length that during the period he not only played world number 2 Diego... See more

**Squash Library**  
10 March at 08:22

Vanessa Atkinson celebrates her 47th birthday today (10.03.23). The Dutchwoman won the World Open in 2004, beating Natalie Grinham in the final. She held the No1 world ranking for five months in 2005/6. [Squash - PSA World Tour Squash Bond Nederland](#)

*Photo courtesy Steve Line.*

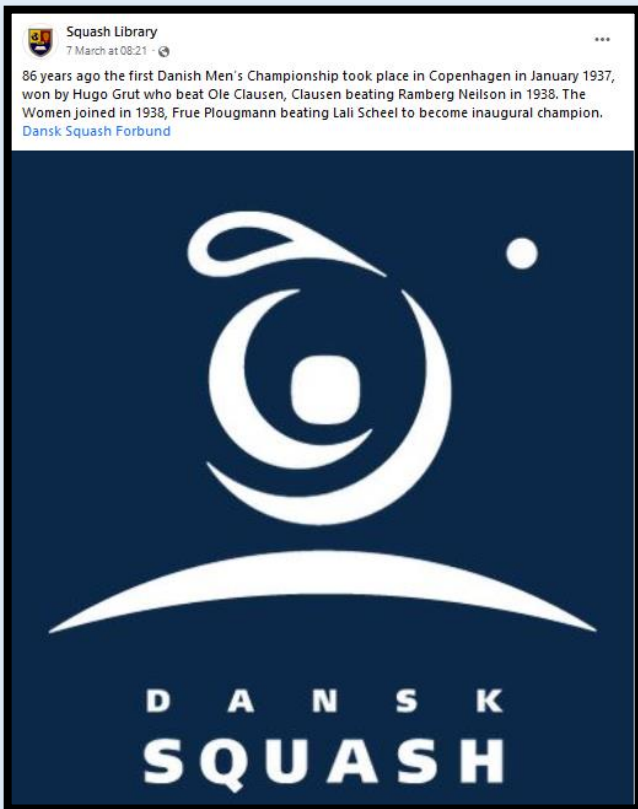
**Squash Library**  
8 March at 08:20

What is the longest span of years playing for a nation? Sheila Macintosh (nee Speight) first played for England/GB from April 1949 to December 1971, approaching 23 years, during which she won the British Open in 1960. Who can beat that?

**Squash Library**  
13 March at 08:19

The Canary Wharf Classic in London this week is celebrating its 20th anniversary. Starting in 2004 (promo below) it has been played throughout at the glass-roofed East Wintergarden, with the men split into initial pools for the first two years, before it became straight knockout. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)





Squash Library  
28 February at 07:37

There have been 22 Men who have held top spot in the ISPA then PSA Men's World Tour rankings. Here they are, courtesy of [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com). Full details of the dates and period they were in top spot are at <http://www.squashinfo.com/records> (sub needed). Squash - PSA World TourSquash AustraliaSquash CanadaEgyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للبيسكواشEngland SquashFFSquash - Fédération Française de SquashSquash New ZealandPakistan Squash FederationScottish Squash

### MEN'S WORLD NUMBER ONES

Name	Country	Career Total
Jansher Khan	PAK	8 years, 1 month
Jahangir Khan	PAK	7 years, 10 months
Peter Nicol	SCO/ENG	5 years, 0 months
Geoff Hunt	AUS	4 years, 11 months
Mohamed ElShorbagy	EGY	4 years, 2 months
Ali Farag	EGY	2 years, 9 months
Amr Shabana	EGY	2 years, 9 months
Qamar Zaman	PAK	2 years, 1 month
Ramy Ashour	EGY	1 year, 9 months
Gregory Gaultier	FRA	1 year, 8 months
Nick Matthew	ENG	1 year, 7 months
Thierry Lincou	FRA	1 year, 2 months
Jonathon Power	CAN	1 year, 2 months
James Willstrop	ENG	11 months
Karim Darwish	EGY	11 months
David Palmer	AUS	5 months
Lee Beachill	ENG	3 months
Paul Coll	NZL	3 months
John White	SCO	2 months
Chris Dittmar	AUS	2 months
Mostafa Asal	EGY	1 month
Karim Abdel Gawad	EGY	1 month

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Squash Library  
27 February at 08:22

Since World rankings began there have 16 Women who have reached the top spot. Here they are, courtesy of [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com). Full details of the dates and period they were in top spot is at <http://www.squashinfo.com/records> (sub needed). The Men's list tomorrow. Squash - PSA World TourSquash AustraliaEgyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للبيسكواشEngland SquashSquash New ZealandUS SQUASH Racquets Association of MalaysiaSquash Bond NederlandSquash New ZealandUS SQUASH

### WOMEN'S WORLD NUMBER ONES

Name	Country	Career Total
Nicol David	MAS	9 years, 4 months
Susan Devoy	NZL	8 years, 9 months
Michelle Martin	AUS	4 years, 10 months
Nour El Sherbini	EGY	4 years, 0 months
Sarah Fitz-Gerald	AUS	3 years, 4 months
Raneem El Welily	EGY	1 year, 11 months
Rachael Grinham	AUS	1 year, 4 months
Cassie Jackman	ENG	1 year, 4 months
Nouran Gohar	EGY	1 year, 3 months
Vicki Cardwell	AUS	1 year, 0 months
Carol Owens	NZL	11 months
Leilani Rorani	NZL	11 months
Vanessa Atkinson	NED	5 months
Laura Massaro	ENG	4 months
Lisa Opie	ENG	2 months
Natalie Grainger	USA	1 month

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**Squash Library**  
23 February at 08:38

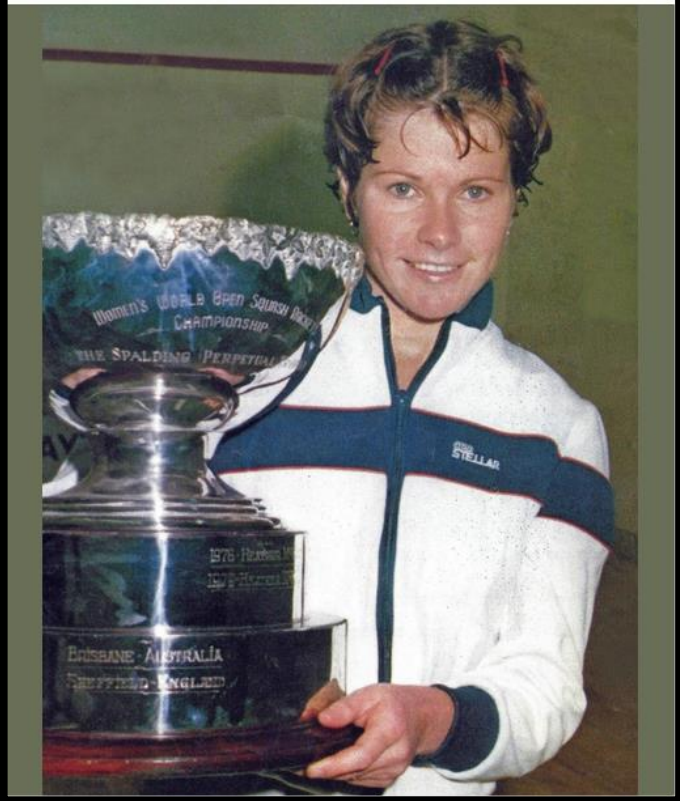
These two new charts of the world men's and women's top 10s and 20s at [www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources](http://www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources) indicate how the fortunes of nations have ebbed and flowed. The entry point of countries such as France, the path of Egypt's rise and the overall decline of Australia, England and Pakistan for example as the spread of countries represented has increased. Go to [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) to see past PSA (and WISPA) rankings – get a subscription to view earlier ones at [www.squashinfo.com/signup](http://www.squashinfo.com/signup). Squash - PSA World Tour

### TOP 10 RANKINGS

	January 1980*		January 1990		January 2000
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men
<b>Australia</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Canada</b>					<b>1</b>
<b>Colombia</b>					
<b>Egypt</b>					<b>1</b>
<b>England</b>		<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>


**Squash Library**  
6 February at 08:16

On 23 October 1981 at the Mayfair Parkway Club in Canada, Rhonda Thorne beat fellow Australian Vicki Hoffman (Cardwell) 8-10 9-4 9-5 7-9 9-7 in two minutes under two hours to win the Women's World Open title. She celebrates her 65th birthday today. Rhonda Thorne-Clayton [Squash Australia](#)



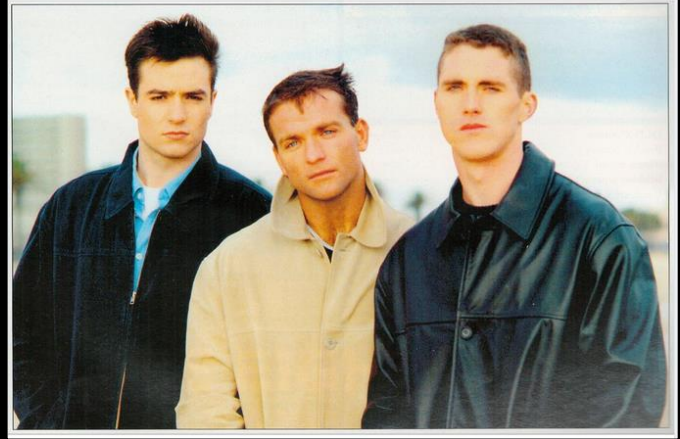
**Squash Library**  
20 February at 08:24

70 years ago in 1953 Roshan Khan won the Pakistan Professional Championship for the third time (adding a fourth in 1957, the year he won the British Open). Played at the Military Academy, Kakul, he beat Samiullah Khan of the Rawalpindi Club in the final. (There was a record entry of twelve amateurs and twenty professionals).  
Semi-Finals: Samiullah Khan bt Nasrullah Khan 9-7 5-9 9-7 4-9 9-6. Roshan Khan bt Aziz Gul 5-9 3-9 4. Final: Roshan Khan bt Samiullah Khan 9-5 9-1 7-9 9-6. [Pakistan Squash Federation](#)



**Squash Library**  
1 February at 08:26


25 years ago in 1998 Racquet Sports, an Australian publication featuring all racket sports, launched with a photo-shoot showing squash players away from the court. They were (Left to right): Paul Price (British Open R/U 2000, Rodney Eyles (World Champion 1997) and David Palmer (World Champion 2002 & 2006, British Open winner 2001,03,04,08), striking a pose. [Squash Australia](#)





**Squash Library**  
28 January at 08:07

70 years ago in 1953 squash was going through a difficult time in Greece owing to the import restrictions, one result of which was that rackets could not be purchased in shops. The National Championship was not held but the Greek Open Championship was won for the first time by a Greek player when Aris Vatimbella (pic) beat G. Louzy 9-5, 5-9, 9-6, 9-5. In the Ladies' Open Championship (the Xydis Cup), the Greek lawn tennis champion Miss Viki Georganta beat Mrs. Hall 9-1, 9-6, 9-3. [Greek Squash](#)



**Squash Library**  
17 January at 08:29

With his reaching world number 1, Mostafa Asal has become the seventh Egyptian player to reach top spot, following Amr Shabana who was the first from his nation in April 2006. Here is the list, taken from [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) data. Squash - PSA World Tour Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش Mostafa Asal

### EGYPTIAN MEN AT WORLD NUMBER 1

	MONTHS <sup>a</sup>	FIRST	LAST
<b>AMR SHABANA</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>Apr 2006</b>	<b>Dec 2008</b>
<b>KARIM DARWISH</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>Jan 2009</b>	<b>Dec 2009</b>
<b>RAMY ASHOOR</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>Jan 2010</b>	<b>Dec 2013</b>
<b>MOHAMED ELSHORBAGY (a)</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>Nov 2014</b>	<b>Aug 2021*</b>
<b>KARIM ABDEL GAWAD</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>May 2017</b>	<b>May 2017*</b>
<b>ALI FARAG</b>	<b>34<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>May 2019</b>	<b>Jan 2023*</b>
<b>MOSTAFA ASAL</b>	<b>1<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Jan 2023</b>	<b>Jan 2023*</b>

<sup>a</sup> Not necessarily continuous. PSA Rankings moved from monthly to weekly on 29 August 2022 so after this date 'months' indicate weeks within the month, not necessarily the full month.  
<sup>(a)</sup> All before changing from EGY to ENG  
<sup>\*</sup> So far



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**Squash Library**  
16 January at 07:57

Australian player Chris Dittmar celebrates his 59th birthday today (16 Jan). He had a superlative record, but playing during the Jahangir and Jansher Khan era of dominance he was thwarted by them in the World Open, reaching five finals without a win. The left-hander from Adelaide did reach top spot in the World rankings for two months (July/August 1993) though, and was instrumental in Australia winning the World Team Championship in 1989, beating Jahangir Khan in the final. He and Australia retained the title in 1991. [Squash - PSA World TourSquash Australia](#)



**Squash Library**  
24 January at 08:45


The January 1988 rankings saw the transference of top spot from Jahangir Khan to Jansher Khan. Jahangir had occupied top spot for an unbroken six years, beginning in January 1982. Jansher overtook his Pakistani countryman on the back of nine wins from the last ten events played, including seven victories over Jahangir. At that time Jahangir vowed to win number one back, .....and did so. During the following period up to April 1992 he had four further spells on top, bringing his overall months at number one to 68 (while Jansher managed 97 months between Jan 88 and Jan 98). [Pakistan Squash FederationSquash - PSA World Tour](#)

ISPA - RANK LIST AS AT 01-JAN-88				
FORENAMES	SURNAME	AVERAGE	RANK	COUNTRY
JANSHER	KHAN	643.706	1	PAKISTAN
JAHANGIR	KHAN	591.962	2	PAKISTAN
CHRIS	DITTMAR	507.273	3	AUSTRALIA
ROSS	NORMAN	408.827	4	NEW ZEALAND
RODNEY	MARTIN	343.225	5	AUSTRALIA
CHRIS	ROBERTSON	316.858	6	AUSTRALIA
ROSS	THORNE	187.923	7	AUSTRALIA
UMAR HAYAT	KHAN	187.454	8	PAKISTAN
TRISTAN	NANCARROW	179.250	9	AUSTRALIA
RICKI	HILL	174.233	10	AUSTRALIA
PHIL	KENYON	167.993	11	ENGLAND
QAMAR	ZAMAN	156.482	12	PAKISTAN
BRETT	MARTIN	153.920	13	AUSTRALIA
ZARAK JAHAN	KHAN	139.145	14	PAKISTAN
STUART	HAILSTONE	136.400	15	ENGLAND
GAWAIN	BRIARS	134.050	16	ENGLAND
NEIL	HARVEY	133.843	17	ENGLAND
ANDRES	WAHLSTEDT	132.931	18	SWEDEN
BRYAN	BEESON	131.900	19	ENGLAND
JAMIE	HICKOX	129.867	20	ENGLAND
GEOFF	WILLIAMS	125.867	21	ENGLAND
HIDDY	JAHAN	122.127	22	ENGLAND
MARTIN	BODIMEADE	121.842	23	ENGLAND
GLEN	BRUMBY	112.492	24	AUSTRALIA
RODNEY	EYLES			
FREDRIK	JOHNSON			
JAN-ULF	SODERBERG			
AUSTIN	ADARRAGA			
DANIEL	MEDDINGS			

**Squash Library**  
13 January at 08:24

Six years ago this month (Jan 2017), Paul Coll climbed 13 places in the PSA Men's ranking to become the first New Zealander since 1986 World Champion Ross Norman to feature in the top 20. He was ranked 20 that month, on his way to reaching top spot in March 2022. [Paul Coll Squash - PSA World TourSquash New Zealand](#)

Rank	[Prev]	Name
1	1	Mohamed ElShorbagy
2	2	Karim Abdel Gawad
3	3	Gregory Gaultier
4	4	Nick Matthew
5	5	Ramy Ashour
6	6	Marwan Elshorbagy
7	7	Ali Farag
8	11	Tarek Momen
9	8	Omar Mosaad
10	10	Simon Rösner
11	15	James Willstrop
12	14	Fares Dessouky
13	9	Mathieu Castagnet
14	13	Miguel Rodriguez
15	16	Daryl Selby
16	17	Borja Golan
17	18	Max Lee
18	12	Cameron Pilley
19	19	Ryan Cuskelly
20	33	Paul Coll






**Squash Library**  
11 January at 08:42 · 🌐

60 years ago this month Ken Hiscoe, seeded 4, became the first Australian to win the British Amateur when he beat 5th seed Egyptian Tewfik Shafik in the final 9-3 9-7 5-9 9-7 at London's Lansdowne Club in January 1963. He had travelled as a member of the Australian squad (L to R: Owen Parmenter, Doug Stephenson, Ken Binns, John Cheadle, Hiscoe, Dick Carter). In an interview with British Lawn Tennis & Squash magazine during the event he exploded the popular theory that "the English play squash to keep fit while the Australians keep fit to play squash". Hiscoe said, "that theory is not really true. Most of our boys only play squash but occasionally we do a bit of running, say at the start of the season and in preparation for this tour." [Squash Australia](#)



**Squash Library**  
4 January at 08:25 · 🌐

50 years ago today (4.1.73), England's Jayne Ashton became the first player to win the British Junior Open Under 19 title four times (1973-6). She was followed by Egypt's Omneya Abdel Kawy (2001-4), and the only male four time Under 19 winner Del Harris (ENG, 1985-8). [England Squash](#)[Egyptian Squash Federation](#) - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش

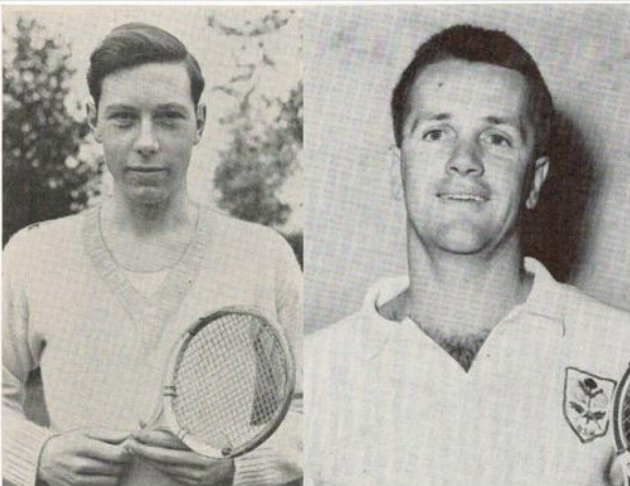


L to R: Ashton, Abdel Kawy, Harris

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**Squash Library**  
31 December 2022 at 08:43 · 🌐

60 years ago today (31 Dec 1962) England Men suffered their first ever defeat after 46 internationals, mostly against the 'home countries', with two against Denmark, and one each with Netherlands & South Africa. Australia were the 4 – 1 winners at the RAC Club in London. The results:  
Jeremy Lyon (pic, L) Lt Ken Hiscoe (pic, R) 6-9, 9-5, 6-9, 7-9  
Richard Boddington Bt Owen Parmenter 9-4, 4-9, 7-9, 10-8, 9-5  
Tony Gathercole Lt Dick Carter 8-10, 6-9, 2-9  
John Skinner Lt Ken Binns 10-8, 3-9, 8-10, 5-9  
Terry Pickering Lt Doug Stephenson 3-9, 4-9, 9-10  
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**Squash Library**  
29 December 2022 at 08:35 · 🌐

After the US National Championships were played in Cincinnati, the first international event held in the city was the Charlie Johnson's Ohio Open 30 years ago in 1992. Hosted in the city at the Cincinnati Sports Club and Queens City Racquets Club, the event saw 37 year old former World number 1 Vicki Cardwell (pictured) prevailing, the Australian beating US number 1 Demer Holleran 9-6 9-3 7-9 9-4. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)[US SQUASH Cincinnati Sports Club](#)[Vicki Cardwell](#)



**Squash Library**  
28 December 2022 at 08:40 · 🌐


According to [www.squashinfo.com](#) data cache there are six members of squash's '500 Club' – winners of 500+ Tour matches. Here is the list, headed by France's Gregory Gaultier (pic). [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)[FFSquash - Fédération Française de Squash](#)[Squash Australia](#)[Squash Racquets Association of Malaysia](#)[England Squash](#)



- 587 Gregory Gaultier (FRA)**
- 579 Nicol David (MAS)**
- 526 Rachael Grinham (AUS)**
- 518 Nick Matthew (ENG)**
- 507 Mohamed ElShorbagy (ENG)**
- 500 James Willstrop (ENG)**

**Squash Library**  
23 December 2022 at 08:37 · 🌐

French star Gregory Gaultier, born 23.12.82, has his 40th birthday today. Winner of 44 Tour events, highlights include the World Championship 2015 and three British Open titles (2007,14, 17). [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)[FFSquash - Fédération Française de Squash](#)





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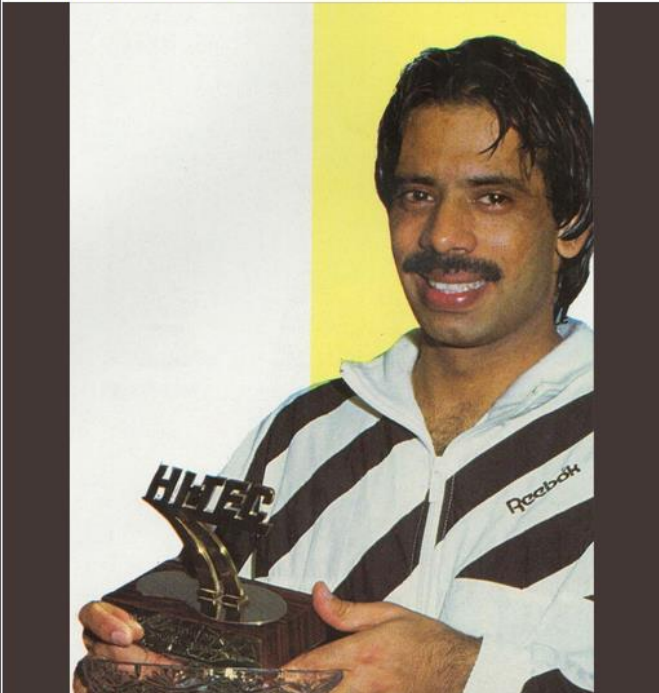
**Squash Library**  
20 December at 08:36

[www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) reports another record that its data cache reveals. In February 2022 Aussie Rachael Grinham won the North Coast Open to become the first 45-year-old champion in Tour history!  
Squash - PSA World Tour Squash Australia Rachael Grinham



**Squash Library**  
22 December 2022 at 08:52

A year after his tenth and last British Open title in 1991 (pic) Jahangir Khan, then aged 28, dropped out of the world top 20 rankings in November 1992. He had not been lower than two from 1980 until February 1991 when he fell to three following illness. See the top 50 at [www.squashlibrary.info/features](http://www.squashlibrary.info/features).  
The Pakistani star regained top spot but back injuries during 1992 meant a fall from 5 to 26 in the November listing.  
Another feature of the list that month was Australia occupying six of the top nine spots.  
Squash - PSA World Tour Pakistan Squash Federation Squash Australia



**Squash Library**  
16 December at 08:25

According to the [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) data cache, competing in the Hong Kong Open this month, USA's Chris Gordon has set a new record of playing in 269 PSA Tour events.  
Squash - PSA World Tour US SQUASH





**Squash Library**  
3 December at 08:42

Football matches in Qatar now, but thirty years ago squash came to Doha with the December 1992 opening of the Khalifa International Tennis and Squash Complex. Before later expansion it began with a permanent all-glass showcourt with two side courts, along with the Federation office.

The day after the opening the first Qatar Men's International Championship began (Women's events took place 2001-2015), and saw Pakistani Jansher Khan win the first of his five consecutive trophies, beating Chris Dittmar 15-9 14-15 12-15 15-6 15-11. The following four titles were also won against Australians (Rodney Martin, 1; Rodney Eyles, 3). <http://www.squashinfo.com/.../370/mens/qatar-international> for the full results history. [Qatar Squash Federation](#)




**Squash Library**  
2 December at 08:37

Glen Wilson has become the 31st inductee into the New Zealand Squash Hall of Fame. (The full list is at [www.nzsquashhalloffame.co.nz/inductees](http://www.nzsquashhalloffame.co.nz/inductees)). Three times NZ champion, Wilson also won Doubles Gold at both the World Doubles and Commonwealth Games (pic, with Leilani Joyce), Games at which he now fills the role of head coach. [Squash New Zealand](#)



**Squash Library**  
1 December at 08:18

The Hong Kong Open Squash Championships were first played in 1985, and then won by Philip Kenyon over Steve Bowditch, as reported in the 1986 programme, below. The Library full list of finalists is at [www.squashlibrary.info/features](http://www.squashlibrary.info/features). Detailed results are at [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com). [Hong Kong SquashSquash - PSA World Tour](#)

## England's Kenyon Scoops First Hong Kong Open Title

by Alan Robinson

Englishman Phil Kenyon emerged champion of Hong Kong's first major international squash event last year, when he downed Steve Bowditch of Australia in a hard-hitting final at the Island School Squash Rackets Club on September 15.

After powering to a 9-3 win in the opening game, Kenyon dropped the second 6-9 to the determined Australian, but kept his composure to go on and clinch a 3-1 victory by taking the next two games 9-3, 9-7.

The inaugural Cathay Pacific Hong Kong Open attracted a high-powered list of world ranked players, including seventeen ranked in the top thirty. The result was a fiercely competitive event, with even recognised players having to battle their way through the qualifiers to gain entry to the lucrative main draw.

With the Open taking place in September, at the start of the world circuit season, surprises were always on the cards, as competitors were keen to make an early mark on the world rankings list. That meant plenty of high tension squash, and no shortage of incidents and upsets.

Both winner Kenyon, seeded 8, and runner-up Steve Bowditch, seeded 11, belied their seedings and world rankings with well-earned wins against higher ranked players.

Kenyon had enjoyed a smooth semi-final passage over 6th seeded Jan-Ulf Soderberg, taking the match 9-5, 9-1, 9-5, although the Swede had looked very sharp and fit in previous games. But previously Kenyon needed all his talent in his quarter-final match against tournament favourite Maqsood Ahmed of Pakistan, seeded 2nd.

Going into the match as underdog, Kenyon produced a brilliant mixture of power and disguise to master the touch and speed of Ahmed, winning a see-saw match 9-2, 4-9, 9-7, 5-9, 9-0.

Bowditch had to use his fighting qualities as well as his amazing array of shots to reach the final. Twice he came back from a two game deficit to win matches.

Against fellow Australian Dean Williams, a real crowd pleaser with his entertaining style who looked in good form as he took a two game advantage in the semi-final, Bowditch staged a remarkable comeback.

His touch returned and Williams ran out of steam, the final score being 3-9, 6-9, 9-5, 9-1, 9-0.

Earlier, Bowditch had beaten unseeded Danny Lee, the conqueror of top seed Qamar Zaman in the previous round, and another Australian Glen Brumby, 5th seed, 5-9, 1-9, 9-7, 9-2, 10-8.


In other memorable episodes Singapore's Peter Hill posted a magnificent win over 10th seeded Jamie Hickox of England, winning 3-1 after being a game and 1-6 down. Chris Robertson, unseeded but World Junior Champion, had an excellent 3-0 win over 4th seed Gamal Awad of Egypt.

Dean Williams produced some unforgettable plays in winning the third-place play-off. He played "exhibition squash" which had the gallery enthralled and gasping in disbelief. Soderberg, scratching his head at times, nonetheless contributed fully to a match which everyone wished could go on all night.

Soderberg, heading a strong Swedish contingent, looked very fit and fast about the court, retrieving seemingly impossible shots time and time again.

Kent Li of Hongkong, twice local champion, made history by becoming the first Hongkong player to take a game from a world ranked player, before losing to Bowditch 3-1.

For the local officials and organisers the event proved a valuable experience, and much important groundwork was laid for this year and the future, when we can confidently expect to see world class squash on a regular basis in Hong Kong.



**Squash Library**  
30 November at 08:53

### NETHERLANDS v BELGIUM

The first match ever to be played between the two countries was held at The Hague Club (pic) on 20 November 1954, and was convincingly won by Belgium by five ties to nil.

H. A. de Coninck bt A. G. Maris 9-5, 9-2, 2-9, 7-9, 9-5. M. van den Bemden bt A. Blom 9-1, 9-1, 9-0. J. van den Eynde bt J. G. van Oort 9-0, 9-0, 9-1. J. P. Hye de Crom bt A. J. Staal 9-5, 9-1, 9-1. G. Mercier bt J. W. Bartelds 9-1, 9-6, 9-5. [Squash Bond Nederland](#)



Photo courtesy Robert Anjema



**Squash Library**  
29 November at 08:36 · 🌐

The 25th Monte Carlo Women's Classic is taking place in Monaco this week. The event history at [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) shows that Sarah Fitz-Gerald (AUS) beat Cassie Jackman (ENG) 3-1 in the final first final in 1996, the players being presented with their trophies by HRH Prince Albert. Back row: Patrick Rubino (club manager), Sarah Fitz-Gerald, Prince Albert, Liz Irving (semi-finalist), Bruno Fissore (Federation President). Front: Cassie Jackman, Michelle Martin (semi-finalist), Cheryl Mace (Committee).



**Squash Library**  
21 November at 08:41 · 🌐

This week in November 1989, nine years before Stuttgart hosted the Women's World Open and Team Championship, the German City had the Stuttgart Open at the Trade Fair Messe to begin their major event hosting. The final saw a battle of the Khans, Jahangir beating Jansher 15-9 15-13 15-4. [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) - [www.psa-squash.com](http://www.psa-squash.com) - [www.psa-worldtour.com](http://www.psa-worldtour.com)



Photo courtesy Steve Line

**Squash Library**  
24 November at 08:22 · 🌐

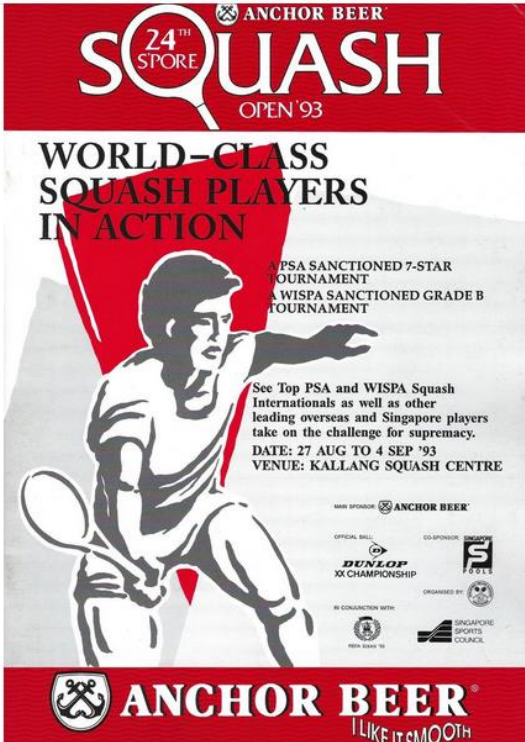
This week's Malaysian Open Squash Championships were first played in 1975, and here is a full list of finalists: <http://www.squashlibrary.info/.../malaysian-open-squash...>. Detailed results are at [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com).

Most recently there have been 12 Women's home winners from 14 stagings, including 8 titles for legend Nicol David. Meanwhile Malaysians Ong Beng Hee and Mohd Azlan Iskandar have each won the Men's event three times. [www.squashlibrary.info](http://www.squashlibrary.info) - [www.psa-squash.com](http://www.psa-squash.com) - [www.psa-worldtour.com](http://www.psa-worldtour.com)



**Squash Library**  
17 November at 08:25 · 🌐

This week's Singapore Open Squash Championship, returning after a Covid break, was first played in 1970, with the first 24 years being sponsored by the Anchor Beer brand. Click here <https://www.squashlibrary.info/features> for the full list of finalists from the 1970 start. [www.squashlibrary.info](http://www.squashlibrary.info) - [www.psa-squash.com](http://www.psa-squash.com) - [www.psa-worldtour.com](http://www.psa-worldtour.com)



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**Squash Library**  
23 November at 08:42 · 🌐

The longest ever best of three PSA Tour match took place in the quarters of the 2022 Canary Wharf Classic between Mostafa Asal and Joel Makin (pic below), but the great [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) data cache shows that their 2-1 only ranks seventh in the list of three game matches of all time. [www.squashlibrary.info](http://www.squashlibrary.info) - [www.psa-squash.com](http://www.psa-squash.com) - [www.psa-worldtour.com](http://www.psa-worldtour.com)

1. Jan 2016	Ben Coleman	Shawn Delierre	Holtrand Open	F	11-8, 13-11, 12-10 (130m)
2. Nov 2013	Rex Hedrick	Syed Hamzah Bukhari	Phoenix Open	F	11-8, 11-8, 11-7 (120m)
3. Oct 2008	Joey Barrington	Aaron Frankcomb	World Open	r1	11-3, 11-3, 12-10 (100m)
4. Sep 2013	Peter Barker	Borja Golan	Malaysian Open	sf	11-8, 12-10, 11-2 (99m)
5. Jul 2022	Joe Lee	Ben Smith	Berkhamssted Open	sf	11-5, 11-4, 21-19 (89m)
6. Dec 2003	Cameron Pilley	Khalid Atlas Khan	Qatar Classic	Q	15-8, 15-10, 15-3 (87m)
7. Mar 2022	Mostafa Asal	Joel Makin	Canary Wharf Cl	qf	11-8, 11-13, 11-8 (95m)





**Squash Library**  
10 November at 08:44

The [squashinfo.com](http://squashinfo.com) data-cache shows that in March 2015 the first Tour win by a player born this millennium occurred. At the Swiss Open Hania El Hammamy (EGY), at 14 years old (born 1 Sept 2000), beat Fiona Moverley (ENG) in the final – Moverley being exactly double her age at 28! [Squash - PSA World Tour Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش](#)



**Squash Library**  
2 November at 08:41

Yesterday was the actual centenary of the Bath Club Cup in London. The day after – 2 November 1922, the Times newspaper reported the milestone in this way:

From "The Times" – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 1922 :-

A start in the new and particularly interesting squash rackets competition was made at the Bath Club yesterday, where the Bath Club beat the RAF Club by three matches to none.

Lord's, Prince's Club, Queen's Club, the Bath Club, the Royal Automobile Club and the RAF Club have all entered for this competition and each club will play every other in home-and-home matches. Three players will represent each club in every match and the rules allow for the playing of any member of a club in any match, so that no teams need be "declared", but no players may represent more than one club in the competition. The rules of the club at which the match is played obtain there and so also does the ball which is generally in use at the club. There are big differences in the size, pace and make of the different courts and the pace and weights of the balls also differ considerably. There is a scheme on foot to standardise the squash ball, but this is, in the writer's opinion, a mistake. Squash rackets is not a standard game and can never be one. Where there is as much as one wall available a species of squash rackets can be played and produce both the "sweat" which, to many, is the first reason of the game and some amusement.

The Elstree game without a back wall is perhaps the best of all "squash", though comparatively few have played it. The Bath Club ball, which has a hole in it, would not suit the big court at Lord's, though it has its votaries even there. The pace, and particularly the jump, of the ball favour the "home" club even more than the difference in size and construction of the different courts. Some of the competitors say that it means half the game, but this is not quite true in the highest class of even amateur squash. If so, to play away will prove even more deadly for one of the squash rackets clubs than the association football clubs.

As was very appropriate, the first match in the competition was played at the Bath Club, for that club has given a challenge cup to be played for annually and to remain in the possession of the winner between competitions. In all there will be thirty matches played this year. The clubs will choose their three players in order of merit, so that the first, second and third "strings" will meet each other in the three personal matches. Each individual match will be the best of three games, so that at the end of a meeting the maximum points of either match will be three. At the end of the competition, of course, the points scored by each club will be added up and that with the largest aggregate will be the winners.

**Squash Library**  
8 November at 08:29

The first New Zealand Open took place in 1976 at the North Shore Club in Auckland, won by Kiwis Bruce Brownlee and Pam Buckingham (pictured below). While the entry became more and more international in the 1980s, home stars Susan Devoy and Ross Norman won seven and three titles respectively.

But the event was discontinued after 1993, excepting one women's edition in 2009 before roaring back as a major tour stop this week.

(The 1976 finals: Women's: Pam Buckingham beat Jenny Webster 9-7, 5-9, 3-9, 10-9, 10-8. Men's: Bruce Brownlee beat Howard Broun 5-9, 9-6, 9-4, 9-6).

[Squash New Zealand Squash - PSA World Tour](#)



**Squash Library**  
28 October at 07:56

The Lapham Grant Cup being played now at Toronto Cricket Skating and Curling Club marks the Centenary of what may be the oldest continuing squash team event. The Lapham Cup, a men's team competition played between USA and Canada, began in 1922.

Seemingly an informal match between some players from the two countries in Greenwich, Connecticut in 1921 prompted American Henry C. Lapham to offer to put up a trophy (now valued at over \$50,000) when it was suggested that it become an annual match, and the Lapham Cup was born.

The first one took place in Boston, USA and was won by USA 11-2. Since then between five and fifteen players have contested the trophy, depending upon availability, each year. Ordinarily, the top five players for each team were picked from their rankings, with another five because of their involvement in the game and then a quota for their sociability!

The Grant element arrived in 1944 when Canadian Alastair Grant donated a trophy for a doubles event played along the same lines as the 'Lapham' with up to eleven pairs participating.

Women's singles & Doubles matches were added in 1999, Men's Over 65 in 2001.

The events, held at the same time and venue, are hosted in alternate years by Canada and the United States. From 2000, all singles matches have been played with the international ball.

[Squash CanadaUS SQUASH](#)





**Squash Library**  
27 October at 08:39

Twenty years ago in 2002 the Swedish Open was revived and upgraded to play on a showcourt in the Linköping Sportshall (with the women being re-included in 2007). The event was won by top seed Ong Beng Hee (MAS) who bt [3] Olli Tuominen (FIN) 15-10, 11-15, 12-15, 12-15, 15-8 in 89 minutes. [Svensk Squash Squash - PSA World Tour](#)

**Squash Library**  
7 October at 08:37

Woolner Stone was the winner of the inaugural Men's Squash Championship of Australia, played in Melbourne in late 1928. Stone was a 'royal' tennis professional in Melbourne. [Squash Australia](#)

**SQUASH RACQUETS CHAMPIONSHIP.**

W. Stone (left) who defeated Lieutenant D. I. Morrison, of the Indian Army, in the first round of the squash racquets championship of Australia, at the Royal Melbourne Tennis Club's courts yesterday. The cup shown above was presented by Captain G. A. Fairbairn.

*Cutting kindly supplied by Peter Eedy*

**Squash Library**  
10 October at 08:49

The US Open, taking place this week, was a 'hardball' event until it moved to 'softball' in 1985, with the first being held at New Year 1954. Here is Edwin H Bigelow's report from the British SRA Handbook 1954/5, indicating that Hashim Khan adapted to hardball enough to reach the final before going down to top American Henri Saloun.

Two years after the first 'softball' Nationals were played in USA, the International game arrived at the US Open in 1985, when they were played on converted racquetball courts at the Telegraph Hill Club in San Francisco. (Conversions were 1ft narrower than the standard 21ft international size). PAR and 17" tins were experimentally used by promoter Tom Jones. The inaugural winner was Jahangir Khan, the Pakistani star beating New Zealand's Ross Norman 15-4, 15-5, 15-8. [U.S. Open SquashUS SQUASH](#)

**The First United States Open Championship**  
By Edwin H. Bigelow

Latest chairman of the international relations committee of the U.S.S.R.A.

**T**HIS first American national open squash racquet singles championship was held over the new year's week-end of 1954 at the University Club, New York City. It is the first such championship to be held with the sponsorship of the United States Squash Racquets Association. It is the only tournament so sponsored in which any player may participate, amateur or professional, American or foreigner, club member or independent, with or without specific invitation, with no restriction on his entry other than that he possess the necessary playing ability to compete satisfactorily in a field of the world's top squash players. All other squash tournaments in the U.S.A. have qualifications for participation. Therefore such an open tournament is unique and not in conflict with any other squash tournament.

An "open" was held in the Boston area in 1935. The winner was Gorman Glidden III, then a Harvard University undergraduate, who defeated Jack Bernaby, the present Harvard coach in the finals. Glidden had beaten Jack Summers, the then leading professional player, in a non-final match. Open tournaments were held in Boston in 1949, 1950, 1951 and 1952, won by Eddie Reid the first two years, then by Henri Saloun and Roger Bakay. These Boston "opens" however, were not on a national scope nor nationally sponsored.

This first open championship was lost, as some mistakenly think, to determine whether professional players are better than amateurs. Whether a player is a professional or amateur, a foreigner or an American, is of little consequence. No distinction in the entry list was made or intended. We sought only a fair field and we eliminated many entrants who were not the one best squash player who was available. Regardless of his location, residence, nationality, colour, creed or club affiliation.

Twenty entries were accepted and seven or eight additional ones were returned. Previously disqualification had been voiced against too large an entry list. In considering entries no distinction was made between amateur and professional players. The endeavour was to secure a fair field. The championship included entries from the U.S.A., Canada, Egypt, England, Pakistan, Scotland and South Africa.

Henri Saloun, U.S.A. amateur, was the winner, beating Hashim Khan, Pakistan, in a three-game final. Khan had beaten the then Canadian amateur champion, Ernest Howard, and Diel Mattor, U.S.A. in five-game matches. Mattor is currently rated one among U.S. amateurs, and Saloun, two. Of particular interest was the showing made by Khan and Mahmoud Karim, Egypt, in the American game, quite unfamiliar to them both. Karim was former amateur singles champion in 1952, and Charles Bennett, the American amateur champion in 1947.

**First round:** Ernest Howard (Canada) beat James J. Tully (U.S.A.), 15-11, 15-8, 15-11; Hashim Khan (Pakistan) beat Tom Byrne (U.S.A.), 15-9, 15-10, 15-8; "Die G. Haddock-Smith (South Africa) beat "Vivian Elmshor (U.S.A.), 10-13, 13-13, 9-15, 13-9, 13-11; Charles Bennett (U.S.A.) beat Al Ramsey (U.S.A.), 13-13, 13-11, 10-15, 13-8.

**Second round:** G. Diel Mattor (U.S.A.) beat D. R. Boquet (Canada, late England), 13-13, 13-8, 13-12; "Calvin D. MacCracken (U.S.A.) beat Louis Saloun (U.S.A.), 15-9, 15-11, 15-9; W. D. McLagan (Canada, late Scotland) beat Albert E. Chasard (U.S.A.), 13-11, 15-11, 13-11; Hashim Khan beat Howard, 15-7, 15-8, 13-13; Byron beat Haddock-Smith, 13-10, 13-11, 8-15, 17-16; Mahmoud A. Karim (Egypt) beat "Harry B. Conkin (U.S.A.), 13-13, 13-12, 15-11; "Hendrik K. Saloun (U.S.A.) beat "Yabou B. Bennett (U.S.A.), 15-7, 15-12, 15-10; "Roger M. Bakay (U.S.A.) beat John Waryski (U.S.A.), 15-17, 13-10, 13-13, 13-9.

**Third round:** Mattor beat MacCracken, 13-5, 13-12, 13-8; Hashim Khan beat McLagan, 13-13, 13-7, 13-8; Karim beat Bennett, 15-12, 13-13, 13-13, 13-11; Saloun beat Bakay, 13-8, 13-8, 13-12.

**Semi-finals:** Hashim Khan beat Mattor, 12-15, 13-15, 15-8, 13-8, 13-11; Saloun beat Karim, 13-9, 13-1, 13-5.

**Final:** Saloun beat Hashim Khan, 15-7, 13-12, 13-14.

\* Amateur.  
† Eddie Reid (U.S.A.) scratched, his place being allotted to Elmshor.

**Squash Library**  
5 October at 08:45

The Men's 'Home Internationals' began in 1939, with Wales joining England, Ireland & Scotland in 1947. The Women's started in 1947 too. Initially they were individual matches. The first time they all came together for a weekend was January 1974 in Warrington, and was last played in 1991. (England won the first weekend in 1974 - pictures 1 to 7: Mike Thurgur, Philip Ayton, John Easter, Paul Millman).

Junior editions began with Under 19s in 1981, with Under 16s added two years later. They were also discontinued, but more recently Under 13 and 15 events have been held, with France participating too.

As for Masters, Men's Over 45 was the starting point in 1980, and with the addition of Over 75s in 2016 all five year bands from 35 - 75 are included. The Women's version began in 1997 and spans 35 - 55 currently, with Over 60s intended for the cancelled 2020 staging. [Scottish SquashEngland SquashSquash Wales - Sboncen CymruIrish Squash](#)



**Squash Library**  
1 October at 08:45 · 🌐

The 12th Oracle NetSuite Open, the 10th edition on the San Francisco waterfront, has begun. A feature of this PSA Tour event is the staging, but the arresting posters too. (See them amongst other memorable posters at [www.squashlibrary.info/post/squash-memorable-event-posters](http://www.squashlibrary.info/post/squash-memorable-event-posters)).

Oracle NetSuite Open Squash Squash - PSA World Tour

**Squash Library**  
21 September at 08:24 · 🌐

The first Egyptian Open was played in 1958, won by Mohamed Dardir El Bakry (right). After a short gap it was revived in 1962, and won five times by another Egyptian Abdel Fattah Abou Taleb, ahead of Jonah Barrington in 1967 (pictured together), before it was discontinued again.

Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش Squash - PSA World Tour

**Squash Library**  
27 September at 08:30 · 🌐

The Bath Club Cup team league is celebrating its centenary. The 100th birthday of the London squash league features a dinner tomorrow at the Royal Automobile Club.

Here is the original league announcement in the Times newspaper in October 1922:

**A fifty-guinea challenge cup has been offered by the Bath Club for competition at squash rackets between the London clubs possessing squash courts. At present the competition will be restricted to singles matches, each club being represented by three players. Among the clubs which will take part are Lord's, Prince's, Royal Air Force, Bath and Royal Automobile Club.\***

*(Queens Club was added as the sixth Club)*

**Squash Library**  
26 September at 08:51 · 🌐

Following on from the Library feature on the England v Pakistan Test Match 1984 at [www.squashlibrary.info/post/england-v-pakistan-test-1984](http://www.squashlibrary.info/post/england-v-pakistan-test-1984), now film of the matches featuring number ones Jahangir Khan and Hiddy Jahan is on the Library YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/.../UCJFo-3pCw5gTEQSUO34TQnQ/videos>

It was filmed through the front wall.

England Squash Pakistan Squash Federation

**Squash Library**  
12 September at 12:28 · 🌐

The French Open (Internationaux De France), beginning today, was first played in 1983. Here are the results. The event, played on an all-glass court in the circus ring at the Cirque d'Hiver in Paris featured the milestone of the first match played on a painted (blue) floor with a white ball (Frank Donnelly v Ali Aziz). See [www.squashlibrary.info/squash-event-innovation](http://www.squashlibrary.info/squash-event-innovation) for background and [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) for past results. FFSquash - Fédération Française de Squash Squash - PSA World Tour

**THE GUY LAROCHE FRENCH OPEN 10-15 May 1983 (seedings in brackets)**

**First Round**  
Jahangir Khan (PAK) (1) bt Willie Hosey (IRL), 9-1, 9-6, 9-2; Aly Abdel Aziz (EGY) bt Frank Donnelly (AUS), 9-4, 9-6, 9-6; Gamal Awad (EGY)(5) bt Bo Bostrom (SWE), 9-1, 9-4, 9-1; Philip Kenyon (ENG) (9) bt Shah Jahan Khan (PAK), 9-0, 9-0, 9-2; Hiddy Jahan (ENG) (3) bt Ian Robinson (ENG), 6-9, 9-0, 9-4, 9-6; Rod George (AUS) bt Steve Bowditch (AUS) (12), 9-0, 9-4, 7-9, 9-6; Sohail Qaiser (PAK) bt Gawain Briars (ENG) (8), 9-6, 0-9, 9-5, 9-6; Christy Willstrop (ENG) bt Glen Brumby (AUS) (13), 9-4, 9-10, 9-6, 9-2; Ross Thorne (AUS) (16) bt Sean Flynn (ENG), 9-1, 9-3, 9-0; Ross Norman (NZL) (6) bt M. Ali Somjee (PAK), 9-0, 9-6, 7-9, 9-7; Stuart Davenport (NZL) (10) bt Kelvin Smith (AUS), 9-4, 9-8, 5-9, 9-4; Dean Williams (AUS) (4) bt Nasser Zahran (EGY), 10-8, 9-6, 6-9, 9-5; Magdi Saad (EGY) (11) bt Geoff Williams (ENG), 9-3, 9-3, 9-5; Ricki Hill (AUS) bt Maqsood Ahmed (PAK) (7), 3-9, 9-3, 9-6, 9-3; Ahmed Safwat (EGY)(14) bt Mohamed Awad (EGY), 9-5, 2-9, 9-7, 1-9, 9-1; Qamar Zaman (PAK) (2) bt Lars Kvant (SWE), 3-9, 9-1, 9-0, 9-5.

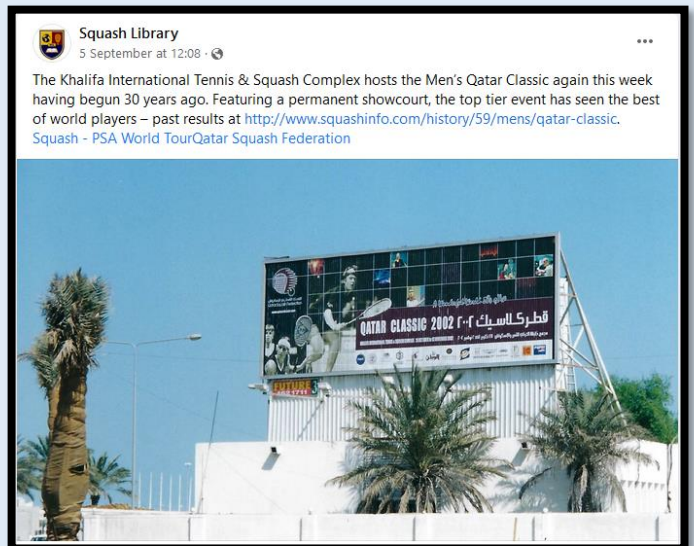
**2nd Round**  
J. Khan bt Aziz, 9-1, 9-2, 9-2; G. Awad bt Kenyon, 9-6, 9-5, 9-5; Jahan bt George, 9-5, 9-2, 9-5; Qaiser bt Willstrop, 10-8, 8-10, 7-9, 9-4, 9-3; Thorne bt Norman, 9-1, 9-5, 0-9, 0-9, 9-5; D. Williams bt Davenport, 9-4, 9-3, 9-5; Saad bt Hill, 9-4, 6-9, 1-9, 9-3, 9-4; Zaman bt Safwat, 9-4, 9-0, 9-7.

**Quarter Finals**  
Khan bt Awad, 9-3, 9-7, 9-6; Jahan bt Qaiser, 10-8, 6-9, 1-9, 9-6, 10-9; Williams bt Thorne, 9-6, 9-4, 9-0; Zaman bt Saad, 9-4, 10-8, 9-2.

**Semi Finals**  
Khan bt Jahan 9-6, 9-2, 9-5; Zaman bt Williams 9-6, 9-4, 0-9, 9-0.

**Final**  
Khan bt Zaman, 9-3, 7-9, 9-1, 10-8.



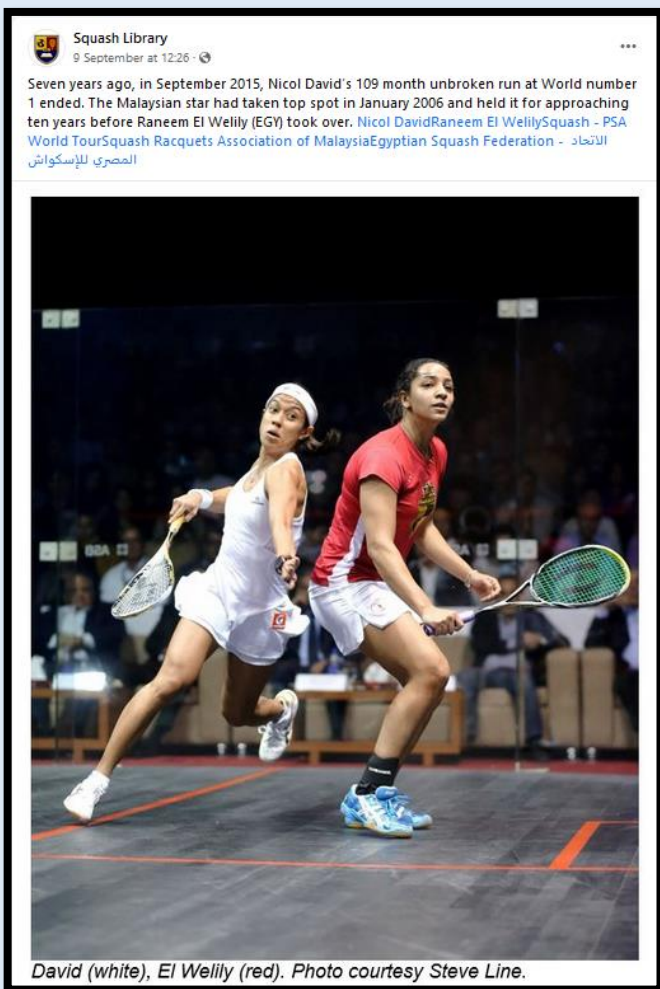


Squash Library  
3 September at 08:48

To end Library rankings week, the last decade – the January 2010 top twenties. While almost all of the players from ten years ago had now retired, Mohamed Elshorbagy, just turning nineteen, was on the rise, and the first group of Egyptian women had arrived during the decade in a list headed by dominant Nicol David. Squash - PSA World Tour Squash Racquets Association of Malaysia Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش - Fédération Française de Squash Squash Bond Nederland England Squash US SQUASH Squash Australia Squash New Zealand Hong Kong Squash Pakistan Squash Federation

MEN'S	JAN 2010	WOMEN'S
1. Ramy Ashour (EGY)		1. Nicol David (MAS)
2. Nick Matthew (ENG)		2. Natalie Grinham (NED)
3. Amr Shabana (EGY)		3. Jenny Duncalf (ENG)
4. Gregory Gaultier (FRA)		4. Rachael Grinham (AUS)
5. Karim Darwish (EGY)		5. Natalie Grainger (USA)
6. Peter Barker (ENG)		6. Alison Waters (ENG)
7. James Willstrop (ENG)		7. Omneya Abdel Kawy (EGY)
8. David Palmer (AUS)		8. Madeline Perry (IRL)
9. Thierry Lincou (FRA)		9. Laura Massaro (ENG)
10. Adrian Grant (ENG)		10. Kasey Brown (AUS)
11. Wael El Hindi (EGY)		11. Vanessa Atkinson (NED)
12. Alister Walker (ENG)		12. Camille Serme (FRA)
13. Daryl Selby (ENG)		13. Engy Kheirallah (EGY)
14. Laurens Jan Anjema (NED)		14. Samantha Teran (MEX)
15. Mohamed Elshorbagy (EGY)		15. Annie Au (HKG)
16. Stewart Boswell (AUS)		16. Shelley Kitchen (NZL)
17. Mohd Azlan Iskandar (MAS)		17. Jaclyn Hawkes (NZL)
18. Cameron Pilley (AUS)		18. Isabelle Stoehr (FRA)
19. Aamir Atlas Khan (PAK)		19. Rebecca Chiu (HKG)
20. Ong Beng Hee (MAS)		20. Tania Bailey (ENG)

*\*Nations denoted are at the time of the ranking. Photos courtesy Steve Line.*



Squash Library  
2 September at 08:42

Next in Library ranking week we arrive at the start of the millennium. Here are the January 2000 listings. The women's was headed by Cassie Campion (Jackman) who had just won the 1999 World Open, and Jonathon Power who had won the British Open the previous month. Egyptian men had begun to appear but no women yet. Pakistani male dominance has ended. Squash - PSA World Tour Squash Australia England Squash Squash Canada... See more

MEN'S	JAN 2000	WOMEN'S
1. Jonathon Power (CAN)		1. Cassie Campion (ENG)
2. Peter Nicol (SCO)		2. Leilani Joyce (NZL)
3. Ahmed Barada (EGY)		3. Linda Charman (ENG)
4. Simon Parke (ENG)		4. Natalie Grainger (ENG)
5. Martin Heath (SCO)		5. Carol Owens (AUS)
6. Paul Johnson (ENG)		6. Suzanne Horner (ENG)
7. Anthony Hill (AUS)		7. Sabine Schoene (GER)
8. Paul Price (AUS)		8. Fiona Geaves (ENG)
9. Alex Gough (WAL)		9. Stephanie Brind (ENG)
10. Derek Ryan (IRL)		10. Claire Nitch (RSA)
11. Thierry Lincou (FRA)		11. Vanessa Atkinson (NED)
12. David Palmer (AUS)		12. Rebecca Macree (ENG)
13. Graham Ryding (CAN)		13. Tania Bailey (ENG)
14. David Evans (WAL)		14. Rachael Grinham (AUS)
15. Del Harris (ENG)		15. Jenny Tranfield (ENG)
16. John White (SCO)		16. Tegwen Malik (WAL)
17. Amjad Khan (PAK)		17. Pamela Nimmo (SCO)
18. Omar Elborolossy (EGY)		18. Latasha Khan (USA)
19. Dan Jenson (AUS)		19. Liz Irving (AUS)
20. Peter Marshall (ENG)		20. Sue Wright (ENG)

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**Squash Library**  
1 September at 08:54

Moving forward in Library ranking week, we reach the first rankings of the next decade: the January 1990 top twenties.

The Men's listing was dominated by the 'big beasts' of the period, while Susan Devoy still headed the Women's as next stars Michelle Martin and Sarah Fitz-Gerald were climbing.

[Squash - PSA World Tour](#) [Pakistan Squash Federation](#) [Squash Canada](#) [Squash Australia](#) [Squash New Zealand](#) [England Squash](#) [Irish Squash](#) [Svensk Squash](#) [Squash Bond](#) [Nederland Squash](#) [Suomi Finland](#)

**MEN'S**




**JAN 1990**

- Jansher Khan (PAK)
- Jahangir Khan (PAK)
- Chris Dittmar (AUS)
- Rodney Martin (AUS)
- Chris Robertson (AUS)
- Umar Hayat Khan (PAK)
- Ross Norman (NZL)
- Brett Martin (AUS)
- Del Harris (ENG)
- Mir Zaman Gul (PAK)
- Zarak Jahan Khan (PAK)
- Rodney Eyles (AUS)
- Philip Kenyon (ENG)
- Rory Watt (NZL)
- Bryan Beeson (ENG)
- Chris Walker (ENG)
- Tristan Nancarrow (AUS)
- Hiddy Jahan (ENG)
- Fredrik Johnson (SWE)

**WOMEN'S**

- Susan Devoy (NZL)
- Lisa Opie (ENG)
- Martine Le Moignan (ENG)
- Danielle Drady (AUS)
- Liz Irving (AUS)
- Robyn Lambourne (AUS)
- Sarah Fitz-Gerald (AUS)
- Michelle Martin (AUS)
- Rebecca Best (IRL)
- Fiona Geaves (ENG)
- Alison Cumings (ENG)
- Lucy Soutter (ENG)
- Joanne Williams (NZL)
- Babette Hoogendoorn (NED)
- Suzanne Horner (ENG)
- Tuula Myllymiemi (FIN)
- Nina Taimiaho (FIN)
- Heather Wallace (CAN)
- Sue Wright (ENG)

*\*Nations denoted are at the time of the ranking. Photos courtesy Steve Line.*

**Squash Library**  
29 August at 08:45

Library Rankings Week Day 1:

When ISPA (later PSA) Men's rankings began from 1974 initially they were published quarterly (Feb, May, Aug, Nov). They were called seeding lists and intended to be used as the basis for event seedings during the period. (However, the orders were not mandatory and could be varied as well as non-ISPA members inserted by event organisers). There was one World Ranking list published on 1 February each year.

From 1988 to 1997 they came out every two months, before moving to monthly from 1998. WISPA Women's were every two months from 1984 to 2001 when they became monthly. As of today, rankings start being produced weekly. (See old listings at [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com)). [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)

**PSA MEN'S WORLD RANKINGS AUG 2022**



**PSA WOMEN'S WORLD RANKINGS AUG 2022**



**Squash Library**  
31 August at 08:27

Now, in Library rankings week, to the very first Women's ranking list from April 1983. It was headed by four times British Open Champion Vicki Cardwell (left) followed by 19 year old Lisa Opie (right), who would go on to win the British Open herself in 1991. Only four nations were included initially, but expansion soon after added players from Scotland, Netherlands and other nations. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)



**APRIL 1983**

- Vicki Cardwell (AUS)
- Lisa Opie (ENG)
- Robyn Brownlee (NZL)
- Martine Le Moignan (ENG)
- Rhonda Thorne (AUS)
- Sue Cogswell (ENG)
- Angela Smith (ENG)
- Barbara Diggins (ENG)
- Jan Miller (AUS)
- Susan Devoy (NZL)
- Carin Clonda (AUS)
- Renee Aucamp (RSA)
- Rae Anderson (AUS)
- Lynne Ferry (AUS)
- Alex Cowie (ENG)
- Paula Anderson (ENG)
- Gillian Winckler (RSA)
- Jayne Ashton (ENG)
- Nicola Spurgeon (ENG)
- Claire Oxley (ENG)



**Squash Library**  
30 August at 08:37

Library Rankings Week Day 2: The earliest Men's rankings / seeding lists tended not to be published but here is one from 1975 which only features players from Pakistan, Australia & GB Britain, plus South African Roland Watson in the 16 player listing. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#) [Pakistan Squash Federation](#) [Squash Australia](#) [England Squash](#) [Squash South Africa](#)



- Qamar Zaman (Pakistan)
- Geoff Hunt (Australia)
- Gogi Alauddin (Pakistan)
- Hiddy Jahan (Pakistan)
- Mohibullah Khan (Pakistan)
- Ken Hiscoe (Australia)
- Jonah Barrington (GB)
- Cam Nancarrow (Australia)
- Ahmed Safwat (Egypt)
- Torsam Khan (Pakistan)
- Roland Watson (South Africa)
- Sajjad Muneer (Pakistan)
- Rehmat Khan (Pakistan)
- Billy Reedman (Australia)
- Mohammed Yasin (Pakistan)
- John Easter (GB)



*(pic: Watson and Easter, by Robin Eley Jones)*

**Squash Library**  
9 August at 08:53

On the day after the British Open final at the Wembley Conference Centre in London, on 11 April 1984 England took on Pakistan in a five string tie in front of TV Channel 4 cameras in a bid to promote wider media interest in squash. [www.squashlibrary.info/features](http://www.squashlibrary.info/features) for the details. [England Squash](#) [Pakistan Squash Federation](#)




Englishman Victor Cazalet (pic) travelled to Cairo to play exhibition matches in 1935 after winning the USA & Canadian Opens some years earlier. At the end of a session a youngster asked Cazalet if he could play him. Yes was the answer and Cazalet went on to lose. He pointed at the young man and said that he would become World Champion. This was Mahmoud El Karim who went on to win the British Open four times (1947 – 1950)!



In February 1990, the largest men's prize money event to that point was held in Wales. The Leekes Welsh Classic, sponsored by Leekes of Llantrisant was played at the Welsh National Sports Centre, and featured a prize fund of \$102,000. The final saw Jahangir Khan beat Chris Robertson 15-12 15-6 15-10. [Squash - PSA World Tour Squash Wales - Sboncen Cymru](#)

**WORLD SQUASH CALENDAR 1990**


DATES	TOURNAMENT	LOCATION	STAR RATING	PRIZE MONEY (\$)
12-18 Feb	German Open	Munich	8	50,000
18-26 Feb	Leekes Welsh Classic	Cardiff	10	102,000
28 Feb-4 Mar	Spanish Open	Madrid	8	80,000
6-11 Mar	Austrian Open	Salzburg	9	30,000
13-18 Mar	Finnish Open	Helsinki	6	80,000
28 Mar-1 Apr	Monte Carlo Open	Monte Carlo	9	80,000
14-23 Apr	British Open	London	9	55,000*
7-11 Aug	Pakistan Open	Karachi	8	40,000*
21-26 Aug	New Zealand Open	Auckland	7	40,000*
28 Aug-2 Sept	Singapore Open	Singapore	7	51,000*
11-16 Sept	Hong Kong Open	Hong Kong	8	50,000*
17-21 Oct	U.S. Open	New York	8	

\*1989 Prize Money



The British Under 19 (men's) competition is being played this week. The first was held at the RAC in Pall Mall, London April 1926. The Cup is named after Dr Theodore Drysdale who led the event initiation but died of a mosquito bite going septic in late 1925. Here is the 1926 entry form: [England Squash](#)

*Draft Proof for Approval.*



**JUNIOR AMATEUR SQUASH RACQUETS CHAMPIONSHIP**  
FOR  
**The "Drysdale" Cup**  
*(Presented by Members of the Royal Automobile Club in Memory of the late Dr. T. Drysdale.)*

**RULES**

- 1.—The Championship will be played in the Courts of the Royal Automobile Club during the week commencing 19th April, 1926.
- 2.—The Cup will be held for one year. A replica will be given annually to the winner.
- 3.—The Competition is open to Amateurs who have not attained the age of 19 years prior to the 1st January, 1926.
- 4.—The Rules governing the Competition will be the same as those governing the Annual Squash Racquets Amateur Championship.
- 5.—Entries must be made in writing to The Secretary, Royal Automobile Club, Pall Mall, S.W.1., enclosing 2/6 to cover cost of balls, etc. The entry list will close after the first post on Wednesday, 31st March.
- 6.—The Competition will be organised and conducted by the Squash Racquets Committee of the Royal Automobile Club, and the ruling of that Committee on any point that may arise shall be final.
- 7.—The Competition will be limited to 64 competitors. In the event of more than that number of entries being received, the Committee will decide which entrants shall compete. The entrance fees of those not accepted will be returned.
- 8.—A ticket will be sent to each Competitor. On presentation of this ticket at the Royal Automobile Club, competitors will be allowed to book a Court for practice during the mornings of the week prior to the competition.

F. P. ARMSTRONG,  
Secretary.  
17th February, 1926.

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**JUNIOR AMATEUR SQUASH RACQUETS CHAMPIONSHIP**  
FOR  
**THE "DRYSDALE" CUP**  
*(Presented by Members of the Royal Automobile Club in Memory of the late Dr. T. Drysdale.)*

**ENTRY FORM.**  
(Entry Fee 2/6)

Entrant's Name in full \_\_\_\_\_  
Age (prior to 1st January, 1926) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to abide by the Rules governing the above Championship.

Late news! Here are the Army Championship of India results. G.W. Blake narrowly failing to retain his title in 1930. Now you know! [Squash Rackets Federation of India](#)

**1929 ... G.W. Blake (Hodson's Horse) bt Capt F.A. Sampson (Royal Fusiliers) 9-6, 9-4, 8-10, 7-9, 9-7.**  
**1930 ... Sirdar Mohinder Singh Wadalia (19<sup>th</sup> Hyderabad Regiment) bt G.W. Blake (Hodson's Horse) 9-4, 9-2, 8-10, 7-9, 10-8.**



**Squash Library**  
13 July at 07:34

Today (15 July) in 2004, the first Papua New Guinea Men's Open alongside an Oceania Open began at the Port Moresby Squash Club. After a 91m final Mohd Azlan Iskandar (MAS, pic) was the 15-11 13-15 15-6 12-15 15-9 winner over Cameron Pilleay (AUS). [PNG SQUASH Mohd Azlan Iskandar](#)

**TRUKAI SQUASH INTERNATIONAL**  
15th - 18th July, 2004  
Port Moresby Papua New Guinea

Incorporating  
PSA World Tour Event  
2004 PNG Open  
Inaugural Oceania Open

**Squash Library**  
8 July at 08:38

A bombshell was dropped in September 1971 with the announcement that Australians Geoff Hunt and Ken Hiscoe (left) had decided to turn professional. The Australian Federation had opposed a motion that amateur status be abolished that year – unsurprisingly as Hunt & Hiscoe had been two of the three players who had won the first three World Team Championships (1967, 69, 71) and Hunt had won the three accompanying world individual titles. A quote at the time: 'Geoff Hunt is young enough to make a big killing from the professional game and then to return to his profession as a scientific chemist, but for Ken Hiscoe it is much more of a gamble. He is by now past his best....' [Squash - PSA World Tour Squash Australia](#)

**Squash Library**  
12 July at 08:49

In September 1978 the first Peru Open was played at Club Lawn Tennis de la Exposicion in Lima, Peru. It was played on a league basis leading to English players taking top spots ahead of Swede Peter Bostrom and home players Gustavo Rubio, Francisco Calmet and Harry Stewart. The final playoffs: [Federación Peruana de Squash](#)

John Roe bt Richard Le Lievre 9-4, 6-9, 9-4, 9-3;  
Paul Wright bt Peter Bostrom 9-5, 5-9, 9-6, 7-9, 9-7;  
Roe bt Bostrom 9-4, 6-9, 9-4, 9-5;  
Le Lievre bt Wright 9-6, 6-9, 6-9, 9-7, 10-8;  
Le Lievre bt Bostrom 9-6, 9-5, 9-4;  
Roe bt Wright 9-6, 9-4, 9-2.

Final places:  
1 Roe (pic); 2 Le Lievre; 3 Wright; 4 Bostrom.

**Squash Library**  
7 July at 08:34

In 1987 the InterCity National Squash Challenge in Great Britain entered the Guinness Book of Records as the world's largest participation event, with an entry of 8,900. Sponsored by the national rail service, in 1988 the event expanded to 18 categories (see pic), and recorded an entry of close to 10,000. The finals were played alongside the British Nationals (with players receiving free rail travel to reach the event in Bristol, naturally!)

**REGULATIONS**

Competitors may only enter for one event.  
Eligibility: Please note that players of all standards are welcome to enter all events except:  
- The 'Pullman' Challenge: Trophy events A,B,C,D are restricted to players who have not played for a country or been listed in the men's or women's National top 20 within five years of the closing date of entries.  
- The '125' Challenge: Trophy events E,G,H are open only to players who have not played for a club team in any recognised county league up to the closing date for entries.

There is no entry fee.  
All matches must be played on the mainland of England, Scotland or Wales with the exception of Irish entries who will play early rounds in Ireland. All later rounds will be played on the mainland of England, Scotland or Wales.

Entries close on 12 January 1988. Late entries cannot be accepted.  
InterCity will provide rail tickets for competitors competing in the National Quarter Finals, Semi-Finals and Finals and travel for Ireland for Irish section winners. There will be no reimbursement of expenses for other rounds.  
Full regulations will be sent to entrants.

MEN		WOMEN	
A	Open 'Pullman' Challenge	B	Open 'Pullman' Challenge
C	Over 35 'Pullman' Challenge	D	Over 35 'Pullman' Challenge

**IMPORTANT**  
Pullman Categories are open to County and Club team players.

E	Open '125' Challenge	F	Open '125' Challenge
G	Over 35 '125' Challenge	H	Over 35 '125' Challenge

'125' Categories are ONLY open to players who have NEVER represented their Club team in a County or Metropolitan league.

I	Over 40 Challenge	K	Veteran Challenge (Over 40)
J	Veteran Challenge (Over 45)	L	Vintage Challenge (Over 55)
M	Schoolboy Challenge	N	Schoolgirl Challenge
O	Student Challenge	P	Student Challenge
Q	British Rail Staff Challenge	R	British Rail Staff Challenge

N.B. A player's age is taken as that on the 11th January 1988.  
School Category entrants must be under 18.  
The Student Categories are open to full time students in further or higher education on 11th January 1988. Students need not be continuing their studies at the end of the 1987/88 academic year.  
The 88 Staff categories are open to all holders of a British Rail Staff Pass. Entries close on Monday 11th January 1988 and should be sent to: InterCity National Squash Challenge, Friends House, Friends Street, London SW1P 1DE.  
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**Squash Library**  
9 July at 08:44

The 1989 Annual of the Spanish Squash Federation featured their national rankings at the time of publication in February 1990. Here are the top twenties.

[REAL FEDERACIÓN ESPAÑOLA DE SQUASH](#)

Ranking 1990 Masculino 1.ª Categoría 1 febrero					Ranking 1990 Femenino 1.ª Categoría 1 febrero						
Clasificación	Nombre	Apellidos	Puntos	N. Torneos	Media	Clasificación	Nombre	Apellidos	Puntos	N. Torneos	Media
1	Agustín	Adarbez	3294 (21)	8	187,5	1	Lali	Valls	942	5	138
2	Alonso	Correa	1500	10	124,5	2	Elisa	Sánchez	725,5	6	122
3	Alonso	Melo	1315	10	111,6	3	Nuria	Saiz	439	5	87,8
4	Alonso	Manríquez	1130	11	102,7	4	Lidia	Pena	725	6	101,6
5	Alonso	Torres	950	11	86,4	5	Nahula	Barr	390	5	78
6	Alonso	Machado	900	12	75,0	6	Sofía	García	305	5	61
7	Alonso	Pérez	830	10	83,0	7	Patricia	Vila	497,5	10	49,75
8	Xavier	Adarbez	845	11	76,8	8	Angela	Tomas	298	5	59,6
9	Alonso	Lopez	856	12	71,3	9	Angela	Ripoll	205,5	6	34,3
10	Alonso	Riera	817,5	12	68,1	10	Marta	García	480	11	43,6
11	Alonso	Riera	856	13	65,8	11	Aurorita	Zamora	207	5	41,4
12	Alonso	Bonnes	820,5	16	51,3	12	Nuria	Morales	272,5	8	34,1
13	Alonso	Pérez	354	6	59	13	Marta	Tomasella	147,5	8	18,4
14	Alonso	Serra	724,5	15	48,3	14	Nuria	Ledesma	202,5	10	20,3
15	Alonso	Pérez	350	10	35,0	15	Marta	Cosme	140	2	28
16	Alonso	Blanco	442	12	36,8	16	Isabel	Olivera	85	4	21
17	Alonso	Marín	497,5	15	33,2	17	Olivia	Alonso	72,5	3	24,2
18	Alonso	Marín	361	11	32,8	18	Olivia	Gilbert	57,2	2	28,6
19	Alonso	López	282,5	9	31,4	19	Olivia	Gilbert	57,2	2	28,6
20	Alonso	Berjo	388	13	29,8	20	Alivia	Torres	30	1	30



This article signaled the start of the Harp Lager Championships which ran very successfully in UK for eight years from 1969. While it did not reach the projected numbers a follow up event did. Details of that one tomorrow!

**A MAMMOTH SQUASH TOURNAMENT FOR 8,000 PLAYERS!** (April 1969)

That is the hope of Harp Lager who are planning to run a nationwide event which will take the whole season to get through. While this may pose nightmare problems for the organisers, it should prove enjoyable for the players who will get the opportunity of meeting new opponents — it is surprising how many have their own opponent against whom they play week in and week out. A tournament of this size depends on co-operation from the players such as quickly reporting the results of their matches. It is understood that the country will be divided into 16 areas. Given a full entry of 8,000 this would result in 500 players per area, but unless a limit is enforced on the entry from the more populated parts of the country it would be reasonable to expect an entry in excess of that figure in, say, the South-Eastern area. An entry of 500 would mean nine rounds to find the area winners and with three weeks between the completion of each round this would take up over 6 months — and then the 16 winners have to fight it out!

**Play it Cool  
Have a Harp.**



Harp National Squash Rackets Tournament 1970-71

But whatever the difficulties entailed, the conception is a fine one which can do nothing but good for the game. It is hoped that appropriate coverage of the tournament will be forthcoming both from the national as well as the local press. There are still a large number of people in the country whose knowledge of squash is confined to a soft drink and it would only be reasonable to express the hope that at the end of this tournament more people will know about the game — and also about Harp Lager.

Who will enter the tournament? At present it is the idea of the organisers that anyone can enter including the country's leading amateurs. It is felt that this would be a mistake. This should be an event for the club player, not for the international player and a large number of moderate performers would be scared out of entering if they thought that there was a chance of meeting swift ignominious extermination at the hands of an international or even a leading county player. If then this is to be a tournament for the moderate performer, he should be encouraged by having the tournament to himself. In other sports similar events have been the means of bringing to light unknown but talented players who have gone on from success in this type of event to win the highest honours in the game.

Harp Lager is to be congratulated on being the first company to sponsor a really worthwhile squash event which will mean a great deal to the game.

The 1994 Mahindra Challenge in Mumbai, India, the first PSA Super Series to be played on an outside court, featured upsets by Hansi Weins (GER) and Federico Usandizaga (ARG). The Martin brothers and Rodney Eyles (AUS), Peter Marshall (ENG) and others are featured. See the official video at [www.youtube.com/channel/UCJFo-3pCw5gTEQSU034TQnQ](http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJFo-3pCw5gTEQSU034TQnQ) on the Library YouTube Channel. Squash - PSA World Tour Squash Rackets Federation of India



In August 1955 South Africa hosted a British touring team for the first time, and beat the visitors! The home team won at altitude in the first test, the visitors levelled back at sea level, before South Africa edged the last two. The details:

- 1st Test at Johannesburg, 20 Aug 1955, RSA 4 – GB 1. Brian Callaghan bt Norman Borrett 3-1, Dennis Callaghan bt Alan Seymour-Haydon 3-0, bt Roger Jarvis lt Ian De Sales la Terriere 2-3, A. B. Barnes bt Brian Phillips 3-2, Cecil Kaplan beat Mike Perkins 3-2.
- 2nd Test at Durban, 26 Aug 1955, RSA 1 – GB 4. B. Callaghan bt Borrett 3-0, D Callaghan lt De Sales la Terriere 2-3, Jarvis lt Seymour-Haydon 1-3, Barnes lt Phillips 0-3, Kaplan lt Perkins 2-3.
- 3rd Test at Cape Town, 3 Sept 1955, RSA 3 – GB 2  
B. Callaghan bt De Sales la Terriere 3 – 1, D Callaghan bt Borrett 3-0, Jarvis lt Seymour-Haydon 1-3, Barnes bt Phillips 3-0, Kaplan lt Perkins 1-3.
- 4th Test at Johannesburg, 16 Sept 1955, RSA 3 – GB 2  
D. Callaghan bt De Sales la Terriere 3 – 1, B. Callaghan lt Seymour-Haydon 2-3, Jarvis lt Borrett 1-3, Barnes bt Dick Hawkey 3-2, Kaplan bt Perkins 3-0. [Squash South Africa](#)



The Victorious S. African Team. Back row, left, A. B. Barnes, right, C. Kaplan. Front row, left, D. Callaghan, B. Callaghan, R. K. Jarvis  
The British Team arriving at Durban. L to R: M. J. Perkins, A. A. T. Seymour-Haydon, B. C. Phillips, N. F. Borrett (Captain), R. B. Hoadley, I. C. de Sales la Terriere

The February 2016 PSA Women's Rankings saw Australian Rachael Grinham end a remarkable 223 month unbroken run in the Women's Top Twenty according to her <http://squashinfo.com> profile. The then 39 year old Grinham included 16 months in the number one spot during 2004 / 5 and her winning the World Open in 2007. A sparkling span of nearly 20 years from July 1997. [Rachael GrinhamSquash - PSA World TourSquash Australia](#)



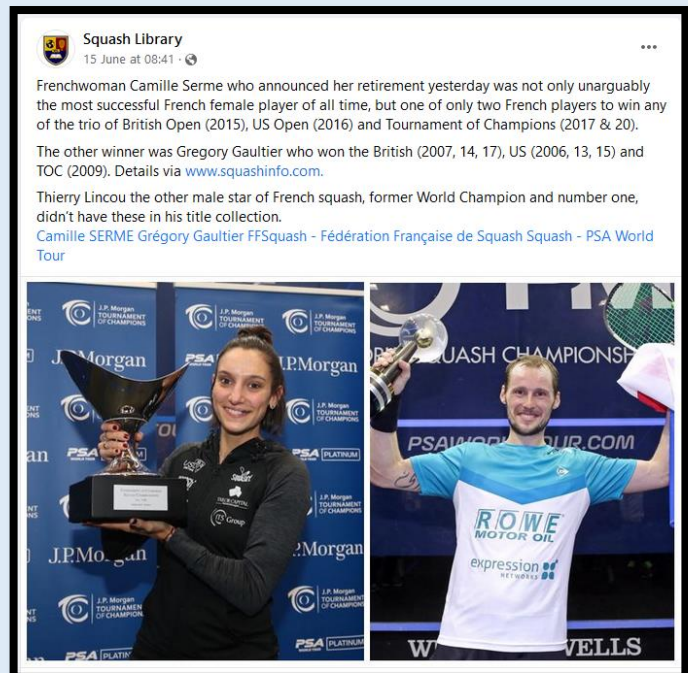
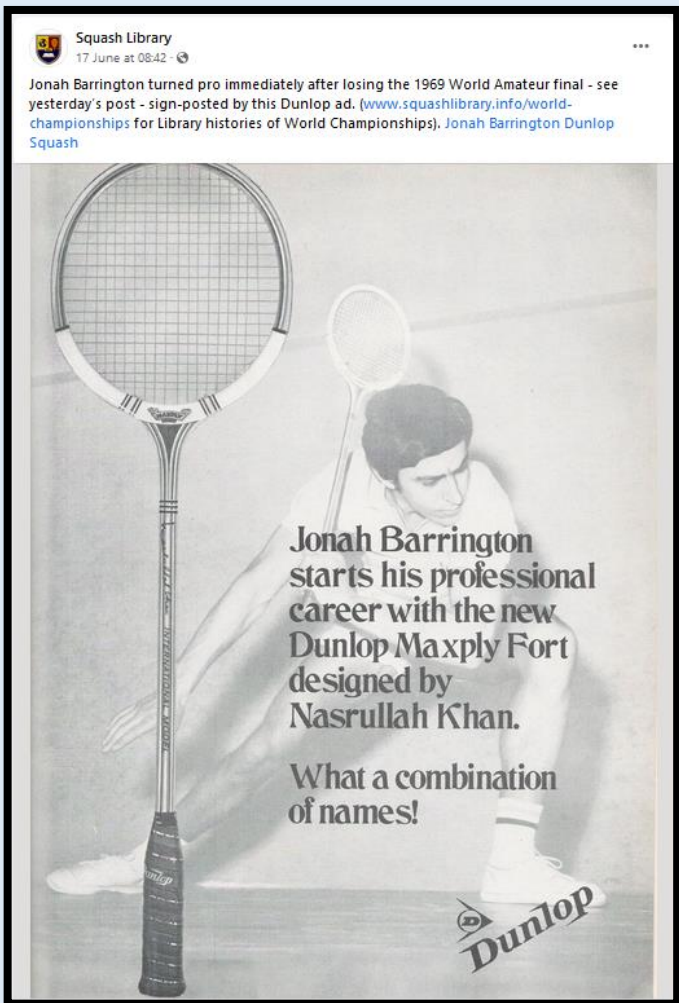
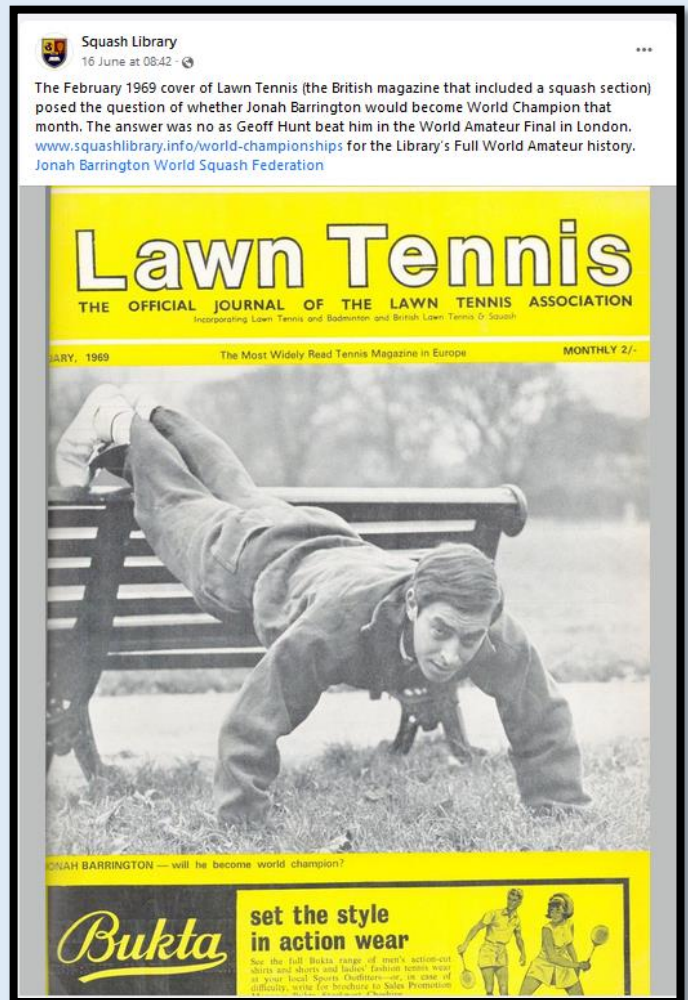
Photo courtesy Steve Line.

Some of the Tour Finals venues before this week have been stunning. Here is a reminder. ([www.squashlibrary.info/features](http://www.squashlibrary.info/features) for the full Library history of names, dates, venues and finals results). Squash - PSA World Tour

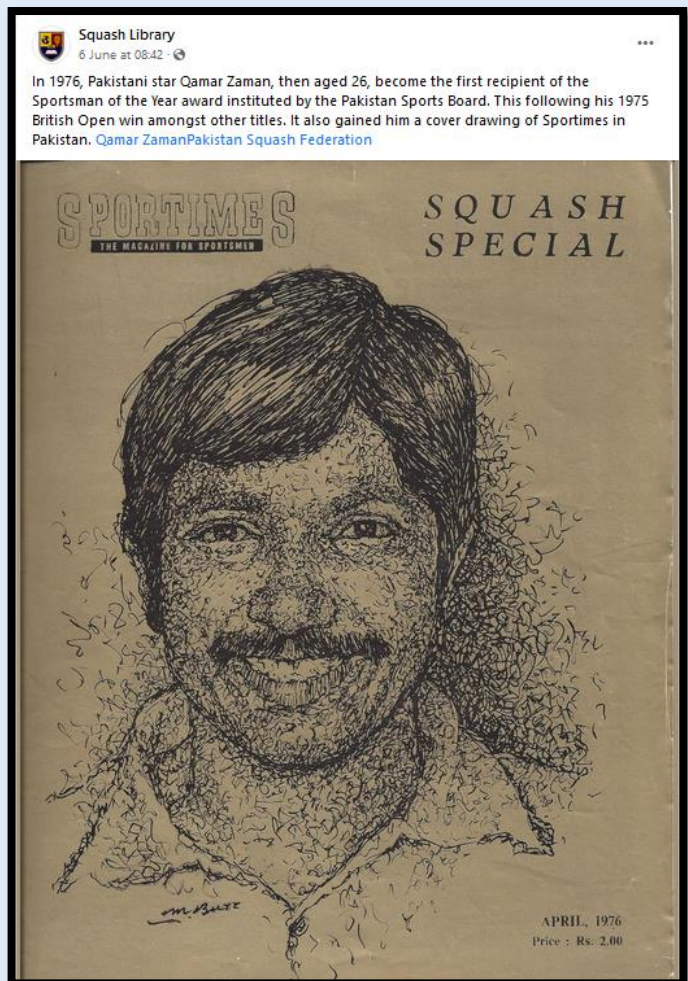
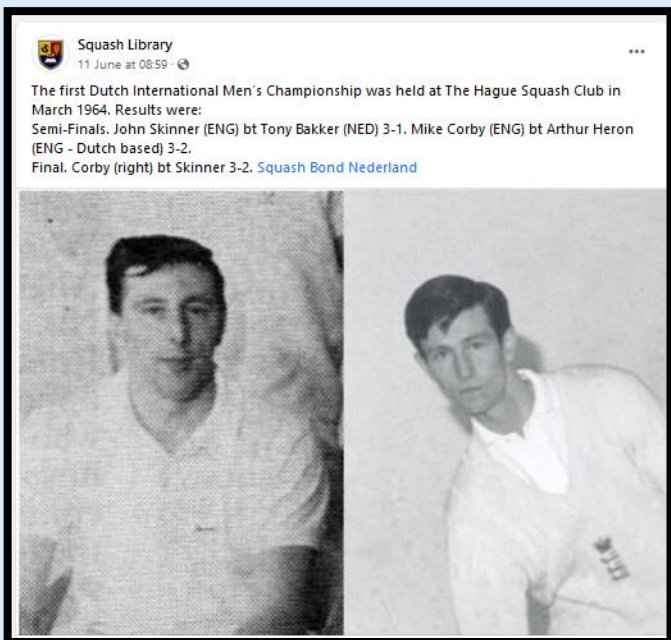
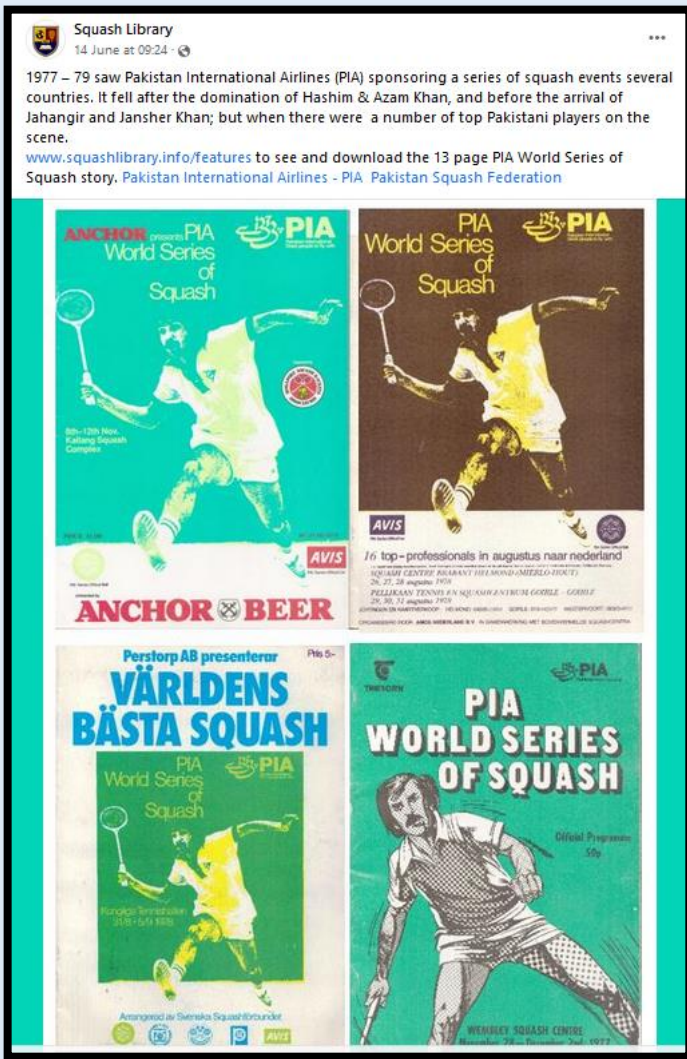


Clockwise from top left: Broadspans, Galleria, Dubai Opera, Cairo, Hurgada, Queens. Most photos courtesy Steve Line.











Today marks the start of the 10th Resistencia Open at the Regatas Club in Argentina, which was first played in June 2011. Jan Koukal was the first winner, beating Rafael Alarcon 11-8, 11-6, 10-12, 10-12, 11-7 in the final (pic), with all the finalists so far listed here. Club de Regatas Resistencia Asociación Argentina de Squash Rackets Squash - PSA World Tour Jan Koukal

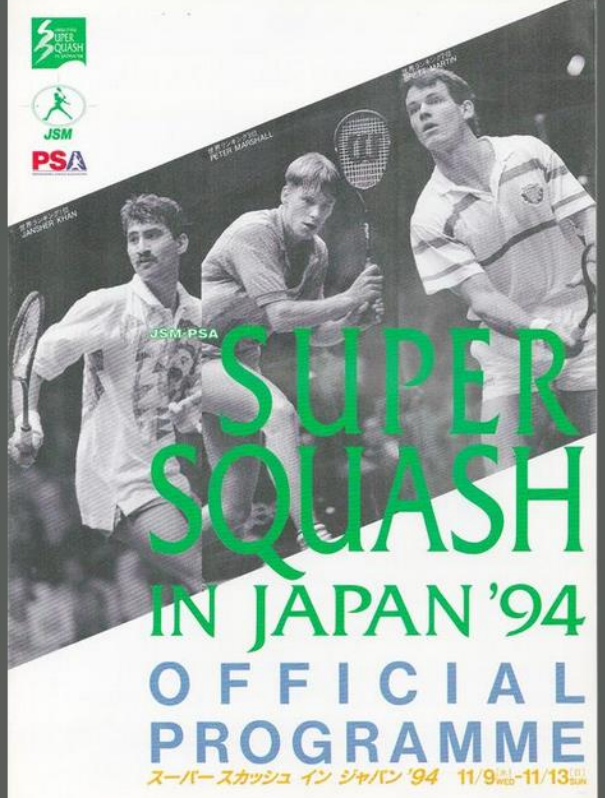


Resistencia Open	
<b>Winner</b>	<b>Runner Up</b>
2019 Leonel Cardenas (MEX)	Robertino Pezzota (ARG)
2018 Mostafa Asal (EGY)	Dimitri Steinmann (SUI)
2017 Robertino Pezzota (ARG)	Christopher Gordon (USA)
2016 Arturo Salazar (MEX)	Christopher Gordon (USA)
2015 Shawn Delierre (CAN)	Leandro Romiglio (ARG)
2014 Diego Elias (PER)	Leandro Romiglio (ARG)
2013 Matthew Karwalski (AUS)	Jaymie Haycocks (ENG)
2012 Andrew Shoukry (EGY)	Jan Koukal (CZE)
2011 Jan Koukal (CZE)	Rafael Alarcon (BRA)

The El Gouna International dramatic outside event taking place in Egypt now is the 10th edition. It began in 2010 with Karim Darwish beating Ramy Ashour 16-14 11-3 5-1 ret. in an all-Egyptian final (pic below). A women's draw was added in 2018 where Raneem El Welily (pic) beat Nour El Sherbini in another all-home final 5-11 11-8 11-3 14-12. El Gouna Squash Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش - PSA World Tour Ramy Ashour Karim Darwish Raneem El Welily Nour el Sherbini sherbini



The Dynam Cup PSA SQ-Cube Open begins in Japan today. So timely to remember a time when the JSM Supersquash in Japan started with a top Women's event in 1993, add a men's in 1994 before moving on to the hosting the then world's largest prize fund when they joined together in 1995 (\$200,000). Japan Squash Association Squash - PSA World Tour



In 1995 A Grand Prix Series featuring 18 events across USA developed by Squash News Magazine took place. It included the Rolex US Open. Primarily Men's and Amateur events, it was an early attempt to link together events into a series.

Rolex presents the 1995

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June 9-11	\$6,000 LOS ANGELES OPEN
June 19-20	\$5,000 SAN FRANCISCO OPEN
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July 11-14	\$7,000 SQUASH INN OPEN
July 19-21	\$4,000 ALBUQUERQUE OPEN
July 25-30	\$5,000 OKLAHOMA CITY OPEN
August 4-6	\$6,000 LAKESHORE SQUASH CLASSIC
September 14-17	\$2,000 FLAGSHIP SQUASH CLASSIC
September 28	\$10,000 SANTA BARBARA OPEN
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October 4-6	\$10,000 PITTSBURGH OPEN
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In July 1978 the players competing for the Pakistan Under 19 Championship were particularly interesting. Jahangir Khan, centre, won, with holder Jamshed Gul runner up (right), left is third placed Sohail Qaiser. Here are the seeds, with ages and family connections added:

1. Jahangir Khan, 14. (son of Roshan Khan and brother of Torsam Khan).
2. Zahir Husain, 17. (Roshan Khan's nephew).
3. Sohail Qaiser, 14. (Gogi Alauddin's nephew).
4. Jamshed Gul, 15. (brother of Fahim & Rahim Gul).
5. Hassan Khan, 17 (another son of Roshan Khan).
6. Umar Hayat Khan, 14 (Umar Draz's son).
7. Maqbool Shah, 17. (Mohibullah Snr's brother), 17.
8. Izhar Ul Haq, 17.



While the Tournament of Champions was called World Professional, in 1985 the ticket flyer included these player North American profiles, one of which was current TOC promoter John Nimick. Tournament of Champions US SQUASH Squash - PSA World Tour

Fleischmann's 1985 World Professional Squash Championships

**1984/85 WPSA Tour Players**

**DEFENDING CHAMPION AND 1984 WPSA PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

**JAHANGIR KHAN (Pakistan) 1984**  
Fleischmann's World Professional Championships - PSA WPSA Player of the Year - holder of a 10 month long winning streak - three times World School Champion - three times British Open Champion.

**TALBOTT WINS 1984 BOSTON OPENS**  
Also had been the 1984 winner Mark Talbott defeated Jahangir Khan to win the 1984 WPSA Tour Open Boston Open, 15-12, 15-11, 15-11, 15-14. The event was played on the open WPSA Tour Court and the final was played in front of the largest first audience ever to attend a squash tournament in North America, 700 people. WPSA issues the first US squash broadcast on the final.

**JOHN NIMICK (U.S.A.) 1983 WPSA "Back of the Year" - 1983 Canadian and United States National Amateur Champion - United States Men's Open and U.S. Elite Doubles.**

**TOM PAGE (U.S.A.) 1984 Texas Doubles winner with Michael Pavesi - repeat performance included appearance in final as doubles and semi-finals at Detroit and Montreal tour events - United States Cup, U.S. Open and U.S. Elite Doubles.**

**SHARIF KHAN (Canada) Ranked No. 1 in 14 consecutive years (1982-95) - 13 North American Open titles - 23 years in the final - one-time WPSA Champion - seven-time British Open Champion - four-time China Regat Champion.**

**AZZE KHAN (Canada) Winner with Larry Heath in 1984 Texas Doubles Championship - one-time runner for past two years - quarter doubles 1984 Fleischmann's WPSA Championships - 1984 semi-finalist in Montreal and quarter finalist in Detroit.**

**CLIVE CALDWELL (Canada) 1984 World Professional Squash Association "Man of the Year" - WPSA U. Champion in 1980 and 1982 - finalist in 1981 - finalist, 1983 China Regat Open, Bournemouth, England - semi-finalist in eight 1983 US WPSA Tour events.**

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The Bermuda Open being played this week at the Bermuda Squash Devonshire facility began as an invitational for North American softballers, the first editions being won by Ned Kelly (USA) and home player Bridget Marshall. Here are the earlier winners: [Bermuda Squash Racquets Association](#).



The programme for the second Cathay Pacific Hong Kong Open in 1986, rounded up the details of the inaugural event in 1985, won by England's Philip Kenyon over Steve Bowditch from Australia. It is reproduced here. [Hong Kong Squash](#)

## England's Kenyon Scoops First Hong Kong Open Title

by Alan Robinson

Englishman Phil Kenyon emerged champion of Hong Kong's first major international squash event last year, when he downed Steve Bowditch of Australia in a hard-hitting final at the Island School Squash Rackets Club on September 15.

After powering to a 9-3 win in the opening game, Kenyon dropped the second 6-9 to the determined Australian, but kept his composure to go on and clinch a 3-1 victory by taking the next two games 9-3, 9-7.

The inaugural Cathay Pacific Hong Kong Open attracted a high-powered list of world ranked players, including seventeen ranked in the top thirty. The result was a fiercely competitive event, with even recognised players having to battle their way through the qualifiers to gain entry to the lucrative main draw.

With the Open taking place in September, at the start of the world circuit season, surprises were always on the cards, as competitors were keen to make an early mark on the world rankings list. That meant plenty of high tension squash, and no shortage of incidents and upsets.

Both winner Kenyon, seeded 8, and runner-up Steve Bowditch, seeded 11, belied their seedings and world rankings with well-earned wins against higher ranked players.

Kenyon had enjoyed a smooth semi-final passage over 6th seeded Jan-Ulf Soderberg, taking the match 9-5, 9-1, 9-5, although the Swede had looked very sharp and fit in previous games. But previously Kenyon needed all his talent in his quarter-final match against tournament favourite Maqsood Ahmed of Pakistan, seeded 2nd.

Going into the match as underdog, Kenyon produced a brilliant mixture of power and disguise to master the touch and speed of Ahmed, winning a see-saw match 9-2, 4-9, 9-7, 5-9, 9-0.

Bowditch had to use his fighting qualities as well as his amazing array of shots to reach the final. Twice he came back from a two game deficit to win matches.

Against fellow Australian Dean Williams, a real crowd pleaser with his entertaining style who looked in good form as he took a two game advantage in the semi-final, Bowditch staged a remarkable comeback.

His touch returned and Williams ran out of steam, the final score being 3-9, 6-9, 9-5, 9-1, 9-0.



Kenyon (left) faces Bowditch in last year's final.

Earlier, Bowditch had beaten unseeded Danny Lee, the conqueror of top seed Qamar Zaman in the previous round, and another Australian Glen Brumby, 5th seed, 5-9, 1-9, 9-7, 9-2, 10-8.

In other memorable episodes Singapore's Peter Hill posted a magnificent win over 10th seeded Jamie Hickox of England, winning 3-1 after being a game and 1-6 down. Chris Robertson, unseeded but World Junior Champion, had an excellent 3-0 win over 4th seed Gamal Awad of Egypt.

Dean Williams produced some unforgettable plays in winning the third-place play-off. He played "exhibition squash" which had the gallery enthralled and gasping in disbelief. Soderberg, scratching his head at times, nonetheless contributed fully to a match which everyone wished could go on all night.

Soderberg, heading a strong Swedish contingent, looked very fit and fast about the court, retrieving seemingly impossible shots time and time again.

Kent Li of Hongkong, twice local champion, made history by becoming the first Hongkong player to take a game from a world ranked player, before losing to Bowditch 3-1.

For the local officials and organisers the event proved a valuable experience, and much important groundwork was laid for this year and the future, when we can confidently expect to see world class squash on a regular basis in Hong Kong.



The Tournament Of Champions, taking place for the 24th time at New York's Grand Central and 87th time overall, began in 1930 as the US Professional Championship. It then changed name to the North American Professional before a stint as World Professional. It was in 1992 that fourth and current title was adopted. [Tournament of Champions Squash - PSA World Tour](#)



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15 April at 08:50 · 🌐



In 1949 the New Haven Lawn Club in Connecticut USA hosted the first Women's New England Championship, which was held in conjunction with the Wolfe Noel Cup (Cup details at: [www.squashlibrary.info/post/wolfe-noel-challenge-cup](http://www.squashlibrary.info/post/wolfe-noel-challenge-cup)). Dinner Dance included for \$4! Here is the announcement: [New Haven Lawn Club US SQUASH](#)

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Dinner served from 8 to 9 P. M. only

Dancing from 8 to 1 A. M.

Tariff \$4 per person



Squash Library  
13 April at 08:31 · 🌐



This week's Canadian Open was first played in 1957, before being amalgamated with the US Open in 1965. When it was revived for first time in April 1986 at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre a Women's event was played alongside the Men's for the first time. [Squash CanadaSquash - PSA World Tour](#)



**XEROX CANADIAN OPEN**  
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**PRO TOUR PROGRAM**



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12 April at 08:26 · 🌐



In 1981 while points were still only won on serve, to speed up scoring and provide defined length matches for broadcast, a Supasquash format was devised by promoter Mike Palmer of Multisquash.

Each single game lasted 20 minutes of continuous play, using point-a-rally (PAR).

See details of the events at: [www.squashlibrary.info/features](http://www.squashlibrary.info/features)

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Squash Library

11 April at 08:27 · 🌐



Today in 1951 (11.04.51), Pakistani star Qamar Zaman celebrates his birthday. Born in Quetta, the 'magician', so often in the shadow of Geoff Hunt would have done more than win his many international titles including the British Open in 1975 had the Australian not had the edge.

His stroke-making mesmerised his opponents, his impish humour entertaining crowds; and he can look to four World Open Runner up slots, and being a three time Pakistan squad World Men's Team Championship winner. (Pic: Hunt v Zaman, British Open final 1979) [Qamar Zaman](#) [Pakistan Squash Federation](#)



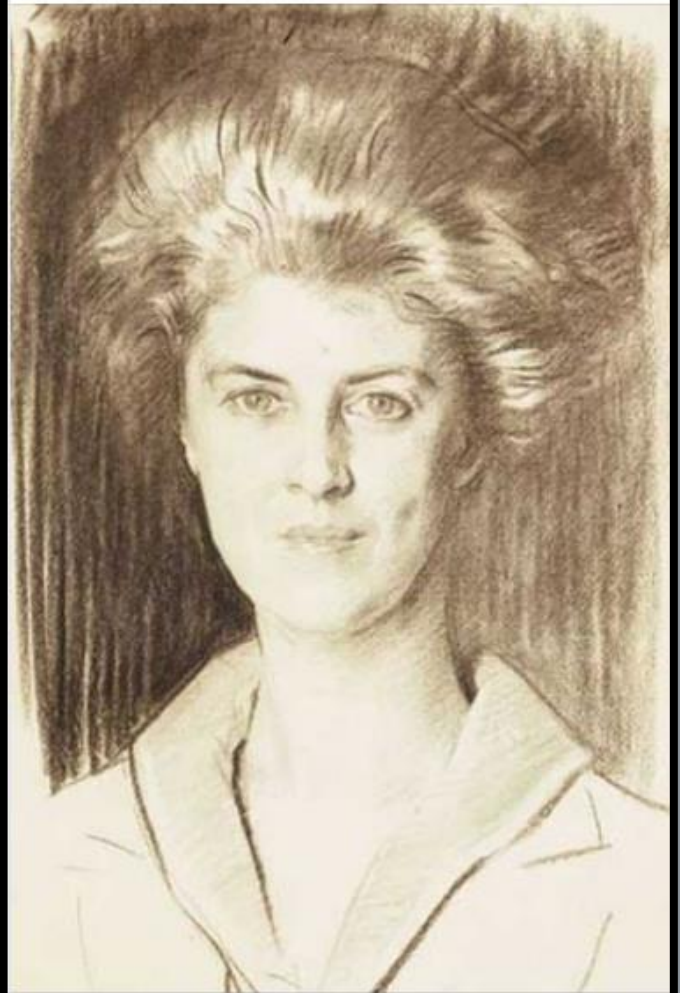
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16 March at 08:37 · 🌐



On this day 54 years ago (16.03.68) Eleonora Sears died. She had become the first US Women's squash champion, at the age of 46 in 1928. She did so having been involved in the formation of the United States Women's Squash Racquets Association that year. She also captained early Wolfe Noel international matches ([www.squashlibrary.info/post/wolfe-noel-challenge-cup](http://www.squashlibrary.info/post/wolfe-noel-challenge-cup)) in its early years.

Thought to be one of the greatest all-round sportswomen of her era, her achievements included being inducted into the US Tennis Hall of Fame. [US SQUASH](#)



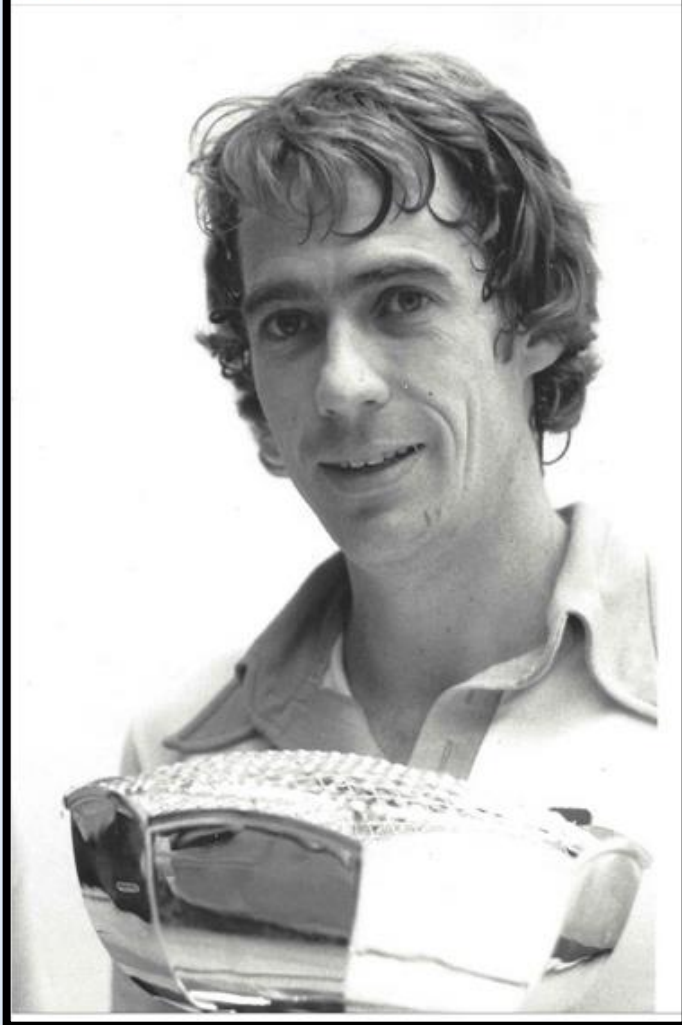




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11 March at 08:34 · 🌐



Geoff Hunt, winner of the first World Open in 1976 (and the next three too), celebrates his 75th birthday today (11.03.2022). The Australian dominated before Pakistani Jahangir Khan took up the mantle, winning eight British Open titles. (Full World & British Open histories at [www.squashlibrary.info](http://www.squashlibrary.info) in the CHAMPIONSHIPS section).

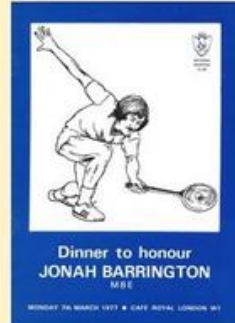


Squash Library  
7 March at 08:31 · 🌐



45 years ago today (7 March 1977) the National Sporting Club in London held a dinner to honour the career of Jonah Barrington. It was greatly deserved, as not only had he won six British Open titles, but through his strength of personality he had single-handedly led the growth of the sport at the time and since. (Oddly, the commemorative ashtrays enabled guests to stub their cigarettes on his face!).

[Jonah Barrington](#)



Squash Library  
5 March at 08:41 · 🌐



Finally for this batch of lists generated by [SquashInfo.com](http://SquashInfo.com) provided for Squash Player Magazine is an order of all-time Tour wins by nation up to the time of publication at the end of 2021. [Squash Player Magazine](#) Squash - PSA World Tour Squash Racquets Association of Malaysia Squash New Zealand FF Squash - Fédération Française de Squash Pakistan Squash Federation Squash Australia Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش England Squash

### TOP FIVE NATIONS

(totalling all-time Tour title winners):

#### MEN

- 1 England **463**
- 2 Egypt **425**
- 3 Australia **356**
- 4 Pakistan **279**
- 5 France **169**

#### WOMEN

- 1 England **324**
- 2 Australia **309**
- 3 Egypt **192**
- 4 New Zealand **156**
- 5 Malaysia **145**





### Squash Library

4 March at 08:39



After yesterday's oldest winners, Here is a listing of youngest Tour event winners – dominated by Egyptian juniors - generated by SquashInfo.com provided for Squash Player Magazine recently. Squash - PSA World TourSquash Player MagazineEgyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواشPakistan Squash Federation

#### YOUNGEST TOUR EVENT WINNERS

##### MEN

- 1 **Ahmed Barada** (EGY): Al Mannai Open champion in June 1993, **16y, 1m**
- 2 **Amr Khaled Khalifa** (EGY) Palestria In Forma Open champion in Feb 2009, **16y, 2m**
- 3 **Mohamed Abouelghar** (EGY) Royal Jordanian Open champion in Mar 2010, **16, 5m**
- 4= **Jahangir Khan** (PAK) Pakistan Open in Nov 1980 **16y, 11m**
- 4= **Mostafa Asal** (EGY) Mar del Plata Open in May 2018 **16y, 11m**

##### WOMEN

- 1 **Habiba Mohamed** (EGY): Malaysian Tour Grand Final in November 2013, **14y, 5m**
- 2 **Hania El Hammamy** (EGY) Geneva Open champion in 2015, **14y, 6m**
- 3 **Nour El Sherbini** (EGY) Heliopolis Open champion in Sep 2010, **14y, 10m**
- 4= **Yathreb Adel** (EGY) Swiss Open champion in Mar 2011, **15y, 0m**
- 4= **Fayrouz Aboelkheir** (EGY) Egyptian Challenger Tour champion in Mar 2021, **15y, 0m**



L to R: Barada, Hammamy, Khalifa, Mohamed. Photos courtesy Steve Line.



### Squash Library

3 March at 08:19



Today's listing generated by SquashInfo.com provided for Squash Player Magazine recently is of the oldest international event winners, (updated to Feb 2022). Squash Player MagazineSquash - PSA World Tour

##### MEN

- 1 **Hashim Khan** (PAK): British Open champion March 1958, **43y, 8m**
- 2 **Mike Corren** (AUS): Golden Open champion in June 2017, **43y, 3m**
- 3 **Olli Tuominen** (FIN): Subbotnik Open champion in Mar 2019, **39y, 11m**
- 4 **Stephane Galifi** (ITA): Sport Life Open champion in Dec 2016, **38y, 11m**
- 5 **Valeriy Fedoruk** (UKR): Moscow Tour champion in Sep 2021, **38y, 7m**

##### WOMEN

- 1 **Rachael Grinham** (AUS): North Coast Open champion in Feb 2022, **45y, 0m**
- 2 **Vicki Cardwell** (AUS): Head Satellite No3 champion in Aug 1996, **41y, 3m**
- 3 **Suzanne Horner** (ENG): Swiss Open champion in Mar 2003, **40y, 0m**
- 4 **Latasha Khan** (USA): Orange County Open champion in Sep 2012, **39y, 7m**
- 5 **Madeline Perry** (IRL): NT Open champion in May 2016, **39y, 3m**



L to R: Cardwell, Corren, Grinham, Hashim Khan. Colour photos courtesy Steve Line.



### Squash Library

2 March at 08:45



Starting today, here are some more lists generated by SquashInfo.com provided for Squash Player Magazine recently. This is a chart of the most Tour matches won in a row. Squash - PSA World TourEgyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواشSquash AustraliaSquash Racquets Association of MalaysiaSquash New Zealand

#### LONGEST UNBEATEN TOUR MATCH RUN

##### MEN

- 1 **Jahangir Khan** (PAK) **Uncertain**  
[April 1981-Nov 1986 (estimated 555)]
- 2 **Jansher Khan** (PAK) **76**
- 3 **Ramy Ashour** (EGY) **49**
- 4 **Geoff Hunt** (AUS) **45**
- 5 **Stewart Boswell** (AUS) **37**

##### WOMEN

- 1 **Heather McKay** (AUS) **Uncertain**  
[unbeaten 1962 to 1981]
- 2 **Sarah Fitz-Gerald** (AUS) **71**
- 3 **Nicol David** (MAS) **56**
- 4 **Leilani Joyce** (NZL) **39**
- 5= **Carol Owens/Susan Devoy** (NZL) **31**



L t R: Ashour, Joyce, Owens, Boswell. Photos courtesy Steve Line.



### Squash Library

19 February at 08:58



Finally this week in another list generated by SquashInfo.com, provided for Squash Player Magazine recently, the oldest World Champions are followed here by the youngest winners of the title. World Squash FederationSquash - PSA World TourPakistan Squash FederationEgyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواشSquash CanadaSquash New ZealandSquash Racquets Association of MalaysiaSquash Australia

##### MEN

- 1 **Jahangir Khan** (PAK) **17y, 11m** (Nov 1981)
- 2 **Jansher Khan** (PAK) **18y, 4m** (Oct 1987)
- 3 **Ramy Ashour** (EGY) **21y, 0m** (Oct 2008)
- 4 **Jonathon Power** (CAN) **24y, 3m** (Dec 1998)
- 5 **Amr Shabana** (EGY) **24y, 5m** (Dec 2003)

##### WOMEN

- 1 **Nour El Sherbini** (EGY) **20y, 5m** (Apr 2016)
- 2 **Susan Devoy** (NZL) **21y, 7m** (Aug 1985)
- 3 **Nicol David** (MAS) **22y, 3m** (Dec 2005)
- 4 **Rhonda Thorne** (AUS) **23y, 8m** (Oct 1981)
- 5 **Raneem El Welily** (EGY) **28y, 11m** (Dec 2017)



From left: Devoy, Jansher Khan, Jahangir Khan, Sherbini, Welily (Colour shots courtesy Steve Line)



### Squash Library

18 February at 08:31



Another list generated by SquashInfo.com, provided for Squash Player Magazine recently is the order of the oldest World Open Champions, all of which were over 30 when they won. Youngest Champions tomorrow. World Squash FederationSquash Squash - PSA World Tour

##### MEN (all 30+)

- 1 **Geoff Hunt** (AUS) **33y, 6m** (Oct 1980)
- 2 **Nick Matthew** (ENG) **33y, 3m** (Nov 2013)
- 3 **Gregory Gaultier** (FRA) **32y, 10m** (Nov 2015)
- 4 **Tarek Momen** (EGY) **31y, 8m** (Nov 2019)
- 5 **Amr Shabana** (EGY) **30y, 3m** (Nov 2009)
- 6 **David Palmer** (AUS) **30y, 2m** (Sep 2006)
- 7 **Rodney Eyles** (AUS) **30y, 1m** (Nov 1997)

##### WOMEN (all 30+)

- 1 **Heather McKay** (AUS) **37y, 7m** (Mar 1979)
- 2 **Sarah Fitz-Gerald** (AUS) **33y, 11m** (Nov 2002)
- 3 **Carol Owens** (NZL) **32y, 6m** (Dec 2003)
- 4 **Nicol David** (MAS) **31y, 3m** (Dec 2014)
- 5 **Rachael Grinham** (AUS) **30y, 9m** (Oct 2007)
- 6 **Laura Massaro** (ENG) **30y, 4m** (Mar 2014)



From left: Hunt, Fitz-Gerald, Matthew, McKay (Colour shots courtesy Steve Line)







**Squash Library**  
1 February at 08:49 · 🌐

Since South Africa's young male players started coming to UK in 1961/2 there have been 29 Knights Tours, each playing a large number of matches. The Library full listing of players and matches is at <https://www.squashlibrary.info/features>. A directory of the cream of South African players! [SA Knights Squash Rackets Club](#) [Squash South Africa](#)



**Squash Library**  
25 January at 08:34 · 🌐

20-22 January this year saw the first ever test matches between South Africa & Zambia. The three match series was held at the Wanderers Club in Johannesburg, resulting in a 3-0 win for the hosts. [Zambia Squash Association](#) [Squash South Africa](#)



Teams L to R: South Africa (left): Rodney Durbach (Coach/Man), Dewald van Niekerk, JP Brits, Christo Potgieter, Ruan Olivier. Zambia: Richard Twali (Coach/Man), Sam Siame, Ken Mwape, Mwansa Chileshe, Samuel Kabwe, Kundarji Kalengo, Kelvin Ndlovu.

**Squash Library**  
20 January at 08:34 · 🌐

In 2013, the US Open led the charge towards equal prize money for men and women at top level events, with a first equalisation that other 'majors' followed.

"It is a top priority for us to promote opportunities for girls and women to play squash," said Kevin Klipstein, CEO of U.S. Squash (pic). "Offering equal prize money is one way we are able to help more female squash players compete at the highest level and to their full potential." [US SQUASH](#) [Squash - PSA World Tour](#) [World Squash Federation](#)




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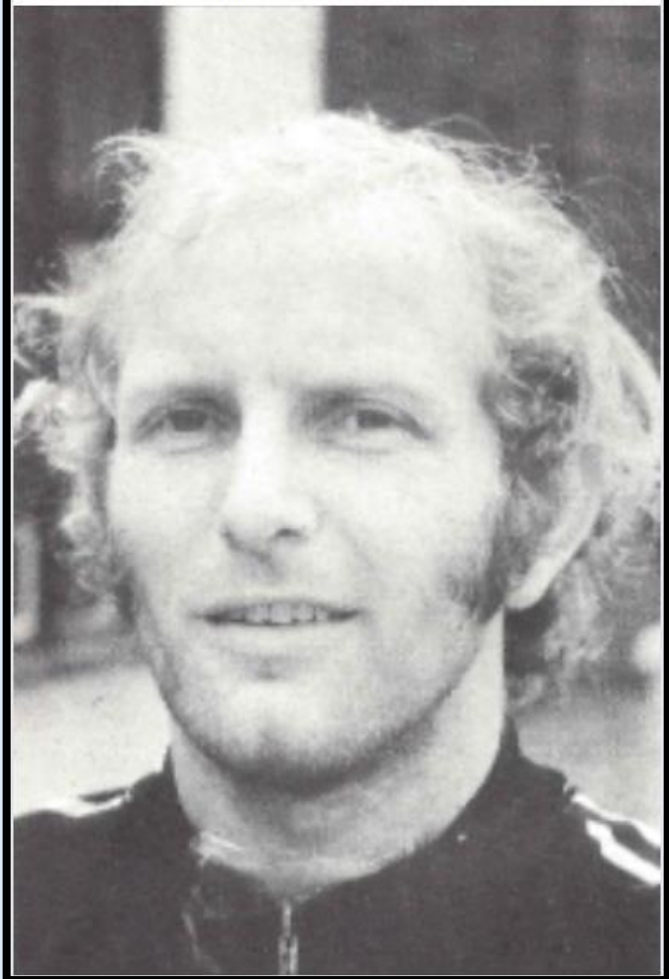
See all of the world's best players compete at the 2013 Delaware Investments U.S. Open Squash Championships!

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**Squash Library**  
26 January at 08:38 · 🌐

Winner of the British Junior Open (1964) and runner-up in the World Amateur in 1973, Englishman Bryan Patterson celebrates his birthday today (born 26.01.46). He lost to Cam Nancarrow (AUS) in the all left-handed 1973 World final, and now manages City Squash, an Urban Squash programme in Bronx, New York.

Bryan Patterson [CitySquash](#) [Squash and Education Alliance](#)







Squash Library

12 January at 08:22 · 🌐



2017 World Champion Mohamed Elshorbagy celebrates his 31st birthday today (born 12.01.91). The Egyptian also has three British Open titles and spent 50 months as world number one between Nov 2014 and August 2021. [SquashInfo.com](#) also lists his tour title wins so far as 43 (from 68 finals). [Mohamed ElshorbagyEgyptian Squash Federation](#) - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش - [Squash - PSA World TourWorld Squash Federation](#)



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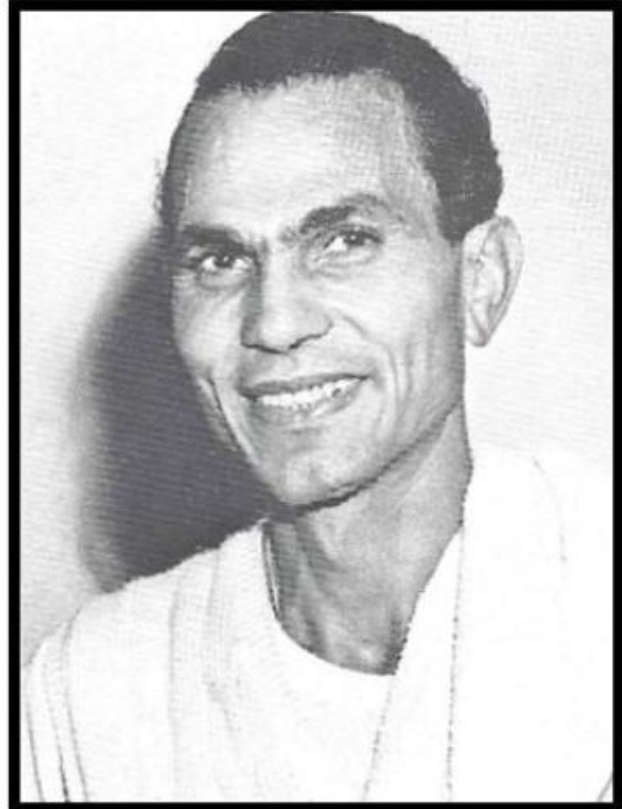


Squash Library

11 January at 08:58 · 🌐



Egyptian Mahmoud Karim who won the first four British Opens played after the end of World War Two said this in 1951. These are not routines that are recommended now!  
'On the day of the match I have only one meal – an early breakfast. Often people say to me: I am surprised that you smoke cigarettes when you are in training. But smoking has never affected me. If your system is used to a habit like that, to give it up suddenly will do more harm than good'. [British Open SquashEgyptian Squash Federation](#) - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش



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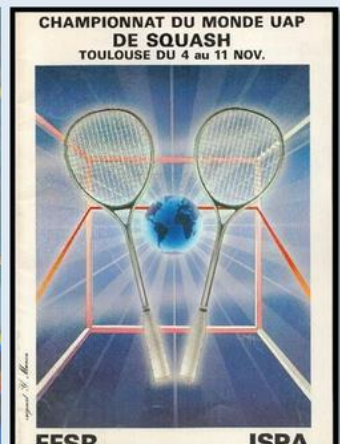
7 January at 08:20 · 🌐



New Zealander Ross Norman (born 7.1.1959) celebrates his birthday today. On 11 November 1986 he won the World Open in Toulouse, France, beating Jahangir Khan 9-5, 9-7, 7-9, 9-1; ending the Pakistani's 5 year 7 month unbeaten streak in what was then a stunning upset. [Squash New ZealandSquash - PSA World TourWorld Squash Federation](#)



Ross Norman Photo courtesy Steve Line



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Squash Library  
6 January at 09:10 · 🌐



Tour wins by nation, 2001 – 2021. This data supplied by [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) gives a superb indication of how the number of nations who have players winning Tour events has expanded, and how the balance of power has changed. See the lists at <https://www.squashlibrary.info/features>  
In 2001 Men's Tour winners came from 13 nations – last year it had exploded to 31. The Women's has shot up similarly, from 9 to 24. The lists also show which nations have come in, dropped out and positions achieved by the success of their players.  
(This cover all main Tour levels, while of World Series events in 2021 Egyptian players were dominant, winning six of eight Men's World Series events, and all six of the Women's). [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)



Squash Library  
4 January at 08:16 · 🌐



Susan Devoy, four times World Open and eight times British Open Champion celebrates her birthday today (born:4.1.64). On the Library YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJFo-3pCw5gTEQSUO34TQnQ> is the Devoy segment of a Satellite Media series from 2008 about New Zealand's top sports stars that they have allowed the Library to make available. [Susan DevoySquash New Zealand](#)



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## 2021



Squash Library  
29 December at 09:05 · 🌐



Canadian Jonathon Power (born 9 Aug 74) became the first Pan-American world number one in May 1999, spending a total of 14 months in that spot. The 1998 World Open winner had 12 months at one during the period up to July 2001; then after winning the last major of 2005, the Saudi International, he added January and March 2006 at the apex before retiring. [Jonathon PowerSquash CanadaSquash - PSA World TourWorld Squash Federation](#)







Squash Library

22 December at 07:43 · 🌐



Cassie Jackman was born on this day in 1972 (22 Dec). In 1999 the Englishwoman became World Champion, beating top seed Michelle Martin (AUS) 9-6 9-7 9-7. She was also World Open runner-up three times.

Amongst her 28 World Tour titles were two US Open crowns, and she was also six times British champion.

[England Squash](#) [Squash - PSA World Tour](#) [World Squash Federation](#)



Photo courtesy Steve Line



Squash Library

18 December at 09:04 · 🌐



Iran's first Men's Open Squash championship took place over half a century ago, debuting in 1969. The first four editions were all won by Englishman Nigel Faulks.

As a sidebar, in the 1972 Iran final Faulks played Mike Hill (ENG) and was down 0/9, 0/9, 0/6 at which stage a local journalist reported saying it was an easy victory to Hill. Faulks at that point realised how to play better on a sweating court and proceeded to win the next three 9/6, 9/0, 9/0. Here are the correction & presentation.

THE TEHRAN JOURNAL, MARCH 8, 1972

### Winner

TEHRAN, Tuesday — A Tehran Journal report based on a Bank Melli Sport Club release yesterday gave the winner of the Evin Cup Squash Championship as Michael Hill. The winner was in fact J.N. Faulks. Hill was the runner-up.



Squash Library

11 December at 08:40 · 🌐



A branch of squash celebrated its first British Open this year. On 16/17 October the Hallamshire Club in Sheffield hosted the Squash 57 (formerly Racketball) British Open.

The first Men's winner was ten times National Champion Tim Vail (right) who prevailed over Hallamshire's Nick Matthew— the three times British Open Squash champion unable to add a 57 crown; while current World number five Sarah-Jane Perry took her first 57 title. [England Squash](#)







Squash Library

10 December at 08:24 · 🌐



Today in 1963 (10 December) Jahangir Khan, 6 times World Open winner and holder of a record breaking 10 Men's British Open titles, was born. (World's details at <https://www.squashlibrary.info/world-championships>). The Pakistani legend also went 5 years and 7 months unbeaten between 9 April 1981 and 11 Nov 1986. Squash - PSA World TourWorld Squash FederationPakistan Squash Federation



Photo courtesy of Steve Line



Squash Library

1 December at 08:11 · 🌐



Today (1.12.68) is the 53rd birthday of 5 times World Champion Sarah Fitz-Gerald, winner of a total of 62 Tour titles. The Australian also has the distinction of a record 18 World Titles from 6 different World events including Team, Junior & Masters. Library breakdown at <https://www.squashlibrary.info/post/most-world-titles>



Photo courtesy Steve Line



Squash Library

25 November at 08:26 · 🌐



This week's Malaysian Men's and Women's Open began in 1975, with the Men's dominated by Pakistani players, and Singaporean women the female event. Here are the early year winners. Full event details can be found at [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com). Squash Racquets Association of MalaysiaSquash - PSA World Tour

#### MALAYSIAN OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

##### MEN

1975	— Gogi Alauddin (Pakistan)	bt Mohibullah Khan (Pakistan)	5/9,9/7,9/3,9/5
1976	— Maqsood Ahmed (Pakistan)	bt Atlas Khan (Pakistan)	
1977	— Fahim Gul (Pakistan)	bt Abdul Rehman (Pakistan)	9/4,4/9,9/5,9/2
1978	— Atlas Khan (Pakistan)	bt Fahim Gul (Pakistan)	9/7,2/9,9/6,9/3
1979	— Atlas Khan (Pakistan)	bt Deulat Khan (Pakistan)	9/2,9/5,9/5
1980	— Fahim Gul (Pakistan)	bt Atlas Khan (Pakistan)	9/2,9/6,2/9,9/7
1981	— Atlas Khan (Pakistan)	bt Fahim Gul (Pakistan)	5/9,9/3,9/0,9/6
1982	— Ali Aziz (Egypt)	bt Atlas Khan (Pakistan)	10/9,9/6,9/3
1983	— Jahangir Khan (Pakistan)	bt Dean Williams (Australia)	9/4,9/1,9/4
1984	— Greg Pollard (Australia)	bt Maqsood Ahmed (Pakistan)	10/8,9/6,1/9,9/3

##### LADIES

1975	— Helen Chinchin (Singapore)	bt Glynne Wong (Malaysia)	9/4,3/9,10/9,9/0
1976	— Annette Andrews (Singapore)	bt Glynne Wong (Malaysia)	
1977	— Annette Andrews (Singapore)	bt Rose Tablante (Philippines)	10/8,9/6,3/9,9/7
1978	— Annette Andrews (Singapore)	bt Tracy Oh (Singapore)	9/3,3/9,9/2,9/0
1979	— M. Miyagishima (Japan)	bt B. Kumari (India)	5/9,9/1,3/9,10/8,9/6
1980	— Sue Paton (Singapore)	bt Tracy Oh (Singapore)	9/2,9/2,9/1
1981	— Sue Paton (Singapore)	bt B. Kumari (India)	9/4,9/3,9/0
1982	— Sue Paton (Singapore)	bt M. Miyagishima (Japan)	9/4,9/0,9/3
1983	— Chia Chew Lan (Singapore)	bt Geraldine Yeo (Singapore)	9/8,9/0,9/3
1984	— Lim Siok Hui (Singapore)	bt Barbara Hartman (Switzerland)	9/2,9/3,5/9,7/9,9/4





Squash Library

22 November at 08:51 · 🌐



25 years ago today (22 Nov 1996) Jansher Khan won the last of his record 8 World Open titles, beating Rodney Eyles (AUS) 15-13, 17-15, 11-15, 15-3, in front of a home crowd in Karachi, Pakistan.

These eight World Opens and six British Open crowns were part of a total of 99 PSA Tour titles overall (from 118 finals). He also still has a record total of 97 months at World number 1 (between Jan 1988 - Jan 1998)

[Jan Sher khan](#)[World Squash Federation](#)[Squash - PSA World Tour](#)[Pakistan Squash Federation](#)



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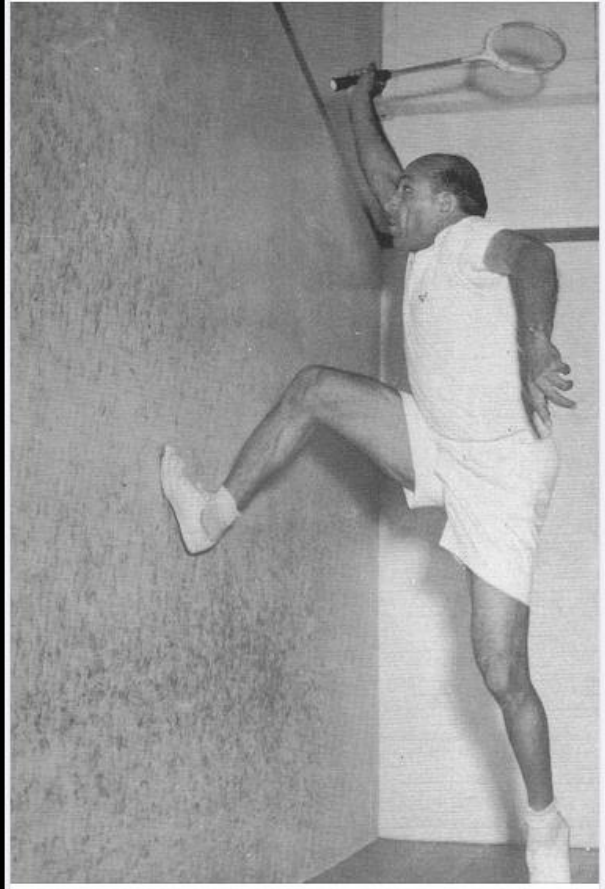


Squash Library

20 November at 08:48 · 🌐



Pakistan's seven times British Open champion Hashim Khan shows how to take a ball high on the side wall in 1957. Maybe not out of the coaching manual! [Pakistan Squash Federation](#)[British Open Squash](#)



Squash Library

15 November at 08:41 · 🌐



Going into the 8th Men's European Team Championship in Helsinki, Finland in 1980, England were unbeaten. For Sweden it was third time lucky having served notice by reaching the previous two finals, when they won the final 3/2, (a feat they repeated three years later too). The final 1980 scoreline:

Sweden beat England 3 – 2

Lars Kvant beat Andrew Dwyer 9-1 9-7 9-0

Mikael Hellstrom lost Barry O'Connor 8-10 9-6 4-9 0-9

Johan Stockenberg beat David Pearson 9-4 9-7 9-5

Peter Bostrom beat Ian Nuttall 9-2 10-8 9-5

Bo Bostrom lost Philip Ayton 9-2 5-9 2-9 8-10

[Svensk Squash](#) [England Squash](#)[The European Squash Federation](#)







Squash Library  
6 November at 09:21



35 years ago in 1986, when aged 45, Jonah Barrington was appointed as Chief Squash Coach for Millfield School in Somerset, England. Seen here with Hashim Khan, he became instrumental in the career of many squash players, not least recent World Champion / number 1 Mohamed Elshorbagy.



Squash Library  
30 October at 08:57



This print of the 'champions' photo taken outside the PIA Squash Complex in 1976 may be unique as referee Graham Dixon got each of the players to sign it. They are (L to R): Azam Khan, Geoff Hunt, Hashim Khan, Jonah Barrington, Roshan Khan, Mohibullah Khan Snr and Qamar Zaman.



Squash Library  
28 October at 08:43



On this day (28 Oct) in 1962 Martine le Moignan, the 1989 World Open Champion was born. The left-hander from Guernsey took the world title, beating New Zealand's Susan Devoy in Warmond, Netherlands. She was also a four times World Team title winner with England.

Martine Simmons [England SquashWorld Squash FederationSquash - PSA World Tour](#)



Photo courtesy Steve Line



Squash Library  
21 October at 07:58



As can be seen by the draw for the 1924 British Amateur Championships, the colonels, captains, other ranks and civilians played their matches best of three games. At that point games were played to 15 points.

**PROGRAMME**  
OF THE  
**Amateur Squash Rackets Championship.**  
To be held at LORD'S, April 29—1924.

Each Match to be the best of three Games.  
Competitors failing to appear at the times specified will be scratched.

**THE DRAW.**

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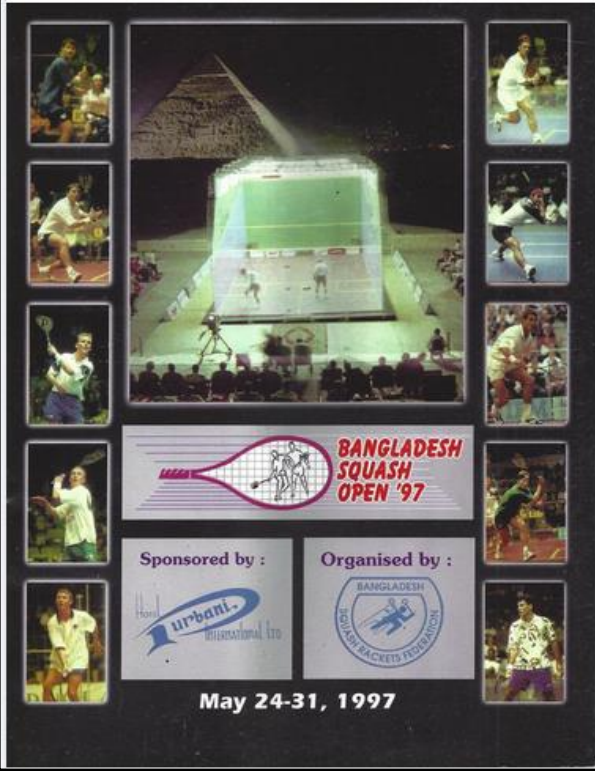


Squash Library

20 October at 08:50 · 🌐



While a local club-based Bangladesh Open took place in 1997 (not including the players on the programme cover!), and hosting the South Asian Games squash event there in 2010, the start of the Bangabandu Ispahani event today in Dhaka is the first PSA Tour event being organised in the country. [Bangladesh Squash Rackets Federation-BSRF](#)Squash - PSA World Tour



Squash Library

16 October at 08:15 · 🌐



Frenchman Greg Gaultier's competitive retirement at the age of 38 (DofB: 23.12.82) ends a sparkling career that included winning the World Championship in November 2015 and three British Open crowns (he was the first French winner), amongst 44 PSA Tour titles from 83 finals. The six times French champion also represented his country at 18 European Team and 10 World Team Championships, amassing 189 caps. He spent 20 months as world number one (and became the oldest ever in April 2017). The [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) data trove also reports that he boasts both the longest unbroken run in the men's world top 20 AND the top 10 - his 16 years in the 20 (May 2003 - Apr 2019) beating Nick Matthew by 18 months, and 12 years 10 months in the top 10 (Apr 2006 - Jan 2019) overtaking Peter Nicol (12 years 6 months). [Squash - PSA World Tour](#) FFSquash - Fédération Française de Squash



Squash Library

19 October at 08:41 · 🌐



The first Men's Qatar Classic took place in December 1992 when Jansher Khan (PAK) beat Chris Dittmar (AUS) 3/2 to win the first of his five consecutive titles. A Women's event was added in 2001, Sarah Fitz-Gerald (AUS) winning the first final against Leilani Joyce (NZL). [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)[Pakistan Squash Federation](#)[Squash Australia](#)[Squash New Zealand](#)[Qatar Squash Federation](#)



Left: Jansher (front) with Dittmar, Right: Fitz-Gerald (front) with Joyce.  
Photos courtesy Steve Line.





Leo Au, from Hong Kong, broke the record for the longest professional squash match ever recorded en-route to claiming the ninth PSA World Tour title of his career at the Holtrand Gas City Pro-Am in January 2015 in Canada.

His dramatic semi-final victory was the longest match ever recorded - a mammoth 170-minute encounter (11-6, 4-11, 11-6, 7-11, 16-14) against Canadian Shawn Delierre.

It was a match that eclipsed the previous record set by legendary Pakistani six-time world champion Jahangir Khan, who took 166-minutes to get past Gamal Awad in the 1983 Chichester Festival 9-10, 9-5, 9-7, 9-2. Yes, in four games!

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**SQUASH Alberta**

Holtrand Gas City Pro-Am  
Semi-Final  
Shawn Delierre vs Leo Au  
Martin Knight

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170 min

SEP 1 3 6 11  
Leo Au 22 min

SEP 1 3 11 4  
Shawn Delierre 21 min

SEP 1 2 6 11  
Leo Au 14 min

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Shawn Delierre 35 min

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Leo Au 78 min

**SQUASH CANADA**

DATE OF CONDUCT: FINAL TEST

BLANK	FINISH	REASON	DATE	SCORE

Time: 3:40 pm - 6:30 pm

Player: Leo Au

Match Score: 3-2



A tour event in a factory staff canteen. Yes, a canteen! It happened in March 1979 after Yorkshire, England company FKI first decided to install a court for their staff, and then thought that the high ceiling would enable them to add 500 seats behind the glass wall. (At the time the company were a dominating force in the UK production of motorway lighting, manufacture of parking meters and car battery chargers).

After early rounds took place at the nearby Queens Club, Halifax... See more

**Results**  
O. Zaman beat M. Helal 9-2 9-7 9-3; M. Yasin beat B. Patterson 9-5 9-0 10-8; J. Easter beat T. Khan 9-6 4-9 9-1 10-8; A. Safwat beat M. Asran 9-6 9-5 9-1; B. Brownlee beat R. Khan 4-9 9-4 9-4 9-0; D. Williams beat M. Lilley 9-0 9-2 5-9 9-2; A. Aziz beat A. Kaoud 9-7 10-9 9-1; M. Ahmed beat M. Kalifa 9-1 9-4 9-5.

**Quarter-Finals**  
Zaman beat Yasin 9-8 9-4 9-4; Safwat beat Easter 9-4 5-9 9-4 9-2; Brownlee beat Williams 9-3 9-4 9-7; Ahmed beat Aziz 9-4 9-6 9-3.

**Semi-Finals**  
Zaman beat Safwat 5-9 9-3 9-4 9-3; Brownlee beat Ahmed 9-7 6-9 10-9 9-0.

**Final**  
Zaman beat Brownlee 9-29-79-0.

**Third Place play-off**  
Ahmed beat Safwat 9-6 0-9 6-9 10-8 9-0.



**INTERNATIONAL SQUASH TOURNAMENT**

PROGRAMME 50p





On 31 December 1962, England suffered their first Men's International match defeat after 46 victories. Australia beat them that day at the RAC Club in London, winning 4-1. Number one Ken Hiscoe then became the first Australian winner of the British Amateur in the New Year at the nearby Lansdowne Club. (Geoff Hunt, Kevin Shawcross and Cam Nancarrow later completed the quartet of Aussie winners).

The scoreline:

Australia bt England 4 – 1

Ken Hiscoe bt Jeremy Lyon 9-6 5-9 9-6 9-7

Owen Parmenter lt Richard Boddington 4-9 9-4 9-7 8-10 5-9

Dick Carter bt Tony Gathercole 10-8 9-6 9-2

Ken Binns bt John Skinner 8-10 9-3 10-8 9-5

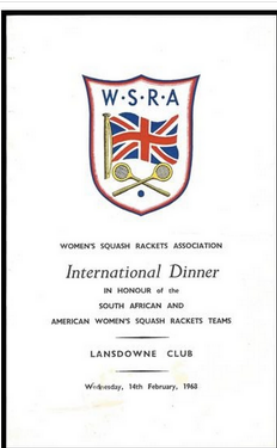
Doug Stephenson bt Terry Pickering 9-3 9-4 10-9

(Pic, L to R: Parmenter, Stephenson, Binns, John Cheadle, Hiscoe, Carter)

[Squash Australia](#)



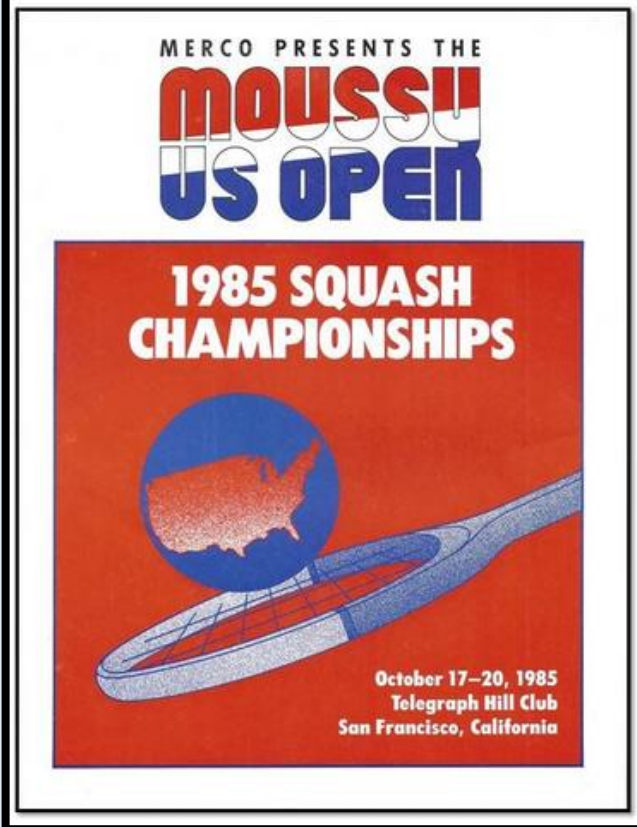
In 1968 the American Women's Wolfe-Noel Cup squad & a South African Women's Touring team were both playing in London and so were hosted to a dinner by WSRA at the Lansdowne Club. (Full Wolfe-Noel history at <https://www.squashlibrary.info/features>). GB won the Wolfe-Cup match 5/0 and beat South Africa 3/0... Meanwhile, for the record here is the dinner menu: Quiche Lorraine, Truite de Rivierz, Salle d'Agneau Roti Anglais + Pommes Chateau + Petit Pois, Canope Diane, Coupe Andolaise. The wines? Chateau Neuf du Parc 1962 and Poilly Fuisse 1962. Information complete! [US SQUASHSquash South AfricaEngland Squash](#)



The US Open moved from hardball to softball for the first time in 1985, held at the Telegraph Hill Club in San Francisco, 17 – 20 October. In the programme the ISPA (now PSA) Chairman Greg Pollard commented that 'the Association recognises the enormous potential for international softball in North America' adding 'this event, therefore, is of crucial importance....'

The first holder became Pakistani Jahangir Khan who beat Kiwi Ross Norman 15-4, 15-5, 15-8 in the final.

[U.S. Open SquashUS SQUASHSquash - PSA World Tour](#)





**Squash Library**  
24 September at 08:24 · 🌐

Past posters for the Netsuite Open this week have been very creative, and the 2014 edition is one of the Library's current top ten memorable posters. See the full gallery at <https://www.squashlibrary.info/.../most-memorable-squash...>  
**Oracle NetSuite Open SquashSquash - PSA World Tour**

**Squash Library**  
23 September at 06:16 · 🌐

This week's Scottish Open has a history beginning in 1974 when Aftab Jawaid won it, continuing until 1991 when Jahangir Khan provided a Pakistani bookending beating Australian Chris Dittmar at the Scottish Exhibition Centre in Glasgow.  
The next edition took place in 2001, when Peter Nicol, now representing England, went north to Perth to beat another Australian, Stewart Boswell, in the final.  
Revived in 2019, Spaniard Edmon Lopez beat Patrick Rooney (ENG) in the final, before Covid intervened.  
The Women's event began at the same time as the Men's, and featured three wins by New Zealand's Susan Devoy amongst top international names. [Scottish SquashSquash - PSA World Tour](https://www.squashlibrary.info/.../most-memorable-squash...)

**SCOTTISH OPEN HONOURS BOARD**

MEN	WOMEN
1974 Aftab Jawaid (PAK)	Alex Cowie (ENG)
1975 Alan Colburn (RSA)	Teresa Lawes (ENG)
1976 Mike Donnelly (AUS)	Sue Newman (AUS)
1977 Dean Williams (AUS)	Sue Cogswell (ENG)
1978 Frank Donnelly (AUS)	Irene Hewitt (IRL)
1979 Glen Brumby (AUS)	Rhonda Thorne (AUS)
1980 Zahir Hussain (PAK)	Vicki Hoffman (AUS)
1981 Karimullah Khan (PAK)	Vicki Hoffman (AUS)
1982 Craig Blackwood (NZL)	Margaret Zachariah (AUS)
1983 Trevor Wilkinson (RSA)	Robyn Blackwood (NZL)
1984 Neil Harvey (ENG)	Susan Devoy (NZL)
1985 Chris Robertson (AUS)	Susan Devoy (NZL)
1986 Ashley Naylor (ENG)	Liz Irving (AUS)
1987 Mark Maclean (SCO)	Susan Devoy (NZL)
1988 Frank Ellis (SCO)	Liz Irving (AUS)
1989 Mark Maclean (SCO)	Shirley Brown (SCO)
1990 not held	not held
1991 Jahangir Khan (PAK)	not held
2001 Peter Nicol (ENG)	not held
2019 Edmon Lopez (ESP)	Lucy Turmel (ENG)

THE SQUASH RESULTS & ARCHIVE HUB


**Squash Library**  
21 September at 08:45 · 🌐

The Wolfe-Noel Challenge Cup was the first inter-continental women's squash match. It ran for 35 years from 1933 and featured 5 string matches between British & American women's teams.  
<https://www.squashlibrary.info/features> has the 17 page Library match, team and photo history. [England SquashUS SQUASH](https://www.squashlibrary.info/features)



**Squash Library**  
16 September at 08:52

The 13th Nash Cup currently being contested in the Canadian city of London, began with a Men's event in 2008 added to the local competition as a way to support our local university team – Western – get stronger early season competition. Pakistani Farzan Rasheed was the inaugural champion, with countrywoman Maria Toorpakai Wazir being the first Women's winner when their draw was added in 2013. [Squash CanadaSquash - PSA World Tour](#)



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**Squash Library**  
8 September at 08:48


The first Canadian Men's Championship was played on 20 March 1912 at the Montreal Racket Club, won by Kenneth Molson, who beat Peter Mackenzie 12/15, 15/5, 15/12, 15/9 in an all-Montreal final. (Mackenzie secured the title the following year when he beat Arthur J Hills 18/17, 8/15, 10/15, 15/12, 15/11).  
This was three years before the Canadian Squash Racquets Association was formed in 1915. The five founding members were the Montreal Racket Club, Toronto Racquet Club, Hamilton Squash Racquets Club, University Club of Toronto, and the Ottawa Squash Racquets Club. The Montreal Racket Club was built in 1889 as a rackets club, with a squash court subsequently added. [Squash Canada](#)






**Squash Library**  
4 September at 08:51

The first event of a new Masters circuit coordinated by ESF featuring a number of national Masters Open titles took place in February 2015 - the Spanish Masters.  
Worldwide Masters event details can be viewed at:  
<http://www.worldsquash.org/ws/wsf-calendar> & the Library full World Masters history at [www.squashlibrary.info/world-championships](http://www.squashlibrary.info/world-championships)  
[World Squash Federation](#)  
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**Squash Library**  
11 September at 08:45

The Egyptian Open which started yesterday was first played a few times between 1958 – 1967 before lapsing. The winners were Egyptian before Jonah Barrington (right) took the title in 1967. Dardir El Bakary (left) was the 1958 winner, followed by Abdelfattah Aboutaleb (centre) in 1962, 63, 65 and 66. [Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش](#)  
[Squash - PSA World Tour](#)







Squash Library

3 September at 09:08



On 27/8 February 1954 the English Federation sent a team to France for the first time. They went to Paris to play both squash and real tennis at the Societe Sportive de Jue de Paume et de Racquets. The visiting squash team was led by five times British Amateur Champion Norman Borrett (pic). [England Squash FFSquash - Fédération Française de Squash](#)



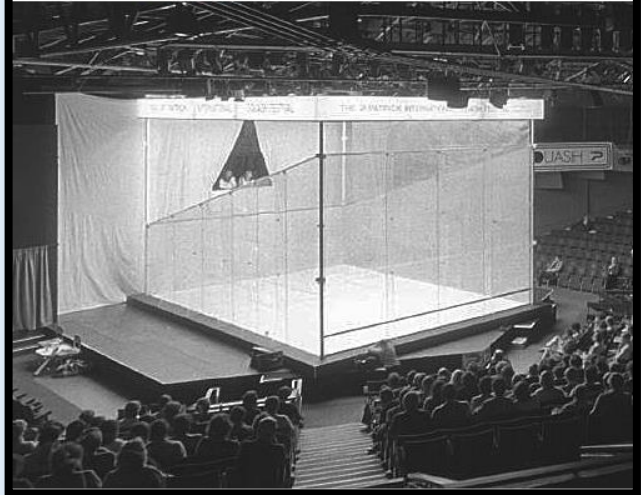
Squash Library

1 August at 09:21



Sunday prompt. In March 1983 at the Chichester Festival Theatre in England Jahangir Khan (PAK) beat Gamal Awad (EGY) 3 – 1 in the then record breaking 2hr 46 min final of the Chichester International (yes, only four games!). He did so in the probably unique situation of the master camera filming being through the front wall. As can be seen there was no backwall viewing for the event except for the match officials.

[Squash - PSA World TourPakistan Squash FederationEgyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش](#)



Squash Library

20 August at 07:19



In 1981 when Jahangir Khan was aged 17, six times British Open champion Jonah Barrington made this prediction, 'Jahangir Khan will become the best player of all time'. Ten British Open titles later (and six World Open wins too), nobody can argue that the Pakistani is right up there. A profile by journalist Dicky Rutnagur quotes another legend Geoff Hunt – who won eight British Open titles himself -, who said 'They used to call me the best player ever at my age, but Jahangir is something special, much better than I was at seventeen'. (Barrington & Hunt left, Khan right) [England SquashPakistan Squash FederationSquash AustraliaSquash - PSA World Tour](#)



Squash Library

19 July at 08:40



A look at the list of ISPA (now PSA) major event finalists from 1987 is an illustration of the dominance of Jahangir and Jansher Khan with them generally only losing to one another. It also shows that amongst the Australian stars, Chris Dittmar was up against and beaten by Jansher Khan in six finals – and in the seventh thwarted by countryman Chris Robertson. [Squash - PSA World TourSquash AustraliaPakistan Squash Federation](#)

### I.S.P.A. GRAND PRIX TOURNAMENTS 1987: RESULTS

DATE	EVENT	WINNER	RUNNER UP	SCORE
JAN	BELGIAN TROPHY	ROSS NORMAN	STUART DAVENPORT	3-0
FEB	SWEDISH OPEN	JAHANGIR KHAN	JAME HICKOX	3-0
FEB	FINNISH OPEN	JAHANGIR KHAN	RODNEY MARTIN	3-0
FEB	SPANISH OPEN	JAHANGIR KHAN	JANSHER KHAN	3-1
MARCH	FRENCH OPEN	JAHANGIR KHAN	ROSS NORMAN	3-0
MARCH	MONACO OPEN	CHRIS ROBERTSON	CHRIS DITTMAR	3-1
APRIL	CANNONS CLUB INTL	ROSS NORMAN	GEOFF WILLIAMS	3-0
APRIL	BRITISH OPEN	JAHANGIR KHAN	JANSHER KHAN	3-0
JULY	NEW SOUTH WALES OPEN	RODNEY MARTIN	JAHANGIR KHAN	3-2
AUG	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	CHRIS ROBERTSON	RODNEY MARTIN	3-2
SEPT	NEW ZEALAND OPEN	RODNEY MARTIN	STUART DAVENPORT	3-2
SEPT	MALAYSIAN OPEN	JANSHER KHAN	QAMAR ZAMAN	3-0
SEPT	SINGAPORE OPEN	JANSHER KHAN	CHRIS DITTMAR	3-2
SEPT	HONG KONG OPEN	JANSHER KHAN	CHRIS DITTMAR	3-0
OCT	PAKISTAN OPEN	JANSHER KHAN	JAHANGIR KHAN	3-2
OCT	WORLD OPEN	JANSHER KHAN	CHRIS DITTMAR	3-1
NOV	CANADIAN OPEN	CHRIS DITTMAR	RODNEY MARTIN	3-2
NOV	US OPEN	JANSHER KHAN	CHRIS DITTMAR	3-1
NOV	SWISS MASTERS	JANSHER KHAN	CHRIS DITTMAR	3-0
NOV	P.I.A. MASTERS	JANSHER KHAN	JAHANGIR KHAN	3-2
DEC	AL FALAJ OPEN (OMEN)	JANSHER KHAN	CHRIS DITTMAR	3-1





### Squash Library

13 July at 08:46 · 🌐



South Africa and Great Britain first played representative matches against each other in 1955 and 1957. First the British toured South Africa – the first men’s tour outside Europe since the SRA had been formed in 1928 - and then two years later Britain hosted them.

Four tests were played in 1955 in South Africa. South Africa won the first at altitude in Johannesburg 4-1, GB levelled 4-1 in Durban, the hosts won 3-2 in Cape Town and wrapped up the series 3-1 with 3-2 win back in Johannesburg.

The first of three return matches was played before the British Amateur at the Lansdowne Club in London, and won by the home team 3-2. The second and third ties, played in Cardiff and Edinburgh were both won by the British team 5-0.

Photos: Denis (left) & Brian Callaghan, mainstays of the South African team in 1953. The British team arriving in Durban: L to R: Mike Perkins, Alan Seymour-Haydon, Brian Phillips, Norman Borrett, Ian de Sales la Terriere.

[Squash South Africa](#)[England Squash](#)



### Squash Library

9 July at 08:56 · 🌐



Yesterday it was the oldest Men’s & Women’s PSA Tour ‘Major’ winners – now the youngest have been added in the Library. See them all here: <https://www.squashlibrary.info/post/majors>, taken from the [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) information database. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)[Egyptian Squash Federation](#) - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش [England Squash](#)[Squash Racquets Association of Malaysia](#)



### Squash Library

8 July at 08:23 · 🌐



Who are the oldest Men’s & Women’s PSA Tour ‘Major’ winners? Answers at <https://www.squashlibrary.info/post/majors>. Tomorrow, see the youngest too. Data from [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com). [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)[Squash Australia](#)[England Squash](#)[Irish Squash](#)[Egyptian Squash Federation](#) - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش



### Squash Library

11 July at 06:23 · 🌐



Sunday prompt: Go back to 2005 and some familiar names were competing in the British Junior Open. Strikingly, on the men’s side Pakistan were so strong, winning three of the four titles, and R/U in the other. Yet in the last edition no Pakistani player reached a final, with Egypt dominating. In 2019 Malaysia took three younger titles. [Pakistan Squash Federation](#)[Squash Racquets Association of Malaysia](#)[Egyptian Squash Federation](#) - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش

#### BOYS U19

Semis: Tarek Mohamed Momen (Egy) bt Tom Richards (Eng) 9-4, 4-9, 10-8, 9-4 (58m); Basit Ashfaq (Pak) bt Chris Simpson (Eng) 4-9, 9-4, 9-2, 9-6 (66m).

Final: Basit Ashfaq (Pak) bt Tarek Mohamed Momen (Egy) 10-8, 7-9, 9-2, 9-1.

#### GIRLS U19

Semis: Terence Swartz (RSA) bt Charlie De Ryckle (Bel) 9-1, 5-9, 9-7, 10-8 (32m); Joshua Chinappa (Ind) bt Sara Badr (Egy) 9-1, 9-2, 9-3 (24m).

Final: Joshua Chinappa (Ind) bt Terence Swartz (RSA) 3-9, 9-3, 9-6, 9-3 (44m).

#### BOYS U17

Semis: Bilal Zaman (Pak) bt Ali Anwar Reda (Egy) 9-5, 6-9, 9-6, 9-1 (55m); Omar Abou Zeid (Egy) bt Omar Abdel Majid (Egy) 4-9, 9-7, 9-0, 4-9, 9-2 (69m).

Final: Omar Abou Zeid (Egy) v Bilal Zaman (Pak) 9-5, 9-3, 9-0 (27m).

#### GIRLS U17

Semis: Raneem El Welily (Egy) bt Shahada Osama (Egy) 9-4, 9-1, 9-3 (22m); Annie Au (Hkg) bt (2/16) Neha Kumar (Can) 9-4, 9-0, 9-3 (31m).

Final: Raneem El Welily (Egy) bt Annie Au (Hkg) 9-6, 10-8, 9-2 (32m).

#### BOYS U15

Semis: Ahmed Osama Hawas (Egy) bt Leo Au (Hkg) 5-9, 1-9, 9-4, 9-5, 9-1; Shohab Hassan (Pak) bt (17/22) Ahmed El Mehany (Egy) 9-4, 9-4, 9-1.

Final: Shohab Hassan (Pak) bt Ahmed Osama Hawas (Egy) 10-8, 10-8, 9-1.

#### GIRLS U15

Semis: Heba Alaa Ahmed (Egy) bt Wee Wern Low

(Mas) 3-9, 5-9, 9-3, 9-5, 9-0 (48m); Alia Magdy Balbaa (Egy) bt Victoria Bell (Eng) 9-0, 9-1, 9-0 (17m).

Final: Heba Alaa Ahmed (Egy) bt Alia Magdy Balbaa (Egy) 9-3, 9-2, 9-6 (24m).

#### BOYS U13

Semis: Fathan Zaman (Pak) bt El Sherbety (Egy) 9-1, 9-6, 9-5 (25m); Fouad Khalifa (Egy) bt Ali Jhalal El Karagy (Egy) 9-0, 9-0, 9-2 (15m).

Final: Fathan Zaman (Pak) bt Fouad Khalifa (Egy) 9-2, 9-0, 9-0 (17m).

#### GIRLS U13

Semis: Abdel Majid (Egy) bt Nouran Alaa Ahmed (Egy) 9-1, 4-9, 2-9, 9-0, 9-6 (41m); Nour Mohamed El Tayeb (Egy) bt Salma Hany (Egy) 4-9, 9-5, 4-9, 9-6, 9-3 (75m).

Final: Nour Mohamed El Tayeb (Egy) Abdel Majid (Egy) 9-3, 9-5, 7-9, 9-2 (36m).

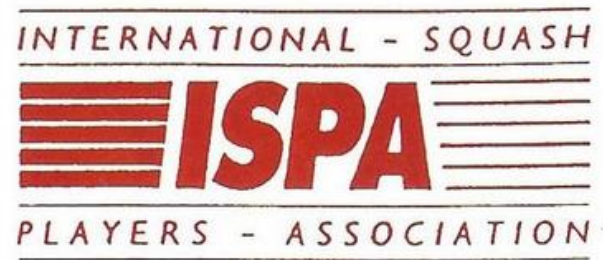


### Squash Library

7 July at 06:05 · 🌐



The PSA Men’s Tour (then called ISPA), first broke the 15m prize fund for a year in 1989, when it reached \$1,079,500. This, up from \$158,000 in 1983, where only six countries staged events. (In the last full year of 2019, 47 nations staged Tour events). [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)





When Ken Hiscoe won the British Amateur in 1963 at the Lansdowne Club in London, he became the first Australian to do so, and only the fourth overseas winner ever. The preceding three were Egyptians: Amr Bey and Ibrahim Amin, along with South African Peter Hildick-Smith. Beating Tewfik Shafik (Egy) 9-3, 9-7, 5-9, 9-7 in the final, the champion made the cover of the British Lawn Tennis magazine. Squash Australia Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش Squash South Africa England Squash



Here they are! The top ten most memorable event posters from those nominated are at <https://www.squashlibrary.info/.../most-memorable-squash...> They were selected by a panel comprising Laurent Cossa (PSA), Ritwik Bhattacharya (START Academy), Camille Serme (pro player), Howard Harding ([squashinfo.com](https://www.squashinfo.com)), Andrew Shelley (World Squash Library).



Below them is a gallery of other posters that were submitted. Why not add to the gallery - it doesn't matter the level of event, or how recent or old it is; it just needs to be clever or original, unusual or simply stunning - by sending your poster in PDF or jpg to [info@squashlibrary.info](mailto:info@squashlibrary.info). Squash - PSA World Tour World Squash Federation






**Squash Library**  
1 July at 09:13 · 🌐

Desmond Backhouse lost the final of the British Amateur Championship to Cyril Hamilton 9-7, 9-0, 9-4 in December 1934. Egyptian 6 times winner & holder F D Amr Bey, was unable to defend his title. Backhouse, pictured, received his runner-up medal (bronze) with this letter.

**Squash Library**  
29 June at 08:50 · 🌐

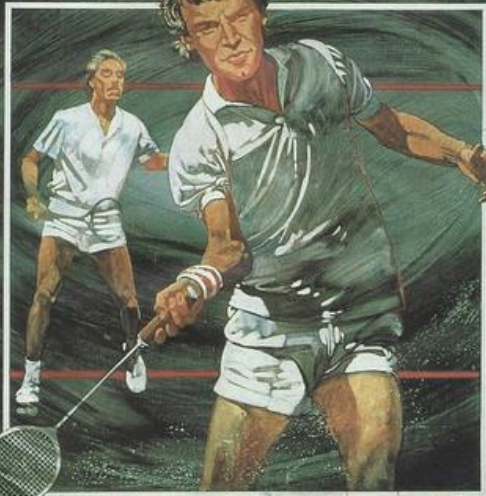
So far, South African mother and daughter Jean & Natalie Grainger have amassed seven World Masters gold medals. (Leader-board at [www.squashlibrary.info/world-championships](http://www.squashlibrary.info/world-championships)). Their tally: Jean: O55 (1999), O60 (2003), O65 (2008), 70 (2014), and two silvers too (O50 (1997), O75 (2018)). Natalie, USA based former world number 1: O35 (2014 & 2016), O40 (2018). Husband and father Chris has been no mean performer himself, a past semi-finalist, but the women have brought home the goods! [US SQUASHSquash South Africa](#)





**Squash Library**  
30 June at 08:55 · 🌐

The European Federation accorded the German Federation the right to host the first European Open in 1986. Held 10 -16 March at five clubs before televised finals at RSC Munich, a number of withdrawals blighted the event before New Zealander Ross Norman beat surprise finalist Kelvin Smith (AUS) 9-2, 9-3, 9-4 to take the inaugural title. Since then the title has only cropped up sporadically (1987, 1990, 1992, 2002). [The European Squash Federation Deutscher Squash Verband e.V.](#)

**Guy Laroche**  
**European Squash Open**



**10.-16. März 1986**

**Squash Library**  
27 June at 08:39 · 🌐

Sunday prompt:  
The first Tournament of Champions event played at Grand Central Terminal in New York – an iconic squash venue - took place in 1995. It was won by Jansher Khan (PAK) who beat Rodney Eyles (AUS) 15-5, 15-8, 15-10. TOC history is at [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com)  
[US SQUASHSquash - PSA World Tour](#)








Squash Library  
14 June at 09:13 · 🌐



The Men's Pakistan Open began in 1980, and was won by Jahangir Khan, beating fellow Pakistani Qamar Zaman in the final. Indeed, the first 16 titles for the event were shared by Jahangir (left) & Jansher Khan (right), Jahangir amassing ten, and Jansher six. The full results history is on [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com).  
Squash - PSA World TourPakistan Squash Federation



Photos: Steve Line



Squash Library  
20 May at 08:50 · 🌐



The Irish Open has a long and distinguished history. The Men's began in 1932 as has a winner list including Barrington, Hunt, Jahangir, Nicol and more recently Farag; while the Women's from 1949 includes, Devoy, Opie and Massaro. Dublin's Fitzwilliam Club has produced comprehensive histories: Men's: <https://mailchi.mp/fltc.ie/grm43t17f1-1025588> & Women's: <https://mailchi.mp/fltc/irish-womens-open-squash> Irish Squash



Squash Library  
30 May at 08:45 · 🌐



Sunday prompt. Squash player brand partnerships is not a recent phenomenon. In 1954 Pakistani 'legends' Azan, Hashim and Roshan Khan wore and advertised Fred Perry clothing. The advertisements were not in colour but neither was the clothing! [Fred Perry](http://Fred Perry)

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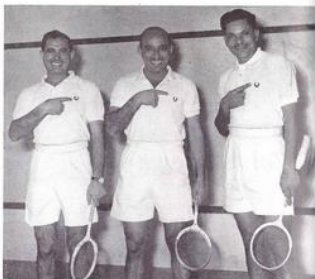
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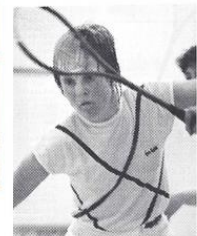


Squash Library  
14 May at 08:57 · 🌐



More from the [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) data treasure trove, here are the all-time top five oldest Tour event winners, a category where it is an all-Australian affair. (L to R: Grinham, Corren, Cardwell). [Squash - PSA World TourSquash Australia](http://Squash - PSA World TourSquash Australia)

	WINNER	AGE (at time of win)	EVENT	DATE
1	Rachael Grinham	44 years, 0 months	Australian Open	07 Feb 2021
2	Mike Corren	43 years, 3 months	Golden Open	05 Jun 2017
3	Mike Corren	42 years, 3 months	Golden Open	06 Jun 2016
4	Vicki Cardwell	41 years, 3 months	Head Satellite No3	10 Aug 1996
5	Rachael Grinham	40 years, 9 months	Australian Open	18 Nov 2017



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### Squash Library

13 May at 09:22 · 🌐

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From the [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) data treasure trove, here are the top five youngest Tour event winners – with only Jahangir Khan (PAK) breaking the Egyptian monopoly. (Habiba & Barada pictured). Oldest, to follow tomorrow. [Squash - PSA World Tour Egyptian Squash Federation](#) - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش - [Pakistan Squash Federation](#)

WINNER	AGE (at time of win)	EVENT	DATE
<b>Women:</b>			
1 Habiba Mohamed	14 years, 5 months	MAS Tour Final	17 Nov 2013
2 Hania El Hammamy	14 years, 6 months	Geneva Open	22 Mar 2015
3 Habiba Mohamed	14 years, 7 months	Edinburgh Open	26 Jan 2014
4 Nour El Sherbini	14 years, 10 months	Heliopolis Open	14 Sep 2010
5 Habiba Mohamed	15 years, 0 months	Paderborn Open	07 Jun 2014
<b>Men:</b>			
1 Ahmed Barada	16 years, 1 month	Al Mannai Open	03 Jun 1993
2 Amr Khaled Khalifa	16 years, 2 months	Palestra Open	22 Feb 2009
3 Mohamed Abouelghar	16 years, 5 months	Jordanian Open	27 Mar 2010
4 Jahangir Khan	16 years, 11 months	Pakistan Open	15 Nov 1980
5 Mostafa Asal	16 years, 11 months	Mar del Plata Open	05 May 2018



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### Squash Library

9 May at 08:49 · 🌐

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Sunday prompt. Before Covid caused a pause we have had the 20 years of this century to compare how nations in the rankings have evolved. The millenium dominance of UK & Ireland with no less than 18 players in the top 16s shrunk to just 5 in January 2020. Australia dropped from five to zero in the period. Meanwhile, Egypt have exploded from 1 to 16 and a raft of new nations have taken up the combined total of 8 countries in 2000 to 14 in 2020 (even with the Jan 2020 absence of Australia, Canada, Netherlands & South Africa). [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)

MEN'S (Jan 2000)		WOMEN'S (Jan 2000)		MEN'S		WOMEN'S		TOTAL	
				Jan 00	Jan 20	Jan 00	Jan 20	Change	
1 Jonathon Power	CAN	1 Cassie Campion	ENG	Australia	3	2	2	5↓	
2 Peter Nicol	SCO	2 Leilani Joyce	NZL	Canada	2			2↓	
3 Ahmed Barada	EGY	3 Linda Charman	ENG	Colombia		1		1↑	
4 Simon Parke	ENG	4 Natalie Grainger	RSA	Egypt	1	9	7	15↑	
5 Martin Heath	SCO	5 Carol Owens	AUS	France	1	1	1	1↑	
6 Paul Johnson	ENG	6 Suzanne Horner	ENG	Hong Kong Ch			1	1↑	
7 Anthony Hill	AUS	7 Sabine Schone	GER	India		1	1	2↑	
8 Paul Price	AUS	8 Fiona Geaves	ENG	Germany		1	1	0	
9 Alex Gough	WAL	9 Stephanie Brind	ENG	Netherlands			1	1↓	
10 Derek Ryan	IRE	10 Claire Nitch	RSA	New Zealand		1	1	1↑	
11 Thierry Lincou	FRA	11 Vanessa Atkinson	NED	Peru		1		1↑	
12 David Palmer	AUS	12 Rebecca Macree	ENG	South Africa			2	2↓	
13 Graham Ryding	CAN	13 Tania Bailey	ENG	UK+Ireland	9	1	9	4	13↓
14 David Evans	WAL	14 Rachael Grinham	AUS	USA			1	1↑	
15 Del Harris	ENG	15 Jenny Tranfield	ENG						
16 John White	SCO	16 Tegwen Malik	WAL						

Nationalities given at the time of the ranking lists



### Squash Library

7 May at 09:29 · 🌐

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The October 1937 British ranking lists were particularly notable for the formality of names and titles, and that the number 1 British man was none other than legendary Egyptian Amr Bey! Bey was posted to London as a diplomat. Men's four Norman Yardley was an England cricket international too.

#### MEN

- 1 F.D. Amr Bey
- 2 E. Snell
- 3 Dr J.F. Stokes
- 4 N.W.D. Yardley
- 5 J.A. Gillies
- 6 D.M. Backhouse
- 7 R. Pulbrook
- 8 J.N.S Ridgers
- 9 A.G. Hazlerigg
- 10 J.W.C. More
- 11 R. Stone
- 12 Dr F.D.M Flowerdew

#### WOMEN

- 1 Miss M.E.Lumb
- 2 Miss S. Noel
- 3 Mrs I.H McKechnie
- 4 The Hon. Anne Lytton-Milbanke
- 5 Miss F.B. Cooke
- 6 Lady Katherine Cairns
- 7 Miss A.I. Alexander
- 8 Mrs E.S. Barrett
- 9 Mrs F.C. Dawney
- 10 Miss E.E. Knox
- 11 Miss M.L. McLintock
- 12 Mrs A.A. Teague



Bey & Lumb pictured.



### Squash Library

6 May at 07:22 · 🌐

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Nicolette Fernandes of Guyana made history when she became the first Caribbean player to win a World Tour title. She won the Greek Open in December 2009, beating Egyptian Farah Abdel Meguid in the final. Meanwhile Christopher Binnie was the first regional men's winner in 2012 when the Jamaican upset Frenchman Johan Bouquet in the final of the British Virgin Islands Open ... and did so from the qualification event. (Fernandes has won a second tour title and Binnie four at this point). [Guyana Squash Squash Jamaica Jamaica Squash Association Squash - PSA World Tour](#)







Squash Library  
4 May at 08:50 · 🌐

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Ranking Q & A!

Q: Why is the December 2004 PSA Men's World Top 10 the most remarkable of all-time?

A: Because it is a distinguished list of players ALL of whom would become, or had already been, World No1! Here is the superstar list with the date they first reached top spot in brackets, from the amazing [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) date treasure trove. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)

**PSA MEN'S RANKINGS – DEC 2004**

- 1 **Lee Beachill** (ENG) (Oct 2004)
- 2 **Thierry Lincou** (FRA) (Jan 2004)
- 3 **Peter Nicol** (ENG) (Feb 1998)
- 4 **David Palmer** (AUS) (Sep 2001)
- 5 **Amr Shabana** (EGY) (Apr 2006)
- 6 **John White** (SCO) (Mar 2004)
- 7 **Nick Matthew** (ENG) (Jun 2010)
- 8 **Karim Darwish** (EGY) (Jan 2009)
- 9 **Jonathon Power** (CAN) (May 1999)
- 10 **Gregory Gaultier** (FRA) (Nov 2009)

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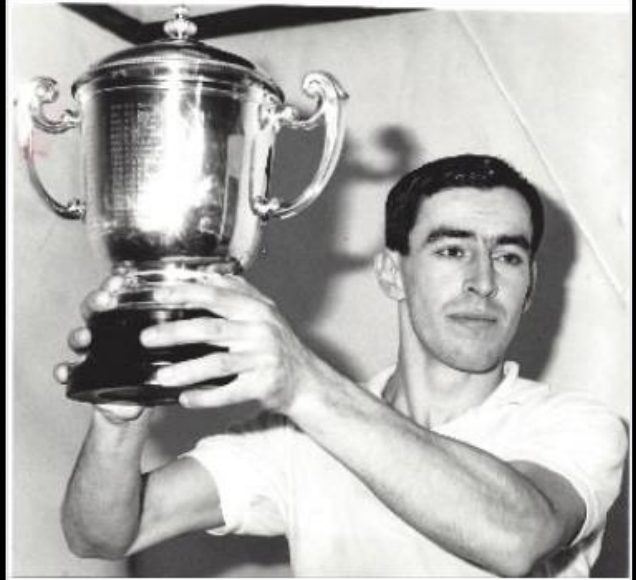
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Squash Library  
29 April at 08:25 · 🌐

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As six times British Open winner Jonah Barrington celebrates his 80th birthday today you can see him in action against fellow legend Geoff Hunt in 1974 on the library YouTube Channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJFo-3pCw5gTEQSUO34TQnQ>. Barrington had lost to Mohamed Yasin in the British Open quarter finals, but Yasin was later forced to scratch from the final with an ankle injury after beating Qamar Zaman in the semis. To provide the BBC cameras some action a match was arranged, and here is the first game of the exhibition. Happy birthday, Jonah!



Squash Library  
30 April at 09:11 · 🌐

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To follow up on yesterday's action footage uploaded to coincide with Jonah Barrington's 80th birthday, here is an excellent profile written of the great man by Mike Palmer in 1977 in the Squash Champions publication: <https://www.squashlibrary.info/.../happy-80th-birthday...>

by Mike Palmer  
The Daily Express

**T**hat so many Britons have discovered the pleasure of squash can be traced in part to the extraordinary contribution from one man, Jonah Barrington.

Barrington, a Cornish man born of an Irish father, won the British Open title (ostensibly the world championship until this year's official World Open at Wembley) six times. His run of victories from 1966 to 1973 forever marks him as one of the world's greatest players and when Barrington claimed his first Open he was the first Briton to do so for 28 years.

But Barrington's place in squash goes far beyond impersonal lines in record books. His total application to success has set the supreme example to fire the enthusiasm of the lowliest player; his success a direct inspiration to those entrepreneurs who sparked Britain's squash boom with an explosion of commercial clubs.

Barrington's brand of squash evangelism struck an immediate mass chord of public sympathy and acceptance. The formula was simple, for here was a man forthright, unrelenting in his desire to win. He was and still is one of the fittest men in the world, a fact which enabled him to compensate for an ability judged average by international standards.

And Barrington was successful, oozing confidence; an oddity in a nation accustomed to filling second place. Above all, Barrington could talk, fluently, amusingly, often scathingly, his Zapata style moustache bristling with rebel fervour as he frequently harangued



Squash Library  
27 April at 09:02 · 🌐

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Australian Joshua Larkin celebrated his first PSA World Tour title at the 2015 City of Perth Open – but runner-up Ko Youngjo made history by becoming the first Korean man to reach a Tour final at the PSA Challenger 5 squash event in Australia. The first Korean woman finalist was Lee Hai-Kyung (left), a qualifier who reached the Calgary Open final in Oct 2004. (Korean Song Sun-Mi reached her debut final in Nov 2009 at the China Open and won 2 titles, first in Aug 2010 (NSW Open), while Ahn Eun Tschan, won 1st of 4 WISPA titles (Black Knight Open in Perth, WA) in May 2011). [대한스쿼시연맹 Korea Squash Federation Squash - PSA World Tour](#)







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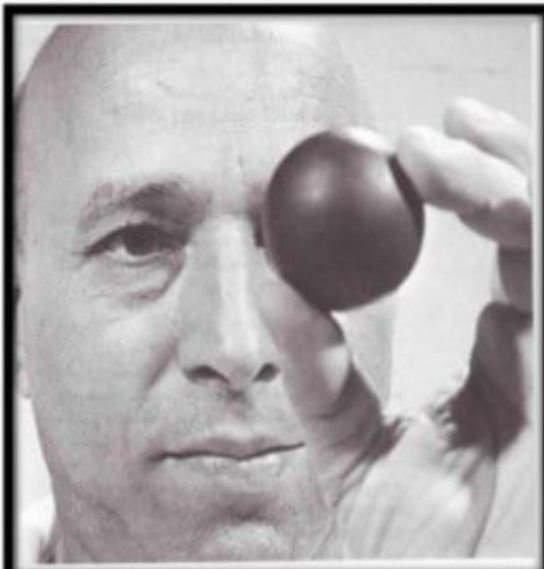
20 April at 08:45 · 🌐



Ten years ago in early 2011 Josh Easdon's documentary film, "Keep Eye on Ball" The Hashim Khan Story, was first broadcast on the U.S. national Sundance Film Channel.

It traced the extraordinary life of the legendary Pakistani. (In 1951, 'veteran' 37-year-old Hashim Khan first entered the British Open. Virtually unknown at the time, he won the first of his eventual seven British Open titles).

[Pakistan Squash Federation](#)



Squash Library

14 April at 09:06 · 🌐



MEMORABLE POSTERS. The Library would like to produce a gallery of the most memorable posters that have been produced for events. To start you thinking, here are a selection to look at:

[www.squashlibrary.info/post/squash-memorable-event-posters](http://www.squashlibrary.info/post/squash-memorable-event-posters)

A panel will select the set – but first your nominations are needed! It doesn't matter the level of event, or how recent or old it is; it just needs to be clever or original, unusual or simply stunning. Do send your poster in PDF or jpg to me at [info@squashlibrary.info](mailto:info@squashlibrary.info), no later than 31 May. (And if you can't find the one you are looking for let me know and I will try to unearth it for you). Andrew



Squash Library

18 April at 08:47 · 🌐



Sunday prompt: During 1975 and 1984 respectively when Men's and Women's World Rankings began, Pakistani players dominated the Men's, while Australia were strong in both. A greater spread of nations now, these two nations unrepresented, and Egypt pre-eminent.

[Squash - PSA World Tour](#)

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2 Geoff Hunt	AUS	2 Lisa Opie	GBR
3 Gogi Alauddin	PAK	3 Susan Devoy	NZL
4 Hiddy Jahan	PAK	4 Rhonda Thorne	AUS
5 Mohibullah Khan	PAK	5 Sue Cogswell	GBR
6 Ken Hiscoe	AUS	6 Martine Le Moignan	GBR
7 Jonah Barrington	GBR	7 Jan Miller	AUS
8 Cam Nancarrow	AUS	8 Robyn Blackwood	NZL
9 Ahmed Safwat	EGY	9 Angela Smith	GBR
10 Torsam Khan	PAK	10 Carin Clonda	AUS
11 Roland Watson	RSA	11 Heather Wallace	GBR
12 Sajjad Muneer	PAK	12 Rae Anderson	AUS
13 Rehmat Khan	PAK	13 Alison Cumings	GBR
14 Billy Reedman	AUS	14 Jayne Ashton	GBR
15 Mohammed Yasin	PAK	15 Barbara Diggins	GBR
16 John Easter	GBR	16 Lynne Ferry	AUS



Squash Library

30 March at 08:19 · 🌐



World Team Championship history was made in 2016 when sisters represented different countries. While Rachael Grinham was battling for Australia at the Team event in Paris, her younger sister Natalie was in action on behalf of Netherlands, the country in which she had resided since 1999. They didn't play each other though. [www.squashlibrary.info/world-championships](http://www.squashlibrary.info/world-championships) for full World Championship details. [World Squash Federation Squash Australia Squash Bond Nederland](#)





**Squash Library**  
21 March at 08:50 · 🌐

Sunday prompt: With the PSA Tour in Cairo at present, back in 1996 the very first Giza 'Pyramids' event was played there. The Al Ahram International 25 years ago saw home star Ahmed Barada beaten by Pakistani Jansher Khan in the final. [Squash - PSA World Tour Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش](#) [Ahram Sport / بوابة الأهرام الرياضية](#)

**Squash Library**  
8 March at 08:49 · 🌐

Partners who have both won WSF World Masters squash titles at the same event? Yes, South African pair of Angelique Clifton-Parks and Craig Van Der Wath did so in 2003 when they won the Over 35 & 40 crowns respectively, and 2006 where the 40 & 45 titles were theirs. These were two of the six World Masters titles won by Van Der Wath. [Squash South Africa World Squash Federation](#)

**Squash Library**  
15 March at 09:09 · 🌐

At the time when amateur status was being abolished, in January 1980 Englishman Jonny Leslie became the last winner of the British Amateur Championship, Beating New Zealander Ross Norman in the final. Being captain of the winning World Team Championship team the preceding year was another distinction. But what has also set him apart is that 'multi-sport' Leslie accumulated no less than five sporting blues at Oxford University – squash, tennis, real tennis, rackets and rugby fives. Now, all these years later he has won the national Over 65 grass court tennis title twice.

**Squash Library**  
4 March at 09:40 · 🌐

The first Italian Open was played in Milan in April 1988, with the early rounds at Piazza del Duomo, and semis & final on a showcourt at Piazza del Duomo. Rain caused the semi between Egypt's Ahmed Taher and Philip Whitlock (Eng) to be moved back to the club at one game all. With the court still dangerous on finals day, Rodney Eyles (Aus) beat eventual semi winner Whitlock 3/1 at the club, with the match being 'tentatively' re-created on the showcourt for the audience! Full results at [www.squashinfo.com](http://www.squashinfo.com) [Federazione Italiana Giuoco Squash](#)

1	BODIMEADE MARTIN	vs	QUALIFICATO N.3
9	DAVIS ADRIAN	vs	21 TAHER AHMED
5	JONES CERRY	vs	QUALIFICATO N.6
14	CARTER PAUL	vs	22 GREGORY PAUL
3	WITLOCK PHILLIP	vs	QUALIFICATO N.5
12	EL AMIR GAMAL	vs	23 LAPPAGE MICHAEL
7	MEDINGS DANIEL	vs	QUALIFICATO N.4
16	VOCETTI STEPHEN	vs	18 MCKAY JOHN
24	BRETT KELLY TONY	vs	13 TRUEMAN PHILLIP
8	HUNT GEOFF	vs	QUALIFICATO N.2
17	WILLSTROP CHRISTY	vs	11 MCLEAN MARK
QUALIFICATO N.1	vs	4 ROBERTS MARK	
26	GRAHAM ROBERT	vs	15 CUNNINGHAM S.
QUALIFICATO N.8	vs	6 TAYLOR SIMON	
19	MARTINI CAROL	vs	16 PEKKANEN PENTTI
QUALIFICATO N.7	vs	2 EYLES RODNEY	

**Squash Library**  
14 March at 08:52 · 🌐

Sunday Prompt. The first World Squash Awards Dinner took place on 6 May 2005. That year the Players of the Year were Thierry Lincou & Vanessa Atkinson (2004 World Champions). <https://www.squashlibrary.info/.../world-squash-awards...> shows the full annual list of winners. [World Squash Federation Squash - PSA World Tour](#)





### Squash Library

28 February at 08:39 · 🌐



Lookback Sunday. In Nov 2019, soon after Squash Library began, these 1975 & 1984 ranking lists were published showing how Pakistan were strong in the Men's, Australia & England in both. Now Egypt dominate both, and there is a wider range of nations overall. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)[Squash Australia](#)[England Squash](#)[Squash New Zealand](#)[Pakistan Squash Federation](#)[Egyptian Squash Federation](#) - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش

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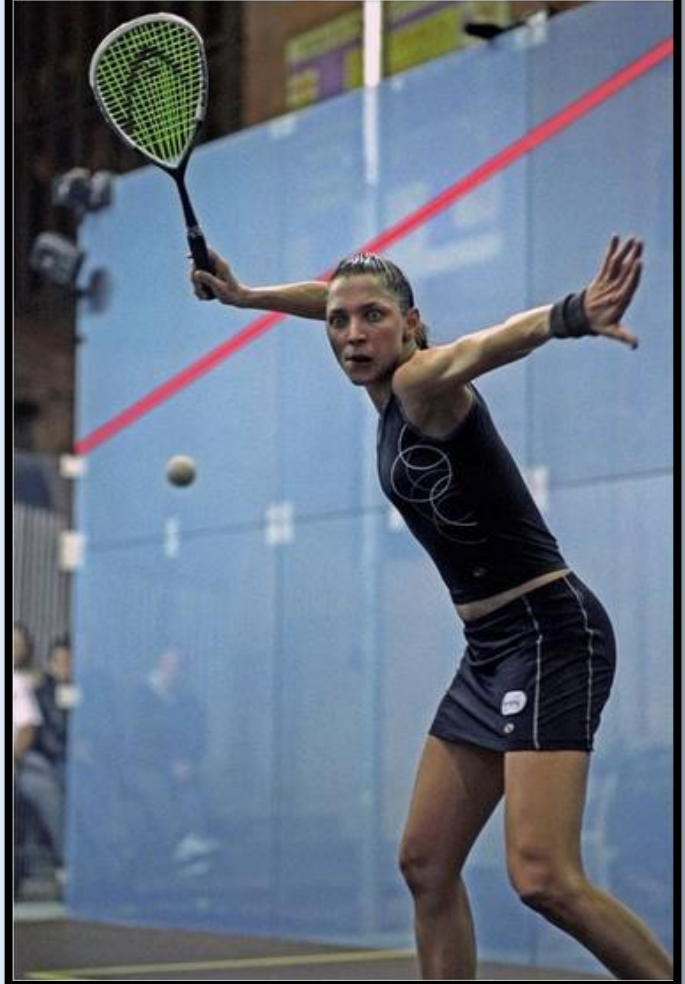


### Squash Library

16 February at 09:35 · 🌐



In her long and successful Tour career (1990 – 2007), Englishwoman Rebecca Macree who was born deaf, won eight World Tour titles and reached a high of seven in the World Rankings in May 2003, as well representing her country. A hard trainer and quick to the ball, because her hearing aids would fill with sweat she didn't wear them on court, and so lip read the referee instead. [England Squash](#)[Squash - PSA World Tour](#)



### Squash Library

23 February at 09:45 · 🌐



Omneya Abdel Kawy is the only player to have played in four Junior Team Championships (1997, 99, 01 & 03). Her Egypt team won in 99 & 03 (pics below).

(The Library World Championship compendia are at <https://www.squashlibrary.info/world-championships>)

When she played her team first match on the first day of the 1997 Women's World Junior Championship at the AABB Club in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil, she was still nearly two weeks short of her 12th birthday! In her four World Junior Team events she only lost one of the 23 matches she played, that to formidable Malaysian Nicol David. Meanwhile, she was runner up in the accompanying World Junior Individual in 01 & her junior career culminated in winning the title in 2003.

Egyptian Squash Federation - [World Squash Federation](#) الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش



### Squash Library

15 February at 09:05 · 🌐



The centenary of the Lapham Cup approaches – the event having started in 1922. The Lapham Cup is an annual amateur match played 15 a side between USA & Canada, for a trophy donated by Henry B. Lapham of Brookline, Massachusetts; and is believed to be one of the oldest amateur sporting events between two countries.

Doubles was added when the Grant Trophy was initiated for Doubles in 1945. The Crawford Trophy began for Women's singles & Doubles matches in 1999, and the Lawrence-Wilkins Trophy matches for Men's Over 65 in 2001.

The four events, held at the same time and venue, are hosted in alternate years by Canada and the United States. Starting in 2000, all singles matches have been played with the international ball.

[Squash Canada](#)[US SQUASH](#)





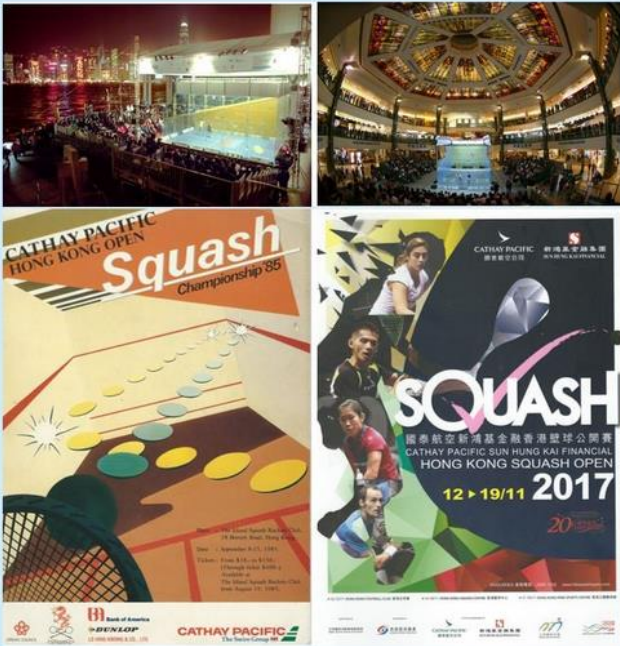


Squash Library

1 February at 09:17 · 🌐

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The longest continuous squash sponsorship may be the Cathay Pacific airline of the Hong Kong Open, lasting 33 years from 1985 until 2017. Starting with men's, women were added in 1990, and it has seen stagings at the Hong Kong Harbour and Hollywood Plaza (pics) many times. [Hong Kong Squash - PSA World Tour](#)



Squash Library

20 January at 08:55 · 🌐

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The programme for the 1962 Pakistan Amateur & Professional Squash Championships in Lahore gives a snapshot of the national players of the time. Headed by Roshan Khan, father of Jahangir, later popular manager Umar Draz and others are featured. See it all at <https://www.squashlibrary.info/features>.



Squash Library

26 January at 09:05 · 🌐

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Australians Liz Irving and her mother Jenny, are the only mother & daughter to have reached British Open finals, though neither (pictured together below) took the title. Jenny Irving reached hers in 1971 where legend Heather McKay waited; while Liz faced Susan Devoy (NZL) in 1988, and countrywoman Michelle Martin in 1994 & 95. [Squash Australia](#)



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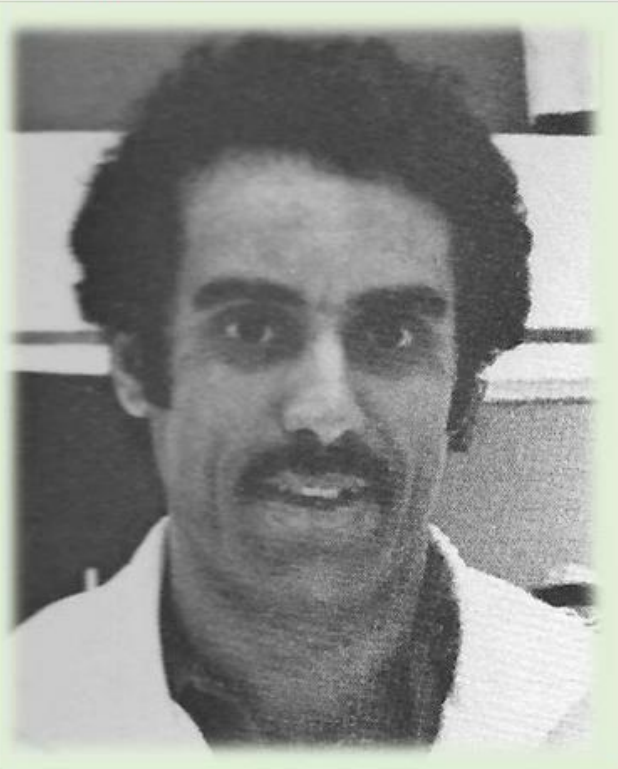
19 January at 08:57 · 🌐

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Squash star Sharif Khan (son of Hashim Khan), below, beat John McEnroe in 1979. Not in a tennis match but at the World Invitational Racquets Championship held at the Atlas Health Club in San Diego, USA!

He came first overall ahead of racquetball player Marty Hogan, with both winning two events; Khan the racquetball and badminton events, Hogan winning the squash and tennis ones. (Players were not allowed to compete in their own sport in the CBS televised event).

20 year old McEnroe won the table tennis event, but it was Khan beating Hogan 21-19 in their table tennis semi-final that gave him the title on points overall.







Squash Library  
7 January at 09:14 · 🌐



Only two 'legends' have won a professional final without dropping a single point. Jahangir Khan (PAK) managed it in the final of the Thorntons ISPA Championship at Abbeydale Park Squash Club, Sheffield, England when as top seed 18 year old Khan beat countryman Maqsood Ahmed, seeded three, 9-0, 9-0 in 24 minutes. Ahmed, ranked four in the world at the time, only won six rallies – all won in the second game. Meanwhile, in the 1968 British Open final, Heather McKay inflicted the same scoreline on countrywoman Beverly Johnson. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)



Photo: Steve Line

## 2020



Squash Library  
22 December at 09:15 · 🌐



Extraordinarily, two girls from the same small island have won major squash titles. From the same school and squash court (there was only one on the island for a while). Known as the 'Guernsey Girls', Martine Le Moignan won the 1989 World Open, beating Susan Devoy in the final; and Lisa Opie took the 1991 British Open title. Together, Le Moignan (left) and Opie were members of the England squads which won the World Team title four times between 1985 & 1990. [Guernsey Squash & Racketball Association](#)[England Squash](#)



Photo: Steve Line

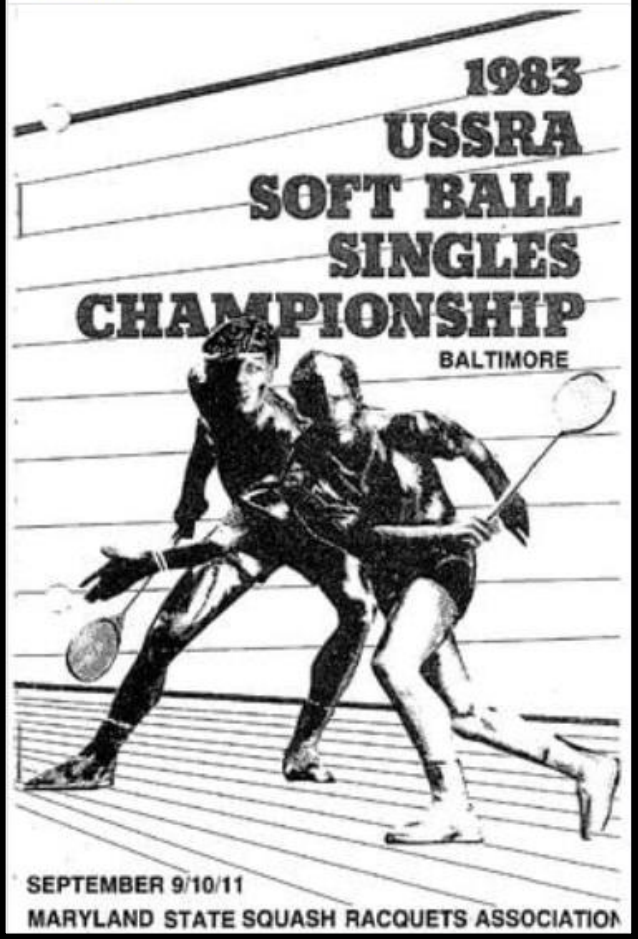


Squash Library  
12 December at 09:08 · 🌐



International sized courts started being built in the USA in the 1970s, and in 1983 the first US 'Softball' nationals were played at the Baltimore Country Club. Soon the International game began to dominate. In this article from Squash Magazine in 2008 James Zug looked back at the start.

<https://squashmagazine.com/.../hot-hot-hot-the-first.../>  
US SQUASH



Squash Library  
11 December at 09:40 · 🌐



The first ISPA Championship was played 27 Feb – 5 March 1978 at Abbeydale Sports Club, Sheffield, England. (ISPA was the former name for PSA, then Men' Tour only). The draw featured top seed Geoff Hunt – who signed the programme – but although he took the title in 1979 & 1981, the inaugural winner was second seed Qamar Zaman who beat Hiddy Jahan, who had scored a 3/2 semi-final win over Hunt. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)

*Geoff Hunt*

	1st Round	2nd Round Wed 1st March	3rd Round Thurs 2nd March	Semi Final Friday 3rd March	Final Sunday 5th March
1 Geoff Hunt (AUS) 1	Tuesday 28th Feb 1978 Court No 1 at 8.30 pm	} Count No 4 at 6.30 pm	} 9.30 pm	} 6.30 pm	} 3.30 pm approx. Final
2 Mohammad Zaman (PAK) 2	Monday 27th Feb 1978 Court No 1 at 8.30 pm				
3 A. Colburn (GB) 3	Monday 27th Feb 1978 Court No 1 at 8.30 pm	} Count No 7 at 7.30 pm	} 9.30 pm	} 6.30 pm	} 3.30 pm approx. Final
4 Richard Khan (PAK) 4	Monday 27th Feb 1978 Court No 1 at 8.30 pm				
5 Shah Jahangir Khan (PAK) 5	Monday 27th Feb 1978 Court No 1 at 8.30 pm	} Count No 1 at 8.30 pm	} 9.30 pm	} 6.30 pm	} 3.30 pm approx. Final
6 Maqsood Ahmed (PAK) 6	Monday 27th Feb 1978 Court No 1 at 8.30 pm				
7 Anwar Khan (GB) 7	Tuesday 28th Feb 1978 Court No 1 at 8.30 pm	} Count No 1 at 8.30 pm	} 9.30 pm	} 6.30 pm	} 3.30 pm approx. Final
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15 Cliff Brantley (USA) 15	Monday 27th Feb 1978 Court No 1 at 8.30 pm	} Count No 1 at 8.30 pm	} 9.30 pm	} 6.30 pm	} 3.30 pm approx. Final
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17 Mohammad Khan (PAK) 17	Monday 27th Feb 1978 Court No 1 at 8.30 pm	} Count No 1 at 8.30 pm	} 9.30 pm	} 6.30 pm	} 3.30 pm approx. Final
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21 Bruce Bennett (USA) 21	Monday 27th Feb 1978 Court No 1 at 8.30 pm	} Count No 1 at 8.30 pm	} 9.30 pm	} 6.30 pm	} 3.30 pm approx. Final
22 Rishi Gul (PAK) 22	Monday 27th Feb 1978 Court No 1 at 8.30 pm				
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\*All matches will follow on – all times are approximate apart from the first match in a session.  
All matches played on Court 7 on Thursday, Friday and Sunday.





Squash Library

10 December at 10:26 · 🌐



In 1935 the first Canadian player reached the final of the Canadian Open Championship – when two of them did. Players from Hamilton, cousins Hubert and Harold Martin, hold the distinction. As can be seen, Hubert became the first Canadian to win their open title. [Squash Canada](#)

#### CHAMPIONSHIP OF CANADA

- 1924 ... Capt. G. Robarts (G.B.) *beat* W. D. Macpherson (G.B.).
- 1927 ... Capt. V. A. Cazalet (G.B.) *beat* R. S. Wright (Chicago).
- 1934 ... E. Snell (G.B.) *beat* J. A. Gillies (G.B.). 3-1.
- 1935 ... Hubert Martin *beat* Harold Martin. 3-0.
- 1936 ... C. Polley (U.S.) *beat* Hubert Martin. 3-1.
- 1937 ... N. J. Sullivan (U.S.) *beat* C. Polley (U.S.). 3-0.



Squash Library

1 December at 09:15 · 🌐



Australian squash champion in 1937, Mervyn Weston, reported upon the progress of the women's game there in 1938: 'Perhaps the best player Australia has so far produced is Miss Dorothy Stevenson who won the Australia title in 1936 after a few months practice. Since then she has practically dropped out of the game to concentrate on lawn tennis. I should say that Miss Margot Lumb [English 5 times British Open winner] who appears to have no difficulty in combining squash and lawn tennis would beat any Australian woman without losing a point'. This, before Heather McKay, Michelle Martin, Sarah Fitz-Gerald, Rachael Grinham et al turned these comments into a footnote! [Squash Australia](#)



Squash Library

7 December at 09:13 · 🌐



In 1982, the first demountable event took place in South Africa when promoter Owen Emslie built a 'big top' of aluminum posts and plastic awning in Johannesburg for the South African Open. Up to 800 people could watch the matches on the imported glass court, and that number did so for the final where Australian Dean Williams beat Magdi Saad (Egypt) 9-7, 9-6, 9-3. (South African Roland Watson on the 'Big Top' court with Gamal Awad (Egypt). [Squash South Africa](#)



Squash Library

26 November at 08:55 · 🌐



A major furore was created on 17 March 2001 when news that Peter Nicol was moving allegiance from Scotland to England reached the media. Nicol had won Commonwealth Singles Gold in 1998 and the World Open in 1999. He had been based in England for some years, and explained that the move was not about money, but support via the English World Class Performance programme. 'It has been a difficult decision for me to make but I am a professional athlete and believe I am joining the best programme there is in the World'. Under the England banner he reached the 2002 Commonwealth Games Final (losing to Canadian Jonathon Power), and was a member of the England squash which won the Men's World Team Championship in 2005.







Squash Library

10 November at 09:15 · 🌐



The first winner of the United States Men's National Championship was John Miskey in 1907, a title he won three times. Miskey, a doctor, was from the Overbrook Golf Club in Greater Philadelphia. Until 1990 the event was Hardball, that year switching to Softball. The Women's title was first played in 1928 when Eleanora Sears became the inaugural winner. Boston born Sears was extravagantly multi-talented, having already been US tennis champion.

[US SQUASH](#)

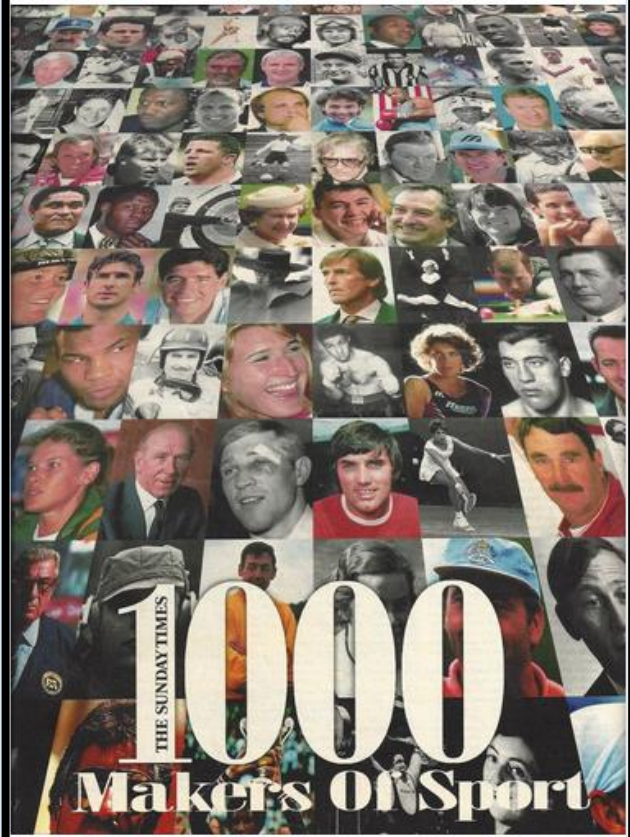


Squash Library

2 November at 09:13 · 🌐



In June 1996 the Sunday Times (UK) newspaper produced a weekly series of inserts that built up to total 1000 Makers of Sport. Each person had a photo and brief synopsis, with the squash entries mostly written by Richard Eaton. Squash was represented by Jonah Barrington, Susan Devoy, Jim Dear, Geoff Hunt, Hashim Khan, Jahangir Khan, Heather McKay, Michelle Martin and Janet Shardlow.



Squash Library

9 November at 09:05 · 🌐



World number one Jansher Khan won the 1992 Dutch Open final wearing his manager's squash shoes! The Pakistani player had his bag stolen after the semi-finals. The solution - manager Satinder Bajwa's same-size worn-in shoes were couriered over from London on the morning of the final enabling Khan to go on to defeat Australian Chris Dittmar 15-12, 15-10, 15-13. (The postscript is that the thief left the bag with everything except money in a locker at Amsterdam Station for the player to collect).



Photo: Steve Line



Squash Library

31 October at 08:57 · 🌐



The Qatar Classic begins today at the same venue as the very first Qatar International event held on 17 - 22 December 1992. The courts, then and now, have been at the Khalifa International Tennis and Squash Complex. That year was won by Jansher Khan (PAK) who beat Chris Dittmar (AUS) 15-9, 14-15, 12-15, 15-6, 15-11. [Qatar Squash Federation](#)







Squash Library

30 October at 09:10



The 1985 South African Men's Open programme expressed a truism that losing finalists tend to be forgotten, and attempted to rectify that for the preceding ten years. An unusual but nice angle. [Squash South Africa](#)

### South African Open Runners-Up

It is well known that nobody ever remembers who came second. We are attempting to have them remembered, and honour the players who came second in the S.A. Open as they are all great players.



Hiddy Jahan, Pakistan  
Runner-up in 1974 - 4/9, 3/1, 9/5, 10/8  
Runner-up in 1975 - 9/7, 9/7, 9/1



Bruce Brownlee, New Zealand  
Runner-up in 1980 - 10/9, 3/9, 9/0, 9/1



Cam Nancarrow, Australia  
Runner-up in 1976 - 9/3, 9/7, 9/1



Greg Pollard, Australia  
Runner-up in 1984 - 9/1, 9/0, 9/3



Gawain Briars, England  
Runner-up in 1981 - 9/1, 9/4, 4/9, 7/9, 9/2



Roland Watson, South Africa  
Runner-up in 1977 - 9/6, 9/3, 9/4  
Runner-up in 1978 - 9/5, 3/8, 9/5, 9/8  
Runner-up in 1979 - 6/9, 9/4, 9/4, 9/5



Magdi Saad, Egypt  
Runner-up in 1982 - 9/7, 9/6, 9/3



Squash Library

27 October at 09:11



The early Egyptian male champions such as Amr Bey & Mahmoud Karim, along with many recent ones have come from Cairo. Current world number one Mohamed Elshorbagy hails from Alexandria though - as did Gamal Awad, the first star to emerge from Egypt's second city. Known as the Grasshopper for his outstanding athleticism the late Gamal Awad (9 Aug 55 - 6 Nov 04) won the British Amateur twice, recorded a win over Geoff Hunt and was 1983 British Open finalist too (losing to Jahangir Khan). [Egyptian Squash Federation](#) - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش



Squash Library

29 October at 08:36



The first French Open Championship for men took place at the Hotel Martinez in Cannes from 12 - 14 April 1938. It was won by an American, F. Prokosch, who beat countryman A. Franklin 3/1 in the final. (The reportage didn't include first names!) [FFSquash - Fédération Française de Squash](#)







Squash Library

22 October at 07:54 · 🌐



When Jahangir Khan became President of the World Squash Federation in 2002 at the Kuala Lumpur AGM, the Pakistani 'legend' became the first and to date only professional player to take the role. The 6 times World Open and 10 times British Open Champion became a WSF Vice-President in 1998. He served the maximum two terms before stepping down in 2008 to become and remain WSF Emeritus President. (Five times Australian World Champion Sarah Fitz-Gerald is a current WSF Vice-President). [World Squash Federation](#)



Photo: Steve Line



Squash Library

13 October at 09:17 · 🌐



Courts have been given the name of a local star rather than a number, but upon occasion a complete squash centre has been named or re-named to honour the achievements of a player. Here are examples:

The PIA Squash Complex in Karachi was renamed PIA Jahangir Khan Complex in 1990 after he broke Geoff Hunt's record of eight British Open wins (he won ten in all, and six World Open crowns). When the Tauranga Squash Club in New Zealand relocated in 2011, the six court complex was re-titled Devoy Squash & Fitness Centre to acclaim Susan Devoy, four time World & eight British Open title winner.

When Pakistan Squash Federation built a regional centre in Abbottabad City in 1996 they called it Jansher Khan Squash Complex after the eight World Open title winner.

In Malaysia, the Penang International Squash Centre on the home island of Nicol David was re-named in 2010 as Nicol David International Squash Centre, recognising her successes midway through her career which eventually resulted in eight World Open titles.



Squash Library

10 October at 08:55 · 🌐



The Egyptian Open, starting today, began for men in October 1997 with Jansher Khan (pic) beating Jonathon Power in the final. In a significant change from expectations now, only one Egyptian player reached the last eight - Ahmed Barada losing to Jansher Khan in the quarters.

The Women's event began three years earlier in 1994, featuring an all-English Final won by Jane Martin. It was uncontested when opponent Linda Charman (Elriani) was forced to concede due to a serious stomach bug. [Squash - PSA World Tour Egyptian Squash Federation](#) - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش



Squash Library

17 October at 09:11 · 🌐



So far the World Squash Federation have inducted 12 players into the WSF Hall of Fame.

There are career interviews with a number of them on the WSF website: <https://www.worldsquash.org/hall-of-fame/>

The 'legends' are (with year of induction):

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[World Squash Federation](#)

**MEN:**

F.D. AMR BEY (EGY) (1993)  
 HASHIM KHAN (PAK) (1993)  
 JONAH BARRINGTON (IRL) (1993)  
 GEOFF HUNT (AUS) (1993)  
 JAHANGIR KHAN (PAK) (1993)  
 JANSHER KHAN (PAK) (2001)

**WOMEN:**

JANET SHARDOW (ENG) (1993)  
 HEATHER MCKAY (AUS) (1993)  
 SUSAN DEVOY (NZL) (1993)  
 MICHELLE MARTIN (AUS) (2001)  
 SARAH FITZ-GERALD (AUS) (2004)  
 NICOL DAVID (MAS) (2011)



Squash Library  
3 October at 08:16 · 🌐

The winners of the CIB PSA World Tour Finals in Cairo today follow first winners Jansher Khan (PAK) & Michelle Martin (AUS). Khan won the first Men's in 1993, while Martin prevailed when the Women's debuted in 1998.

The then called ISPA Tour Finals 1993 was played in Vitis Center, Zurich-Schlieren, Switzerland where Khan beat Chris Dittmar (AUS) 15-10, 10-15, 15-13, 15-8.

Meanwhile in 1998, five years later, Martin beat fellow Australian Sarah Fitz-Gerald 9-3, 9-5, 3-9, 9-5 in the initially titled WISPA Grand Prix Finals 1998. The event was held on the Red Sea at Hurghada, Egypt. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)



Squash Library  
28 September at 09:05 · 🌐

The PSA World Tour Finals (starting today) began with different names. The Men's debuted in 1993 as the Super Series Finals, before altering to World Series Finals in 2011. Meanwhile for the Women it was Grand Prix Finals from 1998 before following PSA to 'World Series' in 2012 and 'Tour' in 2018. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)



Squash Library  
1 October at 09:16 · 🌐

Australia staged its' first outside event in January 1992 – the Northwest Airlines World Outdoor Pro-Am. It was played in Sydney, with a showcourt erected on the reported busiest pedestrian thoroughfare in the country. Matches were played using point a rally with two 20 minute periods.

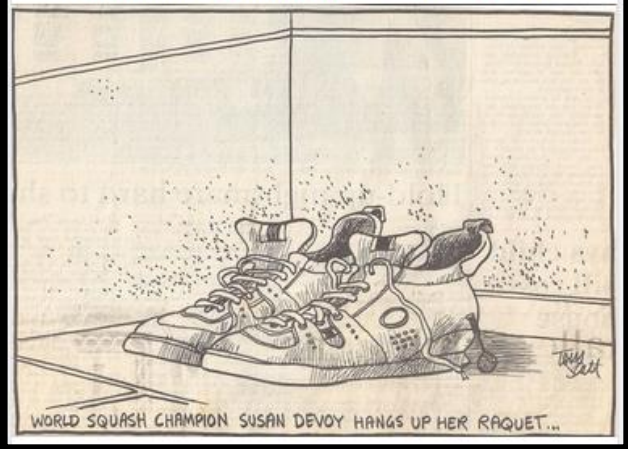
Men's winner was Chris Dittmar, who beat Brett martin 48 – 41, while Michelle Martin had a more comfortable 45 – 33 final win over Nikki Solan.

The five day event aimed to raise the profile of the sport and attract more young players via the showcasing. [Squash Australia](#)



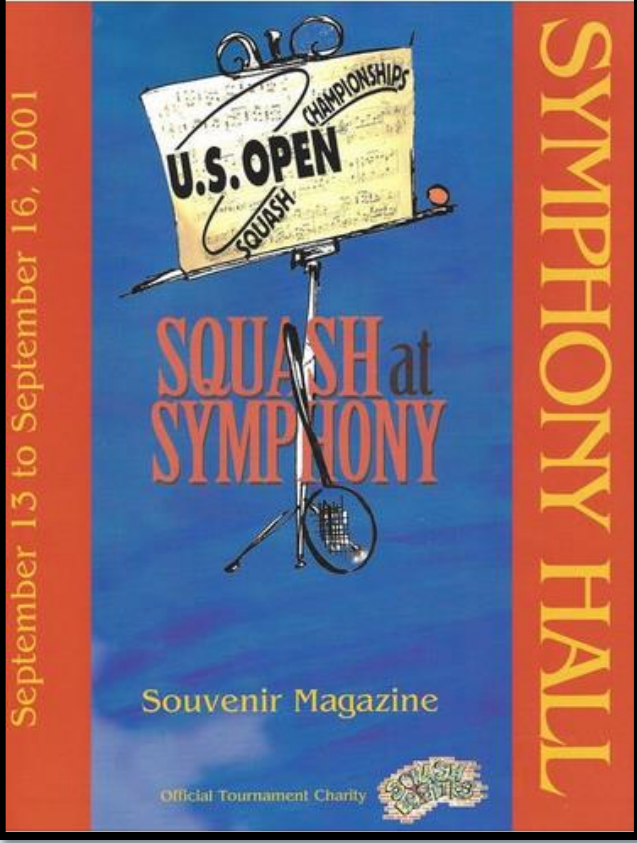
Squash Library  
17 September · 🌐

When World Number one Susan Devoy retired in October 1992, a New Zealand newspaper decided that hers would be very large shoes for other Kiwi players to try to fill! [Squash New Zealand](#)





19 years ago today, on the morning of 11 Sept 2001, planes hit the Twin Towers in New York; the atrocity causing a terrible death toll and changing the world. That day in Boston qualification matches for the U.S. Open had been scheduled to take place at the Harvard & University Clubs, with the Boston Symphony Hall set for showcourt matches.  
Tournament Director John Nimick and his Event Engine Company bounced back superbly from the inevitable postponement and the general financial and general dislocation, not only by staging the first sporting event at the Symphony Hall exactly a year later, but first by playing the September 2001 U.S. Open in January 2002 at the Sheraton Boston Grand Ballroom. Here's the programme cover for the event that did not take place.  
[US SQUASHSquash - PSA World Tour](#)



The first women's test match between Australia and England took place on 12 February 1964. The visitors included Heather McKay (then Blundell, before her marriage) who had already won two of her 16 British Opens; & Jenny Irving, (mother of Liz Irving).  
The outcome at the Lansdowne Club in London was a 3 – 2 win to Australia. It was very close except for the number ones, where Blundell was totally dominant.  
Scores: Fran Marshall lost Heather Blundell 1-9,0-9,0-9; Sheila Macintosh beat Jenny Irving 9-2,7-9, 9-3,2-9,9-2; Anna Craven Smith lost Pat McLenaughan 9-10,9-7,9-5,8-10,8-10; Mary Muncaster beat Barbara Baxter 9-5,6-9,2-9,9-2,9-6; Pauline White lost Helen Plaisted 8-10, 9-4,9-4,5-9,5-9.  
(L to R: Plaisted, Blundell, McLenaughan, Irving, Baxter) [Squash Australia England Squash](#)



In what has become an iconic setting for squash, the first Al Ahram Championship played in front of Giza's Pyramids in Cairo took place 17 – 22 May 1996. Here is the draw of players who took part in the historic debut event. [Squash - PSA World Tour Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش](#)

Draw	1st Round	2nd Round	3rd Round	4th Round	5th Round	6th Round	7th Round	8th Round	9th Round	10th Round	11th Round	12th Round	13th Round	14th Round	15th Round	16th Round	17th Round	18th Round	19th Round	20th Round	21st Round	22nd Round	23rd Round	24th Round	25th Round	26th Round	27th Round	28th Round	29th Round	30th Round	31st Round	32nd Round	33rd Round	34th Round	35th Round	36th Round	37th Round	38th Round	39th Round	40th Round	41st Round	42nd Round	43rd Round	44th Round	45th Round	46th Round	47th Round	48th Round	49th Round	50th Round	51st Round	52nd Round	53rd Round	54th Round	55th Round	56th Round	57th Round	58th Round	59th Round	60th Round	61st Round	62nd Round	63rd Round	64th Round	65th Round	66th Round	67th Round	68th Round	69th Round	70th Round	71st Round	72nd Round	73rd Round	74th Round	75th Round	76th Round	77th Round	78th Round	79th Round	80th Round	81st Round	82nd Round	83rd Round	84th Round	85th Round	86th Round	87th Round	88th Round	89th Round	90th Round	91st Round	92nd Round	93rd Round	94th Round	95th Round	96th Round
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	



Past times ..... In 1958 there were 47 entries for the Mediterranean Fleet of ships crew championship played in Malta. For the record, this event ... where spectators may have been called navel-gazers! ... was won by Capt Seymour-Hayden who beat Lt. Rump 9-5, 9-2, 9-0 in the final, after they had semi-final wins over Lt Eveleigh and Sub-Lt Gambier respectively).



CDR. A. A. T. SEYMOUR-HAYDON  
Royal Navy.

In the 1969 Monaco International Championship the runner up was H.H. Prince Rainier, who was beaten by Aris Vatimbella 9-6 10-9 2-9 9-7 at the Monte Carlo Country Club – possibly risky for a Monaco citizen! His own court in Monaco's Prince's Palace gave him a home training base, but he went back to it with the smaller trophy.



The Men's & Women's record holders for longest unbroken months in the PSA world top 10 are Gregory Gaultier (FRA) 154 (Apr 2006 - Jan 2019) & Nicol David (MAS) 177 (Jan 2004 - Sept 2018). For a full range of Tour stats e.g. time at number one, most finals, youngest and oldest winners, go to Library general features: [www.squashlibrary.info/features/Squash-PSA-World-Tour](http://www.squashlibrary.info/features/Squash-PSA-World-Tour)



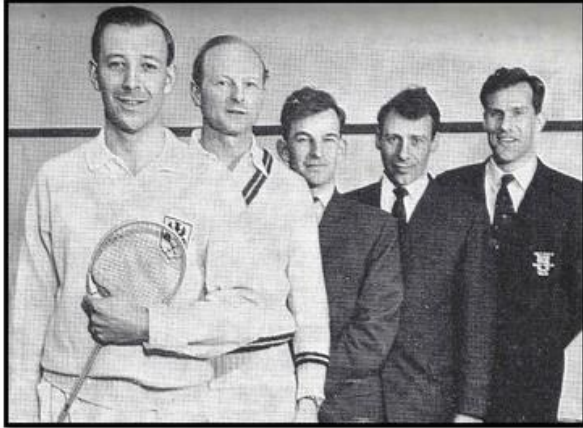


In 1963 Scotland were able to celebrate their first victory over England in a test match, having lost every year from 1937. The win was on home turf at Edinburgh Sports Club with the Scots taking the top three strings.

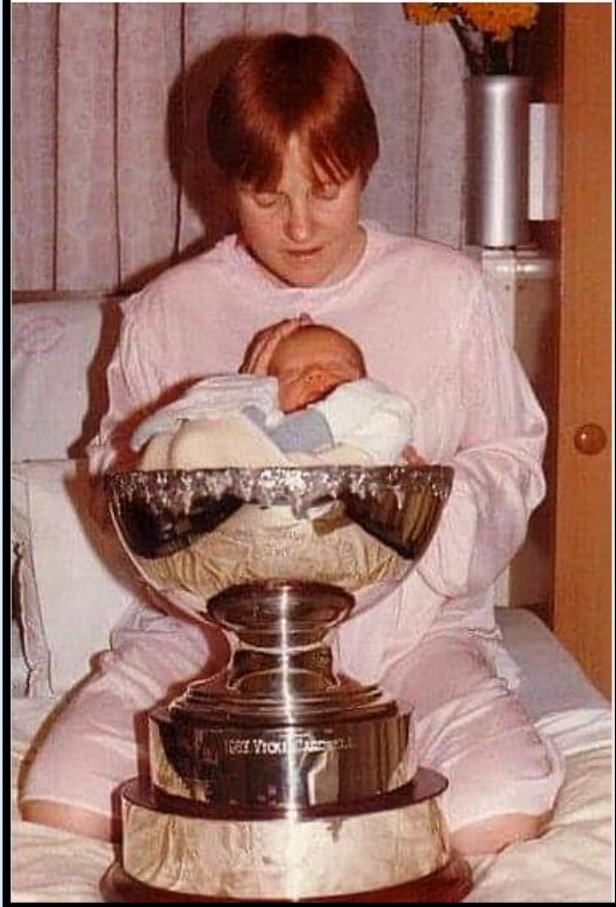
Scotland bt England 3 – 2

Mike Oddy bt Richard Boddington 9-4, 10-8, 9-7  
Oliver Balfour bt Jeremy Lyon 9-5, 9-3, 5-9, 3-9, 9-5  
George Chisholm bt John Skinner 6-9, 7-9, 9-6, 10-8, 9-1  
Robert Montgomerie lt Pat Kirton 7-9, 7-9, 2-9  
Ian de S la Terriere lt Tony Gathercole 8-10, 4-9, 6-9

From left: Balfour, Sales la Terrier, Montgomerie, Chisholm, Oddy  
[Scottish Squash England Squash](#)

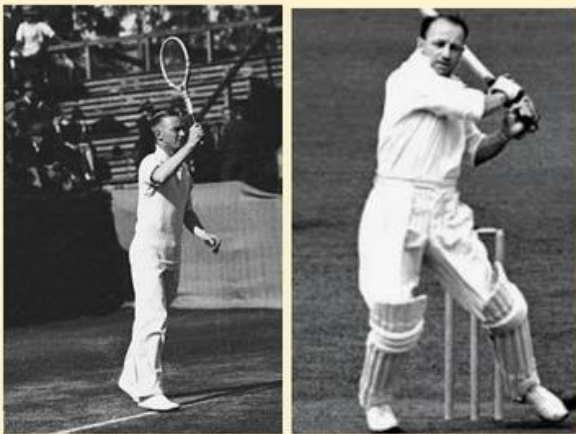


Trophies have regularly been filled with champagne, but not babies! The one in question was newly-arrived Joshua, son of 1983 Women's World Open winner Vicki Cardwell and husband Ian. For the full list of Women's results, photos and poster go to <https://www.squashlibrary.info/features>



Australian Harry Hopman has a place in the International Tennis Hall of Fame. Twice winner of the Wimbledon Mixed Doubles & the Australian Championships (1929 & 1930), he also coached Australia to 15 Davis Cup championships ..... and he also found time to win three Australian Squash Championship titles too!

Oh, and Australian cricket legend Don Bradman won the South Australian Squash Championship in 1939. [Squash Australia](#)



Nobody is playing Wimbledon this week, of course, but there was a time when top squash players also played competitive tennis. Ten times Women's British Open Champion in the 1950s, Janet Morgan (Shardlow), played 14 times at Wimbledon, as did another British Open winner Joan Curry. The Men's tennis event saw top British squash players of the time participating, including Denis Hughes and Henry Truman. (Curry left, and Morgan)





1st January 1954 saw the start of the first US Open Championship. It was open to all nationalities, amateur or professional but the draw size limited to twenty players.

British Open champions Mahmoud Karim (EGY) & Hashim Khan (PAK) travelled to the University Club in New York to play, and while the Hardball version of squash predominating in USA then was unfamiliar to them they both progressed before Karim was beaten by US Amateur champion Henri Salaun 15-9 15-1 15-5 in the semis. Khan beat Diehl Mateer in a tight semi 12-15 12-15 15-8 15-8 15-12, but lost to Salaun in the final. The scoreline was 15-7 15-12 15-14, indicating that the softball star was getting stronger as Hashim got to grips with Hardball day by day. [US SQUASH](#)



We might assume general Egyptian player success now, but it was an all-English Final in the first Women's Tour event held in Egypt. The Egyptian Women's Open, held in Cairo in September 1994, was won by Jane Martin (pictured). She won an uncontested final when opponent Linda Charman (Elriani) was forced to concede due to a serious stomach bug. [Squash - PSA World Tour Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش - England Squash](#)



Can you name the youngest & oldest Tour event winners / world number 1s, longest PSA memberships, most matches played? In conjunction with [squashinfo.com](#), answers to these and much more besides, are in the Squash Library at <https://www.squashlibrary.info/features> [Squash - PSA World Tour World Squash Federation](#)

SQUASH - TOUR RECORDS & ACHIEVEMENTS			
		MEN'S	
Longest PSA Membership	Olli Tuominen (FIN)	266 months (May 97 - Jun19)	Rachel Griffiths (AUS)
Longest unbroken time in top 10	Gregory Gaultier (FRA)	154 (Apr 2006 - Jan 2019)	Nicol David (MAS)
Most consecutive months at Number 1	Jahangir Khan (PAK)	72 months (Jan 1982 - Dec 1987)	Nicol David (MAS)
Most overall months at Number 1	Jansher Khan (PAK)	97 months (Jan 1988 - Jan 1996)	Nicol David (MAS)
Most months at Number 1	Karem Abdel Gawad (EGY)	1 month (May 2017)	Natalie Granger (USA)
Longest World Number 1	Gregory Gaultier (FRA)	35 years 1 month (Feb 2018)	Sarah Fitz-Gerald (AUS)
Longest World Number 1	Jahangir Khan (PAK)	18 years (Jan 1982)	Susan Devoy (NZL)
Longest Tour Event Winner	Ahmed Barada (EGY)	1993 (16y 2m - Al Marmal Open, Egypt)	Habiba Mohamed (EGY)
Longest Tour Event Winner	Melis Cerven (AUT)	2017 (13y 3m - Golden Open, Australia)	Vicki Carwell (AUS)
Longest Tour Event wins	Jansher Khan (PAK) or Jahangir Khan (PAK)	99 (1986 - 1998)	Nicol David (MAS)
Longest Tour event finals	Jansher Khan (PAK)	118 (1986-1999)	Nicol David (MAS)
Longest World Open wins	Jansher Khan (PAK)	8 (1987, 89, 90, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96)	Nicol David (MAS)
Longest World Open Winner	Jahangir Khan (PAK)	1981 (17y 11m)	Nour El Sherbini (EGY)
Longest World Open Winner	Gauff Hunt (AUS)	1980 (13y 6m)	Heather McKay (NZ)
Longest World Open Winner	Chris Brannan (AUS)	1993 (13y 10m)	Heather McKay (NZ)



It is worth remembering that Raneem El Welily, who announced her retirement from the PSA Tour today while atop the world rankings, became the first Egyptian female to become world number one in any sport when she reached the top of the squash pyramid in September 2015.

El Welily, aged 31 from Alexandria had her potential recognised as early as 2004 when she was voted Tour Young Player of the Year – before she had won the World Junior title in 2005 & 2007 (during a period when it was held every two years), and British Junior Under 19 Open in January 2007 (incidentally beating future French star Camille Serme in the Final).

Winning the World Championship in Manchester in December 2017 was another high point of a career that included 24 titles including the US Open 2018.

But the high point for spectators was watching not only a hugely talented player but a supreme athlete too. And a player who looked happy going about her business, and off-court the most personable and humble person anybody could wish to meet.

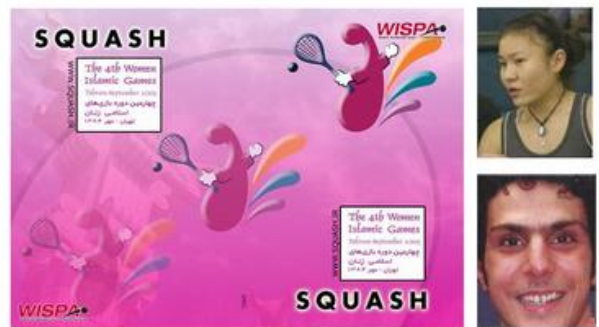
World Squash Library congratulates her on a stellar career, thanks her for the pleasure she has brought to so many, and wishes Raneem and husband Tarek Momen, himself a World Champion, every happiness, health and success in the future. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#) [Egyptian Squash Federation](#) - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش



The Argus Newspaper in Melbourne on 12 September 1933 reported the outcome of the Australian Women's Championship. It seems there was a period before all-white clothing was the rule!



Iran has hosted men's and women's Tour events, as well as Asian Championships. The first was a Women's Tour 4 in Tehran in 2005 won by Malaysia's Tricia Chuah, followed by the Men's Fajr International in Kish Island a year later won by Omar Mosaad (both pictured). Since then three Asian Junior Championships have been held in the country.





**Squash Library**  
16 June · 🌐

The PSA Player Awards for 2019 / 20 have been announced. For a full list of all winners since the start, including the latest additions, go to <https://www.squashlibrary.info/.../world-squash-awards...>  
Squash - PSA World Tour



**Squash Library**  
15 June · 🌐

Perhaps uniquely for a Tour event, the Texas Women's Open in USA alternated annually between Houston and Dallas. The first took place in 2002, born out of the Dallas Open which started two years earlier. Carol Owens, pic, (then NZL), won the first two stagings, beating Cassie Jackman (ENG) and Natalie Pohrer (Grainger) (USA) in the finals. Squash - PSA World Tour



**Squash Library**  
10 June · 🌐

Former Swedish Number 1 Fredrik Johnson played his first National League match for Linköping Squash Club in 1979 when he was 15 years old. Earlier this year he made it six decades in the League, all for the same club!

Can anybody challenge this six decade national level record?

Seen here, he was giving away no less 41 years to opponent Karl Bundy in January!

Meanwhile, the headline in the 1979 newspaper was 'Star in the 80s'

'Freddie', now 57, has amassed 53 Swedish Championships titles, won the European Club Championships along with six World Tour events (reaching the world top 20) as well as British & World Masters titles. [ActiPro Event Svensk Squash](#)

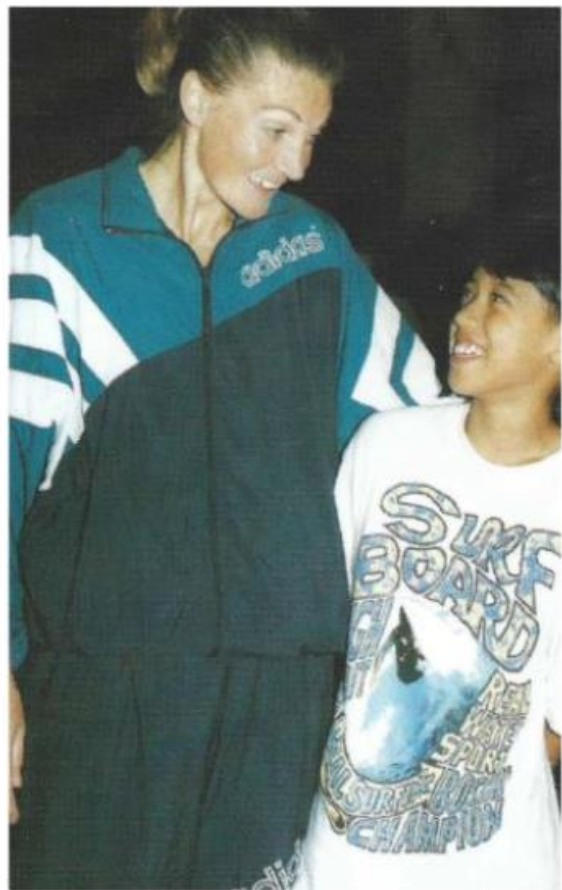


**Squash Library**  
24 May · 🌐

Nicol David was a Malaysian Junior was aged 13 when she was awarded a place in the qualification draw of the Women's World Open in 1996 in her home country. While she didn't make the main draw, she went on to win eight titles.

She is seen here with three times winner Michelle Martin (1993 – 1995).

The full Women's World Open history, information and champions poster is at <http://www.squashlibrary.info/womens-world-squash...>  
Michelle Martin Nicol David World Squash Federation Squash - PSA World Tour





**Squash Library**  
23 May · 🌐

The first Irish Open took place in February 1932 (won by a Mr A Hamilton). The venue then was Dublin's Fitzwilliam Lawn Tennis Club in Dublin – and still is.

The historic club (established 1877) built a clubhouse on new land it acquired in 1902 and built what was believed to be the first court in Ireland. It featured one plaster and three wooden walls. The club now has six squash courts. [Irish Squash](#)



**Squash Library**  
19 May · 🌐

The British Under 19 Open, informally called the Drysdale Cup after the trophy provided by RAC members in the name of Dr Theodore Drysdale who initiated the event, began in 1926. It was the unofficial Men's World Under 19 title until the World Junior Individual began in 1980.

It was won by British players until Peter Gerlow from Denmark won in April 1961 & 1962, followed in short order by Sharif Khan from Pakistan in 1963 and Indian Anil Nayar in 1965.

L to R: Gerlow, Khan, Nayar.

[Coincidentally, there are the life stories of two of the trio available: Sharif Khan (The Sheriff of Squash) and Anil Nayar (Lucky)].



**Squash Library**  
16 May · 🌐

The Khan dynasty of male Pakistani champions is renowned, but Carla Khan, grand-daughter of 4 times British Open winner Azam Khan has also made history. She beat Mexico's Samantha Teran to win the El Salvador Women's Open on 9 Nov 2002 to become the first female Pakistani to win a Tour event.



**Squash Library**  
21 May · 🌐

11 November 1986 was a squash milestone – being the date when Ross Norman ended Jahangir Khan's 5year 7month unbeaten spell in the final of the World Open at the Palais Des Sports in Toulouse, France.

But three years earlier was a significant time too. The summer of 1983 was when the New Zealander wrecked his knee landing awkwardly on the edge of the runway at the end of his first ever parachute jump. He reported it as 'it felt like falling out of a two-storey building'. Having severed one ligament and displaced another it seemed unlikely that he would play again. He did, and the rest, as they say, is history!

For full Men's World Championship results, info & poster:  
<https://www.squashlibrary.info/mens-world-squash...> Squash - PSA World Tour Squash New Zealand









**Squash Library**  
6 May · 🌐

The first World Squash Awards Dinner, presented by Eventis, took place at the RAC Club in London exactly 15 years ago, on 6 May 2005. The first Players of the Year were Thierry Lincou & Vanessa Atkinson (2004 World Champions); with the Young Player awards being scooped by Raneem El Welily & James Willstrop. The full list of winners through the years is on the Library website <https://www.squashlibrary.info/.../world-squash-awards...> World Squash Federation Squash - PSA World Tour



**Squash Library**  
1 May · 🌐

An international women's league began in autumn 1989 with the English SRA Women's SuperLeague, initially featuring five clubs. When England's Men's National League moved to a mixed team format the SuperLeague ceased.

It included top stars of the time as can be seen in the Colets side which won the first year (LtoR: Carolyn Mett, Alison Cumings, Cassie Jackman, Michelle Martin). Included in other squads amongst others were Sarah Fitz-Gerald, Sue Wright, Danielle Drady and Lisa Opie



**Squash Library**  
3 May · 🌐

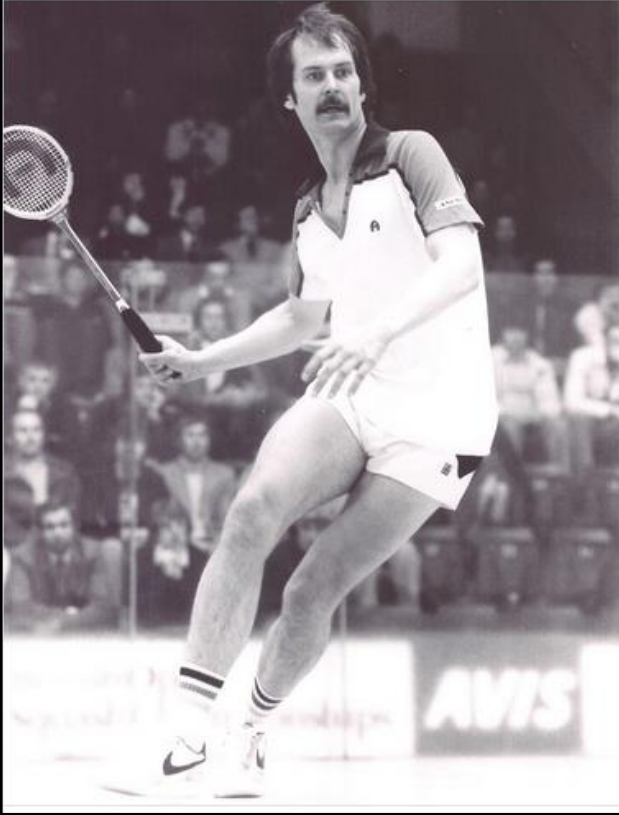
After Andy Roddick became the first tennis player to strike a ball at 150mph, at the 2005 Canary Wharf Classic when squash ball speed was checked, John White recorded a top speed of 172 mph. And, incredibly, reached 171mph on his backhand too.

In 2011, using a special off-court radar gun at the U.S. Open, Australian Cameron Pilley reached 175mph. In 2014 Pilley pushed the record up to 177mph at an exhibition at Bishop's Stortford, Hertfordshire, England.



**Squash Library**  
26 April · 🌐

Geneva Squash Club opened its' doors in 1948, and started hosting the Swiss Open in 1974. The first final was an all-English affair with the late John Easter (pictured) beating Philip Ayton 9/10 9/2 2/9 9/4 9/7. The event has now relocated to Uster. [Swiss Squash](#)





There may not be comprehensive records of the longest doubles match, but here are a possible top two:

1. In January 1985 Jonathon Cornish & Darren Mabbs beat Christy Willstrop & Robert Forde 11-15, 15-11, 7-15, 18-14, 17-15 in the British Doubles final in a mere 2h 43m.
2. In March 2006 Campbell Grayson & Martin Knight (NZL) beat Rodney Durbach & Adrian Hansen (RSA) 9-5, 9-6, 6-9, 13-15, 9-6 in a Commonwealth Games quarter final in 2h 36m.

The 1985 match was played on a singles court, 2006 on a wider one; but since then the Doubles International Competition Width has expanded further, the tin lowered to 13"/33cm, and matches are reduced to best of three games now.



The world's most northern and southern squash courts? Well, for the north it is at Longyearbyen in the Svalbard archipelago. Well inside the Arctic Circle it is the world's northernmost town, and has one court at the town sports hall (Svalbardhallen). Longyearbyen boasts a population of humans of 2,300 – and 3,000 polar bears! The most southern is at the very bottom of South America at Ushuaia on the island of Tierra Del Fuego, where the Las Hayas Hotel has a court – one where the ceiling follows the out of court line, so lobbing is out of the question! Both were visited during the WISPA Promotional Tours of 2006 & 2007, and the height of the ceiling can be seen by the less-than-giant Rachael Grinham, Nicol David and Sarah Fitz-Gerald being able to touch it! The bidding is now open for the world's highest court. (The lowest is very easy at 3,784 m below sea level – the squash court on the Titanic).



The first Mexican Opens were both played in Mexico City. The Women's started in 1999 with Cassie Jackman beating Linda Charman (Elriani) 9/4, 9/3, 9/0 in an all-English final. The first Men's took place in 2006, with an all-Mexican final; Eric Galvez beating Jose Angel Becerril 11/8, 11/4, 11/7. [Squash Mexico Squash - PSA World Tour](#)



The first ever international squash event held in Korea was the Jain International Women's Open held in the Southern city of Busan in September 1995. (It was won by Sarah Fitz-Gerald who beat Michelle Martin 10-8, 9-1, 10-8 in the all-Australian final. Local media interest was considerable as squash was due to begin taking part in the Asian Games for the first time in the same city in 2002. (Last four LtoR Liz Irving, Suzanne Horner, Sarah Fitz-Gerald, Michelle Martin) [대한스쿼시연맹 Korea Squash Federation](#)





The first Hong Kong Open was played at the Island Squash Club in 1985, with England's Philip Kenyon prevailing over Australian Steven Bowditch - literally - in the final. Since then Pakistani star Jansher Khan boasts the most wins with eight, while Jahangir Khan never appeared in a final. [Hong Kong Squash](#)

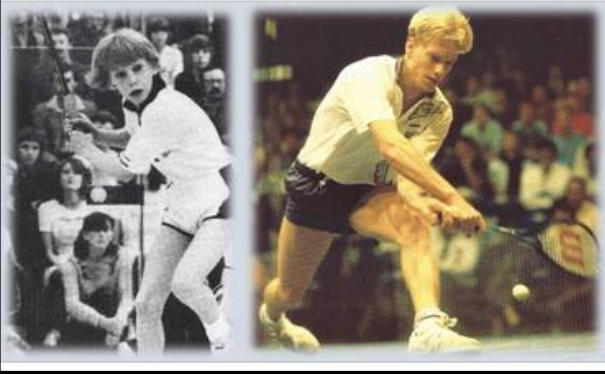


In 1938 former British Open Champion Donald Butcher (pictured, right with fellow champion Charles Read) made a squash coaching film at the St John's Wood Club in London. Apparently the camera work was done by a club member who wished to remain anonymous!

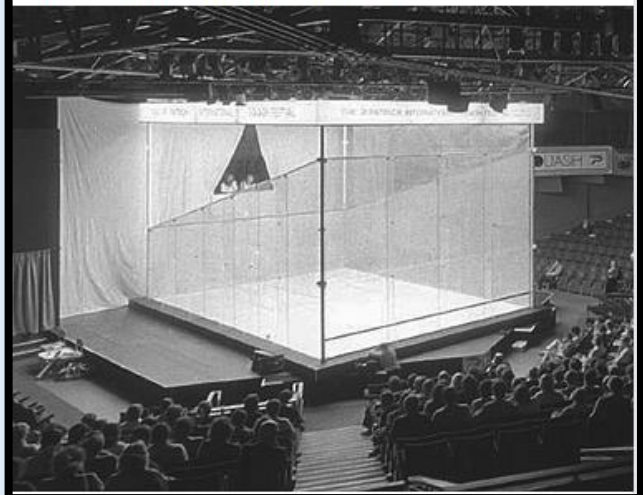
It covered everything from grip, shots, court-craft; and instructions such as 'Keep yourself in mid-court and the ball out of it'. Unarguable logic! A film that it would be great to find.



Playing double handed has only been seen at the very top level of squash once. Englishman Peter Marshall used it throughout his career, starting out winning Under 10 age events nicknamed 'Mighty Mouse'. He did not grow out of it, being double-handed English number one for five unbroken years (1990 – Sept 1995), and World number two from Nov 94 – Sept 95.



In March 1983 at the Chichester Festival Theatre in England, Jahangir Khan beat Gamal Awad 3-1 in the then record-breaking 2h 46m Men's Chichester International Final, while Vicki Cardwell also won her 3rd title; both in the probably unique situation of the master camera filming being through the front wall. As can be seen, there was no backwall viewing for the event.





The now postponed Grasshopper Cup in Zurich, Switzerland which was due to begin today was first played in 1979. The Grasshopper Club itself dates back to 1886, with squash being added to its menu of sports in 1974 ..... the most common explanation of the club name referring to its early footballers energetic post-goal celebrations and that their style of play was nimble and energetic!  
[Grasshopper Cup - Squash PSA Gold & Bronze Tournament](#)

YEAR	WINNER	RUNNER UP
2019	Mo ElShorbagy (EGY)	Tarek Momen (EGY)
2018	Ramy Ashour (EGY)	Mo ElShorbagy (EGY)
2017	Gregory Gaultier (FRA)	Ali Farag (EGY)
2016	Marwan ElShorbagy (EGY)	Gregory Gaultier (FRA)
2015	Gregory Gaultier (FRA)	Simon Rösner (GER)
2014	Amr Shabana (EGY)	Tarek Momen (EGY)
2013	Akser Walker (BOT)	Daryl Selby (ENG)
2012	Daryl Selby (ENG)	Nicolas Müller (SUI)
2011	Mark Calmes (ENG)	Lars Harms (SUI)
2010	John Williams (AUS)	Olli Tuominen (FIN)
1999	Olli Tuominen (FIN)	Bridley Ball (ENG)
1998	Stephen Meads (ENG)	Thierry Lincou (FRA)
1997	Alex Gough (WAL)	John White (AUS)
1996	Glen Wilson (NZ)	Paul Steel (NZ)
1995	Martin Heath (SCO)	Stefan Löffels (GER)
1994	Jansher Khan (PAK)	Peter Marshall (ENG)
1993	Chris Dittmar (AUS)	Rodney Eyles (AUS)
1992	Chris Dittmar (AUS)	Peter Marshall (ENG)
1991	Chris Dittmar (AUS)	Jahangir Khan (PAK)
1990	Chris Robertson (AUS)	Rodney Martin (AUS)
1989	Geoff Williams (ENG)	
1988	Nell Harvey (ENG)	
1987	Nell Harvey (ENG)	
1986	Gamal El Amir (EGY)	
1985	Gamal El Amir (EGY)	
1984	Kevin Karam (ZAF)	Andrew Marshall (ENG)
1983	Mike Shemen (RSA)	
1982	David Fear (AUS)	
1981	Leif Leiner (SWE)	
1980	Paul Hendry (ENG)	
1979	Norman Ingledew (ZWE)	Colin Fletcher (RSA)

**First winner:**  
**Norman Ingledew**



**Holder:**  
**Mohamed ElShorbagy**



Inducted at the WSF AGM 2001:

Michelle Martin - Australia (3 World Open & 6 British Open titles: 1993-2000)

Jansher Khan - Pakistan (8 World Open & 6 British Open titles: 1987-2000)

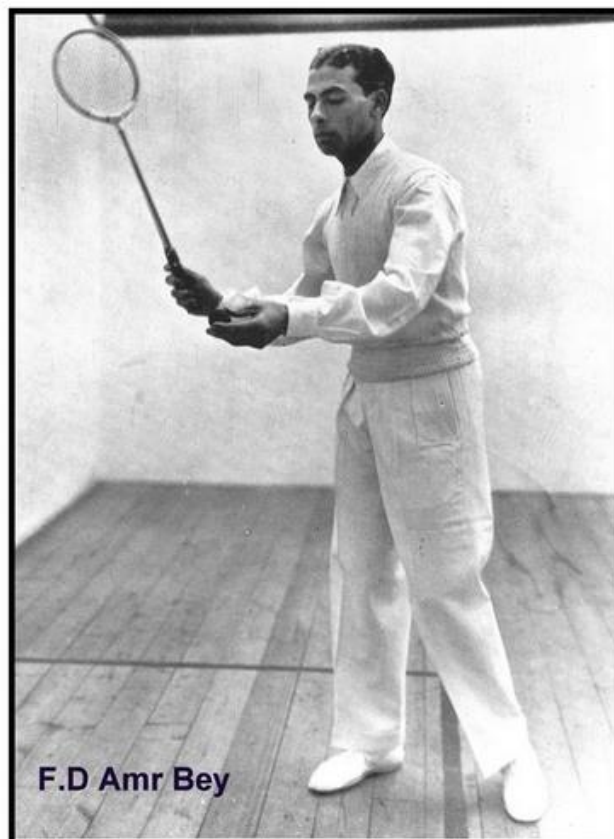
Inducted at the WSF AGM 2004:

Sarah Fitz-Gerald - Australia (5 World Open & 2 British Open titles: 1996-2002)

Inducted at the WSF AGM 2011:

Nicol David - Malaysia (8 World Open & 5 British Open titles: 2005 - 2014)

[World Squash Federation](#)



**F.D Amr Bey**

Twelve 'squash legends' have places in the WSF Hall of Fame. While the first four pre-date the introduction of World Open, between the 12 they have won no less than 45 World Open and 90 British Open titles. Australia lead the national table with four; Pakistan are one behind on three, other countries have one representative each.

Inducted at the WSF AGM 1993:

F.D. Amr Bey – Egypt (6 British Open titles: 1933-1938)

Janet Shardlow (Morgan) - England (10 British Open titles: 1950-1959)

Hashim Khan – Pakistan (7 British Open titles: 1951-1958)

Jonah P Barrington - Ireland (6 British Open titles: 1967-1973)

Heather McKay (Blundell) - Australia (2 World & 16 British Open titles: 1962-1979)

Geoff Hunt - Australia (7 World Open/Individual & 8 British Open titles: 1967-1981)

Susan Devoy - New Zealand (4 World Open & 8 British Open titles: 1984-1992)

Jahangir Khan - Pakistan (8 World Open/Individual & 10 British Open titles: 1979-1991)

18 years before the Berlin Wall stopped dividing Germany in 1989, two English players Paul Millman (left) and Philip Ayton used it as a court front wall on a promotional visit to the city in November 1971.





Squash Library  
9 March · 🌐

In 2011 WSF took over the WISPA Promotional Tour initiative under the WSF Ambassador Programme banner, using a similar format and with the same travel donor, but with a male and female player, and a coach and referee added to provide workshops.  
The first, to Riga, Latvia, was led by Nicol David & John White, along with coach Ronny Vlassaks and referee Ian Allanach. A further 13 nations have been visited.  
[Nicol David](#)[John White](#)



Squash Library  
8 March · 🌐

The Canary Wharf Classic, starting today, began in 2004 by Eventis with an 8 player challenge, won by James Willstrop, at the impressive East Wintergarden venue in Docklands, London it continues to use. Eventis, (pictured at their start: LtoR Tim Garner, Peter Nicol & Angus Kirkland), manage the only current London showcourt event.



Squash Library  
9 March · 🌐

The Women's Tour (then called WISPA) began an annual WISPA Promotional Tour initiative in 1999 to help 'younger' nations with their development and promotional efforts with two top players going to play, meet media, and generally enthuse the local squash community.  
The first, in Prague, Czech Republic, saw Sarah Fitz-Gerald arrive on crutches, so Natalie Grainger joined in to support Cassie Jackman on court – all seen here with Jan Koukal, (who last weekend narrowly failed to add to his 18 Czech national titles). A further 24 annual national visits followed.  
A donor funded the international costs each year, players gave their time without fee and the host federation covered local expenses.  
[World Squash](#)[Squash - PSA World Tour](#)[Sarah Fitz-Gerald](#)[Natalie Grainger](#)[Cassie-Matt Thomas](#)[Jan Koukal](#)

Grainger, Koukal, Fitz-Gerald & Jackman in Prague '99.





The World Tour Finals began in January 1993, then generally called the Super Series Finals. Vitis Club in Schlieren/Zurich, Switzerland, hosted the first two editions, with Jansher Khan winning both. After a gap year the event began to be promoted by Satinder Bajwa from 1996. The first three years saw it staged at the Galleria Mall in Hatfield near London, before he moved it to Broadgate Arena in the City of London from 1999 – 2006. After that there was a move to Manchester in 2007, then back to Broadgate in 2008, shifting across London to Queens Club for 2009, a gap year then in 2011 at Queens with the Nick Matthew / Amr Shabana final unable to be played due to the roof of the temporary inflated arena becoming unstable in high winds. The Finals continued at Queens for 2012 & 2013, before one year at Richmond, Virginia, USA, a gap year, and 2016 – 2018 in Dubai, as the PSA World Tour Finals. Last year 6th October City in Egypt hosted the event with Karim Abdel Gawad becoming the current holder of the title. [Satinder Bajwa PSA Dubai World Series Finals Squash - PSA World Tour](#)

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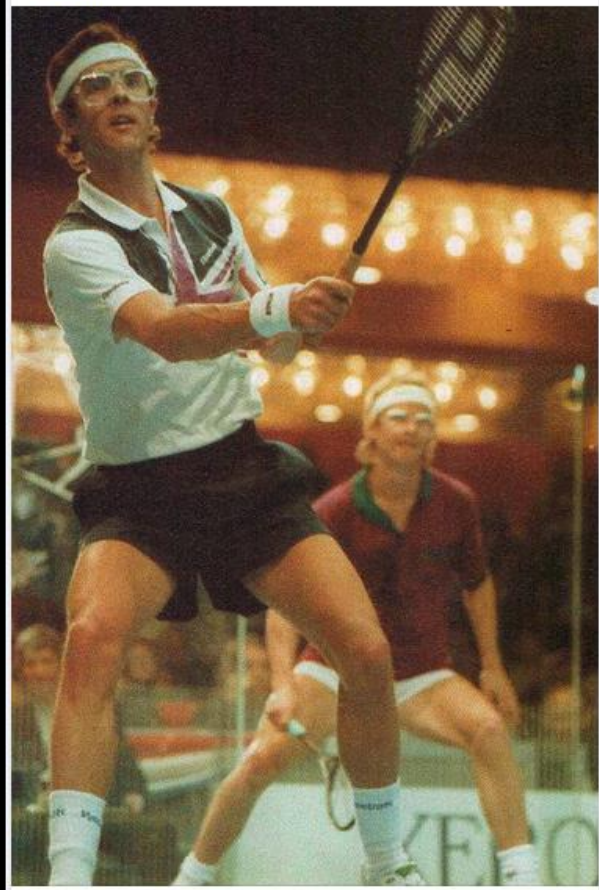
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DÉESSE VITIS

When Luxembourg's Sandra Denis lost 3-2 in her National Championship this year she failed to add to her 21 titles. India's Joshna Chinappa has moved closer to women's 2nd spot (held by Finland's Tuula Myllyniemi with 20 up to 2009), winning her 18th this month. On the Men's side Belgian star Stefan Castelyn amassed 19 up to 2015, but is exceeded by current Isle of Man current champion Dave Norman with his 21 too. Are there any other claimants to match or exceed the pictured 21 title national stars?



The Windy City Open begins today in Chicago, USA. The first event took place in 1983, and US star Mark Talbott (front) won the title every year consecutively until 1994 when he was dethroned by Canadian Gary Waite (back) - who beat Australian Byron Davis 15/9, 15/13, 15/8 in the final. Since then three players have won two Windy City titles: Nick Matthew (04 & 15), Gregory Gaultier (14 & 17) & Mohamed Elshorbagy (16 & 18) [Squash - PSA World Tour US SQUASH](#)










**Squash Library**  
7 February · 🌐

Squash Players endorsing clothing brands is not a new phenomenon. In 1954 Pakistani legends Azam, Hashim & Roshan Khan promoted Fred Perry clothing; here in a tennis magazine. It was not printed in colour, so plain white gear seemed quite appropriate!

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**Squash Library**  
3 February · 🌐

The postponement of the Macau Open scheduled for next month due to the Corona virus outbreak echoes the situation in 2003 when the SARS virus caused the postponement of a number of sporting events, including the Cathay Pacific Hong Kong Open which had been scheduled for 24 - 31 August 2003. It bounced back in 2004.

**Squash Library**  
31 January · 🌐

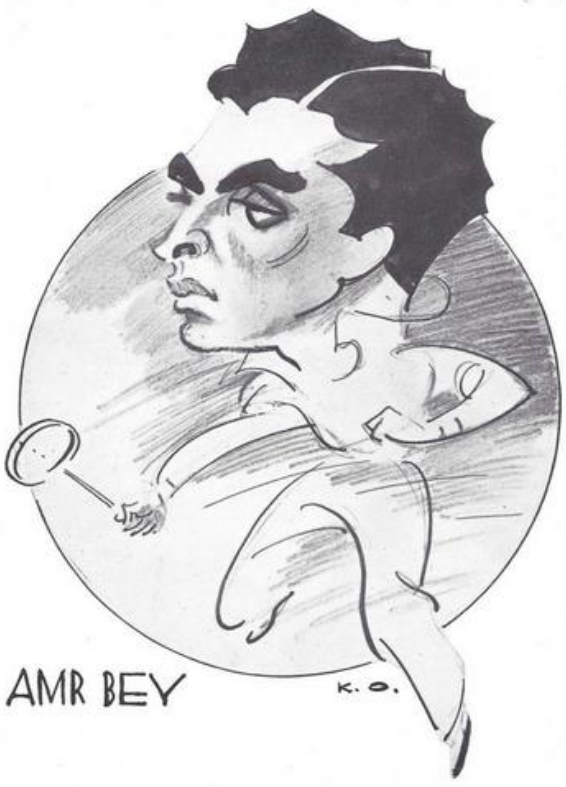
In 1995 the world's biggest prize money event became the JSM Supersquash held in Yokohama in Japan. The event, played on a showcourt fabricated by the JSM company, enjoyed the Imperial patronage of Prince & Princess Takamado. Oh, and it offered equal prize money too, 25 years ago! Sarah Fitz-Gerald and Jansher Khan, pictured with JSM's Mr Tetsuya Kobayashi, were the happy winners.

Squash - PSA World Tour Japan Squash Association



**Squash Library**  
30 January · 🌐

Recently retired Ramy Ashour had the nickname 'The Artist'. And what an artist with the racket he has been! But he is not the first player, not even the first Egyptian, to be called that. Back in 1937 this illustration of Amr Bey, six times British Open Champion (1933 - 1938) described him as an artist too. Ramy Ashour Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش



**AMR BEY** K. O.

Perhaps we shall live to see a greater artist at the gaze of Squash Rackets than F. D. Amr Bey, but it seems unlikely. His touch, his speed, his strokes are all perfection and his fame no matter how long after will live in the memory like the name of Grace in Cricket and of Doherty in Lawn Tennis. At present, with the exception of Dear—a player of a very different type—he makes pygmies of us all; he strides over us, not like Gulliver certainly, but like some fantastic Pan, piping a tune that we try to follow but cannot play.

**Squash Library**  
27 January · 🌐

Squash evolves, the strength of nations alters. A look at the world rankings 20 years ago compared with the current one illustrates this. The millennium dominance of UK & Ireland with no less 18 players in the two top 16s has shrunk to just 5 in the January 2020 lists. Australia have dropped from 5 to zero in the period. Meanwhile Egypt have exploded from 1 to 16 and a raft of new nations have taken up the combined total of 8 countries 20 years ago to 14 now (even with the current absence of Australia, Canada, Netherlands & South Africa).

	MEN'S (Jan 2000)		WOMEN'S (Jan 2000)		NATION	MEN'S		WOMEN'S		TOTAL
	Jan 00	Jan 20	Jan 00	Jan 20		Jan 00	Jan 20	Jan 00	Jan 20	
1	Jonathan Power	CAN	1	Cassie Campion	ENG					
2	Peter Nicol	SCO	2	Lailani Joyce	NZL					
3	Ahmed Barada	EGY	3	Linda Charman	ENG	3		2		5↓
4	Simon Parke	ENG	4	Natalie Grainger	RSA	2				2↓
5	Martin Heath	SCO	5	Carol Owens	AUS		1			1↑
6	Paul Johnson	ENG	6	Suzanne Horner	ENG	1	9		7	15↑
7	Anthony Hill	AUS	7	Sabine Schone	GER	1	1		1	1↑
8	Paul Price	AUS	8	Fiona Geaves	ENG				1	1↑
9	Alex Gough	WAL	9	Stephanie Brind	ENG			1	1	0
10	Derek Ryan	IRE	10	Claire Nitch	RSA					1↓
11	Thierry Lincoy	FRA	11	Vanessa Atkinson	NED		1	1	1	1↑
12	David Palmer	AUS	12	Rebecca Macree	ENG		1			1↑
13	Graham Ryding	CAN	13	Tania Bailey	ENG			2		2↓
14	David Evans	WAL	14	Rachael Grinham	AUS			9	4	13↓
15	Del Harris	ENG	15	Jenny Tranfield	ENG				1	1↑
16	John White	SCO	16	Tegwen Malik	WAL					

Nationalities given at the time of the ranking lists



**Squash Library**  
22 January · 🌐

The Carol Weymuller Women's event which starts today at Heights Casino in Brooklyn, New York began in 1975. Carol Weymuller was tennis & squash pro at the club from 1970 to 1980 as well as being US Team captain twice.  
In 2008, Weymuller and her husband, Fred, were both inducted into the U.S. SQUASH Hall of Fame.  
Initially, domestic in entry, from 1993 onwards it has become a regular Tour stop being won by international top-liners.  
[Squash - PSA World Tour US SQUASH Carol Weymuller Open](#)

**Squash Library**  
3 January · 🌐

After Jahangir Khan had won the World Amateur title aged 15 he arrived in London for the (last) British Amateur having just turned 16 in January 1980 as a hot favourite. He damaged his back in practice and had to withdraw, but not before signing a programme. #jahangirkhan

**Squash Library**  
10 January · 🌐

ToC has a history than extends back to the first event in Boston in 1930. The event moved from hardball to softball in 1992 and at that point the name changed from the World Professional Squash Association Championships to Tournament of Champions - to signify the amalgamation of ISPA (old name of PSA) and WPSA (the Hardball Tour) into PSA, and the transition of the event to softball. The first ToC in 1992 was played at the World Financial Centre in Battery Park, New York fea... See more

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Jansher Khan **bt** M Mendez 3-0  
A Davies **bt** K Jernigan 3-1  
R Norman **bt** J Crombie 3-0  
B Martin **bt** G Waite 3-1  
R Martin **bt** S Dulmage 3-0  
T Nancarrow **bt** M Talbott 3-1  
R Eyles **bt** M Maclean 3-2  
C Dittmar **bt** A Walstedt 3-0

**Quarter Finals**  
Khan **bt** Davies 3-0  
B Martin **bt** Norman 3-1  
Nancarrow **bt** R Martin 3-2  
Dittmar **bt** Eyles 3-0

**Semi Finals**  
Khan **bt** B Martin 3-0  
Dittmar **bt** Nancarrow 3-0

**Final**  
Khan **bt** Dittmar 3-1

**Squash Library**  
2 January · 🌐

Go back 15 years to 2005, and some familiar names were competing in the British Junior Open which begins today. But what is striking is that on the male side Pakistan were dominating, winning three of the four titles and Runner Up in the other. Last year no Pakistani players reached a final, with Egypt dominating. Malaysia did win three younger titles so perhaps a sign of an increasing challenge from them and elsewhere for the next few years. Here is how it went in 2005. [England Squash](#) [Pakistan Squash Federation](#) [Squash Racquets Association of Malaysia](#) [Egyptian Squash Federation](#) - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش

<p><b>BOYS U15</b> Semi: Tarek Mohamed Momen (Egy) bt Tom Richards (Eng) 9-4, 4-6, 10-4, 9-4 (30m) Beat Ashtaq (Pak) bt Chris Simpson (Eng) 4-6, 9-4, 9-2, 9-6 (36m). Final: Bask Ashfaq (Pak) bt Tarek Mohamed Momen (Egy) 10-8, 7-9, 9-2, 9-1.</p> <p><b>GIRLS U15</b> Semi: Tenille Swartz (RSA) bt Charle De Rycke (Bel) 9-1, 5-9, 9-7, 10-8 (32m), Joshua Chinappa (Ind) bt Sara Bask (Egy) 9-1, 9-2, 9-3 (24m). Final: Joshua Chinappa (Ind) bt Tenille Swartz (RSA) 3-9, 9-3, 9-6, 9-3 (44m).</p> <p><b>BOYS U17</b> Semi: Bilal Zaman (Pak) bt Ali Amwar Feroz (Egy) 9-5, 6-9, 9-6, 9-1 (55m), Omar Abou Zaid (Egy) bt Omar Abdel Magid (Egy) 4-9, 9-7, 9-0, 4-8, 9-2 (59m).</p>	<p>Final: Omar Abou Zaid (Egy) v Bilal Zaman (Pak) 9-5, 9-3, 9-0 (27m).</p> <p><b>GIRLS U17</b> Semi: Raneem El Welily (Egy) bt Shahenda Osama (Egy) 9-4, 9-1, 9-3 (22m), Annie Au (Hkg) bt (9/18) Neha Kumar (Can) 9-4, 9-0, 9-3 (31m). Final: Raneem El Welily (Egy) bt Annie Au (Hkg) 9-4, 10-8, 9-2 (32m).</p> <p><b>BOYS U19</b> Semi: Ahmed Osama Hawas (Egy) bt Leo Au (Hkg) 5-9, 1-9, 9-4, 9-6, 9-1; Shohab Hassan (Pak) bt (17/22) Ahmed El Mehiny (Egy) 9-4, 9-4, 9-1. Final: Shohab Hassan (Pak) bt Ahmed Osama Hawas (Egy) 10-8, 10-8, 9-1.</p> <p><b>GIRLS U19</b> Semi: Heba Alaa Ahmed (Egy) bt Wee Wern Low (Mal) 3-6, 5-9, 9-3, 9-5, 9-0 (48m); Alla Magdy Balbaa (Egy) bt Victoria Bell (Eng) 9-0, 9-1, 9-0 (17m). Final: Heba Alaa Ahmed (Egy) bt Alla Magdy Balbaa (Egy) 9-3, 9-2, 9-6 (24m).</p> <p><b>BOYS U21</b> Semi: Farhan Zaman (Pak) bt El Sherbeny (Egy) 3-1, 9-4, 9-5 (25m), Fouad Khalifa (Egy) bt Ali Ashraf El Karaby (Egy) 9-6, 9-0, 9-2 (15m). Final: Farhan Zaman (Pak) bt Fouad Khalifa (Egy) 9-2, 9-0, 9-0 (17m).</p> <p><b>GIRLS U21</b> Semi: Abdel Magid (Egy) bt Nooran Alaa Ahmed (Egy) 9-1, 4-8, 2-9, 9-2, 9-6 (41m), Nour Mohamed El Tayeb (Egy) bt Salma Hany (Egy) 4-9, 9-5, 4-9, 9-3 (75m). Final: Nour Mohamed El Tayeb (Egy) Abdel Magid (Egy) 9-3, 9-5, 7-9, 9-2 (36m).</p>
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**Squash Library**  
30 December 2019

15 years after tennis had its 'Battle of the Sexes' matches between Bobby Riggs and Billy Jean King, squash had its' own one in 1987. Susan Devoy, who had already won 3 of her 8 British Open titles took on 14 year old Simon Parke. It was arranged as a winner-takes-all match at the Oasis Club in Marlow, England (Devoy's base). Parke came into it having beaten British Women's champion Lisa Opie five times in a row, and amidst extensive publicity a sell-out crowd, themselves betting on the outcome, packed in to watch. The match lasted 70 minutes and saw Parke winning the 1st & 3rd games comfortably before Kiwi Devoy levelled up. Sensing her opportunity, she dropped and drove towards a final scoreline of 3-9, 9-6, 1-9, 9-6, 9-4.

Her post-match comment was telling, 'One for the women, but only just in time. I would not be able to beat him this time next year'. Parke gracefully said 'I thought she was great before we started. Now I know for sure'.


Devoy went back to completing her stellar career against women, while Parke went on to win the World Junior title in 1990 and reach a career-high world ranking at 3.



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24 December 2019


Two current pairs of married squash stars are Tarek Momen / Raneem El Welily & Ali Farag / Nour El Tayeb of course ..... but these Egyptian couples are not the first to both win titles. Women's World Open Champion in 1981 Rhonda Thorne and husband Ross Thorne were Australians doing the same. The have both held the Australian and South African Open crowns, amongst others, for example. Other married holders of international titles to add?

[PharaohSquash Squash AustraliatRhonda Thorne-Clayton](#)



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19 December 2019

The Men's World Team Championships are taking place in Washington this week, but earlier, in 1984 and 1986, the 2nd & 4th US National Squash Championships also took place in DC. The latter even had a message from then Vice President George Bush (Snr) in the program. [US SQUASHWSF Men's World Team Squash Championship](#)



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**USSRA NATIONAL  
SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP**

Dear Squash Players:

I'm delighted to have this opportunity to greetings and best wishes to you at the USSRA Squash Nationals. It is with great pleasure welcome you to our nation's capital.

All racket players and sports enthusiasts bonds - the willingness to be tested to one's reward of good comradery that follows. As a player and sports enthusiast, I share these I wish good luck to all in this exciting tourna

Sincerely  
*George H.W. Bush*

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The Jahangir Khan / Gamal Awad 163 minute match from 1983 was overtaken on 24 Jan 2015 when Leo Au (HKG) took 170 mins to beat Shawn Delierre (Can) 11/6 4/11 11/6 7/11 16/14 in the semis of the Holtrand Gas City Pro Am in Medicine Hat, Canada. (He then beat Malaysian Muhd Asyraf Azan 3/2 in the final in a mere 85 mins).  
[HongKongSquashCanada](http://HongKongSquashCanada)



Holtrand Gas City Pro Am	
SEMI-FINAL	Final 2/10/15
Shawn Delierre	Martin Knight
LEO AU	

SA (1) BL	SA (2) BL	SA (3) BL	SA (4) BL	SA (5) BL
0-1 2-3 3-4	1-2 3-4 5-6 6-7 7-8 8-9 9-10 11-4	0-1 2-3 3-4 4-5 5-6 6-7 7-8 8-9 9-10 10-11	1-2 2-3 3-4 4-5 5-6 6-7 7-8 8-9 9-10 10-11	0-1 1-2 2-3 3-4 4-5 5-6 6-7 7-8 8-9 9-10 10-11 11-12 12-13 13-14 14-15
Leo Au	Shawn Delierre	Leo Au	Shawn	Leo Au
22min	170min	14min	30min	78min

DATE OF CONDUCT	FINALITY	Time	Score	Player
17 Dec 2019	Final	6:30 pm	11-6, 4-11, 11-6, 7-11, 16-14	Leo Au
	Semi-Final			
	Quarter-Final			
	Round-Robin			



In 1949 New Haven, USA, ran an event to coincide with the British Women's Team being Stateside for the Wolfe-Noel International Challenge.

The report from the Boston Daily Globe shows how Janet Morgan (who later married and became Shardlow) struggled with the narrower courts.

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**NEW HAVEN LAWN CLUB**  
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Buffet Dinner and Dance in Dining Room, Friday night, February 11  
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Dinner served from 8 to 9 P. M. only  
Dancing from 8 to 1 A. M.

Tariff \$4 per person

*Especially given in honor of the visiting British Women's Squash Team, in the United States for the Wolfe-Noel International Challenge Cup Matches, the dance will headline the top squash program ever sponsored by the Club.*

Everybody is cordially invited to attend—  
get up a table and be on hand.

*Please make reservations as soon as possible.  
Only signature payments will be accepted.*

**Britain's Janet Morgan**  
**New Sensation on**  
**U.S. Squash Courts**

By ERNIE ROBERTS

A 20-year-old physical education teacher from Surrey, England, has caught on to the American "angle" in squash racket play and is beating us on our home courts.

Dark-haired Janet Morgan is the visiting lady who took just two weeks to assimilate the differences between American and English squash rackets. Last weekend she taught a couple of lessons here when she defeated Betty and Peggy Howe two of the United States' best players, and became the New England Women's champion.

It was a matter of adjusting to the style of American-style play, explained Janet on behalf of the six English players who are here for the national tourney and the Wolfe-Noel Cup matches next week in Philadelphia.

"Your courts are fast and one-half foot narrower than ours. And the English ball is smaller, softer, more spongy. We depend upon a court-covering game, rather than a power ball. We run more instead of hitting the ball so hard as the American girls."

On the narrower American courts the ball angles back down corner shots differently. Janet's shooting strategy, which won her Number Two ranking in England, didn't think over here, and she lost to the Howe twins in the Consolation and New York State championships before reaching in the N. E. V.

Miss Morgan has been playing competitive squash for just three years, and she has won the British, South of England and Jersey titles. For the last ten seasons she has coached the girls of the English National team, last in June Court City, Conn.

"There is more interest in squash here than ever before. We have 21 clubs competing in four districts in our women's squash began in London. And many girls just play the game as an after-work recreation. So," Janet said yesterday when asked to compare American and British interest in the game.

"The five other English players who are here include the third and fourth ranking Britishes, Alice Dwyer of Ipswich and Sheffield, Caroline of Sussex. They have reached the semifinal round of the New England and Atlantic Coast tourneys in the past two weeks.



During 1975 and 1984 respectively when Men's and Women's World Rankings began, Pakistani players dominated the Men's, while Australia were strong in both. A greater spread of nations now, these two nations unrepresented, and Egypt pre-eminent.

MEN'S (1975)		WOMEN'S (1984)	
1	Qamar Zaman PAK	1	Vicki Cardwell AUS
2	Geoff Hunt AUS	2	Lisa Opie GBR
3	Gogi Alauddin PAK	3	Susan Devoy NZL
4	Hiddy Jahan PAK	4	Rhonda Thorne AUS
5	Mohibullah Khan PAK	5	Sue Cogswell GBR
6	Ken Hiscoe AUS	6	Martine Le Moignan GBR
7	Jonah Barrington GBR	7	Jan Miller AUS
8	Cam Nancarrow AUS	8	Robyn Blackwood NZL
9	Ahmed Safwat EGY	9	Angela Smith GBR
10	Torsam Khan PAK	10	Carin Clonda AUS
11	Roland Watson RSA	11	Heather Wallace GBR
12	Sajjad Muneer PAK	12	Rae Anderson AUS
13	Rehmat Khan PAK	13	Alison Cumings GBR
14	Billy Reedman AUS	14	Jayne Ashton GBR
15	Mohammed Yasin PAK	15	Barbara Diggins GBR
16	John Easter GBR	16	Lynne Ferry AUS





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The entry deadline for the British Junior Open is tomorrow, while for the 1926 boys Championship entries closed nearly a century ago! The entry fee was 12.5p (\$0.15/€0.14)! This was the first time that the U19 trophy was named the Drysdale Cup – named after Dr Theodore Drysdale, an RAC Club member who led the initiation of the event but died from a mosquito bite going septic in late 1925. [England Squash](#)

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## JUNIOR AMATEUR SQUASH RACQUETS CHAMPIONSHIP

### FOR The "Drysdale" Cup

*(Presented by Members of the Royal Automobile Club in Memory of the late Dr. T. Drysdale).*

#### RULES

- 1.—The Championship will be played in the Courts of the Royal Automobile Club during the week commencing 19th April, 1926.
- 2.—The Cup will be held for one year. A replica will be given annually to the winner.
- 3.—The Competition is open to Amateurs who have not attained the age of 19 years prior to the 1st January, 1926.
- 4.—The Rules governing the Competition will be the same as those governing the Annual Squash Racquets Amateur Championship.
- 5.—Entries must be made in writing to The Secretary, Royal Automobile Club, Pall Mall, S.W.1., enclosing 2/6 to cover cost of balls, etc. The entry list will close after the first post on Wednesday, 31st March.
- 6.—The Competition will be organised and conducted by the Squash Racquets Committee of the Royal Automobile Club, and the ruling of that Committee on any point that may arise shall be final.
- 7.—The Competition will be limited to 64 competitors. In the event of more than that number of entries being received, the Committee will decide which entrants shall compete. The entrance fees of those not accepted will be returned.
- 8.—A ticket will be sent to each Competitor. On presentation of this ticket at the Royal Automobile Club, competitors will be allowed to book a Court for practice during the mornings of the week prior to the competition.

F. P. ARMSTRONG,

*Secretary.*

17th February, 1926.

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### FOR THE "DRYSDALE" CUP

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#### ENTRY FORM.

(Entry Fee 2/6)

Entrant's Name in full \_\_\_\_\_

Age (prior to 1st January, 1926) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_



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Another great player group! At the Women's World Open in Seattle 1999 the four semi-finalists surrounded the great Heather McKay (who won 16 consecutive British Open titles and was unbeaten through the period) as she entered the WISPA Hall of Fame. L to R Cassie Jackman (winner), Leilani Joyce, Natalie Grainger, Michelle Martin (R/U) [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)[England Squash](#)[US SQUASH](#)[Squash Australia](#)[Squash New Zealand](#)



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The Women's Worlds has finished in Cairo, the Men's currently being played in Qatar, as are the ATP Tour Finals in London. Remember 2013 when ATP finalist Roger Federer, a keen squash player in his early years, supported the squash Olympic bid, alongside Nicol David? [Roger Federer Nicol David Squash - PSA World Tour](#) [World Squash Federation](#)





