

Squash Australia Events Memorandum – State Consultative Body

August 2018

1. Australian Club Championships

The first Australian Club Championships will be held this year at Carrara Squash Centre, Gold Coast from the 21st-23rd of September. This event has gained a lot of interest from clubs, so it is looking to be a successful event. Entries for this event are now open! Click here to view sign up page. Entries for the ACC close on Monday, 10th of September.

Please click here for the Australian Club Championships information guide.

2. World Coaches Conference

The World Coaches Conference will be held on the same days as the Australian Club Championships and there will be a Talent Development (WSF Level 2) coach education course from the 18th-21st of September. The conference will be held between Carrara Squash Centre and KDV, Gold Coast.

We have secured world class speakers including Egyptian National Coach Ashraf Hanafi, WSF Coaching Director Michael Khan and American coach Mike Way. Sports performance consultant, coach, author and keynote speaker, Allistair McCaw, has now been added to the list of speakers. The addition of Allistair McCaw certainly fits in with the conference theme as he has worked with a wide range of athletes including very prominent squash players such as Ramy Ashour, Nicol David, and Natalie Grinham!

Please click here for more information on the World Coaches Conference.

3. Australian University Games

The Australian University Games will also be held at Carrara Squash Centre, Gold Coast from 24th-27th of September. This squash event will be run by Squash Australia and is part of the wider UniSport Games. Please click here for more information on the Australian University Games.

4. Australian Junior Championships

The Australian Junior Championships will be held from the 29th of September – 7th of October at Darwin Squash Centre. We are currently having fortnightly task meetings. Entries have been open for more than a month and we have more than 100 entries so far. Entries for the AJC close on Sunday, 2nd of September. Kay Kendall will be in contact with all States and Territories regarding the provision of referees for this event.

Please click here for the Australian Junior Championships information guide.

5. Australian Squash Tour (AST) & AST Finals

The City of Devonport Tasmanian Open was held from 26-29th of July, the 2018 Australian Open is currently on from 1-5th August and will be followed by the Bega Open from 8-12th August.

The AST finals will be held at Carrara Squash Centre on the 8 & 9th of December. The top 8 male and female players at the end of the tour, based on AST rankings, will be invited to play in the finals and the top 3 male and female players of this event will be awarded with a share in a prize fund of at least \$10,000. Victorians Rex Hedrick and Christine Nunn are currently both sitting on the top of the AST rankings.

Please click here for more information on the AST.

6. Rankings

The Events task force has been looking at ranking variations and there will be a meeting to finalise discussions and trials in this area. At this time no changes have been made. A ranking process document has been created and added to the AJST and AST web pages,

Please click here to see the ranking section of the website.

For further information on events, please contact our Events Coordinator - Zoe Aust (<u>zaust@squash.org.au</u>)