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				2020	July	03	Squash players at Wimbledon tennis
Year	Month	Day	(features, bold)	2020	July	04	Trophy with Josh Cardwell in it!
2019	Oct	25	Longest match scorecard 1983	2020	July	07	Harry Hopman tennis / squash
2019	Oct	30	1st Pyramids event	2020	July	09	1st Scotland beating England 1963
2019	Nov	11	Roger Federer / Nicol David Bid photo	2020	July	16	Longest PSA unbroken top 10
2019	Nov	13	WISPA Hall of Fame player photo	2020	July	18	Prince Rainier 1969
2019	Nov	17	Drysdale BJO 1926 Rules	2020	Aug	01	Mediterranean Fleet Event 1958
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2019	Nov	20	Wolfe-Noel Cup 1949	2020	Sept	01	1st Eng v Aus Women's Test (1964)
2019	Dec	17	Longest match 2015	2020	Sept	11	US Open postponed (Sept 2011)
2019	Dec	19	US Nationals in Washington	2020	Sept	17	Susan Devoy shoes cartoon
2019	Dec	24	Married champions	2020	Sept	28	World Tour Finals previous names
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2020	Jan	02	British Junior Open - 15 years ago	2020	Oct	03	1st World Tour Finals
2020	Jan	03	Jahangir withdrawal - Brit Amateur 1980	2020	Oct	10	1st Egyptian Open (1994 W, 1997 M)
2020	Jan	10	Tournament of Champions(TOC)history	2020	Oct	13	Centre names honouring players
2020	Jan	22	Carol Weymuller history	2020	Oct	17	WSF Hall of Fame
2020	Jan	27	2000 / 2020 ranking comparison	2020	Oct	22	1st ex player, WSF Pres, Jahangir Khan
2020	Jan	30	Amr Bey / Ramy Ashour 'Artist'	2020	Oct	27	1st star from Alexandria, Gamal Awad
2020	Jan	31	JSM (Japan) prize fund	2020	Oct	29	1st French Open, 1938
2020	Feb	03	Corona / SARS event postponement	2020	Oct	30	Runners Up, South African Open 1985
2020	Feb	07	Khans Fred Perry ad	2020	Oct	31	1st Qatar Classic 1992
2020	Feb	16	Alison Waters train name	2020	Nov	02	1000 makers of Sport
2020	Feb	18	1st Malaysian Open	2020	Nov	09	Jansher Khan Dutch 92 - borrowed shoes
2020	Feb	22	1st Spanish Open	2020	Nov	10	1st Winner US Nationals (1907)
2020	Feb	26	1st women's Ranking (WISPA 1984)	2020	Nov	26	Peter Nicol, Scotland to England (2001)
2020	Feb	27	Windy City Open beginning	2020	Dec	01	Australian Women's Game (1938)
2020	Feb	28	National title record number	2020	Dec	07	1st South African glass event (1982)
2020	Mar	04	Super Series / World Tour Finals	2020	Dec	10	1st Canadian winner, Canadian Open (1935)
2020	Mar	80	1st Canary Wharf Classic	2020	Dec	11	1st ISPA Championships (1978)
2020	Mar	09	1st WISPA Promo / WSF Ambassadors	2020	Dec	12	1st US Softball Nationals (1983)
2020	Mar	11	Berlin Wall squash 1971	2020	Dec	22	Opie & Le Moignan (Guernsey girls)
2020	Mar	13	WSF Hall of Fame	2021	Jan	07	Jahangir / McKay 9/0 9/0 9/0 finals
2020	Mar	17	Grasshopper Cup history	2021	Jan	19	Sharif Khan racquets champs (1979)
2020	Mar	18	Chichester Festival Front Wall viewing	2021	Jan	20	1962 Pakistan Championship biogs
2020	Mar	21	Don Butcher - Coaching film 1938	2021	Jan	26	Mother & Daughter Brit Open finals (Irving)
2020	Mar	28	1st Double Hander (Peter Marshall)	2021	Feb	01	Cathay Pacific HKG Open (1985-2017)
2020	Apr	04	1st Hong Kong Open	2021	Feb	15	Lapham Cup
2020	Apr	11	1st Korean event	2021	Feb	16	Rebecca Macree
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2020	May	01 03	Speed Gun	2021	Mar	14	World Squash awards Dinner
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2020	May	08	Hardball / Softball USA 1983	2021	Mar	30	Grinham sisters - different nations
2020	May	09	Al Falaj event	2021	Apr	14	Memorable event poster feature
2020	May	16	1st Pakistani female winner (Carla Khan)	2021	Apr	20	Keep Eye on Ball' Hashim Khan Film
2020	May	19	1st Overseas winners, British Junior Open	2021	Apr	27	1st Korean tour finalists
2020	May	21	Ross Norman, World Champion/parachute	2021	Apr	29	1974 action - Barrington's 80th birthday
2020	May	23	1st Irish Open	2021	Apr	30	Jonah Barrington profile
2020	May	24	Michelle Martin meets Nicol David	2021	May	04	Dec 2004 top 10 – all No 1s
2020	June	10	Fredrik Johnson - 6 decades natl league	2021	May	06	1st Caribbean Area Tour winners
2020	June	15	1st Texas Women's Open 2002	2021	May	07	British Rankings 1937
2020	June	16	World Awards update	2021	May	09	Top 20 2000 & 2020
2020	June	23	1st events, Iran	2021	May	13	Youngest Tour winners
2020	June	24	Australian Women's Champ 1933	2021	May	14	Oldest Tour winner
2020	June	25	Courts in palaces	2021 2021	May May	20 30	Irish Open
2020	June	27	Tour stats feature	2021	May	30 14	Fred Perry ad, Khans, 1954  1st Pakistan Open
2020	June	30	1st Egyptian women's event (1994)	2021	June June	27	1st Grand Central Terminus TOC
2020	July	01	1st US Open	2021	June June	27 28	Grainger family
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2021	June	30	1st European Open	2022	May	28	10 <sup>th</sup> El Gouna, Egypt
2021	July	01	Desmond Backhouse (1934)	2022	June	01	10 <sup>th</sup> Resistencia Open, Argentina
2021	July	02	Top 10 memorable event posters	2022	June	06	Qamar Zaman, Sportsman of Year 76
2021	•	05		2022		06	·
	July		Ken Hiscoe (British Amateur 1963)		June		Players changing eligibility
2021	July	07	PSA \$1m prize money 1989	2022	June	11	1 <sup>st</sup> Dutch Open 1964
2021	July	08	Oldest 'Major' winners	2022	June	14	PIA World Series (1977 – 79)
2021	July	09	Youngest 'Major' winners	2022	June	15	French winners, British, US, TOC
2021	July	11	British Junior Open 2005 winners	2022	June	16	Jonah Barrington Worlds prospect
2021	July	13	1st GB v RSA team matches	2022	June	17	Jonah Barrington goes pro – Dunlop ad
2021	July	19	1987 Men's Tour major winners	2022	June	21	World Tour Finals history
2021	Aug	01	Viewing at Chichester 1983	2022	June	22	World Tour Finals venues
2021	Aug	20	Jahangir Khan predictions	2022	June	29	Rachael Grinham, 20 year 20 twenty
2021	Sept	03	1st English team to France 1954	2022	July	04	South Africa v GB test 1955
2021		04	•	2022	July	05	Mahindra International 1994 (YouTube)
	Sept		European Masters Circuit				
2021	Sept	08	1 <sup>st</sup> Canadian Men's Champ (1912)	2022	July	06	Harp Lager event
2021	Sept	11	1 <sup>st</sup> Egyptian Opens	2022	July	07	InterCity Challenge
2021	Sept	16	1 <sup>st</sup> Nash Cup, Canada	2022	July	08	Hunt & Hiscoe turn professional
2021	Sept	21	Wolfe-Noel Cup history	2022	July	09	Spanish rankings 1990
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2021	Sept	24	Netsuite event posters	2022	July	13	1 <sup>st</sup> Papua New Guinea Open 2004
2021	Oct	02	US Open moves to softball (1985)	2022	July	16	Army Championships, India 1930
2021	Oct	06	Wolfe-Noel 1968	2022	July	18	Highest Men's prize money 1990
2021	Oct	08	Australia Men beat England 1962	2022	July	21	British Junior Open entry form 1926
2021	Oct	11	Squash in a canteen (FKI 1979)	2022	July	25	Victor Cazalet / El Karim (1935)
2021	Oct	14	·	2022	Aug	09	England v Pakistan Test 1984
	_	15	Longest match (2015)	2022	. •		
2021	Oct		Greg Gaultier retires		Aug	29	Tour rankings background
2021	Oct	19	1st Qatar Classic	2022	Aug	30	Men's ranking 1975
2021	Oct	20	1 <sup>st</sup> Bangladesh Tour event	2022	Aug	31	1 <sup>st</sup> Women's ranking 1983
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2021	Nov	15	Sweden win Euro Men's 1980	2022	Sept	09	Nicol David ends No1 reign
2021	Nov	20	Hashim Khan climbs wall 1957!	2022	Sept	10	Texas Open start
2021	Nov	22	Jansher Khan's final (8th) World Open	2022	Sept	11	1st French Open
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2021	Nov		Malaysian Open – first 10 finals	2022	Sept	21	1 <sup>st</sup> Egyptian Open
2021	Dec	01	Sarah Fitz-Gerald birthday	2022	Sept	26	England v Pakistan Test Match 1984
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		2022	Oct	24	Heather McKay WISPA Hall of Fame
2022	Jan	06	Tour wins by nation 2001 - 2021	2022	Oct	27	1 <sup>st</sup> Swedish Open (2002)
2022	Jan	07	Ross Norman birthday	2022	Oct	28	Lapham-Grant centenary
2022	Jan	11	Mahmoud Karim training	2022	Nov	02	Bath Club Cup centenary (part 2)
2022		12	Mohamed Elshorbagy birthday	2022	Nov	08	1 <sup>st</sup> New Zealand Open (1976)
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2022	Jan	20	Equal prize money, US Open 2013	2022	Nov	10	1 <sup>st</sup> Tour title - player born this century
2022	Jan	25	1 <sup>st</sup> South Africa v Zambia test matches	2022	Nov	17	Singapore Open finalist history
2022	Jan	26	Bryan Patterson birthday	2022	Nov	21	Stuttgart Open 1989
2022	Feb	01	South African Knights Tours	2022	Nov	23	Longest three Game matches
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2022	Feb	19	Youngest World Champions	2022	Dec	03	1 <sup>st</sup> Qatar Classic (1992)
2022	Mar	02	Longest Tour unbeaten run	2022	Dec	16	Chris Gordon – record 269 events
2022	Mar	03	Oldest Tour event winners	2022	Dec	20	Rachael Grinham, oldest Tour winner
2022	Mar	03	Youngest Tour event winners	2022	Dec	22	Jahangir Khan drops out of top 20 (92)
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2022	Mar	05	Tour event wins by nation	2022	Dec	23	Gregory Gaultier 40 <sup>th</sup> birthday
2022	Mar	07	Jonah Barrington Dinner	2022	Dec	28	500+ Tour match winners
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2022	Mar	16	Eleonara Sears (USA)	2022	Dec	31	England's first loss (Australia 1962)
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2022	Apr	12	SupaSquash 1981	2023	Jan	11	Ken Hiscoe, 1st Aus British Am winner
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2022	Apr	15	New Haven Event 1949	2023	Jan	16	Chris Dittmar birthday
2022	Apr	20	1 <sup>st</sup> Hong Kong Open (1985) report	2023	Jan	17	Mostafa Asal, 7 <sup>th</sup> Egyptian World 1
2022	May	02	Tournament of Champions	2023	Jan	24	Jansher Khan takes over No1 (1988)
2022	May	05	Bermuda Open Champions	2023	Jan	28	Greek Open 1953
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2023	Feb	20	Roshan Khan, Pak Pro win	2023	Nov	28	Nicol David – Hong Kong Open
2023	Feb	23	Player ranking by nation	2023	Nov	29	1 <sup>st</sup> England v Wales (M) 1951
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2023	Feb		Men's World No 1s	2023	Dec		Ahmed Barada, 1 <sup>st</sup> Egyptian World Champ
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2023	Mar		Oldest men's major winner (Matthew)	2023	Dec		New Zealand Open history
2023	Mar	07	1 <sup>st</sup> Danish Championship (1937)	2023	Dec		England v Denmark 1949
2023	Mar	80	Longest representative span (Speight)	2023	Dec	10	Jahangir Khan 60th birthday
2023	Mar	10	Vanessa Atkinson birthday	2023	Dec		US Junior Open, 1,000 entries
2023	Mar	13	1 <sup>st</sup> Canary Wharf Classic (2004)	2023	Dec		1 <sup>st</sup> Indian major event (1993)
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2023	Apr	03	Steve Richardson representative span	2023	Dec		Jonah Barrington's first British Open
2023	Apr	07	New Zealand Championship 1953	2023	Dec	23	Nouran Gohar's 1 <sup>st</sup> title (aged 16)
2023	Apr	17	Chris Robertson retires	2024	Jan		Susan Devoy 60 <sup>th</sup> birthday
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2023	Apr	27	Olli Tuominen, Euro Team record	2024	Jan	18	166m match Chichester 1983
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2023	July	12	Chris Dittmar, World number 1 (1993)	2024	Mar	15	1 <sup>st</sup> Dutch Open (1964)
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2023	Nov		Amr Shabana (EGY)	2024	June		Tretorn team event 1977/8
2023	Nov		1st Swedish Women's Open (1976)	2024	June		Cali, Colombia events
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2023	Nov	21	1st Indian Nationals (1953)	2024	June	29	Roger Jones, Finnish squash
2023	Nov		Mahmoud Karim profile 1949	2024	July		WPSA Rankings 1983
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# 2024







Squash legend Heather McKay was still playing high enough level hockey to be named All-Australian twice, in 1967 and 1971. But she didn't actually play representative hockey, because it clashed with her squash commitments. That said, in 1971 after winning her 10th women's British Open title, she was named in the New South Wales team to face England in Sydney. Squash





In 1958 the entry of seven Egyptian players was remarked upon, especially after 'Suez' when relations between Egypt with Britain and France were at a low when their government took control of the Suez Canal away from the two European nations.

### VISITATION FROM EGYPT

When entries for the Amateur Championship were received from no less than seven Egyptians, there were many who wondered what the reaction of the S.R.A. would be. It was remembered that diplomatic relations between this country and Egypt had not been renewed since "Suez." But it has always been the custom in this country to divorce sport from politics, and everything was done to facilitate the arrival of a team of which some at least were well known over here.

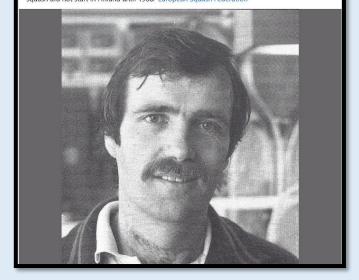


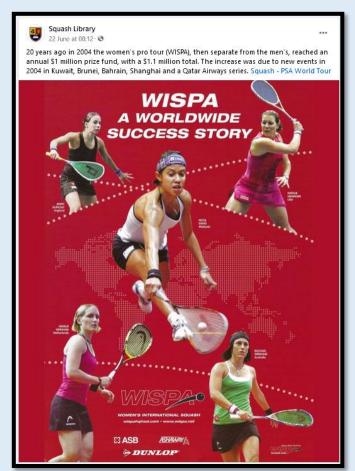




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When the men's European Team Championship started in 1973, Finland competed. Their number one was an Englishman, Roger Jones, who was the Finnish national coach. He led the side for ten years and in 1975 commented. The Finns have the ability and determination 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









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 <a href="https://www.squashinfo.com/(including pre-final defeats for rising stars Thierry Lincou (FRA)">https://www.squashinfo.com/(including pre-final defeats for rising stars Thierry Lincou (FRA)</a>, Paul Parks and Apthony Pickett (AUS) in 1997, and the title for Caraban Payling in 1996, heating

www.squashinfo.com (including pre-final defeats for rising stars Thirting target). 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 SquashSquash - PSA World Tour

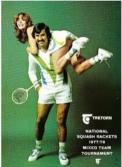






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In the late 1970s Tretorn sponsored a club mixed team event in UK – here are the 1977/8 season final results, played at Wimbledon Stadium in SW London, featuring some top players (with poster-boy Hiddy Jahan handicapping himself by carrying more than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



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.





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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

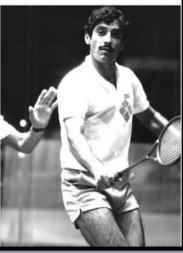


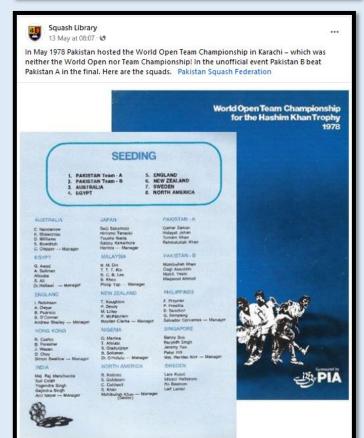


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This month 40 years ago a three-nation event was started in Asia with the Yeo's-Pepsi Far East Squash Circuit 1984. The first leg was held in Hong Kong, followed by Singapore and Malaysia. Each event had the same final, world number two Qamar Zaman (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 SquashHong Kong SquashSingapore Squash









Greece had begun holding its open championship in 1945, and in 1971 it is hardly surprising













The El Gouna International Championships being played this week in the Egyptian Red Sea resort began initially with a men's event in 2010. So far only one non-Egyptian Gregory Gaultier – has been a winner. Here are the past finalists, full results at www.squashinfo.com. Squash -PSA World TourEgyptian Squash Federation - الاتّحاد المصري للإسكواش

	MEI	N'S	WOM	IEN'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)		Figure 2014
2014	Ramy Ashour (EGY)	Mohamed Elshorbagy (EGY)		WORLD
2013	Not played		Squash Info	SQUASH
2012	Ramy Ashour (EGY)	James Willstrop (ENG)		LIBRART
2011	Not played		-	
2010	Karim Darwish (EGY)	Ramy Ashour (EGY)	THE SQUASH RESUL	TS & ARCHIVE HUBS





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 SquashUS 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 Robarts 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)



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 ClubEgyptian Squash Federation - والمحري للإسكواش Squash - PSA World Tour

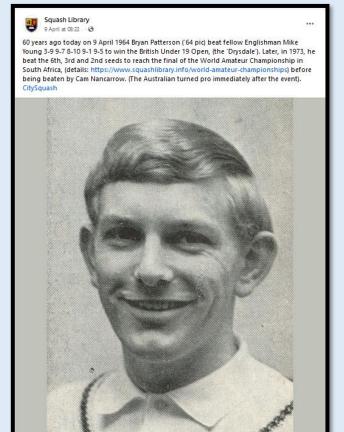
# BLACK BALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

	MEN'	S	WOM	IEN'S
	Winner	Runner Up	Winner	Runner Up
2023	Mohamed ElShorbagy (ENG)	Tarek Momen (EGY)	Nouran Gohar (EGY)	Hania El Hammamy (EGY)
2022			Nouran Gohar (EGY)	Nour ElSherbini (EGY)
2021*	Paul Coll (NZL)	Ali Farag (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*		- Carlotte and Control of Control	Hania El Hammamy (EGY)	Nour ElSherbini (EGY)
2019			Raneem El Welily (EGY)	Nour ElSherbini (EGY)
2018	Karim Abdal Gawad (EGV)	Ali Earag (EGY)		-

\* played twice in the year.





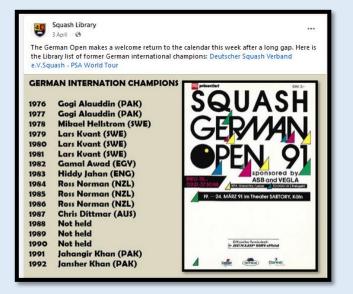






Squash Library would like to complete a full list of past Pakistan Open winners, but there are still gaps. Can anybody help plug them? Details would be gratefully received via comments or Email (info@squashlibrary.info) please. Thanks, Andrew Pakistan Squash Federation

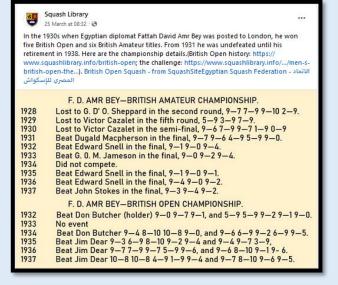
1953	A.J. Quraishi	1990	Jansher Khan
1954	A.J. Quraishi	1991	Jahangir Khan
1955	A. Hamid	1992	Jansher Khan
1956		1993	Not played, World Open hosted
1957	A.J. Quraishi	1994	Jansher Khan
1958	A.J. Quraishi	1995	Jansher Khan
1959	A.J. Quraishi	1996	Not played, World Open hosted
1960		1997	Jansher Khan
1961		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	Magsood Ahmed	2014	
1978	Daulat Khan	2015	
1979	Jahangir Khan	2016	
1980	Jahangir Khan	2017	Marwan ElShorbagy (EGY
	Jahangir Khan	2018	Karim Abdel Gawad (EGY
1982	Jahangir Khan	2019	
	Jahangir Khan	2020	
1984	Jahangir Khan	2021	
	Jahangir Khan	2022	
	Jahangir Khan	2020	
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	Jahangir Khan	2022	
1989	Jahangir Khan	2023	



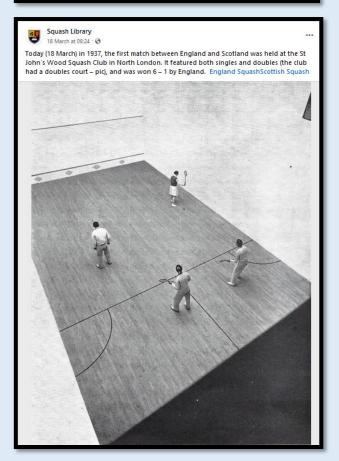






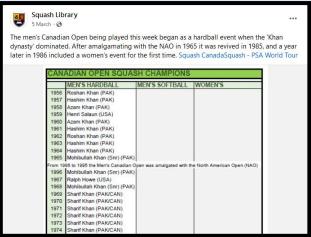




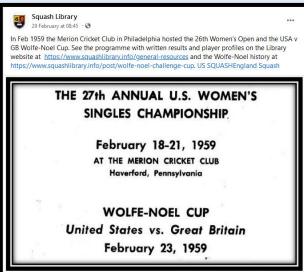
















The first Pakistan Amateur Championship, organised by the newly-formed Pakistan SRA, was played this week 70 years ago in 1954 at the Karachi Gymkhana Club (pic), and attracted an entry of twenty-three players. Pakistan Squash Federation



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.



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

	Winner		Winner			
2023	Not played	1999	Stephen Meads (ENG)			
2022	Paul Coll (NZL)	1998	Marcus Berrett (ENG)			
2021	Not played	1997	Martin Heath (SCO)			
2020	Ali Farag (EGY)	1996	Paul Johnson (ENG)			
2019	Not played	1995	Mark Chaloner (ENG)			
2018	Mohamed ElShorbagy (EGY)	1994	Gary Waite (CAN)			
2017	Gregory Gaultier (FRA)	1993	Mark Talbott (USA)			
2016	Mohamed ElShorbagy (EGY)	1992	Mark Talbott (USA)			
2015	Nick Matthew (ENG)	1991	Mark Talbott (USA)			
2014	Gregory Gaultier (FRA)	1990	Mark Talbott (USA)			
2013	Borja Golan (ESP)	1989	Mark Talbott (USA)			
2012	Saurav Ghosal (IND)	1988	Mark Talbott (USA)			
2011	Oliver Pett (ENG)	1987				
2010	Not played	1986	Mark Talbott (USA)			
2009	Not played	1985	Mark Talbott (USA)			
	Not played	1984	Mark Talbott (USA)			
2007	Amr Shabana (EGY)	1983	Mark Talbott (USA)			
2006	David Palmer (AUS)	1982	Mark Talbott (USA)			
2005	John White (SCO)	10	73 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22			
	Nick Matthew (ENG)					
	Paul Price (AUS)	Sause	h Info			
	Nick Taylor (ENG)	Oquas	LIBRA			
	Thierry Lincou (FRA)					
2000	Clive Leach (ENG)	THE SQUASH RESULTS & ARCHIVE HUB				



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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.

Scottish Squash الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش - Egyptian Squash Federation







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).



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 McClenaughan 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 SquashSquash Australia



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



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. Squash - PSA World Tour

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YEAR	WINNER	RUNNER-UP
1993	Jamie Crombie (CAN)	Sabir Butt (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 Galifi (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	
	Diego Elias (PER)	Marwan ElShorbagy (EGY)





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





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 Nicol, 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.







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 - التحاد المصري للإسكواش Pakistan Squash Federation





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. 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	Not played	
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)

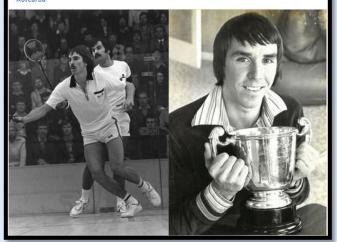






The first New Zealander to reach the top ten of the men's World Rankings was Bruce Brownlee. Coming from a squash playing family, he had swept the board in NZ Junior Champs before he beat Jonny Leslie 3-1 to win the British Amateur in December 1976 (pic). A year later he had turned pro, and a few months 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

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





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





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

	Winner			Winner	
	3		Hardba	Il years	
2023	Gina Kennedy (ENG)		1992	Demer Holleran	
2022	Rowan Elaraby (EGY)		1991	Demer Holleran	ĺ.
2020	Nouran Gohar (EGY)		1990	Ellie Pierce	
2018	Nour El Tayeb (EGY)		1989	Karen Kelso	
2017	Nour ElSherbini (EGY)		1988	Not played	
2016	Nour ElSherbini (EGY)		1987	Karen Kelso	
2015	Nour ElSherbini (EGY)		1986	Alicia McConne	11
2014	Alison Waters (ENG)		1985	Alicia McConne	II
2013	Nicol David (MAS)		1984	Alicia McConne	II
2012	Laura Massaro (ENG)		1983	Alicia McConne	II
2011	Raneem El Welily (EGY)		1982	Alicia McConne	II
2010	Jenny Duncalf (ENG)		1981	Alicia McConne	II
2009	Jenny Duncalf (ENG)		1980	Alicia McConne	II
2008	Natalie Grainger		1979	Virginia Akaban	е
2007	Natalie Grainger		1978	Barbara Maltby	
2006	Rachael Grinham (AUS)		1977	Barbara Maltby	
2005	Nicol David (MAS)		1976	<b>Barbara Maltby</b>	
2004	Natalie Grainger		1975	<b>Barbara Maltby</b>	
2003	Cassie Jackman (ENG)	V	Vinners (	JSA unless stated	
2002	Carol Owens (NZL)		delayed	until January 2002	
2001	Sarah Fitz-Gerald (AUS)*				
2000	Leilani Joyce (NZL)				
1999	Michelle Martin (AUS)				
1998	Michelle Martin (AUS)				
1997	Sarah Fitz-Gerald (AUS)	r			
	Cassie Jackman (ENG)		Sause	h Info	WORLD SQUASH
	Michelle Martin (AUS)		oquas		LIBRARY
	Cassie Jackman (ENG)				
1993	Fiona Geaves (ENG)		THE SQ	JASH RESULTS & ARC	HIVE HUBS



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. 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





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 TourTournament of Champions





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 scoresheet (which muddled up the hours!). Squash - PSA World TourEgyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش الإتحاد المصري للإسكواش

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By Richard Eaton

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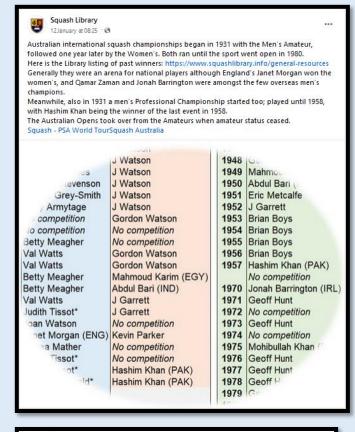
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On this day (16 January) in 1956 Egyptian Ibrahim Amin won the first of his two British Amateur titles at the Lansdowne Club, London. Runner up was Roy Wilson (ENG, left), the holder, who squandered two match balls at 8.4 in the deciding game in the 4.9 9-7 2-9 9-7 10-8 match. England SquashEgyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش





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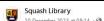




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Ten years ago in December 2013 Nouran Gohar won her first Tour title when aged 16 she beat Czech Lucie Fialova in the final of the Prague Open. The home favourite lost 11-5 11-6 11-5 to the Egyptian rising star. Squash - PSA World TourEgyptian Squash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





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.



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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 AustraliaSquash Suomi Finland Squash Rackets Federation of India





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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.ussquash.org/about/champions/junior/. US SQUASH



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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!



Photo courtesy Steve Line.



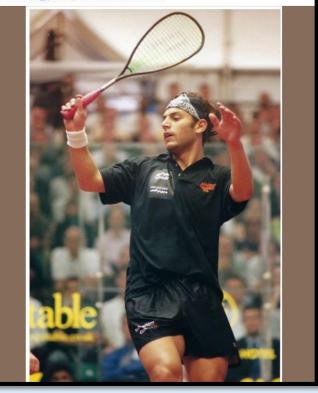


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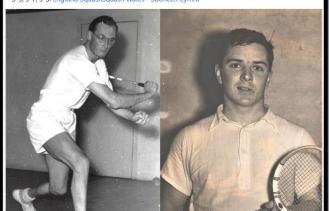
When Ahmed Barada beat countryman Omar Elborolossy in the final of the 1994 World Junior Championship he not only became the first Egyptian winner of the title, but became the first of the new wave of Egyptian players that has continued unabated. His greatest successes came in his home country such as winning the 1998 Al Ahram event, but he did reach number two in the world rankings in December 1998. He retired in August 2001. World Squash Federation... See more





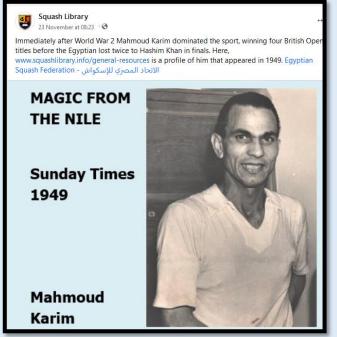


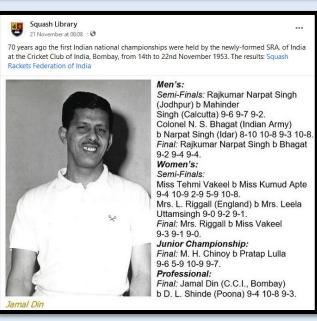
Brian Phillips (England) (captain, left) bt Lawrence Verney (Wales, right) (captain) 4-9, 10-8, 9-3, 9-7; Alan Seymour-Haydon bt D. E. Williams 9-4, 3-9, 9-2, 9-2; Geoffrey Atkins bt D. O. Bartlett 9-2, 9-7, 9-4; Alan Fairbairn bt D. H. Andrews 9-7, 9-0, 9-3; Colin Haycraft bt G. E. Needham 7-9, 9-3, 3-9, 9-7, 9-3. England SquashSquash Wales - Sboncen Cymru











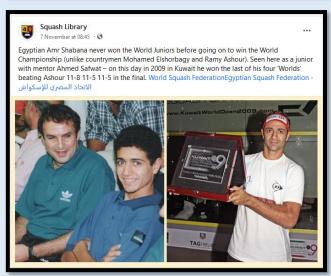




Going into this weeks Singapore Upen here is the Squash Library list of past winners and runner. up. It features so many great star winners, but surprisingly Jahangir Khan only reached the final once, in 1988, where he lost to Jansher Khan. Squash - PSA World Tour

	Men's Winner	Men's Runner-Up	Women's Winner	Women's Runner-Up	
	Mohamed ElShorbagy (ENG)	Diego Elias (PER)			
			Joelle King (NZL)	Nour El Tayeb (EGY)	
	Elvinn Keo (MAS)	Seung-Taek Lee (KOR)	Wen Li Lai (MAS)	Jemyca Aribado (PHI)	
2018			Low Wee Wern (MAS)	Ka Yi Lee (HKG)	
	Ramit Tandon (IND)	James Huang (TPE)			
	Tang Ming Hong (HKG)	Elvinn Keo (MAS)			
2015	Ong Beng Hee (MAS)	Valentino Bong (MAS)	Delia Arnold (MAS)	Rachel Arnold (MAS)	
2004			Rebecca Chiu (HKG)	Sharon Wee (MAS)	
2002			Rachael Grinham (AUS)	Tania Bailey (ENG)	
2001			Shelley Kitchen (NZL)	Annelize Naude (RSA)	
2000			Sarah Fitz-Gerald (AUS)	Claire Nitch (RSA)	
1999			Michelle Martin (AUS)	Leilani Joyce (NZL)	
1998	Paul Price (AUS)	Omar Elborolossy (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)	Zubair Jahan Khan (PAK)	Sarah Fitz-Gerald (AUS)	Michelle Martin (AUS)	
1995	Zarak Jahan Khan (PAK)	Mark Chaloner (ENG)	Michelle Martin (AUS)	Sarah Fitz-Gerald (AUS)	
1994	Peter Nicol (SCO)	Zarak Jahan Khan (PAK)	Michelle Martin (AUS)	Suzanne Homer (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)	Danielle Drady (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)	
1886	Jansher Khan (PAK)	Qamar Zaman (PAK)	Lucy Soutter (ENG)	Robyn Friday (AUS)	
1985	Philip Kenyon (ENG)	Magsood Ahmed (PAK)	Lucy Soutter (ENG)	Lim Seok Hui (SIN)	
1984	Qamar Zaman (PAK)	Magsood Ahmed (PAK)	Lim Seok Hui (SIN)	Barbara Hartman (SUI)	
1983	Qamar Zaman (PAK)	Magsood Ahmed (PAK)	Lim Seok Hui (SIN)	Chia Chew Lan (SIN)	
	Ali Aziz (EGY)	Mo Asran (EGY)	Julieanne Harris (AUS)	Sue Paton (SIN)	
1981	Atlas Khan (PAK)	Fahim Gul (PAK)	Sue Paton (SIN)	Rukhsana Rashid (PAK)	
	Atlas Khan (PAK)	Fahim Gul (PAK)	Sue Paton (SIN)	Tracy Oh (SIN)	
1979	Atlas Khan (PAK)	Fahim Gul (PAK)	Sue Paton (SIN)	Annette Andrews (SIN)	
1978	Atlas Khan (PAK)	Fahim Gul (PAK)	Rose Tablante (PHI)	Tracy Oh (SIN)	
	Rahim Gul (PAK)	Fahim Gul (PAK)	Rose Tablante (PHI)	Annette Andrews (SIN)	
	Magsood Ahmed (PAK)	Atlas Khan (PAK)	Rose Tablante (PHI)	Annette Andrews (SIN)	
	Gogi Alauddin (PAK)	Mohibullah Khan (PAK)	Helen Cooper (HKG)	Helen Chinchen (SIN)	
	Qamar Zaman (PAK)	Mohibullah Khan (PAK)	Bette King (SIN)	Gayle Donovan (MAS)	
	Qamar Zaman (PAK)	Mohibullah Khan (PAK)	Muriel Hocking (SIN)	Jeannie McColl (SCO)	
	Barry Thomson (SIN)	Tan Eng Han (SIN)	Muriel Hocking (SIN)	Helen Chinchen (SIN)	
	Malcolm Simons (SIN)	Ron Jacques (AUS)		1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	
1970	Malcolm Simons (SIN)	Fred Howell (MAS)			

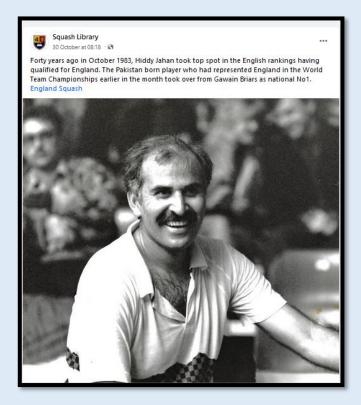


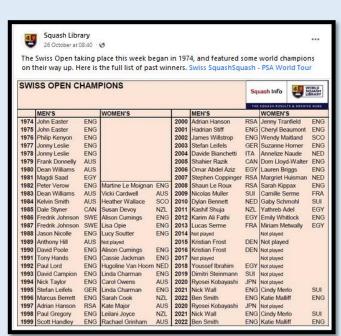






Scores:
Cam Nancarrow (A) b Peter Gerlow
0-9, 9-6, 4-9, 9-3, 10-8;
Dick Carter (A) b J. Philips
9-1, 9-7, 9-5;
Ken Hiscoe (A) b Nils Middelboe
9-3, 9-4, 9-3;
Geoff Hunt (A) b P. Rodtger
9-1, 9-3, 9-1.







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



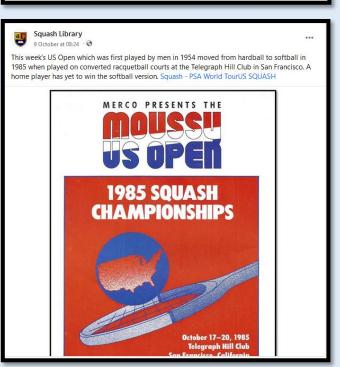


Ten years ago a milestone was reached when the US Open 2013 offered prize money parity for the Men's & Women's events for the first time, leading the way for 'majors'. The winners that year who took home the same sums were Gregory Gaultier (FRA) & Nicol David (MAS). US SQUASHSquash - PSA World Tour











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.







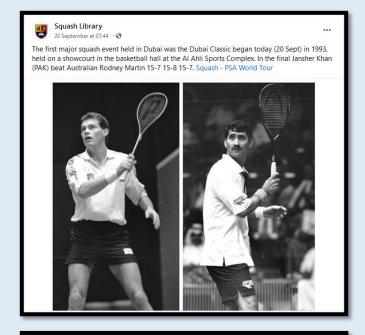
Pictured: L to R Jonah Barrington, Peter Stokes, Paul Millman (Mike Corby not present)

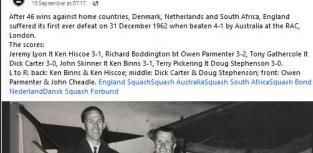
# The results: GB bt Christchurch Invitation 3-1 Barrington It Hunt 2 - 3 Corby bt J. Isaacs 3 - 1 Stokes bt G. Davidson 3 - 0 Millman bt G. Bird 3 - 0 GB bt Timaru 4-0 Barrington bt Hunt 3 - 2 Stokes beat G. Bird 3 - 0 Millman beat B. Rippon 3 - 1

Corby bt G. Davidson 3 - 1

Zealand Poipātū Aotearoa England Squash

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





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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

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







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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
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.

England SquashUS SQUASH



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.







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





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 for the full British Nationals winners and results history. England SquashJames Willstrop





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Squash Library 14 August at 08:02 · 😚

In August 1955 a British Men's team left London to tour Kenya, Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe) and South Africa, The squad, LtoR: Dick Hawkey, Ian De Sales la Terriere, Norman Borrett (capt). Mike Perkins, Brian Phillips (the sixth member, Alan Seymour-Hayden joined the group in Rome), Squash South AfricaSquash Rackets Association of Zimbabwe SRAZEngland Squash



Squash Library 31 July at 08:13 · 🚱

England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales first started playing matches against each other in 1937. (in 1937 & 38 the England v Scotland matches included two doubles matches added to the five

singles which were the norm in following years).

Pictured are some England & Scotland players when they competed at St John's Wood in London in 1938. L to R: D.M. Backhouse & P.W. Le Gros (Eng), H. Roxburgh (Sco), F.M. Strawson (Eng), S. Stewart-Clark & J.K. Sprott (Sco), W.M. Welch (Eng) England SquashScottish Squash





30 years ago for the two months of July & August 1993, Australian Chris Dittmar overtook Jansher Khan to become world number one. It was controversial as the Pakistani player had beaten Dittmar on all six times they had met during the year, but Khan receiving three zero points for late withdrawals caused his ranking to dip.

Dittmar commented: 'I don't consider myself the world no. 1 and I shan't until I have beaten

him six or seven times'.

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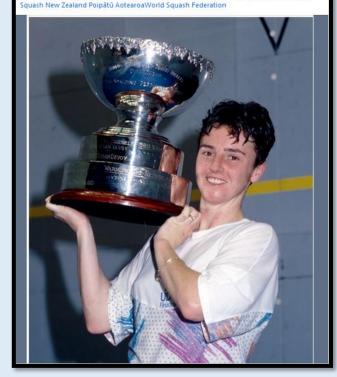




Squash Library 11 July at 08:19 - 3

25 years ago in 1998 Susan Devoy was awarded a Dame Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit, having already received an MBE in 1985 and a CBE in 1993. The four times World Open champion and eight times British Open was the youngest New Zealander since Sir Edmund Hillary to receive such a high accolade from the late Queen.

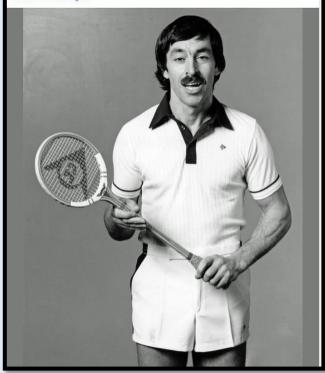
Dame Susan, currently a WSF Vice-President, is pictured at her last World Open win in 1992.



Squash Library 10 July at 06:10 - 3

Straight after the World Amateur Final in February 1969 which he lost to Geoff Hunt, Jonah

Barrington (who had already won two of his six British Open titles) announced that he was turning professional, beginning with a series of exhibition matches and coaching in South Africa. Jonah Barrington





This weekend the 25th playing of the Hunt Hiscoe golf trophy took place at the Vintage Golf Club, Hunter Valley, NSW, Australia. The photo features so many of Australia's top squash men as well as legends Ken Hiscoe and Geoff Hunt; including Chris Dittmar, Rodney Martin, Ross Thorne and Ricki Hill. Full left to right, anybody?



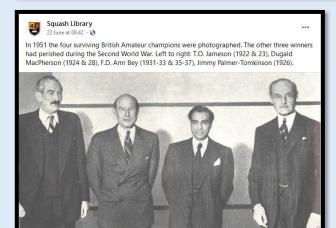


After the British Amateur Championships in December 1937, the unofficial world championship of the time, the SRA were under pressure to change from morning and early afternoon play to add evenings, so circulated a questionnaire. Here it is www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources, with the responses too.

# uestionnaire

TTH the conclusion of the Amateur Cham as good a time as any for determining the on several matters of importance. It is with the sk our readers to answer the following questions rehampionship. As is well known the Bath Club has in the championship, but it is felt that the gampionship held in a London social club in is no longer the most satisfactor

an appearance



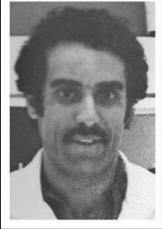


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30 May at 08:30 - 3 When Egyptian star Mahmoud Karim toured Australia in 1949 the Herald Newspaper in

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

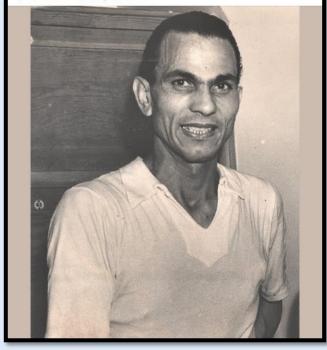






Melbourne report included this about combining squash and tennis, which he also played. 'He explained that he finds the squash touch so much lighter and different to tennis that his squash accuracy is upset if he mixes the two games'.

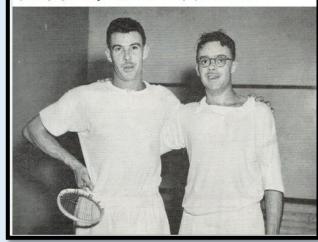
The report added about the four times British Open champion (1947-50): "He has not been beaten in a competitive game since 1934, the year he won the Egyptian championship for the first time. That was only a year after he first played the game. He played Amr Bey, who was prewar champion, many times in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





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







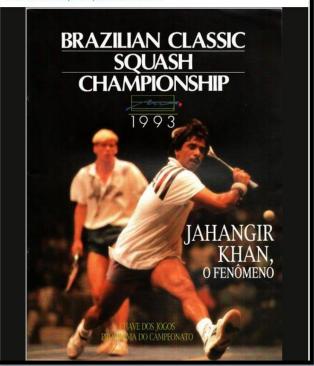






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This week 30 years ago Brazil burst onto the major event scene with the \$141,000 Men's Brazilian Classic held on a showcourt in the theatre of the Hotel Nacional in Rio De Janeiro. While the event suffered with court arrival delays and sponsorship 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





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.





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).



# Squash Library 11 May at 04:53 · 🔇

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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.





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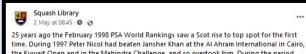
Ten years ago Saurav Ghosal became the first Indian male PSA top 20 player when he was ranked 18 in the February 2013 listing. He is currently placed at 19. Diplika Pallikal-Karthik holds the female accolade, having reached the top 20 before him in October 2011. (Historical rankings can be found at http://www.squashinfo.com/rankings).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





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 on the Library YouTube channel, with the Library event history at www.squashlibrary/info/post/world-tour-finals-1993-2022 and the results at www.squashlipc.com. Squash - PSA World Tour

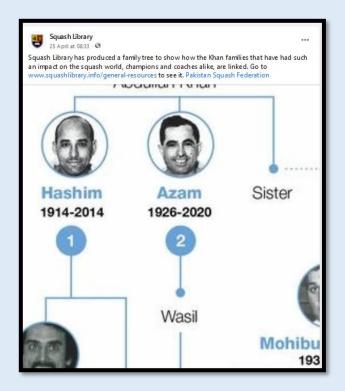










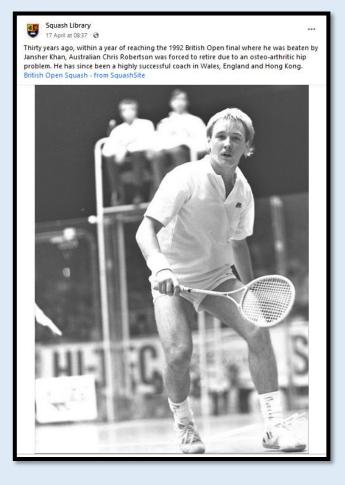






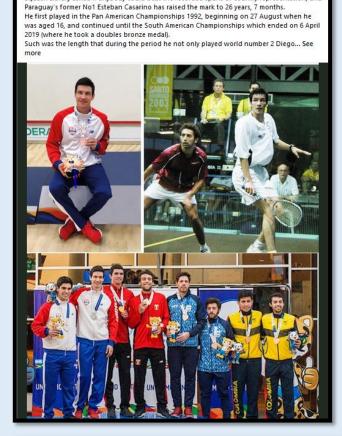










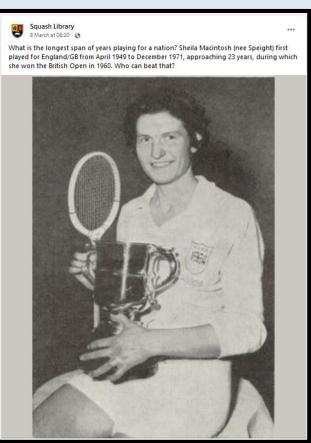


Squash Library asked if anybody could beat the recorded spans of country representation, and

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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. 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 الاسكواش الإسكواش الإسكواش AustraliaSquash Federation - PEdération 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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27 February at 08:22 · 6

Since World rankings began there have 16 Women who have reached the top spot. Here they are, courtesy of 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 - تا المسكولين المسكولين المسكولين المسكولين المسكولين 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 month
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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These two new charts of the world men's and women's top 10s and 20s at www.squashilbrary.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 to see past PSA (and WISPA) rankings – get a subscription to view earlier ones at www.squashinfo.com/signup. Squash - PSA World Tour

# **TOP 10 RANKINGS**

	January 1980*		January 1990		Janua
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men
Australia	1	3	4	5	2
Canada					1
Colombia					
Egypt					1
England		5	1	3	2

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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, Kaku, he beat Samiullah Khan of the Rawalpindi Club in the final. (There was a record entry of twelve amateurs and twenty professionals).

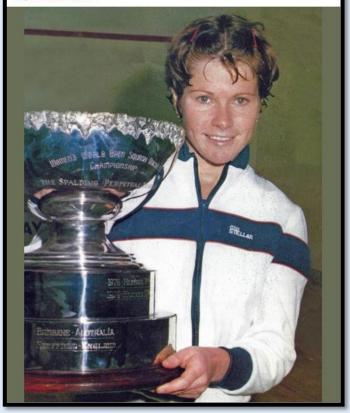
Semi-Finals: Samiullah Khan bt Nasrullah Khan 9-7 5-9 9-7 4-9 9-6. Roshan Khan bt Aziz Gul 9-5 9-3 9-4. Final: Roshan Khan bt Samiullah Khan 9-5 9-1 7-9 9-6. Pakistan Squash Federation





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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





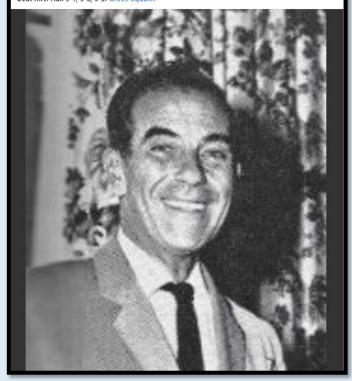
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25 years ago in 1998 Racquet Sports, an Australian publication featuring all racket sports, launched with a photo-shoot showing squash players away from the court. They were (Left to right): Paul Price (British Open R/U 2000, Rodney Eyles (World Champion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





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 heat Mrs. Hall 9-1, 9-6, 9-3. Greek Squash





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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 Federation Squash - PSA World Tour

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
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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 data. Squash - PSA World Tour Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصرى Mostafa Asal

### **EGYPTIAN MEN AT WORLD NUMBER 1**

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

Not necessarily continuous. <u>PSA\_Rankings</u> moved from monthly to weekly on 29 August 2022 so after this date 'months' indicate weeks within the month, not necessarily the full month.

(a) All before changing from EGY to ENG

\* So far





ASAL



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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

13 January at 08:24 · ③

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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 Squast – PSA World TourSquash New Zealand

Rank	[Prev]	Name
1	1	Mohamed ElShorbagy
2	2	Karim Abdel Gawad
3	3	<b>Gregory Gaultier</b>
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	22	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 ansdowne 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

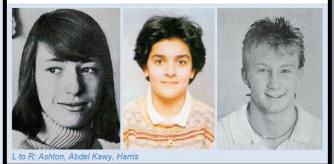




Squash Library

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 لاتحاد المصري للإسكواش - ashEgyptian Squash Federation



# 2022



Squash Library

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

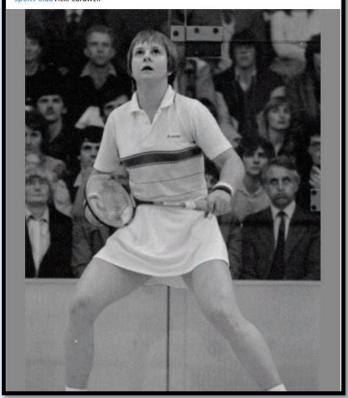




29 December 2022 at 08:35 - 3

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 TourUS SQUASH Cincinnati Sports ClubVicki Cardwell





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). quash - PSA World TourFFSquash - Fédération Française de SquashSquash AustraliaSquash Racquets Association of MalaysiaEngland Squash



587 Gregory Gaultier (FRA)

579 Nicol David (MAS)

526 Rachael Grinham (AUS)

518 Nick Matthew (ENG)

Mohamed ElShorbagy (ENG)

James Willstrop (ENG)



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 TourFFSquash - Fédération Française de Squash







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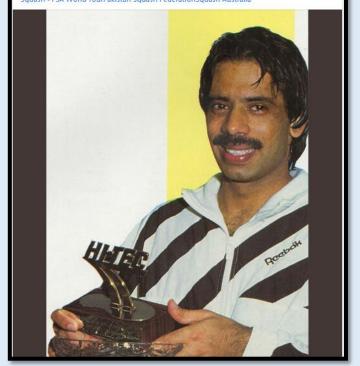
A year after his tenth and last British Open title in 1991 (pic) Jahangir Khan, then aged 28, dropped out of the world top 20 rankings in November 1992. He had not been lower than two from 1980 until February 1991 when he fell to three following illness. See the top 50 at <a href="https://www.squashlibrary.info/features">www.squashlibrary.info/features</a>.

The Pakistani star regained top spot but back injuries during 1992 meant a fall from 5 to 26 in the November listing.

the November listing.

Another feature of the list that month was Australia occupying six of the top nine spots.

Squash - PSA World TourPakistan Squash FederationSquash Australia







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According to the 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 - 3

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 <a href="https://www.nzsquashhalloffame.co.nz/inductees">www.nzsquashhalloffame.co.nz/inductees</a>). 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 Zeala



Squash Library 1 December at 08:18 - 3

The Hong Kong Open Squash Championships were first played in 1985, and won then 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. Detailed results are at

w.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 was a fiercely competitive event, with even recognised players having to battle their way through the qualifie 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 alway 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 passa over 6th seeded Jan-Ulf Soderberg, taking the mate 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 magaginst tournament favourite Maquoed Ahmed of Pakistan, seeded Zind.

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 seesaw match 9-2, 4-9, 9-7, 5-9, 9-0.

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

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

In other memorable episodes Singapore's Peter Hill posted a magnificent win over 10th seeded Jamie Hickox of England, winning 31 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 "rebiblion squash" which had the galley enthralled and gasping in disbellef. 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 conflictnit yexpect to see world class squash on a regular basis in Hong Kong.



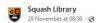
NETHERLANDS v BELGIUM

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



The 25th Monte Carlo Women's Classic is taking place in Monaco this week. The event history at 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).





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

Most recently there have been 12 Women's home winners from 14 stagings, including 8 titles for legend Nicol David.

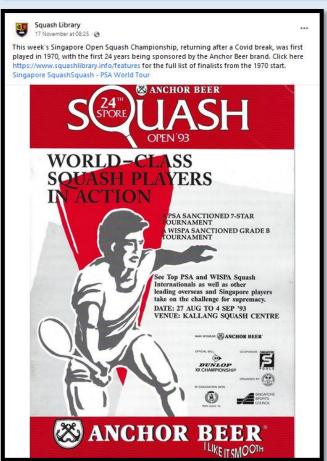
Meanwhile Malaysians Ong Beng Hee and Mohd Azlan

Iskandar have each won the Men's event three times. Squash Racquets Association of Malaysi... See more











The 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 (EGV), at 14 years old (born 1 Sept 2000), beat Fiona Moverley (ENG) in the final – Moverley being exactly double her age at عري للإسكواش - Squash - PSA World TourEgyptian Squash Federation





8 November at 08:29 - 3

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 ZealandSquash - PSA World Tour





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 2nd 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 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 "swear" 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".

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 forball 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.



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.

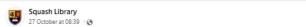
Seemingly an informal match between some players from the two countries in Greenwich, Connecticut in 1921 prompted American Henry C. Lapham to offer to put up a trophy (now valued at over \$50,000) when it was suggested that it become an annual match, and the Lapham Cup was born

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





Twenty years ago in 2002 the Swedish Open was revived and upgraded to play on a showcourt in the Linkoping 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, 15-12, 12-15, 15-8 in 89 minutes. Svensk Squash Squash - PSA World Tour

# S shopensal 8-13 januari 2002 i Linköpings Sporthall och Linköping **Squash Center** En av Europas största squashtävlingar avgörs på fyrglasbanan



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 Salaun. 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.





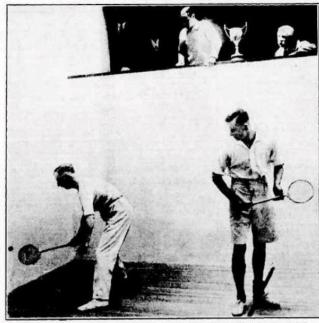


Woolner Stone was the winner of the inaugural Men's Squash Championship of Australia, played in Melbourne in late 1928.

Stone was a 'royal' tennis professional in Melbourne.

Squash Australia

### SQUASH RACQUETS CHAMPIONSHIP.



Cutting kindly supplied by Peter Eedy



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 I to r: 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 Cymrulrish Squash





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). Oracle NetSuite Open Squash Squash - PSA World Tour











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, 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 SquashPakistan Squash Federation





The first Egyptian Open was played in 1958, won by Mohamed Dardir El Bakary (right). After a short gap it was revived in 1962, and won five times by anther Egyptian Abdel Fattah Abou

ahead of Jonah Barrington in 1967 (pictured together), before it was discontinued again.



### 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 for background and www.squashinfo.com for past results. FFSquash - Fédération Française de SquashSquash - PSA World Tour

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

### First Round

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
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, 910, 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

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; Caiser 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 Salwat, 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.

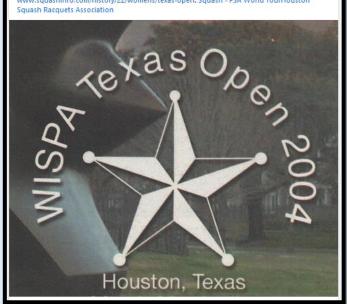
**Semi Finals** Khan þt Jahan 9-6, 9-2, 9-5; Zaman bt Williams 9-6, 9-4, 0-9, 9-0.

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



Squash Library

Before this week's South Western Open in USA, the Women's Texas Open came to Houston in 2002, then alternated with Dallas until now (with two visits to Plano). The details are at www.squashinfo.com/history/22/womens/texas-open, Squash - PSA World TourHouston





Seven years ago, in September 2015, Nicol David's 109 month unbroken run at World number 1 ended. The Malaysian star had taken top spot in January 2006 and held it for approaching ten years before Raneem El Welily (EGY) took over. Nicol DavidRaneem El WelilySquash - PSA الاتحاد - World TourSquash Racquets Association of MalaysiaEgyptian Squash Federation







### Squash Library

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 TourSquash Racquets Association of MalaysiaEgyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش - FFSquash - Fédération Française de SquashSquash Bond NederlandEngland SquashUS SQUASHSquash AustraliaSquash New ZealandHong Kong SquashPakistan Squash Federation

WOMEN'S

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Nicol David (MAS)

Natalie Grinham (NED)

Rachael Grinham (AUS)

Natalie Grainger (USA)

Alison Waters (ENG)

Madeline Perry (IRL)

Laura Massaro (ENG)

Kasey Brown (AUS)

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14. Samantha Teran (MEX)

Shelley Kitchen (NZL)

Vanessa Atkinson (NED)

Jenny Duncalf (ENG)

### MEN'S

### **JAN 2010**

- Ramy Ashour (EGY) Nick Matthew (ENG)
- Amr Shabana (EGY)
- Gregory Gaultier (FRA)
- Karim Darwish (EGY)
- Peter Barker (ENG)
- James Willstrop (ENG) David Palmer (AUS)
- Thierry Lincou (FRA)
- Adrian Grant (ENG) Wael El Hindi (EGY)
- 12. Alister Walker (ENG)
- 13. Daryl Selby (ENG)
- Laurens Jan Anjema (NED)
- 15. Mohamed Elshorbagy (EGY)
- Stewart Boswell (AUS) 17. Mohd Azlan Iskandar (MAS)
- 18. Cameron Pilley (AUS)
- 19. Aamir Atlas Khan (PAK)
- 20. Ong Beng Hee (MAS) \*Nations denoted are at the time of the ranking.

17. Jaclyn Hawkes (NZL)

15. Annie Au (HKG)

- 18. Isabelle Stoehr (FRA)
- 19. Rebecca Chiu (HKG)
- 20. Tania Bailey (ENG)
- Photos courtesy Steve Line







# Squash Library

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 dominence has ended. uash - PSA World Tour Squash Australia England Squash Squash Canada... See more

# MEN'S

- Jonathon Power (CAN)
- Peter Nicol (SCO)
- Ahmed Barada (EGY)
- Simon Parke (ENG) Martin Heath (SCO)
- 6. Paul Johnson (ENG)
- Anthony Hill (AUS) 8.
- Paul Price (AUS) Alex Gough (WAL)
- 10. Derek Ryan (IRL)
- Thierry Lincou (FRA) 12. David Palmer (AUS)
- 13. Graham Ryding (CAN)
- 14. David Evans (WAL)
- 15. Del Harris (ENG)
- John White (SCO)
- Amjad Khan (PAK)
- Omar Elborolossy (EGY)
- Dan Jenson (AUS)
- 20. Peter Marshall (ENG)

# WOMEN'S

- Cassie Campion (ENG)
- Leilani Joyce (NZL)
- Linda Charman (ENG)
- Natalie Grainger (ENG)
- Carol Owens (AUS)
- Suzanne Horner (ENG) Sabine Schoene (GER)
- 8 Fiona Geaves (ENG)
- Stephanie Brind (ENG)
- 10. Claire Nitch (RSA)
- 11. Vanessa Atkinson (NED)
- 12. Rebecca Macree (ENG)
- 13. Tania Bailey (ENG)
- 14. Rachael Grinham (AUS)
- 15. Jenny Tranfield (ENG)
- 16. Tegwen Malik (WAL)
- 17. Pamela Nimmo (SCO)
- 18. Latasha Khan (USA) 19. Liz Irving (AUS)
- 20. Sue Wright (ENG)
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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 FederationSquash CanadaSquash AustraliaSquash New

ndEngland SquashIrish SquashSvensk SquashSquash Bond NederlandSquash Suomi Finland JAN 1990

### MEN'S



- Jahangir Khan (PAK)
- Chris Dittmar (AUS)
- Rodney Martin (AUS)
- Chris Robertson (AUS)
- Umar Havat Khan (PAK)
- Ross Norman (NZL)
- Brett Martin (AUS)
- Del Harris (ENG)
- Mir Zaman Gul (PAK)
- 11. Zarak Jahan Khan (PAK)
- 12. Rodney Eyles (AUS)
- 13. Philip Kenyon (ENG)
- 14. Rory Watt (NZL)
- 16. Bryan Beeson (ENG)
- 17. Chris Walker (ENG)
- Tristan Nancarrow (AUS)
- 19. Hiddy Jahan (ENG)
- 20. Fredrik Johnson (SWE)

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### WOMEN'S

- 1. Susan Devoy (NZL)
- Lisa Opie (ENG)
- 3. Martine Le Moignan (ENG)
- 4. Danielle Drady (AUS)
- 5. Liz Irving (AUS)
- 6. Robyn Lambourne (AUS)
- 7. Sarah Fitz-Gerald (AUS)
- 8. Michelle Martin (AUS)
- Rebecca Best (IRL)
- 10. Fiona Geaves (ENG)
- 11. Alison Cumings (ENG)
- 12. Lucy Soutter (ENG)
- 13. Joanne Williams (NZL)
- 14. Babette Hoogendoorn (NED)
- 16. Suzanne Horner (ENG)
- 17. Tuula Myllyniemi (FIN)
- Nina Taimiaho (FIN)
- 19. Heather Wallace (CAN)
- 20. Sue Wright (ENG)

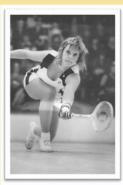
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# Squash Library

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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 Diggens (ENG
- Jan Miller (AUS)
- Susan Devoy (NZL)
  Carin Clonda (AUS)
  Renee Aucamp (RSA
- 13. Rae Anderson (AUS) 14. Lynne Ferry (AUS)
- 15. Alex Cowie (ENG) 16. Paula Anderson (ENG) 17. Gillian Winckler (RSA)
- 18. Jayne Ashton (ENG)
- 19. Nicola Spurgeon (ENG)
- 20. Claire Oxley (ENG)



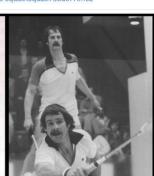


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Library Rankings Week: Day 2: The earliest Men's rankings / seeding lists tended not to be published but here is one from 1975 which only features players from Pakistan, Australia & Gt Britain, plus South African Roland Watson in the 16 player listing. Squash - PSA World Tour Pakistan Squash FederationSquash 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)
- 11 Roland Watson (South Africa)
- 12 Sajjad Muneer (Pakistan)
- 13 Rehmat Khan (Pakistan) 14 Billy Reedman (Australia)
- 15 Mohammed Yasin (Pakistan)
- John Easter (GB) 16

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





When ISPA (later PSA) Men's rankings began from 1974 initially they were published quarterly

event seedings during the period. (However, the orders were not mandatory and could be varied

(Feb, May, Aug, Nov). They were called seeding lists and intended to be used as the basis for



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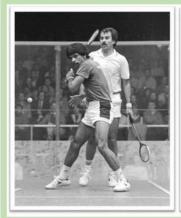
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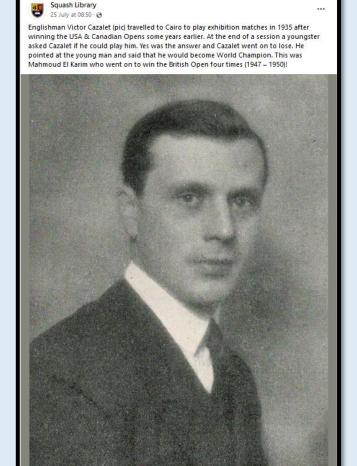
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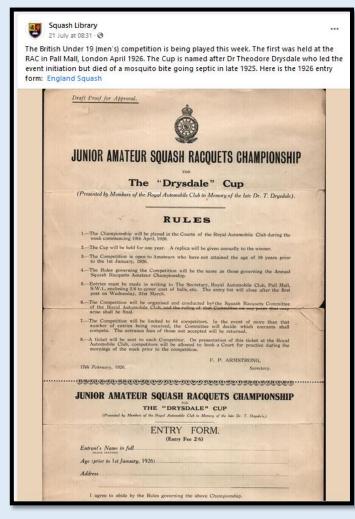
On the day after the British Open final at the Wembley Conference Centre in London, on 11 April 1984 England took on Pakistan in a five string tie in front of TV Channel 4 cameras in a bid to promote wider media interest in squash. www.squashlibrary.info/features for the details, England SquashPakistan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





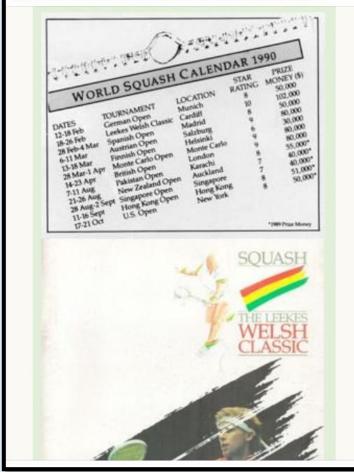








In February 1990, the largest men's prize money event to that point was held in Wales. The Leekes Welsh Classic, sponsored by Leekes of Lllantristant was played at the Welsh National Sports Centre, and featured a prize fund of \$102,000. The final saw Jahangir Khan beat Chris Robertson 15-12 15-6 15-10.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





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 (19th Hyderabad Regiment) bt G.W. Blake (Hodson's Horse) 9-4, 9-2, 8-10, 7-9, 10-8.



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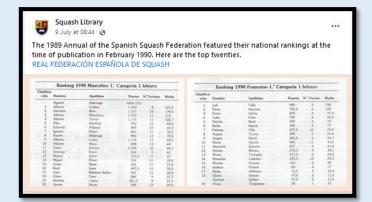
In September 1978 the first Peru Open was played at Club Lawn Tenis de la Exposicion in Lima, Peru. It was played on a league basis leading to English players taking top spots ahead of Swede Peter Bostrom and home players Gustavo Rubio, Francisco Calmet and Harry Stewart. The final playoffs: Federación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

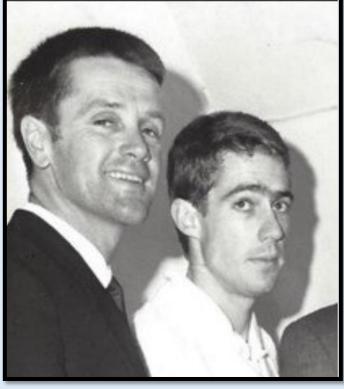
Final places:

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



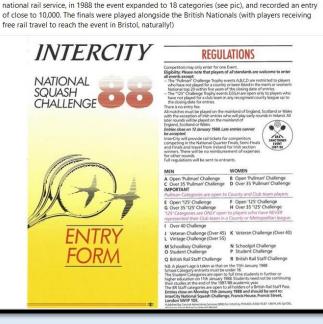


A bombshell was dropped in September 1971 with the announcement that Australians Geoff Hunt and Ken Hiscoe (left) had decided to turn professional. The Australian Federation had opposed a motion that amateur status be abolished that year – unsurprising as Hunt & Hiscoe had been two of the three players 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 TourSquash Australia





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





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

### MAMMOTH SQUASH TOURNAMENT FOR 8,000 PLAYERS!

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 I out!

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 bone that at the end of this tournament more necelie will know. **Playit Cool** Have a Harp.

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 it they thought that there was a chance of meeting swift ignominous 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.



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 www.youtube.com/channel/UCjFo-3pCw5gTEQSUO34TQnQ on the Library YouTube Channel, Squash - PSA World TourSquash 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 It Ian De Sales Ia 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 It De Sales la Terriere 2-3, Jarvis It Seymour-Haydon 1-3, Barnes It Phillips 0-3, Kaplan It 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 It Seymour-Haydon 1-3, Barnes bt Phillips 3-0, Kaplan It 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



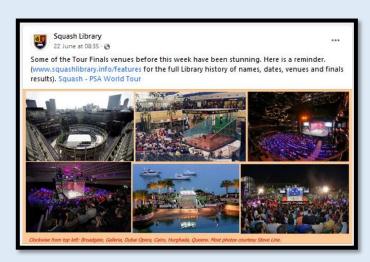
The Victorious S. African Team. Back row, left,
A. B. Barnes, right, C. Kuplan. Front row, D. The British Team arriving at Dirbin. L to R. M. J. Parklan, A. A. T. S.
Calleghan, B. Calleghan, R. K. Jarvis



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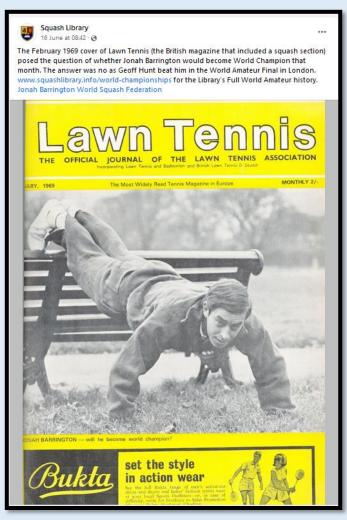
The February 2016 PSA Women's Rankings saw Australian Rachael Grinham end a remarkable 223 month unbroken run in the Women's Top Twenty according to her http://squashinfo.com profile. The then 39 year old Grinham included 16 months in the number one spot during 2004 / 5 and her winning the World Open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

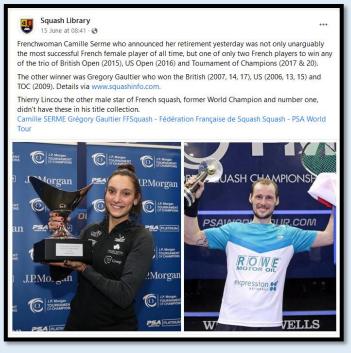














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1977 – 79 saw Pakistan International Airlines (PIA) sponsoring a series of squash events severa countries. It fell after the domination of Hashim & Azam Khan, and before the arrival of Jahangir and Jansher Khan; but when there were a number of top Pakistani players on the scene.

www.squashlibrary.info/features to see and download the 13 page PIA World Series of Squash story. Pakistan International Airlines - PIA Pakistan Squash Federation







Following on from the news that Mohamed Elshorbagy is changing his allegiance from Egypt to England, it recalls the last high profile player move, also to England, when Peter Nicol made the move from Scotland in 2001 as covered by the Library in 2020 here. (To see all past categorised Library posts go to <a href="https://www.squashlibrary.info">www.squashlibrary.info</a> and click on POSTS).

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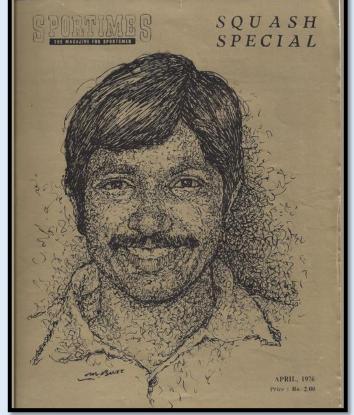
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A major furore was created on 17 March 2001 when news that Peter Nicol was moving allegiance from Scotland to England reached the media. Nicol had won Commonwealth Singles Gold in 1998 and the World Open in 1999. He had been based in England for some 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.





In 1976, Pakistani star Qamar Zaman, then aged 26, become the first recipient of the Sportsman of the Year award instituted by the Pakistan Sports Board. This following his 1975 British Open win amongst other titles. It also gained him a cover drawing of Sportimes in Pakistan. Qamar ZamanPakistan Squash Federation





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





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 المصرى للإسكواش - Squash - PSA World Tour Ramy AshourKarim DarwishRaneem El WelilyNour el Sherbini sherbini

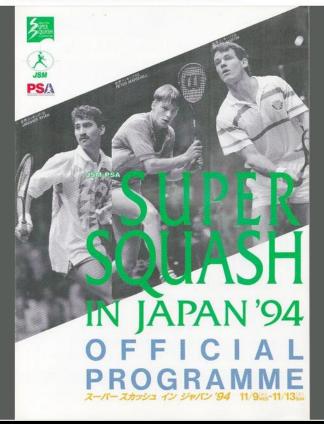








The Dynam Cup PSA SQ-Cube Open begins in Japan today. So timely to remember a time when the JSM Supersquash in Japan started with a top Women's event in 1993, add a men's in 1994 before moving on the hosting the then world's largest prize fund when they joined together in 1995 (\$200,000). Japan Squash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





In 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:

- Jahangir Khan, 14. (son of Roshan Khan and brother of Torsam Khan).
   Zahir Husain, 17. (Roshan Khan's nephew).

- Sohail Qaiser, 14. (Gogi Alauddin's nephew).
   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.

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# Fleischmann's 1985 World Professional Squash Championships















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





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 ChampionsSquash - PSA World Tour





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-biting final at the Island School Squash Rackets Club on September 15.

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

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

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

Both winner Kerryon, seeded 8, and runner-up Serve Bowditch, seeded 11, belied their seedings and world rankings with well-earmed 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 quater-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.

Bowdisch 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-linal, Bowdisch staged a remarkable conseback.

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



Conyon (left) Josep Broaditch in

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 Hickon of England, winning 3-1 after being a game and 1-6 down. Cheis 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 diabelief. 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.



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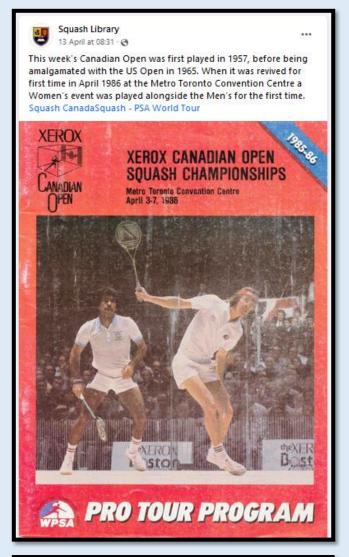
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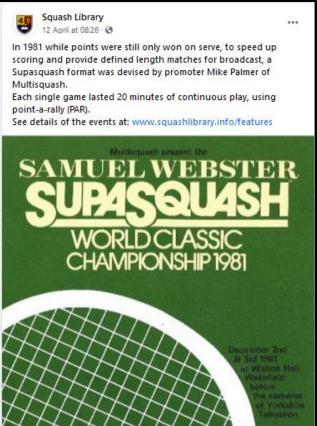
MATCH PLAY-late morning and early afternoon FINALS Saturday afternoon Watch Bulletin Boards for Times, Pairings

### TOURNAMENT ACTIVITIES

Buffet Dinner and Dance in Dining Room, Friday night, February 11 Cocktails - 7:15 to 8 P. M. only Dinner served from 8 to 9 P. M. only Dancing from 8 to 1 A.M.

Tariff \$4 per person



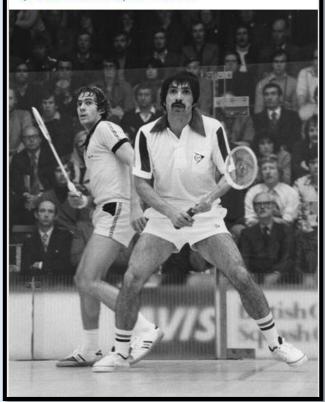


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Today in 1951 (11.04.51), Pakistani star Qamar Zaman celebrates his birthday. Born in Quetta, the 'magician', so often in the shadow of Geoff Hunt would have done more than win his many international titles including the British Open in 1975 had the 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)

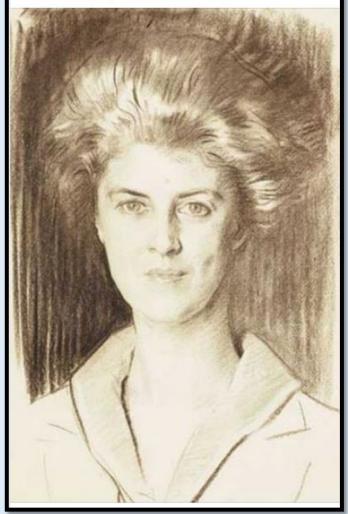
Qamar ZamanPakistan Squash Federation





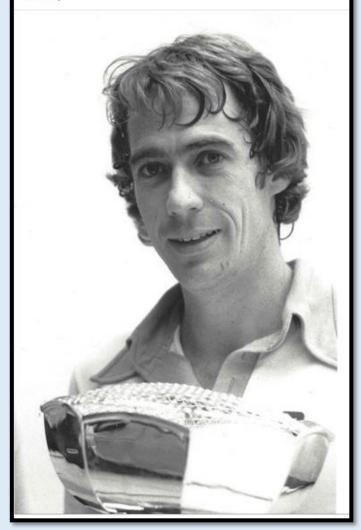
On this day 54 years ago (16.03.68) Eleonora Sears died. She had become the first US Women's squash champion, at the age of 46 in 1928. She did so having been involved in the formation of the United States Women's Squash Racquets Association that year. She also captained early Wolfe Noel international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

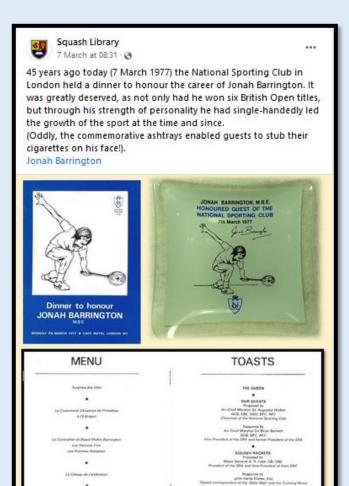
Thought to be one of the greatest all-round sportswomen of her era, her achievements included being inducted into the US Tennis Hall of Fame. US SQUASH





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 in the CHAMPIONSHIPS section).







Finally for this batch of lists generated by 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 MagazineSquash - PSA World TourSquash Racquets Association of MalaysiaSquash New ZealandFFSquash - Fédération Française de SquashPakistan Squash FederationSquash AustraliaEgyptian Squash Federation - المصري للإسكواش

### **TOP FIVE NATIONS**

(totalling all-time Tour title winners):

MEN	WOMEN		
1 England 463	1 England 324		
2 Egypt 425	2 Australia 309		
3 Australia 356	3 Egypt 192		
4 Pakistan 279	4 New Zealand 156		
5 France 169	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 -Pakistan Squash Federationالاتحاد المصري للإسكواش

### YOUNGEST TOUR EVENT WINNERS

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

- 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, 15v, 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



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3 March at 08:19 · 3

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

### MEN

- Hashim Khan (PAK): British Open champion March 1958, 43y, 8m
   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

- 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
- Latasha Khan (USA): Orange County Open champion in Sep 2012, 39y, 7m
- 5 Madeline Perry (IRL): NT Open champion in May 2016, 39y, 3m







Khan. Colour photos courtesy Steve Lin



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

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

- 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









t R: Ashour, Joyce, Owens, Boswell. Phot

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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 الاتحاد المصري - FederationEgyptian Squash Federation Squash CanadaSquash New ZealandSquash Racquets للإسكواش Association of MalaysiaSquash Australia

- 2 Jansher Khan (PAK) 3 Ramy Ashour (EGY)
  - Amr Shabana (EGY)
- 1 Jahangir Khan (PAK) 179, 11m (Nov 1981) 2 Jansher Khan (PAK) 189, 4m (Oct 1987) 219, 0m (Oct 2008) 4 Jonathon Power (CAN) 249, 3m (Dec 1998)

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







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18 February at 08:31 · 3

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+)

- Geoff Hunt (AUS)
- Tarek Momen (EGY) Amr Shabana (EGY) David Palmer (AUS) Rodney Eyles (AUS)
- 33y, 6m (Oct 1980)
- 1. Geoff Hunt (AUS)
  29 kinck Matthew (ENG) 33y, am (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)
  7 Rodney Eyles (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)
  31y, 3m (Dec 2014)
  31y, 3m (Dec 2014)
  31y, 3m (Dec 2007)
  31y, 3m (Dec 2007) 5 Rachael Grinham (AUS) 30y, 9m (Oct 2007) 6 Laura Massaro (ENG) 30y, 4m (Mar 2014)











of data, provided for Squash Player Magazine recently. The longest unbroken spells achieved at number one in the World rankings. Squash Player MagazineSquash AustraliaSquash Racquets Association of MalaysiaPakistan Squash FederationEgyptian Squash Squash New ZealandEnglandالاتحاد المصري للإسكواش - Federation Squash

### MEN

- 1 Jahangir Khan (PAK) 6 years 2 Geoff Hunt (AUS) 4 yrs, 11 mths 3 Jansher Khan (PAK) 4 yrs, 5 mths
- 4 Amr Shabana (EGY) 2 yrs, 9 mths 5 Peter Nicol (ENG) 2 years

- WOMEN 1 Nicol David (MAS) 9 yrs, 1 mth 2 Susan Devoy (NZL) - 4 yrs, 10 mths 3 Michelle Martin (AUS) - 3 yrs, 8 mths
- 4 Nour El Sherbini (EGY) 2 yrs, 7 mths
- 5 Sarah Fitz-Gerald (AUS) 2 years





eft: Jahangir Khan & Geoff Hunt. Right: Susan Devoy & Nicol David. Col.



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16 February at 08:34 · 3

Squash Library is posting some of the records generated from the great SquashInfo.com trove of data, provided for Squash Player Magazine recently. Here is the run-down of longest Tour matches: Squash - PSA World TourSquash Player MagazineHong Kong SquashSquash CanadaPakistan Squash FederationEgyptian Squash England SquashScottish الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش - Federation SquashSquash AustraliaSquash MexicoUS SQUASHSquash New Zealand대한스쿼시연맹 Korea Squash Federation

### LONGEST TOUR MATCH

1 Leo Au (HKG) bt Shawn Dellerre (CAN)

9-10, 9-5, 9-7, 9-2 (166m) 3 Shawn Delierre (CAN) bt Adrian Waller (ENG)

(Baltimore Cup sf, Nov 2008) 9-11, 8-11, 11-7, 13-11, 11-5 (150m) 5 Douglas Kempsell (SCO) bt Joshua Larkin (AUS) (Shepparton International sf, Aug 2015) 6-11, 11-6, 11-6, 9-11, 13-11 (149m)

ha Teran (MEX) bt Latasha Khan (USA) 1 Samantha Teran (MEX) bt Latasha Khan (USA) (Liberty Bell Open final, Jan 2008)
9-1, 10-9, 4-9, 6-9, 9-6 (120m)
2 Rhonda Thorne (AUS) bt Vicki Hoffman (AUS) (World Open final, Oct 1981)
8-10, 9-4, 9-5, 7-9, 9-7 (118m)
3= Natalie Grinham (AUS) bt Rebecca Macree (ENG) (irish Open gf. Apr 2004)
9-3, 8-10, 9-6, 9-10, 9-7 (110m)
3= Nour El Tayeb (EGY) bt Jaclyn Hawkes (NZL) (irish Open final, Apr 2011)
3-15, 5-11, 11-9, 12-10, 16-14 (110m)
5 Park Eun Ok (KOR) bt Dianne Desira (AUS) (Crocodile Challenge Cup Q, Jul 2006) (Crocodile Challenge Cup Q, Jul 2006) 9-7, 5-9, 9-5, 3-9, 10-8 (109m)





14 February at 08:32 · 3

In 1977 16 times British Open champion Heather McKay was giving an exhibition on a show court in the middle of Parramatta Westfield Shopping Centre when there was a knock on the door by Roger Climpson - the host of This is Your Life, a TV programme which surprised people and told their life story via guests. England's Janet Morgan (Shardlow), who had won ten British Open titles just before the McKay era was flown out to Australia to appear on the show. Here they are together at it.

(The full British Open history can be found at www.squashlibrary.info/british-open) Squash Australia





### Squash Library

4 February at 08:40 · 3

On this day in 1980 Jahangir Khan had hoped to be playing in the final of what was the last British Amateur Championship. The previous October, still aged 15, he had swept through the qualification and then the main draw to win the world Amateur title in Melbourne, and was the hot favourite to double up with the British title.

However, an eve of event slip while practicing on the Wembley courts led to back muscle damage and withdrawal. Here's the programme preview complete with his signature. (The title went to England's Jonny Leslie who beat Kiwi Ross Norman 9-3, 9-3, 9-4 in the final). Pakistan Squash FederationEngland Squash





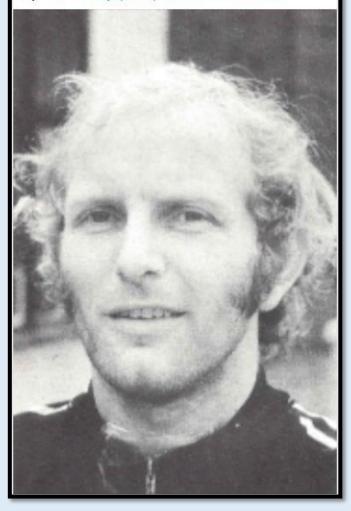
1961/2 there have been 29 Knights Tours, each playing a large number of matches. The Library full listing of players and matches is at https://www.squashlibrary.info/features. A directory of the cream of South African players! SA Knights Squash Rackets ClubSquash South

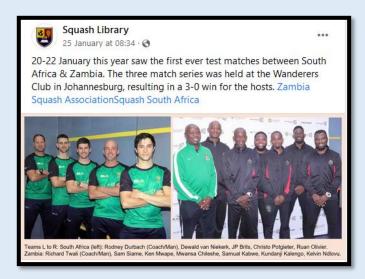




Winner of the British Junior Open (1964) and runner-up in the World Amateur in 1973, Englishman Bryan Patterson celebrates his birthday today (born 26.01.46). He lost to Cam Nancarrow (AUS) in the all left-handed 1973 World final, and now manages City Squash, an Urban Squash programme in Bronx, New York.

Bryan Patterson CitySquashSquash and Education Alliance







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"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 SQUASHSquash - PSA World TourWorld Squash Federation







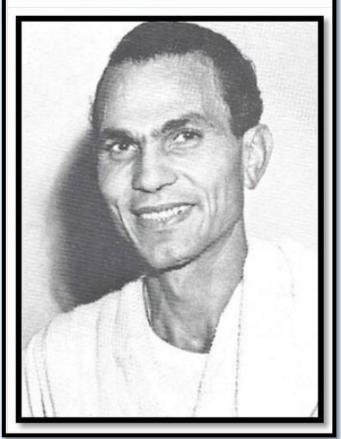
2017 World Champion Mohamed Elshorbagy celebrates his 31st birthday today (born 12.01.91). The Egyptian also has three British Open titles and spent 50 months as world number one between Nov 2014 and August 2021. SquashInfo.com also lists his tour title wins so far as 43 (from 68 finals). Mohamed ElshorbagyEgyptian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





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





# Squash Library 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



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Tour wins by nation, 2001 – 2021. This data supplied by 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





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



Photo courtesy Steve Line

# 2021



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





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 SquashSquash - PSA World TourWorld Squash Federation



18 December at 09:04 - 3 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

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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.





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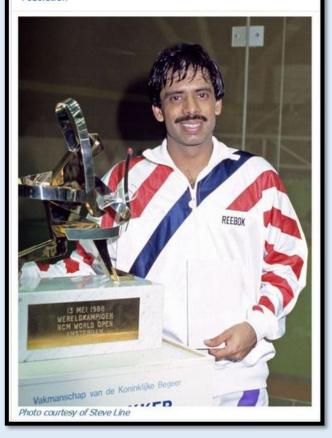
A branch of squash celebrated its first British Open this year. On 16/17 October the Hallamshire Club in Sheffield hosted the Squash 57 (formerly Racketball) British Open.

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





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/worldchampionships). 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





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



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25 November at 08:26 - 3

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. 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 Daulat 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
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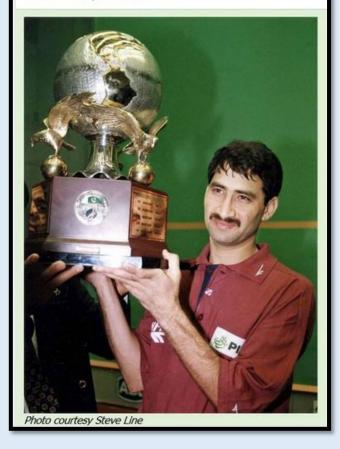
1975 - Helen Chinchen	(Singapore)	bt Glynne Wong	(Malaysia)	9/4,3/9,10/9,9/0
1976 — Annette Andrews	(Singapore)	bt Glynne Wong	(Malaysia)	
1977 - Annette Andrews	(Singapore)	bt Rose Tablante	(Philippines)	10/8,9/6,3/9,9/7
1978 — Annette Andrews	(Singapore)	bt Tracy Oh	(Singapore)	9/3,3/9,9/2,9/0
1979 — 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	(Sinapore)	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 Slok 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,

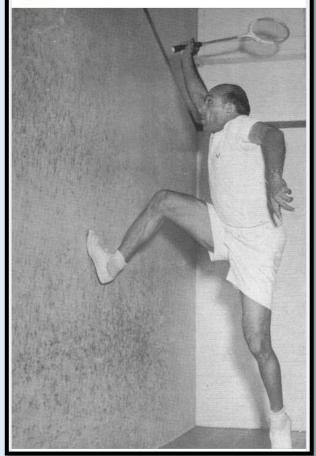
11-15, 15-3, in front of a home crowd in Karachi, Pakistan.
These eight World Opens and six British Open crowns were part of a total of 99 PSA Tour titles overall (from 118 finals). He also still has a record total of 97 months at World number 1 (between Jan 1988 - Jan 1998)

Jan Sher khanWorld Squash FederationSquash - PSA World TourPakistan Squash Federation





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 FederationBritish Open Squash





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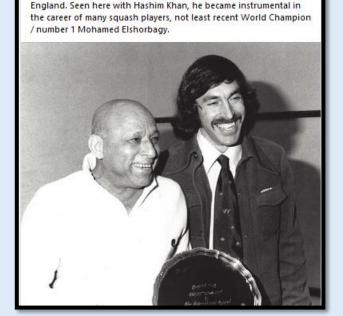
15 November at 08:41 · 🚱

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 Bostom beat Ian Nuttall 9-2 10-8 9-5 Bo Bostrom lost Philip Ayton 9-2 5-9 2-9 8-10

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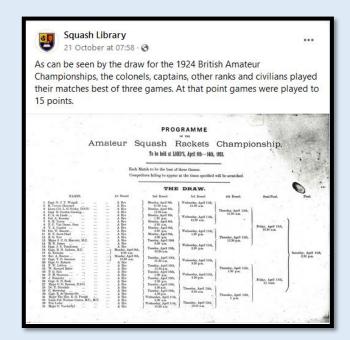
35 years ago in 1986, when aged 45, Jonah Barrington was

appointed as Chief Squash Coach for Millfield School in Somerset,



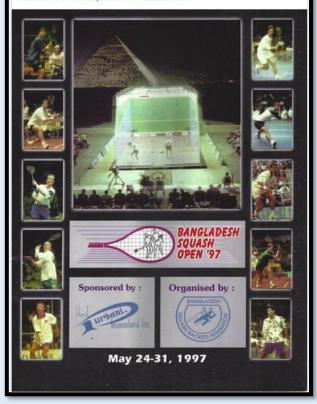








While a local club-based Bangladesh Open took place in 1997 (not including the players on the programme cover!), and hosting the South Asian Games squash event there in 2010, the start of the Bangabandu Ispahani event today in Dhaka is the first PSA Tour event being organised in the country. Bangladesh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





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 TourPakistan Squash FederationSquash AustraliaSquash New ZealandQatar Squash Federation





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



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 <a href="www.squashinfo.com">www.squashinfo.com</a> 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





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 166minutes 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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11 October at 08:38 · 3

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
49 9-1 10-8; A. Safwat beat M. Asran 9-6 9-5 9-1; B. Browniec beat
R. Khan 4-9 9-4 4-0-6; D. Williams
beat M. Lilley 9-0 9-2 5-9 9-2; A.
Aziz beat A. Kaoud-9-7 10-9-1; M.
Ahmed beat M. Kalifa 9-1 9-4 9-5.

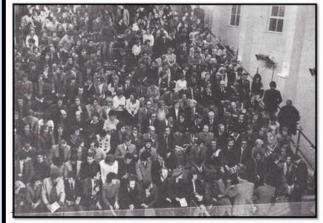
Quarter-Finals Zaman beat Yasin 9-8 9-4 9-4; Safwat beat Easter 9-4 5-9 9-4 9-2; Brownlee beat Williams 9-3 9-4 9-7; Ahmed beat Aziz 9-4 9-6 9-3.

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 9-2 9-7 9-0.

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







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 It 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







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

### 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 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,









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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





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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 World Squash FederationThe European Squash FederationREAL FEDERACIÓN ESPAÑOLA DE SQUASH



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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





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".

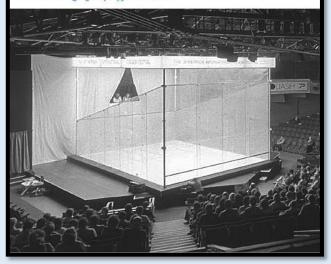
(Barrington & Hunt left, Khan right) England SquashPakistan Squash FederationSquash AustraliaSquash - PSA World Tour





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





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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
FE8	SWEDISH OPEN	JAHANGIR KHAN	JAME HICKOX	3-0
FEB	FINNISH OPEN	JAHANGE KHAN	RODNEY MARTIN	3-0
FEB.	SPANISH OPEN	JAHANGIR KHAN	JANSHER KAHN	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
ост	WORLD OPEN	JANSHER KHAN	CHRIS DITTMAR	3-1
NOV	CANADIAN OPEN	CHRIS DITTMAR	BODNEY 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

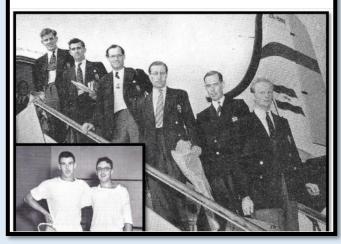


South Africa and Great Britain first played representative matches against each other in 1955 and 1957. First the British toured South Africa – the first men's tour outside Europe since the SRA had been formed in 1928 - and then two years later Britain hosted them. Four tests were played in 1955 in South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

Squash South AfricaEngland Squash





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 FederationSquash Racquets Association of MalaysiaEgyptian الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش - Squash Federation

i) 3-9, 5-9, 9-3, 9-5, 9-0 (48m); Alia Magdy sa (Egy) bt Victoria Bell (Eng) 9-0, 9-1, 9-0

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

ohamed El Tayeb (Egy) Abdel I-3, 9-5, 7-9, 9-2 (36m).



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 information database. Squash - PSA World الاتحاد المصرى للإسكواش - TourEgyptian Squash Federation SquashSquash Racquets Association of Malaysia

# Squash Info



THE SQUASH RESULTS & ARCHIVE HUBS



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. Squash -PSA World Tour Squash Australia England Squashlrish الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش - SquashEgyptian Squash Federation

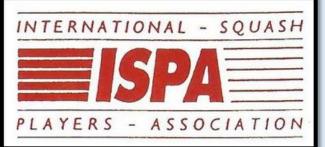
# Squash Info



THE SQUASH RESULTS & ARCHIVE HUBS



The PSA Men's Tour (then called ISPA), first broke the 1\$m 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 Royal British Lawn Tennis

magazine. Squash AustraliaEgyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد Squash South AfricaEngland Squash المصري للإسكواش

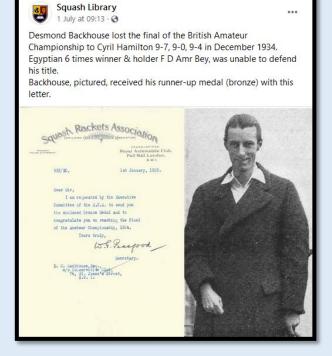




Here they are! The top ten most memorable event posters from those nominated are at https://www.squashlibrary.info/.../most-memorable-squash.... They were selected by a panel comprising Laurent Cossa (PSA), Ritwik Bhattychara (START Academy), Camille Serme (pro player), Howard Harding (squashinfo.com),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

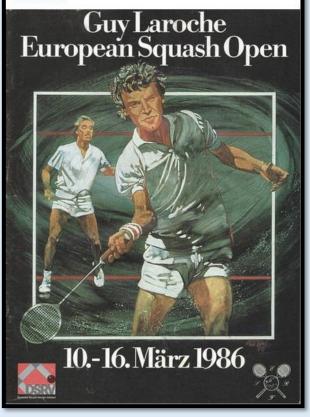




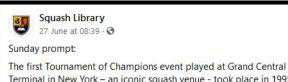


The European Federation accorded the German Federation the right to host the first European Open in 1986. Held 10 -16 March at five clubs before televised finals at RSC Munich, a number of withdrawals blighted the event before New Zealander Ross Norman beat surprise finalist Kelvin Smith (AUS) 9-2, 9-3, 9-4 to take the inaugural title.

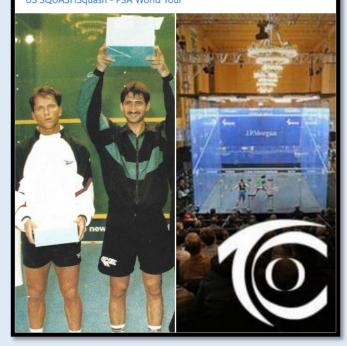
Since then the title has only cropped up sporadically (1987, 1990, 1992, 2002). The European Squash Federation Deutscher Squash Verband e.V.







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 US SQUASHSquash - PSA World Tour





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.

Squash - PSA World TourPakistan Squash Federation







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

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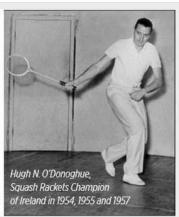
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The Irish Open has a long and distinguished history. The Men's began in 1932 as has a winner list including Barrington, Hunt, Jahangir, Nicol and more recently Farag; while the Women's from 1949 includes, Devoy, Opie and Massaro. Dublin's Fitzwilliam Club has produced comprehensive histories: Men's: https://mailchi.mp/fltc.ie/grm43t17fl-1025588 & Women's: https://mailchi.mp/fltc/irish-womens-opensquash Irish Squash







More from the 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

	WINNER	AGE (at time of win)
1	Rachael Grinham	44 years, 0 months
2	Mike Corren	43 years, 3 months
3	Mike Corren	42 years, 3 months
	Wald Candonall	44 2

rs, 0 months rs, 3 months s, 3 months s 3 months 40 years, 9 months **EVENT** Australian Open Golden Open Golden Open 07 Feb 2021 05 Jun 2017 06 Jun 2016 Head Satellite No3 10 Aug 1996 Australian Open



Rachael Grinham







From the 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 TourEgyptian Squash Pakistan Squash Federation الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش

	WINNER	AGE (at time of win)	EVENT	DATE
Wo	men:	30-13-15-0 • 00-15-15-15-15-15-15-15-15-15-15-15-15-15-		
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
Me	n:			
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 Oper	n 05 May 2018









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 Aftrica). Squash - PSA World Tour

MEN'S (Jan 2000)		WOMEN'S (Jan 200)	0)
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	RSA
5 Martin Heath	sco	5 Carol Owens	AUS
6 Paul Johnson	ENG	6 Suzanne Horner	ENG
7 Anthony Hill	AUS	7 Sabine Schone	GER
8 Paul Price	AUS	8 Fiona Geaves	ENG
9 Alex Gough	WAL	9 Stephanie Brind	ENG
10 Derek Ryan	IRE	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

	ME	N'S	WOI	MEN'S	TOTAL	
NATION	Jan 00	Jan 20	Jan 00	Jan 20	Change	
Australia	3		2		5↓	
Canada	2				24	
Colombia		1			11	
Egypt	1	9		7	15↑	
France	1	1		1	11	
Hong Kong Ch				1	11	
India		1		1	21	
Germany		1	1		0	
Netherlands			1		14	
New Zealand		1	1	1	11	
Peru		1			1个	
South Africa			2		2↓	
UK+Ireland	9	1	9	4	13↓	
USA			1	1	11	

Squash Library 7 May at 09:29 - 3

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.

F.D. Amr Bey E.Snell

MEN

- 3 Dr J.F. Stokes
- N.W.D. Yardley
- J.A. Gillies
- D.M. Backhouse
- R. Pulbrook
- 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
- Miss S. Noel
- Mrs I.H McKechnie
- The Hon. Anne Lytton-Milbanke
- Miss F.B. Cooke
- 6 Lady Katherine Cairns
- Miss A.I. Alexander
- 8 Mrs E.S. Barrett
- Mrs F.C. Dawnay
- 10 Miss E.E. Knox
- 11 Miss M.L. McLintock 12 Mrs A.A. Teague





Bey & Lumb pictured.



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 AssociationSquash - PSA World Tour





Ranking O & 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 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)

(Mar 2004) 6 John White (SCO)

7 Nick Matthew (ENG) (Jun 2010)

8 Karim Darwish (EGY) (Jan 2009) 9 Jonathon Power (CAN) (May 1999)

10 Gregory Gaultier (FRA) (Nov 2009)

# Squash Info



THE SQUASH RESULTS & ARCHIVE HUBS



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

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 viccories from 1966 to 1975 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.

to do so for £8 years.

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

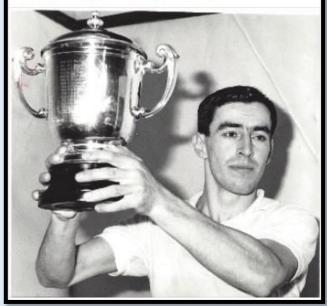
Barrington's brand of squash evangelism struck an immediate mass chord of public sympathy and acceptance. The formula was simple, for here was a man forthright, unreleaving in his desire to win. He was and still is one of the fiftest men in the world, a fact which enabled him to compensate for an ability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



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!





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



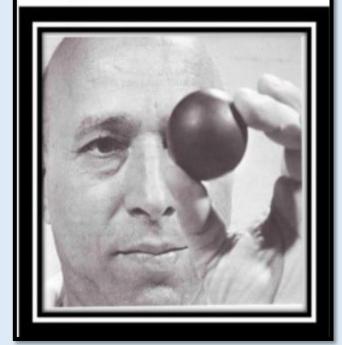




Ten years ago in early 2011 Josh Easdon's documentary film, "Keep Eye on Ball" The Hashim Khan Story, was first broadcast on the U.S. national Sundance Film Channel.

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





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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### Squash Library 30 March at 08:19 - 3

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 for full World Championship details. World Squash Federation Squash Australia Squash Bond Nederland





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 TourEgyptian بوابة / Ahram Sportالاتحاد المصري للإسكواش - Squash Federation الأهرام الرياضية





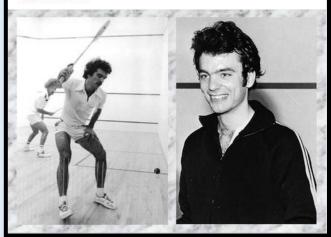


# Squash Library

15 March at 09:09 · 3

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

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







8 March at 08:49 · 3

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

4 March at 09:40 · 3

The first Italian Open was played in Milan in April 1988, with the early rounds ay Squash Sporting Milano, 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 Federazione Italiana Giuoco Squash



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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 TourSquash AustraliaEngland SquashSquash New ZealandPakistan Squash FederationEgyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش

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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 Janiero, 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.

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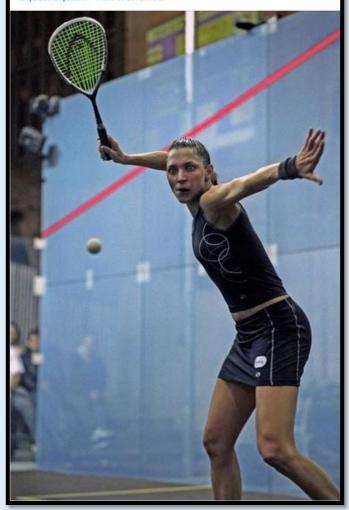








In her long and successful Tour career (1990 – 2007), Englishwoman Rebecca Macree who was born deaf, won eight World Tour titles and reached a high of seven in the World Rankings in May 2003, as well representing her country. A hard trainer and quick to the ball, because her hearing aids would fill with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





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.

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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 Squash - PSA World Tour





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







The programme for the 1962 Pakistan Amateur & Professional 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.











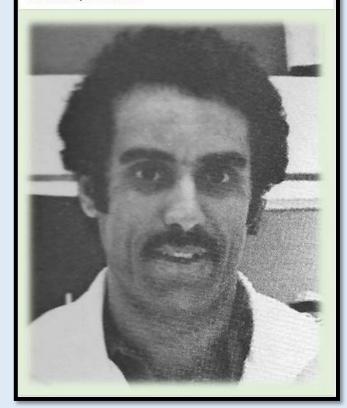




Squash star Sharif Khan (son of Hashim Khan), below, beat John McEnroe in 1979. Not in a tennis match but at the World Invitational Racquets Championship held at the Atlas Health Club in San Diego, USA!

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.





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, 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 Beverley Johnson. Squash - PSA World Tour



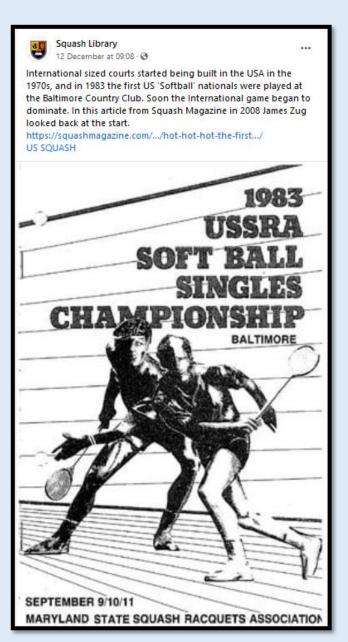


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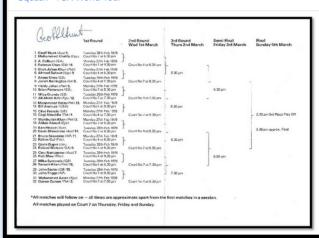
Extraordinarily, two girls from the same small island have won major squash titles. From the same school and squash court (there was only one on the island for a while). Known as the 'Guernsey Girls', Martine Le Moignan won the 1989 World Open, beating Susan Devoy in the final; and Lisa Opie took the 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 AssociationEngland Squash







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





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

### 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.



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





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





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.





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



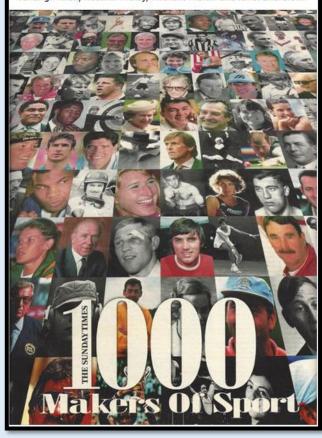


World number one Jansher Khan won the 1992 Dutch Open final wearing his manager's squash shoes! The Pakistani player had his bag stolen after the semi-finals. The solution - manager Satinder Bajwa's same-size worn-in shoes were couriered over from London on the morning of the final enabling Khan to go 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).





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.

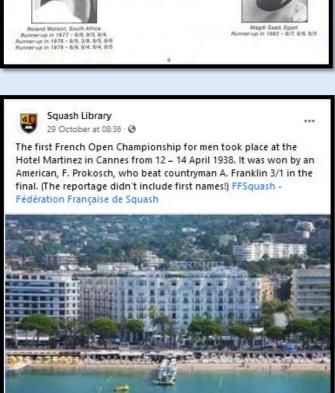




The Qatar Classic begins today at the same venue as the very first Qatar International event held on 17 – 22 December 1992. The courts, then and now, have been at the Khalifa International Tennis and Squash Complex. That year was won by Jansher Khan (PAK) who beat Chris Dittmar (AUS) 15-9, 14-15, 12-15,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

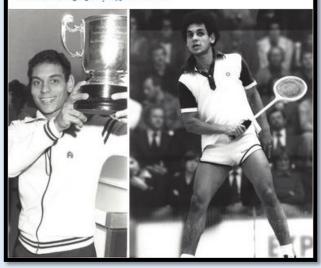








The early Egyptian male champions such as Amr Bey & Mahmoud Karim, along with many recent ones have come from Cairo. Current world number one Mohamed Elshorbagy hails from Alexandria though – as did Gamal Awad, the first star to emerge from Egypt's second city. Known as the Grasshopper for his outstanding 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



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





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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### 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)



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.





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 المصرى للإسكواش





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





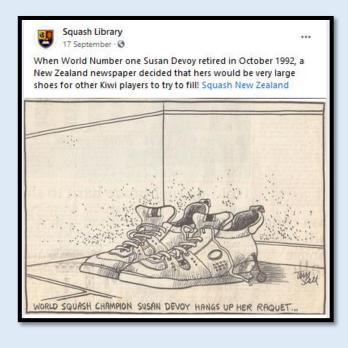
Australia staged its' first outside event in January 1992 – the Northwest Airlines World Outdoor Pro-Am. It was played in Sydney, with a showcourt erected on the reported busiest pedestrian thoroughfare in the country. Matches were played using point a rally with two 20 minute periods.

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





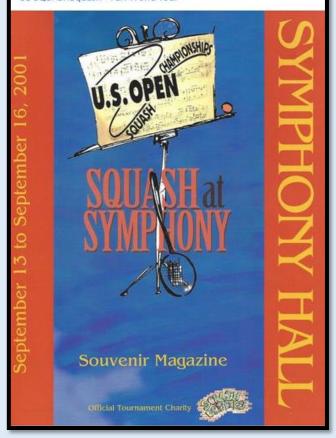




19 years ago today, on the morning of 11 Sept 2001, planes hit the Twin Towers in New York; the atrocity causing a terrible death toll and changing the world. That day in Boston qualification matches for the U.S. Open had been scheduled to take place at the Harvard & University Clubs, with the Boston 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.

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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).

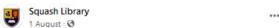
The outcome at the Lansdowne Club in London was a 3-2 win to Australia. It was very close except for the number ones, where Blundell was totally dominant.

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.

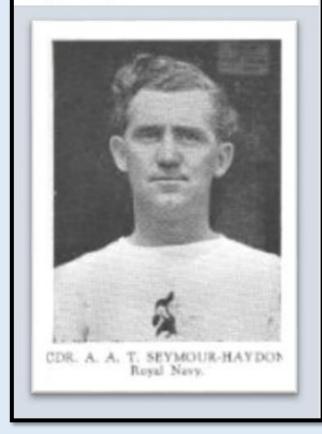
(L to R: Plaisted, Blundell, McLenaughan, Irving, Baxter) Squash Australia England Squash







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 Evelegh and Sub-Lt Gambier respectively).





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.





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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





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 It Pat Kirton 7-9, 7-9, 2-9 lan de S la Terriere It Tony Gathercole 8-10, 4-9, 6-9

From left: Balfour, Sales la Terrier, Montgomerie, Chisholm, Oddy Scottish Squash England Squash





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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!

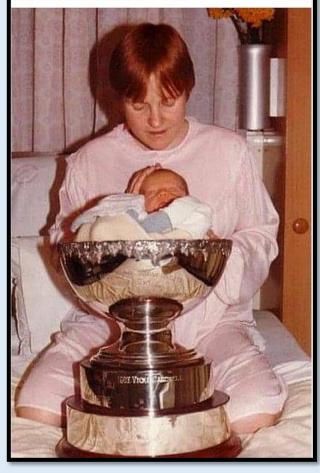
Oh, and Australian cricket legend Don Bradman won the South Australian Squash Championship in 1939. Squash Australia







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 lan. For the full list of Women's results, photos and poster go to https://www.squashlibrary.info/features





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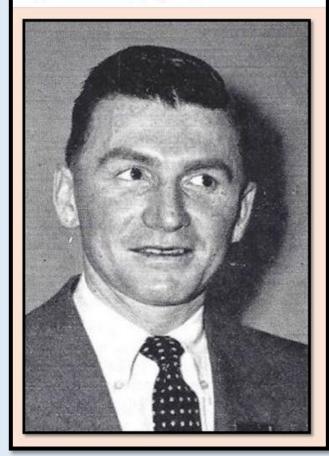
Nobody is playing Wimbledon this week, of course, but there was a time when top squash players also played competitive tennis. Ten times Women's British Open Champion in the 1950s, Janet Morgan (Shardlow), played 14 times at Wimbledon, as did another British Open winner Joan Curry. The Men's tennis event 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 TourWorld Squash Federation

		MEN'S	
gest PSA Membership	Olli Tuominen (FIN)	266 months (May 97 - Jun 29)	Rachael Grinham (AUS
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st consective months at Number 1	Johangir Khan (PAK)	72 months (Jan 1982 - Dec 1987)	Nicol David (MAS)
st overall months at Number 1	Jansher Khan (PAK)	97 months (Jan 1988 - Jan 1998)	Nicol David (MAS)
vest months at Number 1	Karim Abdel Gawad (EGY)	1 month (May 2017)	Natalie Grainger (USA)
lest World Number 1	Gregory Gaultier (FRA)	35 years 1 month (Feb 2018)	Sarah Fitz-Gerald (AUS
ingest World Number 1	Johangir Khan (PAK)	18 years (Jan 1982)	Susan Devoy (NZL)
ingest Tour Event Winner	Ahmed Barada (EGY)	1993 (16y 1m - Al Mannai Open, Egypt)	Habiba Mohamed (EG)
lest Tour Event Winner	Mike Corren (AUS)	2017 (43y 3m - Golden Open, Australia)	Vicki Cardwell (AUS)
st Tour Event wins	Jansher Khan (PAK) or Jahangir Khan (PAK)	99 (1986 - 1998) number unconfirmed	Nicol David (MAS)
st Tour event finals	Jansher Khan (PAK)	118 (1986-1999)	Nicol David (MAS)
st World Open wins	Januher Khan (PAK)	8 (1987, 89, 90, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96)	Nicol David (MAS)
sgest World Open Winner	Johangir Khan (PAK)	1981 (17y 11m)	Nour El Sherbini (EGY).
1. World Open Winner	Geoff Hunt (AUS)	1980 (33y 6m)	Heather McKay (NUT
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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).

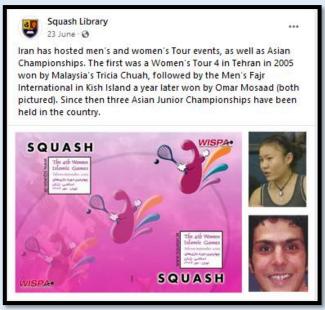
Winning the World Championship in Manchester in December 2017 was another high point of a career that included 24 titles including the US Open 2018.

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 TourEgyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش









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...
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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





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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 anbody 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

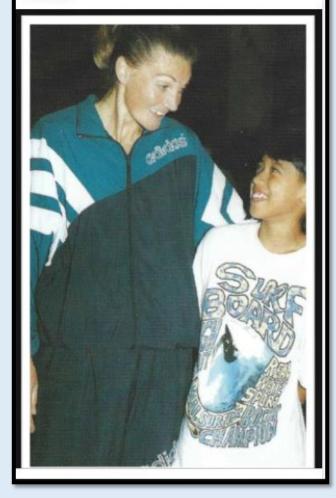




Nicol David was a Malaysian Junior was aged 13 when she was awarded a place in the qualification draw of the Women's World Open in 1996 in her home country. While she didn't make the main draw, she went on to win eight titles.

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 MartinNicol DavidWorld Squash FederationSquash - PSA World Tour





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





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11 November 1986 was a squash milestone – being the date when Ross Norman ended Jahangir Khan's Syear 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







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

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.

Individual began in 1980.

[Coincidentally, there are the life stories of two of the trio available: Sharif Khan (The Sheriff of Squash) and Anil Nayar (Lucky)].







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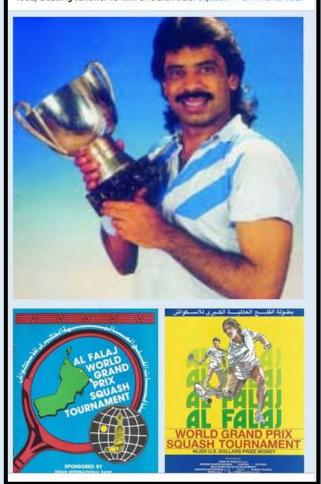
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The Khan dynasty of male Pakistani champions is renowned, but Carla Khan, grand-daughter of 4 times British Open winner Azam Khan has also made history. She beat Mexico's Samantha Teran to win the El Salvador Women's Open on 9 Nov 2002 to become the first female Pakistani to win a Tour event.





For five years in the 1980s the top men professionals went to the AI Falaj Hotel in Oman to compete. For the first three years (1984,5,6) Jahangir Khan (PAK) beat Ross Norman (NZL) in each final. Fellow Pakistani Jansher Khan took over in 1987, beating Chris Dittmar (AUS) in the final, before Jahangir roared back in the last staging in 1988, beating Jansher to win a fourth title. Squash - PSA World Tour

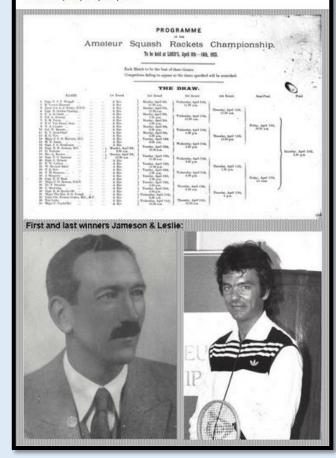




The British Amateur Championship began in 1923, and continued until the sport went 'open' in 1980. As can be seen from the first draw it was awash with armed forces entries. The first winner was Capt Tom Jameson, an Irishman who was also a top level cricketer. He beat Capt James Palmer-Tomkinson best-of-three 17-12, 12-15, 15-0 (Hand in/hand-out to nine only started in 1927, when the title was finally won by Palmer-Tomkinson after three final losses, at the age of 47!).

Other winners included Egyptians Amr Bey & Gamal Awad, Australians Ken Hiscoe & Geoff Hunt, Jonah Barrington, Pakistanis Aftab Jawaid, Gogi Alauddin & Mohibullah Khan.

The last final on 4 February 1980 saw Jonny Leslie (Eng) beat Ross Norman (NZL) 9-3, 9-4.





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







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.

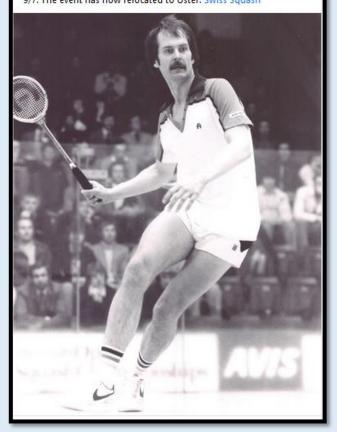
In 2011, using a special off-court radar gun at the U.S. Open, Australian Cameron Pilley reached 175mph. In 2014 Pilley pushed the record up to 177mph at an exhibition at Bishop's Stortford, Hertfordshire. England.







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 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 world's most northern and southern squash courts? Well, for the north it is at Longyearbyen is 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 American 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-thangiant 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!).





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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



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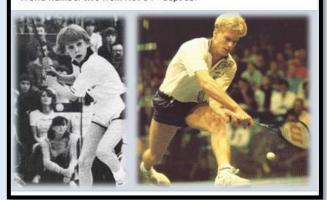


The first Hong Kong Open was played at the Island Squash Club in 1985, with England's Philip Kenyon prevailing over Australian Steven Bowditch - literally - in the final. Since then Pakistani star Jansher Khan boasts the most wins with eight, while Jahangir Khan never appeared in a final. Hong Kong Squash





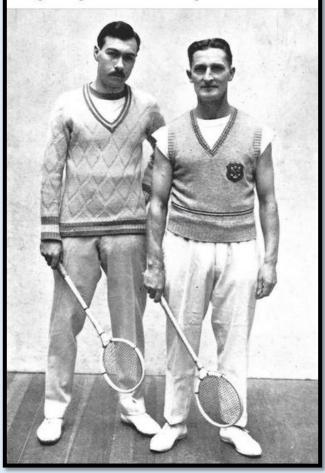
Playing double handed has only been seen at the very top level of squash once. Englishman Peter Marshall used it throughout his career, starting out winning Under 10 age events nicknamed 'Mighty Mouse'. He did not grow out of it, being double-handed English number one for five unbroken years (1990 – Sept 1995), and World number two from Nov 94 – Sept 95.





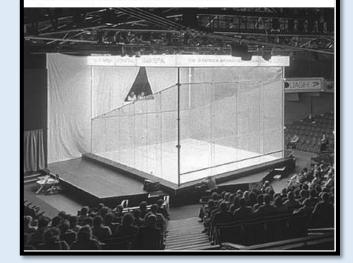
In 1938 former British Open Champion Donald Butcher (pictured, right with fellow champion Charles Read) made a squash coaching film at the St John's Wood Club in London. Apparently the camera work was done by a club member who wished to remain anonymous!

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.





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.



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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

Mo ElShorbagy (EGY)

Ramy Ashour (EGY) Gregory Gaultier (FRA) Marwan ElShorbegy (EGY) Gregory Gautier (FRA) Amr Shabana (EGY) Alister Walker (BOT) Danyl Selby (ENG) Mark Caims (ENG) John Williams (AUS) Oli Tuominen (FIN) Stephen Meads (ENG) Alex Gough (WAL) Glen Wilson ( NZ Martin Heath (SCO) Jansher Khan (PAK) Chris Dittmar (AUS) Chris Dittmar (AUS) Chris Dittmar (AUS) Chris Robertson (AUS) Geoff Williams (ENG) Noil Horvey (ENG) Neil Harvey (ENG) Gamal El Amir (EGY) Gamal El Amir (EGY)

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Rodney Martin (AUS)

Colin Fletcher (RSA)

### First winner: Norman Ingledew



Holder: Mohamed ElShorbagy





Kevin Karam (ZAF)

Mike Sherren (RSA) David Fear (AUS) Leif Leiner (SWE) Paul Hendry (ENG)

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)

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)

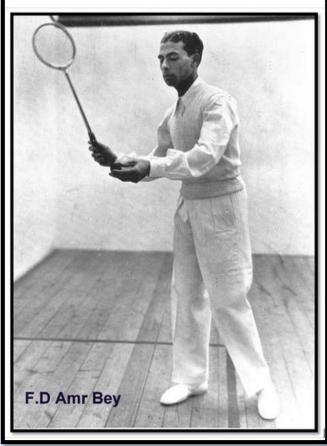
Inducted at the WSF AGM 2004:

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







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 DavidJohn White





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.

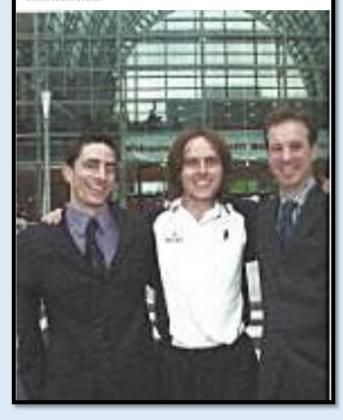
The first, in Prague, Czech Republic, saw Sarah Fitz-Gerald arrive on crutches, so Natalie Grainger joined in to support Cassie Jackman on court – all seen here with Jan Koukal, (who last weekend narrowly failed to add to his 18 Czech national titles). A further 24 annual national visits followed.

A donor funded the international costs each year, players gave their time without fee and the host federation covered local expenses. World SquashSquash - PSA World TourSarah Fitz-GeraldNatalie GraingerCassie-Matt ThomasJan Koukal





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.





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





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.

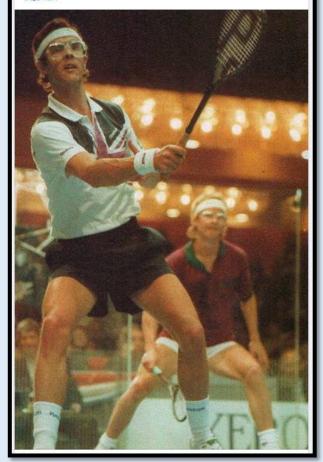
On the Men's side Belgian star Stefan Castelyn amassed 19 up to 2015, but is exceeded by current Isle of Man current champion Dave Norman with his 21 too.

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 TourUS SQUASH



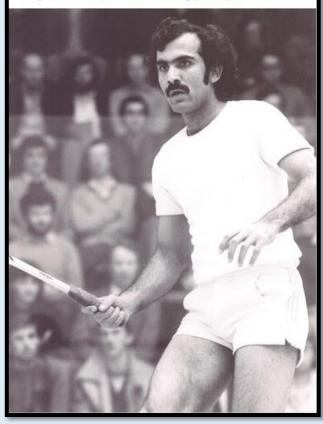






The Malaysian Open dates back to 1975, with Gogi Allaudin (pictured) the first Men's winner, beating fellow Pakistani Mohibullah Khan 3-1 in the final, while the Women's trophy went across the Causeway to Singapore, won by Helen Chinchen, who beat Malaysian Glynne Wong 3-1.

Jahangir Khan is a past winner too – beating Australian Dean Williams 3-0 in 1983. Squash Racquets Association of MalaysiaPakistan Squash FederationSingapore Squash





The winner of the British Nationals later today won't have the bonus that 4 times winner Alison Waters did after she won in 2010. A named train! She was able to travel to Manchester from her London home on a train bearing her name in March 2011 as the very first athlete named as part of a Virgin Trains initiative in the run-up to the Commonwealth Games 2014 in Glasgow. England SquashAlison Waters





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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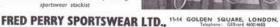
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The postponement of the Macau Open scheduled for next month due to the Corona virus outbreak echoes the situation in 2003 when the SARS virus caused the postponement of a number of sporting events, including the Cathay Pacific Hong Kong Open which had been scheduled for 24 - 31 August 2003. It bounced back in 2004.

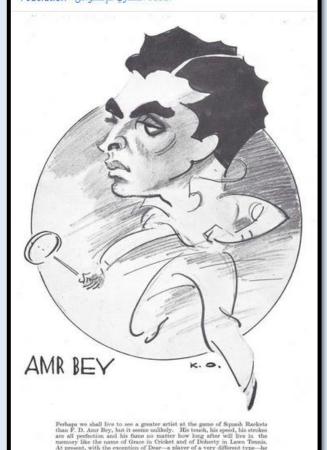


In 1995 the world's biggest prize money event became the JSM Supersquash held in Yokahama in Japan. The event, played on a showcourt fabricated by the JSM company, enjoyed the Imperial patronage of Prince & Princess Takamado. Oh, and it offered equal prize money too, 25 years ago! Sarah Fitz-Gerald and Jansher Khan, pictured with JSM's Mr Tetsuya Kobayashi, were the happy winners. Squash - PSA World TourJapan Squash Association





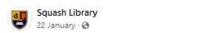
Recently retired Ramy Ashour had the nickname 'The Artist'. And what an artist with the racket he has been! But he is not the first player, not even the first Egyptian, to be called that. Back in 1937 this illustration of Amr Bey, six times British Open Champion (1933 – 1938) described him as an artist too. Ramy AshourEgyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش





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).

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3 Ahmed Barada	EGY	3	Linda Charman	ENG	Canada	2				2.↓
4 Simon Parke	ENG	4	Natalie Grainger	RSA	Colombia		1			11
5 Martin Heath	SCO	5	Carol Owens	AUS	Egypt	1	9		7	15↑
6 Paul Johnson	ENG	6	Suzanne Horner	ENG	France	1	1		1	11
7 Anthony Hill	AUS	7	Sabine Schone	GER	Hong Kong Ch				1	1个
8 Paul Price	AUS	8	Fiona Geaves	ENG	India		1		1	2↑
9 Alex Gough	WAL	9	Stephanie Brind	ENG	Germany		1	1		0
10 Derek Ryan	IRE	10	Claire Nitch	RSA	Netherlands			1		14
11 Thierry Lincou	FRA	11	Vanessa Atkinson	NED	New Zealand		1	1	1	11
12 David Palmer	AUS	12	Rebecca Macree	ENG	Peru		1			1个
13 Graham Ryding	CAN	13	Tania Bailey	ENG	South Africa			2		2.↓
14 David Evans	WAL	14	Rachael Grinham	AUS	UK+Ireland	9	1	9	- 4	13-↓
15 Del Harris	ENG	15	Jenny Tranfield	ENG	USA				1	1个
16 John White	SCO	16	Tegwen Malik	WAL	Nationalitie	s given	at the t	ime of	the rank	disc lists



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 was 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.

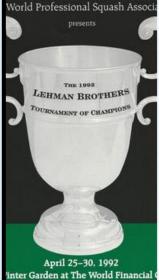
Initially, domestic in entry, from 1993 onwards it has become a regular Tour stop being won by international top-liners.

Squash - PSA World TourUS SQUASH Carol Weymuller Open





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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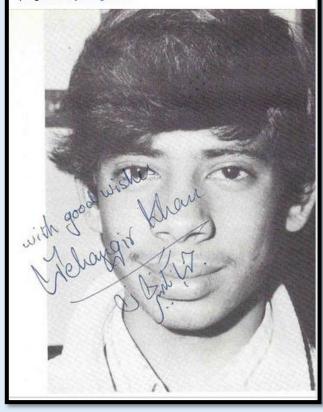
### 1st Round

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Khan bt Dittmar 3-1



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





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 SquashPakistan Squash FederationSquash Racquets Association of Malaysia Egyptian Squash Federation -الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش

s) 3-9, 5-9, 9-3, 9-5, 9-0 (48m); Alia Magdy ---- (Env.) M Victoria Bell (Eng) 9-0, 9-1, 9-0



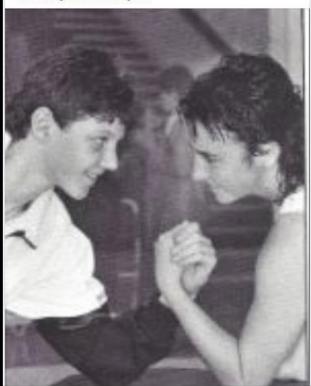
15 years after tennis had its' 'Battle of the Sexes' matches between Bobby Riggs and Billy Jean King, squash had its' own one in 1987. Susan Devoy, who had already won 3 of her 8 British Open titles took on 14 year old Simon Parke. It was arranged as a winner-takesall match at the Oasis Club in Marlow, 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.

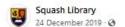
Her post-match comment was telling, 'One for the women, but only just in time. I would not be able to beat him this time next year'.

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.

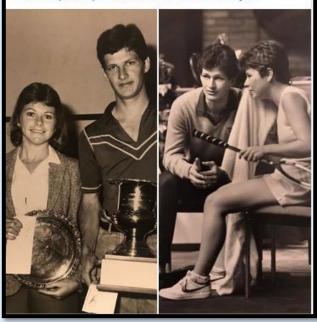


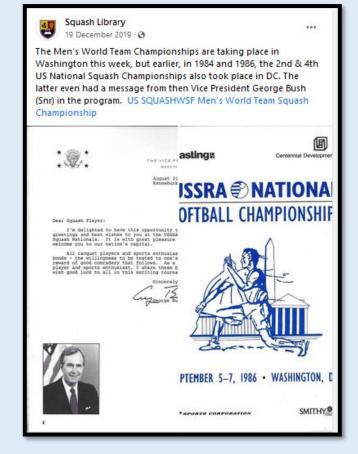


Two current pairs of married squash stars are Tarek Momen / Raneem El Welily & Ali Farag / Nour El Tayeb of course ..... but these Egyptian couples are not the first to both win titles.

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?

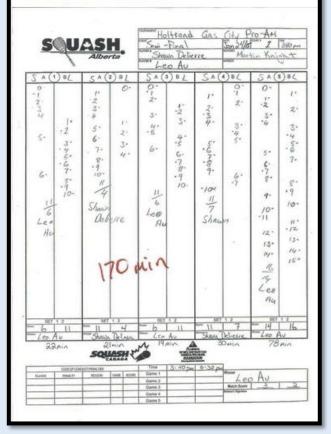
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The Jahangir Khan / Gamal Awad 163 minute match from 1983 was overtaken on 24 Jan 2015 when Leo Au (HKG) took 170 mins to beat Shawn Delierre (Can) 11/6 4/11 11/6 7/11 16/14 in the semis of the Holtrand Gas City Pro Am in Medicine Hat, Canada. (He then beat Malaysian Muhd Asyraf Azan 3/2 in the final in a mere 85 mins!). Hong Kong SquashSquash Canada







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 Diggens	GBR
16 John Easter	GBR	16	Lynne Ferry	AUS



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

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, 1928.
- 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.
- The Rules governing the Competition will be the same as those governing the Annual Squash Racquets Amateur Championship.
- -Entries must be made in writing to The Secretary, Royal Automobile Club, Pall Mall, S.W.I., existosing 2% to cover cost of balls, etc. The entry list will close after the first post on Wednesday, 31st March.

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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 TourEngland SquashUS SQUASHSquash AustraliaSquash New Zealand





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

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