

JUNE 2021 NEWSLETTER



PRESIDENT'S COURT

I'm thrilled to introduce the new directors since our 2021 AGM:

- **Chair: Dean Morzone QC**
- **Vice-chair: Brad Hindle**
- **Secretary/Executive Director: Colette Sultana**
- **Treasurer: Jonathon James**
- **Directors: Liz Irving, David White, Steve Finitis, Matty Scott, Andrew Dent**

Thanks ...

I have very big squash shoes to fill. In particular, I extend our gratitude to outgoing Chair Jonathan James and Colette Sultana for their reformation and considered and calm leadership. I pay tribute to all our directors who have agreed to continue. We can boast a club, state, national and international experience in our DNA, and bring tremendous energy, skill and commitment. Please take time to get to know us better via our profiles, and our new modern constitution adopted at the AGM.

Our commitment ...

Our players remain our highest priority, and we remain committed to listen to our players, officials, coaches, clubs, operators. Each director will be responsible for at least one portfolio across an array of areas. Please submit your suggestions or ideas to the chairs via Colette our Executive Director. We especially welcome your suggestions and ideas submitted to Colette – info@squashqueensland.com.au. Also, if you wish to make a 'complainant', please take time to suggest any solutions to help us improve and grow.



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Up-coming events ... QJC

This month we will see talented junior converge in Cairns for the Qld Junior Championships. It will be an exciting competitive journey for all, especially those aspiring for the Sharks team. We are also grateful to our selectors, coaches, captains, managers, tournament directors and many others for the continuing commitment to Northern region and local club. We wish athletes, organisers and all our very best. Work hard in your preparation for QCJ! Also special thanks to our sponsors!

Get involved in you local events via the Squash Qld website -
http://www.qld.squash.org.au/w/events/events_calendar

Incidentally, Cairns hosted the Qld Master State Titles in April/May 2021. It was a competitive yet social and fun time for all - players, supporter and has-beens. All were wowed by very special guest and true master - Geoff Hunt. Congratulations to the QLD Masters Squash Association for a most successful event. A masterclass indeed.

Membership affiliation ...

We heavily rely on timely membership payments to meet out dues to Squash Australia, as well as ongoing operational costs. We are excited to offer an array of benefits attaching to your membership, including comprehensive insurance, SportyHQ, discounts/offers and the new SquashLab Communities mobile app. Visit our website to learn more -
<http://www.squashqueensland.com.au/w/membership>.

Our newest partnership with SquashLab Communities mobile app will entitle members to 54 weeks of Squash coaching content and programs, ways to connect with coaches, book courts, find an opponent and receive news from your local club or Association.

Promotion & Support ...

The board is keen to reinstate the sport's relationship with local and state governments. Submissions have been to the Minister for Sport, and the shadow minister. There is much more work to do to realise our resurging potential.

We'd also love to see your photos on and off the court. Keep sharing your passion for our great game with your community, Instagram, Facebook and other social media. You can post to our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/SquashQueenslandLtd/>.

See you on the court!

Dean Morzone

President - Squash Queensland Ltd

"Making Squash Great Again"





PLAYER NEWS



COXSEGE SHINES AT THE 2021 AJO!



Far left: Sophie Fadaely (GUI9 Doubles Champion) and Shona Coxsedge (GUI7 AJO Champion and Girls U19 Doubles Champion)

Congratulations to Shona Coxsedge who won the 2021 GUI7 Australian Junior Open that was held in Tasmania in April! Coxsedge defeated Caitlin Pratt, Aimee Treavor and Jaime Schubert in the pool stages. She then beat Courtney Schultz in the final, in 4 games. Shona (Gold Coast) was one of 8 Queensland players who were able to attend the event. She brought home the GUI7 title, as well as the GUI9 Doubles Title with her doubles partner Sophie Fadaely (Cairns). Congratulations Shona and Sophie, we are very proud of your achievements!

BRISBANE PAIR STORM TO PSA TOUR WINS!

Sandgate's Jessica Turnbull won the fifth PSA title of her career with a tough five game win over training partner Tamika Hunt in the final of the North Shore Open in Coffs Harbour, before Daisy Hill's Bryan Lim beat fellow Queenslander Nick Calvert, also in five tough games.

Turnbull had never beaten Hunt in six previous encounters on the main tour, most recently going down to her at January's Sandgate Open. But she held firm in the face of a fierce comeback from her opponent to win the North Coast Open 11-7, 7-11, 11-6, 7-11, 11-7 in 49 minutes.

Lim moved to Brisbane to study at QUT at the start of last year but when Covid restrictions hit he decided to stay and train with former touring professional Brad Hindle.



Winners left to right: Jessica Turnbull and Bryan Lim - 2021 North Coast Open Champions

CONGRATULATIONS!



SQUASH QLD NEWS!

INTRODUCING OUR NEWEST STAFF MEMBER!



Squash Queensland welcomes Toni Maxfield into the role of Participation Officer! Toni grew up in Canberra and started playing squash at the age of seven. She represented the ACT during her junior squash years and has continued to play squash at a competitive level since.

Toni and her husband manage the Nerang Squash and Fitness Centre on the Gold Coast and Toni is a Club Development level coach. She has a great deal of experience in the Not-For-Profit sector and with National peak bodies. Toni also spent some years at the Australian Sports Drug Agency (now known as Sport Integrity Australia). Prior to her move to the Gold Coast Toni was in the Australian Defence Force.

WELCOME TO OUR NEWLY AFFILIATED CLUBS!

LABRADOR SQUASH CLUB

BUNDABERG SQUASH CLUB

Hervey Bay Squash Inc

WAVELL SQUASH CLUB INC



CENTRE NEWS!

11 SUCCESSFUL CENTRE/CLUB "LEARN TO PLAY" SQUASH PROGRAMS

Congratulations to 11 Squash Clubs for running 8-14 year olds 'Learn to Play' Squash Programs! Squash Queensland provided some financial support to hold these programs and we welcomed over 200 kids to our sport! Congratulations to Gladstone, Scottvale, Daisy Hill, Sandgate, Stafford, Cairns, Toowoomba, Ipswich, Jandowae, Chinchilla and Mackay!



GRANT NEWS - CONGRATULATIONS TO NERANG SQUASH CLUB!

Nerang Squash Club Inc are the recent recipients of a Gambling and Community Benefit Fund grant for \$17,195. The application was made and approved for the following:

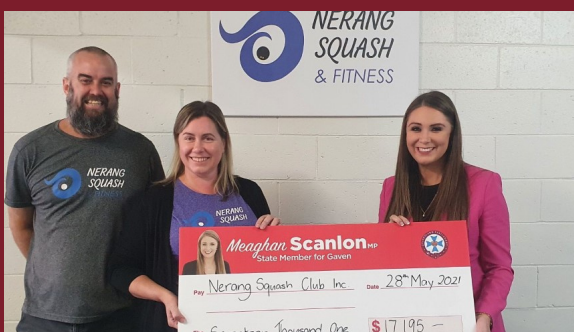
- Replace lighting on all squash courts to energy efficient LED lighting
- Ceiling fans on all courts and improved lighting with fans in the Club room
- An exhaust fan in the roof above court 4 to improve temperature and air flow
- Purchase of a ball machine

The GCBF allocates funding to Not-For-Profit community groups to help provide services, leisure activities and opportunities for Queensland communities. There are five funding rounds per year. Applications can be made for amounts between \$500 to \$35,000. To be eligible to apply for this grant you need to:

- Be Incorporated
- Have not-for-profit objectives
- Have an ABN
- Have a bank account in the name of the legal entity
- Provide a bank verification form stamped by the organisation's financial institution

Further information is available at: <https://www.justice.qld.gov.au/initiatives/community-grants>

If you have any questions on grants or Incorporation please email play@squashqueensland.com.au





VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

CONGRATULATIONS ROBYN PRENTICE!

Robyn has been nominated by Queenslanders for Special Volunteer Recognition in Squash!

Robyn Prentice is one of Queensland's most dedicated squash coaches, administrators and volunteers. She started playing squash at the age of 17, and began working as a volunteer for Toowoomba Squash in the 60s. In this capacity she kept squash alive in the Toowoomba region and South East Queensland not only as a competitive player, but also in her capacity as a Coach, Coach Educator, Publicity Officer, Secretary, Treasurer and then Southern Region Co-ordinator from 1984-88. In 1993, Toowoomba City Council, arranged for a Sporting Oval to be named after her.

Robyn represented Queensland from 1971-88, turned professional in 1980, and became a coach. In 1984, when she ventured into Masters Squash, she was runner up in the Queensland Over 30 Championships. She was also an Australian representative in the Masters from 1984-88 playing in the Trans Tasman series. In 1987 she was runner up to Heather McKay, in the World Over 45's Championships held in Sydney. After that, her involvement was with coaching and in 1989, Robyn moved to Canada to take a position as Head Squash Coach at the Royal Glenora Club in Edmonton. Here, she won the Canadian Masters and became heavily involved in Master's Squash. She took this concept back to Toowoomba and has been involved in Master's Squash ever since.



To this day Robyn's passion is squash and she has several current and past junior champions under her wing. Robyn is Southern Region Coach and also a Squash Australia Coach Tutor. Her devotion to squash has been extraordinary and she is very deserving of the highest recognition.

THANK YOU ROBYN - WE APPRECIATE YOU





WHO WE ARE?

2021 SQUASH QUEENSLAND BOARD



Dean Morzone - Chair

Dean is a passionate advocate for squash and has been involved in the sport since a toddler. He has over 30 year's experience in the law as a solicitor, barrister, and now a judge. Dean lives in Cairns and he has served on boards and committees for the betterment of squash, including as president of Cairns Squash, QSquash (Northern Region) Inc. Dean is honoured to serve as the Chair of the Squash Queensland Board.



Bradley Hindle -Vice Chair

Originally from North QLD, Brad has been involved with squash all his life. He played for Australia as a top Junior and also played for Malta as a professional player, reaching a world ranking of no.80. Bradley has lived in many countries in Europe, and has a wealth of coaching and centre development experience. He now owns and runs Daisy Hill Squash Club, in Brisbane. He is particularly passionate about coaching and supporting centres in our state.



Jonathan James - Treasurer

Jonathan lives in Brisbane and is the longest serving Board member, having served as president for the past 4 years. He is originally from New Zealand and is a club player at Sandgate Squash Club. Jonathan has been heavily involved in bringing squash back onto the Q Sport and Sport and Recreation radar, the governance and the strategic planning of the organisation. He is now the Squash Queensland Treasurer.



Colette Sultana - Executive Director (Secretary)

Originally from Malta, Colette joined the Squash Queensland Board in late 2019. She is also the Executive Director, responsible for the management and day-to-day running of the organisation. Colette lives in Brisbane and plays squash at Daisy Hill Squash Club. She enjoys growing the game and is particularly passionate about grassroots squash and centre development. Colette would be very happy to hear from members and is the first point of contact. Contact details below.



WHO WE ARE?



Steve Finitis - Director

Originally from Innisfail, Steve played for QLD in his junior years and then moved overseas to play on the PSA Tour for 8 years. He reached a career high of WR.45 in and represented Australia in the 2014 Commonwealth Games. More recently, Steve has been coaching in Cairns, and he is also the Northern Region and QLD Junior Coach. Steve is passionate about growing the game at junior and adult regional and state level.



Liz Irving - Director

Also from Queensland, Liz played professionally for 17 years and then coached for 20 years in the Netherlands. Liz has also developed a Squash App - Squash Lab Communities - which is being rolled out globally. Liz has won many titles and reached World No. 2. Between 2003 and 2019, Liz was the Coach to Nicol David (8 X World Champion & World No. 1) as well as many other top international female players.



David White - Director

Dave is originally from Mount Isa and Townsville, and has played squash since he was 10 years old. Dave is now the manager of Nerang Squash and Fitness Centre on the Gold Coast and is also the Queensland Junior Pathway Performance Coordinator. He joined the Squash QLD Board to continue the growth of the sport, through junior squash development and the sustainment of our squash facilities in the state.



Matthew Scott - Director

Matthew is from South Brisbane and returned to squash in 2020 after having played as a junior back in the 1980s. Matt's background is in International Business and he has spent some years living in South East Asia. In 1999, he joined the Queensland Police Service and has served as an Officer since. Matthew and his kids are passionate about squash, and he is looking to contribute towards re-invigorating the game in our state.



Andrew Dent - Director

Andrew has been a sports journalist in Australia and internationally for the past 25 years. He was also the media officer for Squash Australia from 2006-14. Andrew is a keen social player and has also attended a number of state and regional junior tournaments with his son. He is currently a teacher in Toowoomba and maintains his media presence as a sports stringer for AFP, covering international sporting events based in Queensland.



WHAT'S ON..

UPCOMING EVENTS!

JUNE & JULY

FOR A FULL LIST OF EVENTS VISIT:
[HTTP://WWW.SQUASHQUEENSLAND.COM.AU/W/EVENTS/EVENTS_CALEDAR](http://www.squashqueensland.com.au/w/events/events_calendar)

**27-30 JUNE. SQUASH QUEENSLAND
JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS 2021
INDIVIDUALS (GOLD)**

**1-3 JULY. SQUASH QUEENSLAND JUNIOR
CHAMPIONSHIPS 2021 TEAMS
@ SPORTSWORLD FITNESS CAIRNS**



**96 PLAYERS!
OVER 70 MATCHES PLAYED EACH DAY!
THANK YOU TO OUR PLAYERS, VOLUNTEERS,
REGIONS, COACHES & PARENTS FOR MAKING
2021 QJC POSSIBLE!**

**2-4 JULY. QMSA 2021 VICTORY SQUASH
GYMPIE - MASTERS
@ VICTORY SQUASH GYMPIE**

**10-11 JULY. QMSA 2021 SCOTTVALE
SQUASH ROCKHAMPTON - MASTERS
@ SCOTTVALE SQUASH**

**17-18 JULY. QMSA 2021 EMERALD
SQUASH - MASTERS
@ EMERALD SQUASH CLUB**

**31 JULY. LOGAN CITY DOUBLES OPEN
TOURNAMENT - DOUBLES
@ DAISY HILL SQUASH & RACQUET CLUB**





WHAT'S ON..

LEVEL 1 CLUB DEVELOPMENT COACHING COURSE

ARE YOU KEEN TO RENEW OR OBTAIN COACHING ACCREDITATION TO GROW SQUASH IN YOUR AREA? THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY!

WHEN: 10/11 JULY 2021 & 27/28 NOVEMBER 2020

WHERE: VENUE TBA

COST: \$299 PER CANDIDATE
(INCL. LUNCHES; COURSE MATERIAL; 4 YRS ACCREDITATION, INSURANCE)

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: ONE WEEK BEFORE START OF EACH COURSE

**REGISTRATION AND QUERIES TO:
ROBYNDPRENTICE@GMAIL.COM OR 0432 297 984**

THESE ARE JUST A FEW OF THE CANDIDATES WHO COMPLETED THEIR COACH ACCREDITATION IN THE PREVIOUS 2 WSF CLUB DEVELOPMENT COURSES OFFERED BY ROBYN PRENTICE OVER THE PAST MONTHS. YOU COULD BE NEXT!





Huge Thank You to Craig Stewart @ Seize the Light for the photos used in this edition and also for his dedication to photographing squash!

SQUASH QUEENSLAND PLAYER MEMBERSHIPS ARE UP FOR RENEWAL!

DID YOU KNOW THAT YOUR MEMBERSHIP ENTITLES YOU TO?

- Personal accident and public liability insurance cover during eligible play and also while travelling to and from play.
- Access to a world class squash coaching and player engagement app.
- Access to the National player ranking, account and support system.
- Eligibility to Play in fixtures, tournaments and competitions
- Eligibility for State rankings.
- Access a range of member discounts from our partners, including Dulux, Quest Apartment Hotels, and Freedom Fuels



For More Details Visit

<http://www.squashqueensland.com.au/w/membership>

HAPPY SQUASHING!

