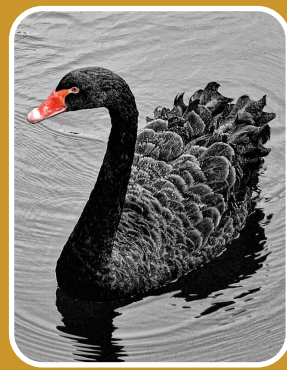




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SQUASH WA NEWSLETTER : JULY 2025



2025  
AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL  
CHAMPIONSHIPS



**WA Open International**



**Golden Open**







What an exciting month of squash in WA!!! Firstly, the Golden Open was run and won in Kalgoorlie. This was soon followed by the WA Open International. Both Opens attracted quality fields with overseas competitors stealing the show. Congratulations to all our new champions.

**BIG THANK YOU** to all the people behind the scene who make these events possible. Most players turn up and play their games and don't spare much thought for what it takes to organise events of this magnitude. Many are volunteers. They do it because they love squash and it is their way of giving back. I encourage you to thank them individually when you get the chance ... that simple gesture gives them the reason they return. They then hear first hand that their efforts are appreciated.

Four players represented WA the Australian National Championships Teams event. Unfortunately, WA didn't strike GOLD but this is one event the State could target in the future.



**ERIN CLASSEN** finished runner up to Spain's Noa Romero in the 2025 City of Greater Bendigo International. Romero won the 21 minute final 11-3, 11-2, 11-7.

## SQUASHATHON 2025: JUNIOR ART CONTEST

Design this year's Squashathon shirt!

Draw, paint, or use graphic design software.

The only two rules are:

1. Make it squash related.
2. Keep to the bright Squashathon brand colours of purple, pink and blue.

Don't miss this awesome opportunity to have your artwork used as the design for the Squashathon 2025 shirt, flyers and posters! Enter as many times as you like.

The winner will receive free entry to the event (valued at \$75).

Submit your design to [engagement@squashwa.asn.au](mailto:engagement@squashwa.asn.au).

Acceptable formats: PDF, JPG, PNG and AI.

Entries close 31 July 2025

**GOOD LUCK**

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# Behind the Scenes

with Leigh Kaye

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Talk about an eventful month ...

## RevSport Rollover

A HUGE thank you to our Club Committees who have helped with the 25/26 financial year rollover of RevSport. This year was a lot easier than last, and I hope to see the process become smoother yet. As part of the rollover, there has been an upgrade to include merchant fees so there are no surprises when it comes time to pay. We thank Revo for listening to the many people across the country who asked for this to be included.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information about this.

## WA Open International PSA Challenger 6

Another successful WA Open PSA challenger 6 event was held at Belmont. 13 countries represented, just under 200 players registered.

Our young Novice players were an absolute highlight, mixing in and amongst the adults and juniors, having fun both on and off the courts, spinning racquets for our PSA challenger players and best of all, these kids play a sport that will help build resilience all rounded wholesome people. Well done to Darren Pragasam (Malaysia) and Kirstie Yui Po Wong (Hong Kong) for winning the 2025 WA Open!

[CLICK HERE](#) to read more about the WA Open.

Courts 1 and 2 were streamed on Squash TV and the viewing stats over the 5 days were as follows:

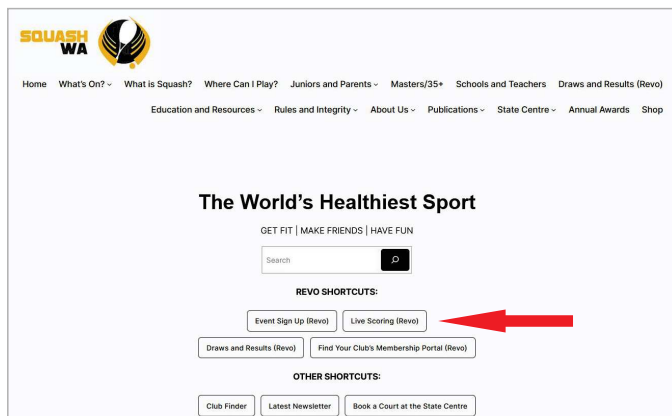
- Round 1 Court 1: 1,306 / Round 1 Court 2: 650
- Round 2 Court 1: 887 / Round 2 Court 2: 1,302
- Quarter Final Court 1: 1,000 / Quarter Final Court 2: 1,201
- Semi Finals Court 1: 701 / Semi Finals Court 2: 667
- Women's Final Court 1: 647 / Men's Final Court 2: 913
- **Total Views: 9,274**

Before investing funds in a sport, sponsors require this sort of data, including social media and website hits. So please keep sharing, liking, commenting and clicking, as it ALL adds up to help our sport grow!

## Live Scoring

There has been a big update to the way we access live scoring. As of now, any Club- or Squash WA-run will feature a button at the very top of the screen which will take you straight to live scoring: When clicking and entering the live scoring, everything will look and feel the same, you'll just be able to get to where you need to be quicker and easier.

If you're ever unsure, head over to the [Squash WA website](#) and click on the Live Scoring button on the home page.







## Behind the Scenes

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with Leigh Kaye

*Now that this update has been released, I believe the next few items on the hit-list are not too far behind. Once more information lands on our desk, we will be sure to share this with you all.*

### World Masters

*If you have not yet heard, the announcement was made on 27 June that the 2026 World Masters will be held in Perth, Western Australia! As you can imagine, we are so thrilled to be working with Squash Australia on this mammoth event.*

*Around 1,000+ competitors are expected to travel to Perth, bringing along partners, families, coaches, etc. to enjoy what Perth has to offer so far as squash and tourism.*

*A quick shout out to Tourism WA, City of Stirling, and the support and backing of Squash Australia – we could not have achieved this without you!*

*So, you have just over a year to train your bodies for this WORLD class event, with the perfect warm up being the Australian Masters Championships which we're also delighted to be hosting this September!*

[CLICK HERE](#) to visit the official event website.





# AUSTRALIAN MASTERS

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5th-7th

TEAMS  
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# 2025 TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

## JANUARY

22-23	Summer Talent Camp**	Belmont
24	Summer Futures Talent Clinic**	Belmont
25-26	Australia Day Open Next Gen (Kings Park)	

## MARCH

8	Marmion Junior Classic B	Squash Factory
11-16	Australian Open	TBC
21-23	South West Open S	Bunbury

## MAY

2-4	Geraldton Open B	Geraldton
16-18	Broome Invitational	Broome
17	Marmion Junior Teams	Squash Factory
30-1/6	Golden Open PSA C-6 B	Kalgoorlie

## JULY

5-6	WA State Jnr Individuals G**	Belmont
7-8	WA State Jnr Zone Teams G**	Belmont
10	Winter Futures Talent Clinic**	Belmont
18-20	WA State 35+ Champs**	Belmont

## SEPTEMBER

2, 3, 8	Trans-Tas Masters	Belmont/Mirrabooka
5-13	Aust. Masters Champs	Mirrabooka
13-14	Cambridge Junior Teams	Cambridge
19-20	Vic Park Open	Vic Park
26-28	Country Week Teams**	Mirrabooka
28-1/10	Aust. Junior Champs IND P	TBC

## NOVEMBER

1	Stars Gala and Awards Night**	TBC
14-16	Great South. Wheatbelt Teams	Katanning
22-23	Squashathon**	Mirrabooka
28-30	Cambridge Open PSA-3 -B	Cambridge

## FEBRUARY

14-16	West Coast Open S**	The Squash Factory
15-16	Australian Doubles Open	QLD
28-2/3	Esperance Open PSA-Sat B	Esperance

## APRIL

13-17	Australian Junior Open P	VIC
22	Autumn Futures Talent Clinic**	Belmont
23-24	Autumn Talent Camp**	Belmont

## JUNE

5-8	WA Open Intl. PSA-C6** -S	Belmont
19-24	Aust. National Championships	QLD
20-22	South West Masters Teams	Busselton

## AUGUST

1-3	FeNaClING Teams	Dampier
8-10	Ice Cold Winter Teams	Mirrabooka
13-14	Interschool Competition**	Mirrabooka
22-24	Leschenault Classic Teams	Leschenault

## OCTOBER

1-3	Aust. Junior Champs TEAMS P	TBC
8	Teachers Games	Mandurah
9	Spring Futures Talent Clinic**	Belmont
24-26	Busselton Invitational	Busselton
31-1/12	WA Closed S**	Belmont

## DECEMBER

7	Belmont Junior Classic	Belmont
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## 2025 WA Open International Showcases World-Class Squash in Belmont

The 2025 WA Open International, held from June 4 to 8 at the WA State Squash Centre in Belmont, marked a key highlight on the PSA Challenger Tour calendar. Offering equal prize money of \$6,000 for both men's and women's divisions, the tournament drew a competitive field of international players.

In the women's final, Hong Kong's **Kirstie Yui Po Wong** faced Malaysia's Goh Zhi Xuan in a high-quality contest. Wong clinched the title with a composed and commanding performance, winning 11-4, 11-7, 7-11, 11-4. The match was a showcase of exceptional skill, sportsmanship, and tactical discipline—an excellent reflection of the spirit of the game.

The men's final, in contrast, was a far grittier affair. Second seed **Darren Pragasam** of Malaysia faced Egypt's Shady El Sherbiny in a tense and physical battle that pushed the boundaries of the rulebook. While the match lacked the elegance of the women's final, it made up for it in intensity and drama. Pragasam ultimately prevailed in four games, grinding out a hard-fought victory to secure the men's title.

The event as a whole, demonstrated the growing depth and diversity of talent on the Challenger Tour.



Mens PSA Open



Ladies PSA Open







**Boys Division 3**



**Boys Division 2**



**Boys Division 1**



**Girls Division 2**



**Juniors Novice**



**Ladies Division 2**



**Ladies Division 1**



**Ladies Open Graded**





**Mens Division 5**



**Mens Division 4**



**Mens Division 3**



**Mens Division 2**



**Mens Division 1**



**Mens Open Graded**



**Masters Mens Division 1**



**Masters Ladies Division 1**





# WA Open International

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thanks Serena Richardson

## The 2025 WA Open International : Acknowledgements and statistics

### Sponsors:

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### Photographer:

Michelle Jones, Little Brown Rabbit Photography

### Massage Therapist:

Dan Andersson, Massage on the Run

### Volunteers:

**Courtside:** Craig Taggart, Di Cook, Chris Reston, Richard Grain, Marc Kaye, Daniel Richardson, Claire and Jaxon Grek, Edmund van der Merwe, Muri Mukadam and Ethan Shahar

**Canteen:** Pathway Programs mums, dads and juniors

**Racquet spinners:** 16 juniors from metro and country clubs

### Tournament Director:

Kim Duffecy

### Tournament Referees:

Luke Jamieson (TR), Neil Butler, Paul Kershaw, Brad Grinter and Ryan Eaton

### Host venue:

Dave Ilich, State Squash Centre Manager, and his team of staff

### Players:

192	Entries
23	Challenger 6 Mens Event
19	Challenger 6 Ladies Event
16	Satellite Mens Event
134	Graded Event
101	Adults: 73 men (inc. 13 Masters), 28 women (inc. 6 Masters)
33	Juniors: 14 boys, 11 girls, 8 novice players

**A BIG THANK YOU** to everyone who  
contributed to the success of this event



# WA Open International

thanks Luke Jamieson

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## Thank you to our fantastic Major Sponsors



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**Local Government, Sport  
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WA Open International		PSA-C6	Belmont 5-8 June 2025
Event	Winner	Runner Up	3rd or Plate (P)
PSA Open	<i>Darren Pragasam (MAS)</i>	<i>Shady El Sherbiny (EGY)</i>	
PSA Satellite	<i>Naoki Hayashi (JPN)</i>	<i>Jeongmin Ryu (KOR)</i>	3: Ben Ratcliffe (AUS)
MO Graded	<i>Lewis Christie</i>	<i>Daniel Hartigan</i>	P: Dan Jones
Mens Div 1	<i>Caillin Blackwood</i>	<i>Jamie Serra</i>	P: Ashton Clement
Mens Div 2	<i>Jonathan Groenewald</i>	<i>Kyle Roach</i>	P: William Gentsch
Mens Div 3	<i>Stephen Tapley</i>	<i>Edward Gatti</i>	P: Ferris Xu
Mens Div 4	<i>Brandon Kitt</i>	<i>Jason Mennell</i>	P: Mike Clement
Mens Div 5	<i>Connor Riley</i>	<i>Mike Genders</i>	P: Jesse Perks
Mens Div 6	<i>Ben Woolley</i>	<i>Robert Stone</i>	P: Alex Clark
Masters			
Mens Div 1	<i>Dan Jones</i>	<i>Leon Holmes</i>	3: Greg Lawton
Mens Div 2	<i>JH Williams</i>	<i>Jamie Dougal</i>	3: Ryan McGrath
PSA Open	<i>Wong Po (Kirstie) Yui (HKG)</i>	<i>Goh Zhi Xuan (MAS)</i>	
LO Graded	<i>Fiona Whooley</i>	<i>Joannah Yue-Hitch</i>	3: Michaela Pratt
Ladies Div 1	<i>Michelle Hodge</i>	<i>Ruby Foo</i>	P: Vera Bruce
Ladies Div 2	<i>Lisa Cooper</i>	<i>AJ Bass</i>	P: Kayla Clarke
Masters			
Ladies Div 1	<i>Lisa Cooper</i>	<i>Khris Wiacek</i>	3: Kim Duffecy
Juniors			
Boys Div 1	<i>Luke Jamieson Jnr</i>	<i>Ashton Clement</i>	
Boys Div 2	<i>Emilio Chiarenza</i>	<i>Toby Trewern</i>	
Boys Div 3	<i>Jasper Tapley</i>	<i>Ethan Shahar</i>	3: William Mennell
Girls Div 1	<i>Isla Harris</i>	<i>Sydney Ennis</i>	
Girls Div 2	<i>Kayla Clarke</i>	<i>Ella Clarke</i>	P: Wannida Ace Buakham
Novice	<i>Richard Koh</i>	<i>Harrison Hitch</i>	P: Talia Shahar





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# Australian National Teams

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*Congratulations to Heddwyn Brahma, Tim Cowell, Hannah Slyth and Pascale Louka for representing WA at the 2025 Australian National Teams Championships held in Brisbane from 23-24 June.*

*Unfortunately, WA finished 6th overall with Queensland winning overall. WA lost to South Australia, Victoria and Tasmania during the 2 day event.*

*Overall 11 matches were played with WA only securing 3 rubbers. A few highlights included Hannah beating Kathy Conquergood from South Australia 11-7, 11-3, 7-11, 11-8 on Day 1. Pascale had a good win over Sarah Cardwell from Victoria 11-5, 11-7, 4-11, 11-6 AND a strong win against Grace Pattison from Tasmania 11-5, 11-3, 11-7.*

*Pascale played a good game against Alex Hayden losing in four: 2-11, 11-6, 3-11, 8-11. Tim lost to an old rival Mike Corren 5-11, 11-13, 3-11.*

## Final Placings:

1. Queensland
2. Victoria
3. South Australia
4. New South Wales
5. Tasmania
6. Western Australia
7. ACT







# NOT ICEBOARD



## WHAT SCHOOL STAFF AND EVENT ORGANISERS HAVE TO SAY...



**The sessions were fantastic and highly engaging for our students. They enjoyed the activities the squash coaches delivered and they were developmentally appropriate so every child experienced success.**

**-Henley Brook PS**

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**I just wanted to touch base to let you know how well received the squash clinic was yesterday. The few kids I spoke to at the end of the day said that was their favourite part (especially loved the inflatable structure!) and the staff all said your coaches were amazing. We're very excited to have you back in for future programs!**

**-Curtin University Carnaby Kids School Holiday Program**

“ ”

**The coach was friendly, inclusive and knowledgeable about squash. Some students in the school had special needs and didn't want to be involved at a whole class level so he was able to set them up with a different activity and worked 1 to 1 with them while the rest of the class were involved in the inflatable activity. He then came around to help those students in the inflatable activity. He had a really good rapport with the students and they responded well to his instruction. He made some of the activities harder and more challenging and the older students really enjoyed this. Overall the students had a great time, they had lots of fun and were excited to be given a wristband to redeem free court hire so they could play squash with their friends and family in the holidays.**

**-Weld Square PS**

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**The coaches were very motivating and engaging at our school sport expo held at HBF Arena. All students participated with enjoyment and a number of them have since looked to take up squash!**

**-Currambine PS**

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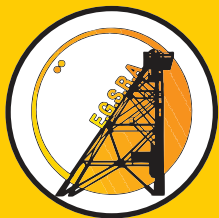
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***Our coach was fantastic. She really engaged the kids and knew what she was doing.***

**-Multicultural Services Centre WA (MSCWA)**



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# Northern Star - Golden Open - Kalgoorlie

thanks Miranda Cirulis

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The 2025 **Northern Star Golden Open** once again brought world-class squash to Kalgoorlie-Boulder from 30 May to 1 June, with over 120 competitors taking part across an impressive range of divisions at the Ray Finlayson Sporting Complex. Players travelled from across Western Australia, interstate and internationally, making it one of the region's most significant sporting events.

The tournament featured a full Professional Squash Association (PSA) Men's and Women's draw, alongside extensive Open and graded divisions: Men's and Women's Open, Men's and Women's Masters, four separate Men's graded divisions, two Women's graded divisions, and three Junior divisions — offering opportunities for players of all ages and levels.

A standout feature of this year's tournament was its ongoing commitment to gender equality, proudly offering equal prize money for both men's and women's PSA divisions. The event also included junior clinics, providing local youth with the chance to learn directly from professional athletes.

While international stars claimed top honours in the PSA divisions, it was fantastic to see strong performances from local Kalgoorlie-Boulder and WA-based players across many of the Open, Masters, and Junior events.

More than half of the event's winners and placegetters came from WA, highlighting the depth of talent in the state and strength of the local squash community. In true Goldfields style, major division champions were also awarded signature Kalgoorlie gold nuggets, continuing the tournament's unique tradition and adding to its global appeal.

The tournament delivered strong economic benefits to the local community, with players, officials and supporters filling local hotels, restaurants, and businesses.

The Eastern Goldfields Squash Racquet Association (EGSRA) acknowledges the generous support of Northern Star Resources, local business sponsors, and the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder for making the event possible.

With strong community support and another successful year complete, planning is already underway for the 2026 Golden Open.

## Congratulations

**PSA SQUASH TOUR**  
**NORTHERN STAR RESOURCES LTD GOLDEN OPEN 2025**  
 PSA CHALLENGER 6 | MAY 30 - JUNE 1 | KALGOORLIE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA

**MENS FINAL**

HAMZA KHAN PAK	3	11	14	11
KA HEI HO HKG	0	6	12	8

**WOMENS FINAL**

AKARI MIDORIKAWA JPN	2	12	1	11	8
WONG PO YUI KIRSTIE HKG	3	14	11	5	11

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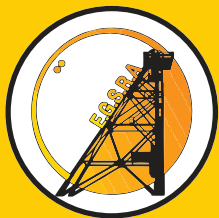
Golden Open      PSA-C6      Kalgoorlie 30 May -1 June 2025		
Event	Winner	Runner Up
Mens PSA	Hamza Kahn (PAK)	Samuel Ka Hei Ho (HKG)
Ladies PSA	Kirstie Wong (HKG)	Akari Midorikawa (JPN)

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# Northern Star - Golden Open - Kalgoorlie

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Event	Winner	Runner Up	Event	Winner	Runner Up
Juniors D3	Liam Cunningham	William Mennell	Masters D2	Peter Slyth	Josh Mitchell
Juniors D2	Jessica Jellis	Teagan Scott	Masters D1	Jason Patmore	Daniel Zande
Juniors D1	Hannah Slyth	Luke Jamieson Jnr	Mens D4	Sterling Slyth	Luke Scott
Ladies D2	Janelle Hanks	Dianne Watts	Mens D3	Pritam Patil	Dale Ramage
Ladies D1	Prue O'Neill	AJ Bass	Mens D2	Paul Smith	Travis Ballantyne
Masters	Clare Slyth	Paula Thompson	Mens D1	Luke Jamieson Jnr	Shane Leknys
Ladies Open	Fiona Whooley	Josie Jones	Mens Open	Arthur Law	Jason Patmore
Ladies PSA	Kirstie Wong (HKG)	Akari Midorikawa (JPN)	Mens PSA	Hamza Kahn (PAK)	Samuel Ka Hei Ho (HKG)



Juniors Div 3



Juniors Div 2



Juniors Div 1



Ladies Div 2



Ladies Div 1



Ladies Masters



Ladies Open



Ladies PSA



Mens Masters Div 2



Mens Masters Div 1



Mens Div 4



Mens Div 3



Mens Div 2



Mens Div 1



Mens Open



Mens PSA





# Bits & Pieces: Caption Competition

with Serena Richardson

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The winner of last month's competition is **Tracey Tapley**!  
Who will write the funniest caption for July?

The prize will be \$20 Bunnings gift cards, thanks to the legends at **Bunnings Belmont**!

**Tracey** took out the June Competition with this line:

*"This is how you're meant to bow to a president"*

This competition isn't hard and I'm sure a \$20 Bunnings gift card would come in handy. Enter your caption today!



**July Caption Competition**

The rotations have begun. The December winner has dropped off ... gone but not forgotten!



**April Caption Competition**

"Ahhhh I'd forgotten how good a full head of hair felt!"  
- Dani Mayors



**May Caption Competition**

"My name's Brad, and I'm May's Playboy Bunny!"  
- Craig Taggart



**June Caption Competition**

"This is how you're meant to bow to a president!" - Tracey Tapley

Below are our January, February and March winners!



**"If you ever put a picture of my face on a shirt again there is going to be hell to pay."**



**"Draw me like one of your French girls."**

- Chris Poke



**March Caption Competition**

"With a little bit of this, and a little bit of that, and shake your tail."  
- Louise Jamieson

For those of you not on social media, you too can take part. Email [engagement@squashwa.asn.au](mailto:engagement@squashwa.asn.au) with your caption for our April competition.





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# GW 2025

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26-28 SEPTEMBER 2025





## Nailing Tournament Preparation

*With plenty of major events on the horizon, getting your preparation right is key. Speaking from personal experience here as well!*

*The main event for me is the Australian Masters and Trans-Tasman events coming up in early September. As much as I wish I were still in my 20s, I'm not, and with a history of a few major injuries, picking which tournaments to play and not to play is a tricky choice sometimes.*

*The short version is; to try and get on top of a foot problem flaring up, we booked a cortisone injection which was about a week out from the WA Open. A late call up into the PSA event fast tracked this. The result wasn't amazing, the lungs suffered, and the shot selection was a bit iffy.*

*Next up was the National Teams championships shortly after. What I wasn't counting on was a flare up of a different issue, resulting in a de-loaded week. I found myself moving okay but suffering late in games. Competitive to hang in there, but not strong enough to get the last few points in the match. The other part that suffered was the match hardened mindset that players need to compete. I wasn't as prepared to dig in for long enough as I normally would. A sign of lack of confidence in my conditioning played a big part in that.*

*Squash is a fascinating sport in that we can do lots of different activities for cross training, but nothing can replace the conditioning of body and mind that playing matches offers. During COVID I thought I was keeping fairly fit running 3-4 times per week, until I found myself having to retrain muscles on the squash court because the movements were completely different!*

*We saw glimpses of it with some of the juniors at the AJCs last year, you could tell those who lacked match play leading up as their decision making suffered under pressure, letting slip winnable matches as a result. This year we will try to get as many matches under their belts during September as possible to be match ready.*

*In my recent situation, I had undertrained. Another player at the event had overtrained. There are a number of phases in training and one key phase is the pre comp phase. This includes your heaviest workload phase - lactate tolerance and your taper phase. The lactate tolerance is maximum effort, 1:1 ratio. If you run for a minute, you get one minute rest, and if you ran hard enough, you certainly need it!*



*The taper phase is an opportunity for your body to recover and freshen up. From there you can then start to focus on your speed and feeling light and nimble on court. This should be taking place about 2-3 weeks out from major competition. Spend too long in a lactate phase and your body will feel fit, but you will probably feel like your feet are stuck in concrete.*







# Coaches Corner

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with Tim Cowell

For anyone preparing for the Masters in September or the Juniors in Early October, there are a few options on the calendar worth playing to make sure you get some tournament match play under your belt. Pennants is good, but you only play one match, and you get a week until your next one. Tournaments mean a match later that day or the next day. Can you get the job done or are you holding back to keep something in reserve for the next match?

So, my key take aways for this month are:

- *Start thinking about your preparation for the tournament now. Can you squeeze an extra session in here or there to improve some fitness.*
- *Can you play a few tournaments leading up to get into a tournament frame of mind?*
- *Can you get some practice matches at worst case to keep the mind sharp?*
- *It's okay to lighten the training fitness load as you get closer to a main event. Still play your matches at high intensity, just cut back the times of your ghosting so that you get maximum rest in between each working set.*

## LESCHENAULT TEAMS CLASSIC SATURDAY NIGHT FUNCTION

### WHERE?

Treendale Farm Hotel  
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### WHEN?

Saturday 23 August  
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### COST?

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# Refereeing - Let's Play Fair

with Neil Butler

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## The Importance of Marking

How important is it to mark the game of squash correctly?

To me, when in the role of the Referee, assisted by a Marker, I have three participants to control or look after, these being the two players and the Marker.

My workload is reduced to two if the Marker is fulfilling their role correctly.

Some people do see the significance of marking correctly, but as I have told potential candidates, as a Marker you are a *storyteller*.

Not only do you have to use the correct terminology, but you have to be *heard*.

My assessment for a good Marker is:

- Use of correct terminology
- Good clear voice
- Willing to operate as part of the Referee/Marker team

The first two points are easy to achieve but the third point is the most important.

The Marker should communicate with the Referee if they are not sure if the players shot is “not up, down or out”. This communication does not have to be verbal but can be a simple 'hand' gesture.

The Referee can also respond in a similar manner to the Marker, with a similar positive or unsure gesture.

By doing this, the Referee/Marker team are aware of what the outcome will be if a Let is asked for at the end of the rally, on a particular shot during the rally.

The Marker has to be positive in calling situations that will stop play. If unsure, then the Marker allows the rally to continue.

Just as important is the communication with the players and spectators.

The Marker must announce the match, introduce each game, and announce the result of each game and of the match;

- must call “fault”, “down”, “out”, “not up” or “stop”, as appropriate;
- must make no call, if unsure about a serve or return;
- must call the score without delay at the end of a rally, with the server's score first, preceded by “hand out” when there is a change of server;
- must repeat the Referee's decision after a player's request for a let, and then call the score;
- must wait for the Referee's decision after a player's appeal against a Marker's call or lack of a call, and then call the score;
- must call “Game Ball” when a player needs 1 point to win a game, or “Match Ball” when a player needs 1 point to win the match;
- must call “10-all: a player must win by 2 points” when the score reaches 10 all for the first time in each game.



The meek may inherit the earth – but they will never win games of football.

Mick Malthouse





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## Examples of Marker's Calls

### Match introduction:

"Smith to serve, Jones to receive, best of 5 games, love-all."

### Order of calls:

Anything affecting the score (e.g. Stroke to Brown). ii)

The score with the server's score always called first.

Comments on the score (e.g. Game ball).

Calling the score:

"Not up. Hand out, 4-3."

"Yes let, 3-4."

"Stroke to Jones, 10-8, Game Ball."

"Fault, hand out, 8-3."

"Not up, 10-all a player must win by 2 points."

"10-8, Match Ball."

"13-12, Match Ball."

### End of a game:

"11-3, game to Smith. Smith leads 1 game to love."

"11-7, game to Jones. Smith leads 2 games to 1."

"11-8, match to Jones, 3 games to 2, 3-11, 11-7, 6-11, 11-9, 11-8." 1

### Start of successive games:

"Smith leads 1 game to love. Love-all." "

Smith leads 2 games to 1. Jones to serve, love-all."



*Neil at the 2025 Northern Star Golden Open*



## **Trans-Tasman Squash Test Series**

There is still plenty of time to register as a Marker or Referee!

If you are interested in being part of the Officials team, register your interest at

[PerthMasters2025@squashwa.asn.au](mailto:PerthMasters2025@squashwa.asn.au)

Also, if you are around the squash scene, come and see me and I can give you more information and answer any concerns you may have regarding officiating.



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## JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT PATHWAY

Squash WA State Team



Squash WA Pathway Programs  
Youth > Talent > Performance

### Events

- Tournament Tours
- School holiday camps and clinics
- Squashathon

### Competition

- Junior Pennants/League
- Senior Pennants/League
- Tournaments
- National
- International

Inter-club  
Zone Squads



Club  
Development  
Squads

..or just for fun!

Club Junior  
Programs



Open Days



School Programs



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## EDUCATION PATHWAYS

### LEVEL 3

Tournament Referee  
International  
National  
Education sessions  
Assessor eligibility

### LEVEL 3

Head Coach  
International  
National  
Education sessions  
Assessor eligibility

### LEVEL 2

Head Coach  
National  
State  
Pathway Programs (Performance)  
Education sessions  
Assessor eligibility

### LEVEL 2

Tournament Referee  
National Team  
State Team  
Education sessions  
Assessor eligibility

### LEVEL 1

Entry/Experienced Referee  
State-level Tournaments  
Education Sessions

### LEVEL 1

Entry/Experienced Coach  
School Programs  
Club Development Squads  
Zone Squads  
Pathway Programs (Talent, Youth and Futures)

### FOUNDATION

Apprentice/Entry Coach  
Club Junior Programs  
Futures/Youth Clinics  
Pathway Programs (Youth and Futures)

### LEVEL 0

Apprentice Referee  
Club-level Tournaments  
Adult Competitions  
Junior Competitions

## COACH REFEREE



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# South West Masters Teams

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## Busselton had winners in 3 out of 4 divisions at the South West Masters Teams event!

48 Players from the south-west and Perth competed in the 39th SW Squash Masters, in Busselton at the Sebel Resort's two courts, which started Friday afternoon through to Sunday. It was wonderful to have 10 new players in the tournament plus many long serving players.

The Tournament was played in 4 Divisions with ages from 35 to early 80s. This is the biggest master's Squash event outside of Perth and one of the longest running. Busselton had 10 players competing. This competition started in Busselton in 1987 with only 25 players and now over 620 players have competed over the past 39 years!

The coveted Division 1 shield was taken out by the appropriately named '**Top Guns**' team of Greg Laurence, David Beattie and Busselton's Dave Windsor, who completed a three peat, taking the shield for the past 3 years. All players won all their matches.

Second in Division 1 was the 'Busso Beavers' team of Sean Brockman, Pete Hancock and Jason Mennell with their only loss to the eventual champs the Top Guns. Both Sean and Pete managed to get a game off their much higher ranked opponents in the last fixture of the weekend. Many of the division 1 matches were of extremely high standards, long rallies, superb volleys, amazing power and incredible touch, and at times what seemed impossible retrievals to keep the rallies going.

Division 2 was taken out by the undefeated Busselton team '**Busso Bunyips**' made up of Gys Van Zyl, Warren Oliver, and Chris Richards who all won every match. This was the 3rd year in a row where Warren has been part of the division 2 winning team. Runners-up were the 'Cambridge Nicks' made up of Mason Woods, Barb Wood and Jim Barr who won all matches except against the 'Busso Bunyips'.

Division 3 was won by team '**Busso Belugas**' made up of local players Geoff Brown, Roger Skelton and Kelly Ferguson. In 2nd place was 'LSD and Special K' Mirrabooka team of Louise Jamieson, Kim Duffecy and Deb Shahr. The division 3 competition was the closest of all divisions with final points being 18, 16, 13, and 7 and in fact going into Sunday matches the top three teams were split by a solitary point and the title was anyone's.

Division 4 was taken out by '**Mandurah Mayhem**' team of Jo-anna Ward, Sharon Franklin and Ray Edkins (probably the oldest player in the tournament). Even though their team didn't win every match, when they did win, they won very well. 2nd in division 4 was the undefeated team 'The Racqueteers' of Bunbury players Judy Hughes, Steve Quinn and Jamie O'Dea, with both Steve and Jamie playing in their first ever tournament, which was great to see.

Over the weekend there were only three players to go through the weekend without dropping a game – division 1 Dave Windsor, division 2 Gys Van Zyl and division 3 Roger Skelton.

Saturday night saw 28 people socialise at Tonic by the Bay in which we recognised 13 players who have entered the tournament 10 or more times, with Warren Oliver, George Reid, Prue O'Neill, Kelvin Carmichael and Terry Brookes all having played more than 20 times since the tournament started back in 1987.

## Thank you to our awesome sponsors:

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**Congratulations** to the winners of each Division and  
**Thank You** to all the Participants



## 2025 South West Masters Teams : 20-22 June 2025

	WINNERS	RUNNERS UP
DIV 1	<b>Top Guns</b> Greg Laurence David Beattie Dave Windsor	<b>Busso Beavers</b> Sean Brockman Pete Hancock Jason Mennell
DIV 2	<b>Busso Bunyips</b> Gys Van Zyl Warren Oliver Chris Richards	<b>Cambridge Nicks</b> Mason Woods Barb Wood Jim Barr
DIV 3	<b>Busso Belugas</b> Geoff Brown Roger Skelton Kelly Ferguson	<b>LSD &amp; Special K</b> Louise Jamieson Kim Duffecy Deb Shahar
DIV 4	<b>Mandurah Mayhem</b> Jo-Anna Ward Sharon Franklin Ray Edkins	<b>The Racqueteers</b> Judy Hughes Steve Quinn Jamie O'Dea





Rich



Heddwyn



Anthony

### Squash WA Weekly Competitions:

Registrations are open now for the next seasons of Pennants and League. See below for competition start dates and registration links. Contact the office if you encounter any difficulties logging in to your Revo account or registering for an event: [adminsupport@squashwa.asn.au](mailto:adminsupport@squashwa.asn.au).

#### Junior League:

Five Sunday mornings across each school term – Term 2:  
<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/squashwa/events/267868>.  
Commences 11 May

#### Leagues:

##### Monday Night League – Winter:

<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/squashwa/events/287275>.  
Commences 9 June 2025.

**Wednesday Day League – Spring:** Commencing in July, registrations not yet open but watch this space!

#### Pennants:

##### Monday Night Pennants (Mirrabooka) – Winter:

<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/squashwa/events/287279>.  
Commences 9 June 2025.

##### Tuesday Night Pennants (Home and Away) – Winter:

<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/squashwa/events/287976>.  
Commences 10 June 2025

## Looking to play squash more often?

### League & Pennant Competitions

7pm or 7:30pm start time, 3x 12-14 week seasons per year, home and away style, mixed or ladies competitions available, beginners welcome!

The current options are: **MONDAY Nights**; **TUESDAY Nights** and **WEDNESDAY Day**.

Can't play every week? Got holidays planned? A FIFO worker? No problem! Just let us know what dates you can't make and we'll work around it..

We are always in need of reserves, so you don't have to wait for the next season to start playing.

<https://squashwa.asn.au/pennants-leagues/>



Scan here to find out more





The Grand Final for Day League competition was held at Mirrabooka on Wednesday 18 June. After some very exciting and close matches, the winners were:

## Division 1

Winners: The Dream Team – Wes Emery, Vic Thomas & Raelene Marriott.

Runners up: The Federers – Graham Follington, Greg Mills, Khris Wiaceck & Cassandra Raath.

## Division 2

Winners: The Courts – Dennis Hughes, Therese Kenny, Quita Cass & Wendy Shaw.

Runners up: The Scorchers – Tim Claudius, Pam Butler, Alison Williams & Sue Campbell.

## Division 3

Winners: The Lavers – Chris Reston, Lyn Chandler, Lauren Hogan & Anita Bull.

Runners up: Nadal's Girls – Bev Harmer, Desley Wimbridge, Jacque Cox & Anne Holder.

## MVP (Most Valuable Player) Awards

Raelene Marriott, Dennis Hughes and Chris Reston.

## Champion Club

Blue Gum Squash Club

Presentations were wrapped up with a lovely catered lunch and a few beverages.

The Day League competition is run on Wednesdays commencing at 9.30am. The next season starts on Wednesday 23 July. Nominations close on 14 July.

Enter through Revo now!

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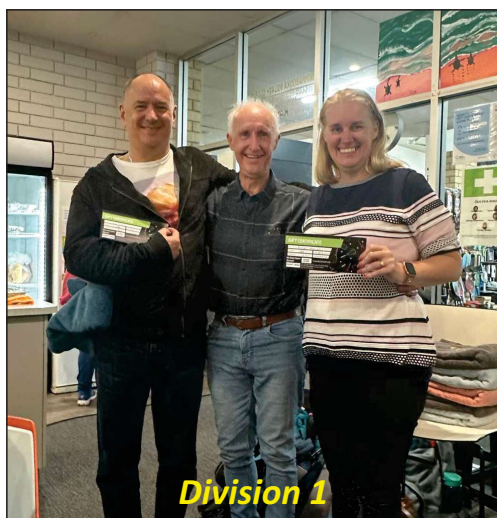
Any questions about this competition can be directed to League Committee Chair Lyn Chandler via 0400 766 521.



Champion Club



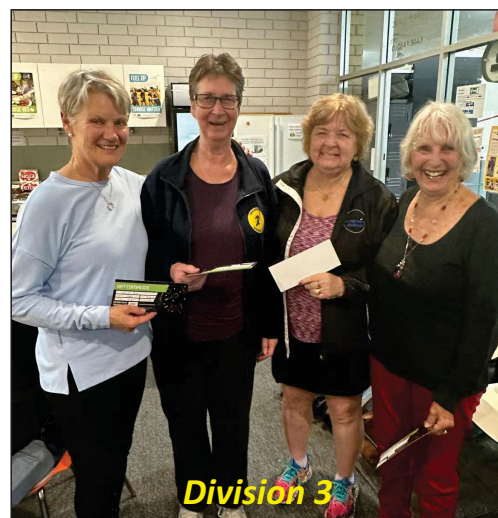
MVP Awards



Division 1



Division 2



Division 3





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