



WORLD SQUASH UPDATE

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CAPE TOWN HOSTS SUCCESSFUL AGM

The World Squash Federation Annual General Meeting took place on 6 November in Cape Town, South Africa, hosted by Squash South Africa. The WSF Conference, which preceded the AGM, facilitated informal discussions and featured presentations to update the delegates on key initiatives - including the *World Squash Officiating*, a joint enterprise between the WSF and Professional Squash Association (PSA) to develop an online platform that will provide National Federations with the tools to develop refereeing in their country. The new initiative is scheduled to go live before the end of the year.

Additionally James Sandwith, from BEBRAND, presented the findings of a strategic review commissioned by WSF, with the report now available for all member nations to appraise.



The 49th Annual General Meeting, attended by representatives of 24 National Federations, saw delegates agree an amendment to the Articles of Association to reduce the risk of inappropriate leadership behavior and to ensure that delegates in attendance at an AGM have a formal connection with their National Federations.

There were no changes to the standard Rules of Squash. However, the Rules of Squash 57 were updated, adding an extra ball rebound resilience at 33 degrees C that will help to ensure that the differential between blue and black balls - and their range of bounce - will be more uniform across the brands that are WSF-approved.

The WSF Championship Regulations were updated with respect to player eligibility, the use of random draws and a new timeline and procedure for seeding juniors. The WSF Forward Plan and budget were also received and endorsed. There were no elections this year.

In his closing statement, WSF President Jacques Fontaine (*pictured*) said: *"Next year should be a year where we will see strategic initiatives that will lead the sport, as well as enhancing the WSF's relationship with the PSA: This in order to give new horizons and directions for the future of our sport. Furthermore, we thank Squash South Africa for their superb hosting of our AGM."*



LEGENDS TAKE PART IN WORLD SQUASH DAY

World Squash Day attracted thousands of new players as clubs across the planet opened their doors to showcase the sport on 12 October.

Social media was awash with scenes of clubs promoting the joys of playing one of the healthiest games on the planet.

Club enthusiasts were joined by many of the world's leading professionals, and some of the game's greatest legends, who happily returned to their roots to help out on court.



In Australia, nearly 50 clubs took part and the 1981 women's world champion Rhonda Thorne-Clayton (pictured above with club owner Bradley Hindle) was honoured for her achievements and contribution to the game after acting as World Squash Day ambassador for the Daisy Hill club in Logan City, between Brisbane and Gold Coast.

Two Pakistani greats

Pakistan legends Jansher Khan and Qamar Zaman - both former world number ones (and pictured below)



- helped to promote the project with a special one-game challenge match before going on court with a large group of juniors at the PAF Hashim Khan Squash Centre in Peshawar.

Jahangir, WSF's Emeritus President, who won the British Open ten years in a row, supported a massive event promoted by Punjab Squash in Lahore.

Maria Toorpakai Wazir, who famously fled Pakistan to avoid persecution for playing squash as a child, returned home to hold a coaching session for girls, which showed how times and cultures are evolving in many parts of the world where women have suffered human rights abuses.

She then tweeted support for the World Squash Day event held in Iran, which also showed a large number of females taking to the court.

Egypt is proudly leading the way with support for female athletes in the Muslim world.



The Black Ball Sporting Club, host of two major PSA events in New Cairo, attracted TV coverage and had a visit from the Minister for Youth and Sport when they held a World Squash Day event to promote the game with dozens of juniors in attendance.

At the other end of the continent, the World Squash Day event at Camps Bay Squash Club in South Africa featured a game called Street Racket designed to offer a cheap introduction with no courts required.

In India, former national champion Ritwik Bhattacharya arranged three events, supported by former Trinity College player Sachika Balvani. Two were held at military bases and one staged at his Start Academy headquarters near Mumbai, which provides squash training for tribal children.

England's campaign

While in England, three-times world champion Nick Matthew spearheaded a successful campaign by England Squash to attract at least 5,000 new players on World Squash Day. A total of 154 clubs registered with the project and, in return for uploading to a special App, received cash funding and equipment bags including 18 rackets from squash brand Karakal.

Declan James and his manager Daryl Selby, who are currently ranked 20 and 17 in the world and have both held the England number one position this season, also took to the court. James joined the juniors at Nottingham Squash Club, while Selby led his family's Off The Wall session in Essex.

British number one Joel Makin, the current world No.12, popped in to support his hometown Hirwaun club near Aberdare in Wales.

World Squash Day cont

Stateside

World Squash Day was celebrated in America with events that coincided with the finals of the US Open, with a number of clubs concluding their day's events by watching the two finals live on SquashTV.

Scotland's Greg Lobban and New Zealand's Campbell Grayson joined renowned English coach Nick Taylor at his Infinitum Academy in Boston, Massachusetts, as they coached a large group of juniors before taking to the court for an exhibition match.

Back home in Scotland, Lobban's father Alan took part in a 24-hour marathon at the Inverness Tennis and Squash Club to raise funds for the Highlands Hospice.

There was a spirit of revival in Denmark, where experienced tournament promoter Kim Frederiksen chose World Squash Day to launch a new club in the quaintly named town of Middelfart.

In Asia, record eight-times world champion Nicol David tweeted her support for a well-supported nationwide programme set up by the Squash Rackets Association of Malaysia.



World Squash Day had an extra event in Australia. Peta Murphy, a squash-loving MP (pictured left with Labor Party leader Anthony

Albanese) in the constituency of Dunkley, near Melbourne, hosted an open day at the Australian Parliament courts in Canberra.

And, to round things off, the PSA Foundation will be holding a World Squash Day Auction of Memorabilia to raise funds for squash-related causes. Many star names signed some WSD shirts at major early-season events in Nantes and San Francisco and others have donated rackets and shirts to raise extra funds.

World Squash Day organiser Alan Thatcher was delighted with the global response to the event this year. He said: "It was great to see so much energy for the sport all over the planet. It was wonderful to see legends of the game joining current professionals to support events in so many different places.

An unexpected joy

"One of the unexpected joys of World Squash Day is the sharing of knowledge and great ideas. Thanks to social media, everyone wants to know about the glow squash games that were played on the Fluoro court at the Squash Logic club in Melton, Australia.

"And the concept of Street Racket, which was on show in South Africa, opens up all kinds of opportunities for

low-cost games which can be held in parks and school playgrounds without the need for walls.

"England Squash led the way with their brilliantly-delivered development project, and Chief Executive Keir Worth is happy to share the details of the concept.



The Iran Squash Federation celebrated World Squash Day in cooperation with the Ministry of Education in all schools of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Heartening

WSF President Jacques Fontaine summed up the event, saying: "World Squash Day has very well illustrated two key facets of our sport.

It has been heartening to see such overwhelming evidence of enthusiasm for our sport all over the globe and we are grateful for all the clubs, coaches and top players who have helped make it such a special event on the squash calendar each year.

"The WSF thanks all the tireless people at clubs who have made the arrangements, everybody who has participated, and Alan Thatcher who has coordinated arrangements," concluded Fontaine.

The date for World Squash Day 2020 has been confirmed as Saturday October 10th.

57 Time For the Wolf



Three times World Champion Nick Matthew added a Squash 57 Doubles match to his touring programme when 'The Wolf' visited Woodford Wells Club in Essex (UK). Teaming up with Paul Fennell against

the current UK National Mixed Doubles Champions Zoe Fennell and WSF Squash 57 Commission Chairman Patrick Osborn, he delighted the crowd with some skills already honed at his home club Hallamshire where 57 is very popular.

EL SHERBINI CLAIMS 4th WORLD TITLE



Egypt's Nour El Sherbini celebrated her 24th birthday in style as she captured her fourth World Championship trophy after overcoming compatriot and World No.1 Raneem El Welily in front of Cairo's spectacular Great Pyramid of Giza to win the 2019-20 CIB PSA Women's World Championship.

Fourth – and youngest

El Sherbini is only the fourth - and youngest - female player to win four World Championship trophies, while she is the first person to win a World Championship trophy in front of the Pyramids since Australia's David Palmer in 2006. Her latest triumph, which comes after a 3-1 win, is made all the more incredible given the fact she is appearing at her first tournament of the season after suffering with a knee injury.



That knee injury saw El Sherbini fall to World No.4 in PSA Women's World Rankings, but she was in ruthless form throughout the week in Cairo and didn't drop a game until the final, where she was meeting El Welily in a third World Championship title decider.

El Welily beat El Sherbini at the 2016 Al Ahram Open as she became the first woman to win a professional squash title in front of the Pyramids, but she looked overawed by the occasion as a number of errors in the opening game handed the lead to her opponent.

She struck back in the second, but from there it was all about El Sherbini as she attacked all areas of the court to complete the win in 41 minutes to capture the biggest title in women's squash. El Sherbini takes home \$61,000 in prize money and also qualifies for the season-ending PSA World Tour Finals, which will take place in June.

Hard couple of months

"The last couple of months for me have been really hard," said El Sherbini after the 20th PSA Tour title of her career. "I didn't know what I was going to do... but I took the risk and took the decision that I wanted to play this tournament badly, and I wanted to come and try and see how it goes. I was getting better every match and I'm very grateful and happy to be standing here right now.



"I missed playing with all the top players and especially Raneem. She is closest to my heart and it's very hard to play her mentally and emotionally, but we try to leave the emotions and focus on squash once we get inside the court. I think because today is my birthday, I was making sure not to be sad. I was very relaxed and it took a lot of pressure off thinking about the messages, so it helped me a lot.

The 2019-20 PSA Men's World Championship takes place at the Khalifa International Tennis & Squash Complex in Qatar between November 8-15.

Quarter-Finals: [1] Raneem El Welily (EGY) bt [5] Nour El Tayeb (EGY): 7-0 ret, [4] Nouran Gohar (EGY) bt [7] Sarah-Jane Perry (ENG): 9-11, 11-8, 13-11, 12-10, [2] Nour El Sherbini (EGY) bt [6] Joelle King (NZL): 11-7, 11-9, 13-11, [14] Hania El Hammamy (EGY) bt [3] Camille Serme (FRA): 7-11, 6-11, 11-8, 11-5, 11-9. Semi Finals: El Welily bt Gohar: 2-11, 11-7, 11-7, 11-5, El Sherbini bt El Hammamy 11-6, 11-2, 11-5. Final: El Sherbini bt El Welily 11-4, 9-11, 11-5, 11-6

WORLD GAMES 2021

The next quadrennial World Games take place in Birmingham, Alabama, USA in 2021, with squash events being held 22 – 25 July.

While we will not receive full details of arrangements and nomination deadlines for a while, it may be helpful for National Federations to have the player selection breakdown now.

There will be male and female **32** player draws each made up as follows:

- **20** players - Up to 2 players from each of the top 10 placed teams in the WSF Men’s World Team Championship 2019 and the WSF Women’s World Team Championship 2020
- **5** x 1 player - from the 11 - 15 placed teams in the above events
- **1** x winner of the World Junior Individual Championship 2020 if not eligible for a nation in the above categories
- **1** player from teams finishing 16 upwards in the above events, taken in order if the top 16 finishing teams do not take all their allocated spaces
- **3** x WSF wild cards (additional wild cards will be added if not all places are filled)
- **2** x Host country representatives



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Contact details on the [WSF website](#)

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WSF CHAMPIONSHIPS IN PROSPECT 2020

Three WSF World Championships, three continents, three highpoints to look forward to.

World Junior Championships



The Carrara Stadium at the seemingly always sunny Australian city of Gold Coast, will host the WSF World Juniors next year.

This centre from which the Commonwealth Games 2018 courts were relocated has already staged the WSF World Doubles this year.

The schedule:

Men's & Women's Junior Individuals: 19 - 24 July

Men's Junior Team: 25 - 30 July.

Entry forms have already been circulated to National Federations for the Team Championship (entry deadline 19 January).

World Masters



When you have an event that could well attract one thousand or more entrants spread across the Women's and Men's five year categories from 35+ to 80+ you need big venues – and as a single centre they do not come bigger than the Hasta La Vista

Club in Wroclaw, Poland. Boasting 33 courts including a permanent glass court as well as their own showcourt to be placed in the badminton hall for championships, there couldn't be a better base for the 23 - 29 August event.

Entries are open and information is [here](#)

Women's Team Championship



The Malaysian Capital Kuala Lumpur is no stranger to hosting World Squash Championships – most recently the Bukit Jalil National Centre holding the WSF World Juniors this year. However, the Women's Teams have not been

to Malaysia since 1996 where they were hosted at nearby Petaling Jaya.

The WSF Women's World Championship will end the 2020 competitive year on 15 - 20 December.

World Universities too



The FISU World University Squash Championships will be staged in China, Shanghai hosting the event from 17 - 23 July, featuring individual and team competitions.

HONG KONG OPEN POSTPONED

In view of local unrest, Hong Kong Squash have decided "after careful consideration and extensive discussions with our key stakeholders, to postpone the 2019 Everbright Sun Hung Kai Hong Kong Squash Open which was due to be played on 2 to 8 December 2019 at the Hong Kong Squash Centre (2-6 Dec) and the West Kowloon Cultural District (7-8 Dec) to next year".

International Federations (IF) Forum 2019

The annual forum for World Federations such as WSF took place again in Lausanne recently, attended by WSF President Jacques Fontaine & Secretary General /VP Pablo Serna.

It provided an opportunity to interact with other IF's, IOC and other bodies, with the theme this year being 'Athlete Centred Sport'; and with it opportunity to share best practices and hear from international sport federations, athletes, partners, industry visionaries, and academic leaders.

A Whole New Approach to Racket Stencilling

Egyptian star Tarek Momen was spotted appearing to have substituted the logo of his racket supplier for the face of Simon Rosner during the recent US Open!



Current WSF Accredited Companies are





The latest news on WSO (World Squash Officiating), in partnership with PSA, is that the launch of WSO is on track to happen before the end of this year.

Website platform developers Spindogs are currently working on several backend functionality pieces including:

- * Payment solution
- * Integration with SquashTV for assessment videos
- * Integration with Club Locker

Uploading of content to the site is beginning now and should be completed by the end of November.

Here is a sneak preview of the look of the home page:



Delegates at the WSF AGM received a full update, giving them more detail on the Levels and Modules of the course along with more visuals and launch plan.

Generally, as previously reported, assessment criteria for each level and modules within the levels have been developed, and content is assembled, and now being added by the platform developers.

When completed the site will become the worldwide resource, education and assessment portal for all levels of referee. It is also planned to add a shop section for WSO materials and merchandise.

All who register will have their own account so they can track progress and take online tests to progress to the next level. This will make the refereeing pathway clearer and more accessible for everyone.

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Squash 57 Poster & Video

The new WSF Squash 57 Abridged Rules poster is available for downloading and printing [here](#).

An introductory video produced in conjunction with England Squash is also in the Squash 57 section of our website. The direct link is [here](#).

WSF APPROVED SQUASH BALLS

Dunlop provide the WSF Adopted Ball, which is used for all WSF World and Regional Championships.

A number of manufacturers make balls that have been tested to conform to the WSF Squash Ball Specifications and so are quality assured.

They are all listed here:

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| | Prince Rebel Pro Ball |
| | Taiball Yellow Dot Ball |
| | Tecnifibre Squash Ball |
| | Victor/VICTEC Doppel-Gelb Squash Ball |

NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES

The WSF Development Commission have collected details of several national development programmes as a resource for all National Federations. They are on our website [here](#).

More programme details are welcomed.

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WORLD IS THEIR OYSTER

Squash Player looks forward to the two global individual showpieces of the season – the PSA World Championships

FEATURES

A NEW START

Richard Eaton speaks to five top men about the new campaign

THE ROAD TO CAIRO

Raneem El Welily and Sarah-Jane Perry reveal their build-ups

EGYPTIAN DOUBLE?

Simon Redfern previews the men's and women's Worlds

PLANNING YOUR SEASON

Ex-world no.1 Nick Matthew gives some valuable advice

TEARS AND TRIUMPH

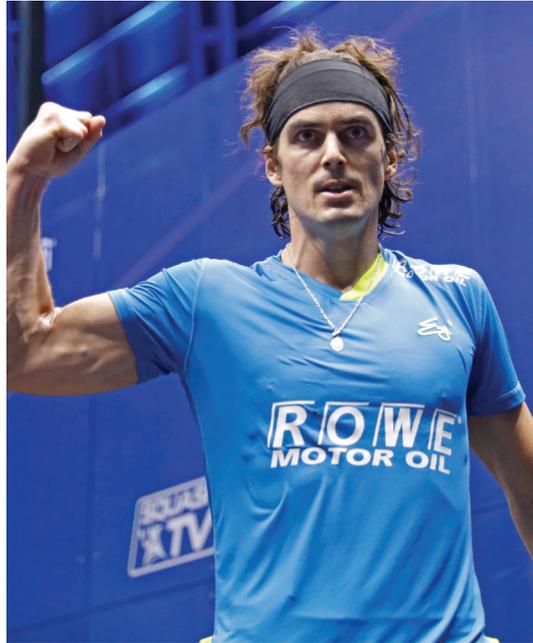
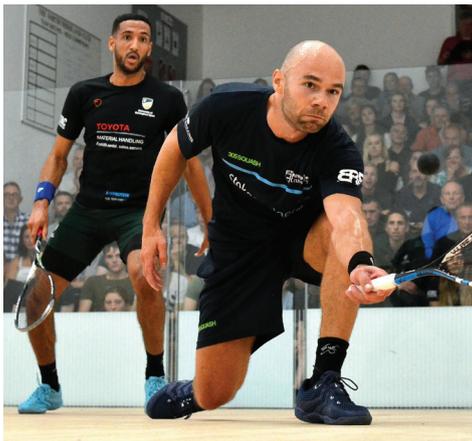
Rod Gilmour interviews British Open champion Nouran Gohar

NEW YORK CONNECTION

Wael El Hindi talks about his Mohamed Abouelghar link-up

TALK OF THE TOON

Mike Dale learns of a vibrant North-East squash scene



NEWS

Women break new ground in Cairo; short best of three matches for women; England threatened.

EDITORIAL: Egypt set to dominate in Worlds.

OFF COURT

Ashaway's Waters boost; Heads signs up Amanda Sobhy

WSF

President Jacques Fontaine tells how the IOC broke squash's hearts

WORKSHOP

MOHAMED'S MATCH POINTS: Ian McKenzie talks squash with Egypt's world no.2

TACTICS: How to apply pressure and volley

PHYSIO'S THERAPY: Phil Newton interviews Howard Cherlin about his new knee

DREW'S DIAGNOSIS: Lee Drew speaks to Haitham Effat about movement)

ON COURT

Round-up; Quote of the Month; Performance of the Month; Short Shots; Rankings

EVENTS

UK scene; Lewis Anderson's breakthrough; Third time lucky for Hania El Hammamy; Mostafa Asal – the next 'big thing'



PLAYERS OF THE MONTH

JULY

Australian cousins Cameron Pillely and Donna Lobban claims a brace of WSF World Doubles Championships titles

AUGUST

Diego Elias is Peru's first squash PanAm Games champion, while Joshana Chinappa is a record-breaking national champion

SEPTEMBER

Campbell Grayson achieves a career-best win and Hania El Hammamy captures world junior individual and team titles

OCTOBER

Mohamed ElShorbagy wins consecutive Gold title in build-up to Worlds and Raneem el Welily bounces back in San Francisco

FROM THE GALLERY

Ian McKenzie provides a personal view of events on and off court



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WSF CAIRO COACHES CONFERENCE



As the players battled for the Women's World Championship at the Pyramids, the annual WSF Coaches Conference took

place in central Cairo, hosted by the Egyptian Squash Federation.



Attendees came from all five regions, with 17 nations represented; all enjoying a mix of presentations and practical sessions.

Attendees, from left

Song Sun Ryu & Ryun Hie Koo (both Korea), and Heron Sou (Macau).

From Egypt Omar El Borolossy explained the set-up of his Academy and similar clubs, each having a throughput of hundreds of juniors, while former Egyptian National Coach Ashraf Hanafi spoke on creating an environment to create World Champions.



Practical sessions at Gezira Club included Renato Gallego from Brazil on footwork, and Ronny Vlassaks (Belgium) showing progressions for recognition and use of attacking options. Another was conducted by US based Colin White and was a game-based session.

Jason Fletcher from New Zealand (*left, with White, centre and Vlassaks*) led a presentation on coaching values, philosophy and culture.



Candidates discussed various topics in groups and were shown the way to self-reflect on why they have become coaches.

In a presentation not only charting her career, eight times World Champion Nicol David gave an insightful look into her character and difficulties, while also giving her views on how a coach can reach, interact and help their players succeed depending upon their personalities and characteristics.

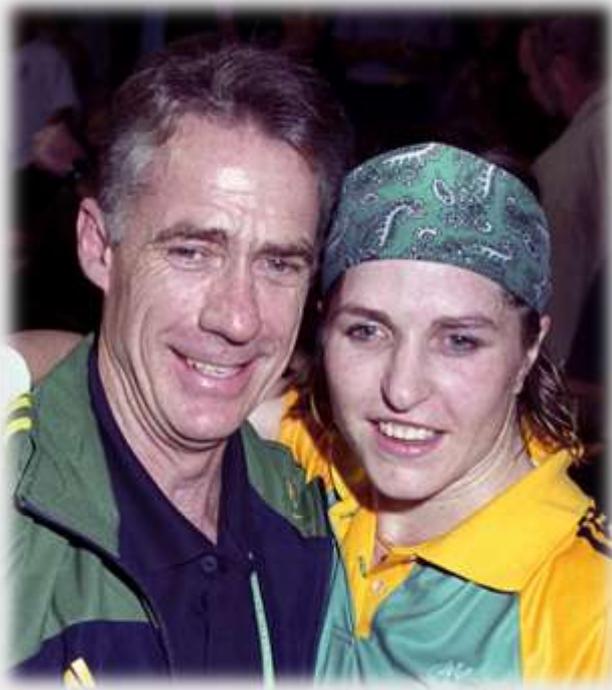
Next years' conference will be hosted in the European Region.

WSF CERTIFIED EYEWEAR BRANDS 2019

The following brands have passed national safety standards and, having applied for WSF Certified listing, are the only brands permitted for use in WSF, Regional and many national junior events.

| BRAND NAME | APPROVED MODEL |
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|  | Baller Coverage Crunch Dominance Swag Field Homerun League Playoff |
|  | Dunlop I-ARMOR (R-07) Dunlop Junior (9903 Jr) Dunlop Vision (R-16) |
|  | Grays GT Eyewear |
|  | Shield Pro R16 Covet R615 Radar R43 Radar Jr R717JR |
|  | i-Mask |
|  | 2500 (9903Jnr) Pro 3000 (R43) Overspec (KA642)p |
|  | Mantis Protective Eyewear |
|  | Rage (9903V) Rage Junior (9903JR) Prolite (RB10C) Speed (R601) Attitude (PRO2) Shark (R43) Marvel (SE-7) |
|  | Opfeel SPG 100 Size S Opfeel SPG 100 Size L |
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|  | R615 |

WSF HALL OF FAME INTERVIEWS



The latest two extended interviews in the WSF Hall of Fame member group have recently been uploaded to the WSF website.

Read about how Australian legends Sarah Fitz-Gerald and Geoff Hunt (*pictured together*) developed into champions, the stresses and strains of their career, and other insights too.

More to read ...

Click [here](#) to reach the whole set, which also includes ten times British Open Champion Jahangir Khan and Heather McKay, stunningly unbeaten for sixteen years. Others will follow.

JUNIOR & MASTERS TOUR INFORMATION



The published calendar with event contact listings that will enable players to plan their competing from information all in one place has now begun and can be seen [here](#).

The components are:

Tier 1. *WSF World Masters Championships.*

Tier 2. *Regional Open Championships.* (It is hoped that each Region will run a Regional Masters Open annually or biennially)

Tier 3. *Regional Closed and National Open Masters Championships.*

Events may be registered [here](#)

These events form part of the WSF and PSA Satellite Tours.

≈ *WSF World and WSF Regional Junior Championships*

≈ *National Senior & Junior Championships*

≈ *National Junior Opens*

≈ *Satellite Tournaments*



General details and event registration [here](#)

World Junior ranking lists can be seen [here](#)

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SHELLEY LAUNCHES UNIQUE SQUASH LIBRARY

A worldwide Squash Library was announced last month via this media release:

While Squash looks forward, with new generations enjoying this great sport and new champions crowned on the latest club and showcourts, the sport also has a long and rich heritage.



Being passionate about preserving this extensive history, Andrew Shelley is launching the World Squash Library (WSL) as an independent 'not-for-profit' initiative to ensure that books, magazines, championship programmes, results, images and other information can be brought together in one place to respond to enquiries from current players, media, Federations, students - simply anyone wanting information on the long or near past.

"I believe that our history must not only be easily accessible now, but safeguarded for future generations," said Shelley, who recently concluded his term as CEO of the World Squash Federation.

"By giving my time and energy to develop and manage WSL, I am able to give something back to the sport that has given me so much."

The Library will be housed at the Walker Ground in North London, home of Southgate Squash Club.



undertaken." Shelley (*pictured*) added.

Initial WSL information is at www.squashlibrary.info with future projects for the Library including digitalisation of key materials, regular social media sidelights, articles and posters that Federations can use, looking back at advertising, court development and other facets of our sport. Spotlights and features will be added to the site regularly.

For those with questions, keen to offer appropriate historical materials to WSL, or even to support with the running costs, Andrew Shelley can be contacted at info@squashlibrary.info

SQUASH GIRLS CAN COACH



England Squash has unveiled a new female coach initiative, Squash Girls Can Coach to advance

and empower aspiring and existing female coaches.

The 12-month initiative will build on the success of the *Squash Girls Can* campaign to inspire and support women on their coaching journey.

Female coaches are currently under-represented in squash with just one in four being female. Headed by former World Junior Champion Tania Bailey, Squash Girls Can Coach will empower women to develop and excel in coaching through training and mentoring.

Vast under-representation

Mark Williams, Director of Sport at England Squash said: "Women are vastly under-represented in coaching and Squash Girls Can Coach is a fantastic opportunity to better understand the reasons behind the gender gap and to support and empower women on their coaching journey. Squash Girls Can Coach candidates will benefit from mentoring from specially selected coaches and tutors, as well as specific workshops including the business of coaching and confidence building."

WHO NEEDS A SPIN?

1. PLAYERS:

- i. All players in all World Individual and Team Championships
- ii. Major and Multi Sport Games
- iii. Regional Team & Individual Championship entries
- iv. WSF and PSA Satellite Circuit (U19/17 age groups)
- v. World Masters Tour Registered Event entries
- vi. All PSA members

2. TEAM OFFICIALS:

All designated Team Officials attending with teams or individual players at World / Regional Championships (this requirement covers anybody with access to the playing area, so, primarily, managers, coaches, physios – binding them to the Code of Conduct).

3. WSF REGISTERED COACHES AND TUTORS

Pre-requisite to register as a coach.

For SPIN details go to: www.worldsquash.org/spins

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PSA NOVEMBER RANKINGS



Gohar Goes Up To Two



Egypt's Nouran Gohar has returned to World No.2 in the PSA Women's World Rankings for November. She reached a career-high ranking of World No.2 in January 2017 but a loss of form and motivation saw her drop out of the world's top five, falling as low as No.8 in February of this year.

However, the 22-year-old has returned to her best in recent months and has climbed up the rankings after winning the British Open and last month's U.S. Open. She lost out to World No.1 Raneem El Welily in the World Championship semi-finals.

World Champion Nour El Sherbini, drops to World No.4, which is her lowest World Ranking since March 2016. Egypt's Nour El Tayeb stays at No.3 after her defeat to Gohar in the U.S. Open final saw her miss out on the chance to rise a place, while France's Camille Serme drops to No.5.

New Zealand's Joelle King, England's Sarah-Jane Perry, America's Amanda Sobhy, Wales' Tesni Evans and Hong Kong's Annie Au complete the top 10.

World Junior Champion Hania El Hammamy - who lost out to El Sherbini in the Worlds semi-finals - stays at No.11 ahead of India's Joshna Chinappa, while Victoria Lust is on the rise to No.13 as fellow Englishwoman Alison Waters moves the other way to No.14.

PSA Women's Rankings – November 2019

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| 1 | Raneem El Welily | EGY |
| 2 | Nouran Gohar | EGY |
| 3 | Nour El Tayeb | EGY |
| 4 | Nour El Sherbini | EGY |
| 5 | Camille Serme | FRA |
| 6 | Joelle King | NZL |
| 7 | Sarah-Jane Perry | ENG |
| 8 | Amanda Sobhy | USA |
| 9 | Tesni Evans | WAL |
| 10 | Annie Au | HKG |
| 11 | Hania El Hammany | EGY |
| 12 | Joshna Chinappa | IND |
| 13 | Victoria Lust | ENG |
| 14 | Alison Waters | ENG |
| 15 | Salma Hany | EGY |
| 16 | Joey Chan | HKG |
| 17 | Yathreb Adel | EGY |
| 18 | Nele Gilis | BEL |
| 19 | Olivia Blatchford Clyne | USA |
| 20 | Rowan Elaraby | EGY |

Waller Breaks into Top 20



England's Adrian Waller has broken into the top 20 for the first time in his career to become the highest ranked Englishman on the men's tour after the PSA Men's World Rankings for November were released today.

Waller, the 29-year-old from Enfield, won his eighth PSA

Tour title at the Life Time Chicago Open in October, and that victory, along with a third round finish at the U.S. Open, has helped elevate him seven places to sit at a career-high World No.17 ranking.

U.S. Open champion Ali Farag extends his lead over runner-up Mohamed ElShorbagy at the top of the World Rankings, while Tarek Momen (No.3), Karim Abdel Gawad (No.4) and New Zealand's Paul Coll complete the top five.

The rest of the top 10 is also unchanged as Simon Rösner (No.6), Diego Elias (No.7), Mohamed Abouelghar (No.8), Miguel Rodriguez (No.9) and Marwan ElShorbagy (No.10) all retain their spots.

India's Saurav Ghosal stays at No.11 ahead of Welshman Joel Makin, while Egypt's Fares Dessouky rises a spot to No.13. France's Gregoire Marche moves up two spots to a career-high No.14 ranking, while Omar Mosaad drops two places to No.15. Zahed Salem falls a place to No.16, with England's former World No.1 James Willstrop staying at No.18.

PSA Men's Rankings – November 2019

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| 1 | Ali Farag | EGY |
| 2 | Mohamed ElShorbagy | EGY |
| 3 | Tarek Momen | EGY |
| 4 | Karim Abdel Gawad | EGY |
| 5 | Paul Coll | NZL |
| 6 | Simon Rösner | GER |
| 7 | Diego Elias | PER |
| 8 | Mohamed Abouelghar | EGY |
| 9 | Miguel Angel Rodriguez | COL |
| 10 | Marwan ElShorbagy | EGY |
| 11 | Saurav Ghosal | IND |
| 12 | Joel Makin | WAL |
| 13 | Fares Dessouky | EGY |
| 14 | Gregoire Marche | FRA |
| 15 | Omar Mosaad | EGY |
| 16 | Zahed Salem | EGY |
| 17 | Adrian Waller | ENG |
| 18 | James Willstrop | ENG |
| 19 | Mazen Hesham | EGY |
| 20 | Daryl Selby | ENG |



WSF Men's World Team Squash Championship to be Broadcast Live Globally

The 2019 WSF Men's World Team Squash Championship will be broadcast live across the globe.

All matches from the glass court at Squash on Fire of the 2019 WSF Men's World Team Squash Championship will be broadcast live on SQUASHTV to all members with a free digital subscription and will also be available to watch for free via Facebook Watch and the official Facebook pages of the tournament, the WSF and the PSA.

In addition, the live stream will also be cross-posted to the Facebook pages of tournament partners, national federations and players, meaning coverage of the tournament is expected to receive over 3,000,000 views, while it is projected that in excess of 10,000,000 minutes of content will be viewed during the event.

For more information on the tournament, follow the event on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), or visit www.worldteamsquashdc.com.

WSF'S IPC APPLICATION



WSF has applied for recognition by IPC, the International Paralympic Committee, the global governing body for the Paralympic Movement. The IPC organizes the Paralympic

Games, and has an overall mission to "enable Paralympic athletes to achieve sporting excellence and inspire and excite the world".

The application to the Bonn, Germany based organisation has been lodged by Volker Bernardi who chairs the WSF Para-Squash Commission based upon the WSF Forward Plan for the Para-Squash Commission which aims to strengthen involvement and promotion in this important area.

WSF EYEWEAR POSTER

In order to minimise the small danger of eye injury to youngsters WSF makes the wearing of suitable protective eyewear mandatory for juniors, as well as encouraging players of all ages to consider doing so.

To help promote awareness of eye protection still further we have a scalable poster that can be downloaded by centres and placed on court doors, notice boards or in changing rooms.

It can be found [here](#)

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