

Squash Australia Events Memorandum State Consultative Body – Q2 2018

1. GC2018 Commonwealth Games



GC2018 was a great success for Squash. The Show Court was a great way to introduce new people to squash as they could watch from all angles and it simply looked amazing! The atmosphere around the Show Court was absolutely amazing, especially if an Australian was playing. A few of the athletes said that this was the best Show Court set up they had ever seen. As most of you are aware the beautiful glass court and 6 of the match courts are now being installed at Carrara. This not only creates a great legacy for the Gold Coast but also a world class squash facility.

2. Squash Australia Events Team

Kay Kendall is now the General Manager of Events, Commercial and Membership and Zoe Aust the Events Coordinator. Both Kay and Zoe have come from working at GC2018.

3. 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. We are currently working on finalising everything. Please click here for more information on the Australian Club Championships.



4. 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 Nicol David's coach Liz Irving, Sports Performance Consultant Allistair McCaw, Egyptian National Coach Ashraf Hanafi, WSF Coaching Director Michael Khan and American coach Mike Way. It is looking to be a very successful event and there are still spots available. <u>Please click here for more information on the World Coaches Conference.</u>

5. 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. <u>Please click here for more information on the Australian University Games.</u>

6. Australian Junior Championships

The Australian Junior Championships will be held from the 29th of September – 7th of August at Darwin Squash Centre.

An information booklet was circulated in January and entries will be open on SportyHQ soon.

Please click here for more information on the Australian Junior Championships.

7. Australian Squash Tour (AST) & AST Finals

The first four tournaments of the AST have concluded, the next tournament will be the WA Open from the 25th-27th of May. An article regarding the AST and AST finals will go out in the next week to push the tour and remind people that it is well underway. This year we will also have the first AST finals, the finals will be in December at Carrara Squash Centre, Gold Coast. 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. Please click here for more information on the AST.



8. Rankings

As you will be aware the Events task force has been looking at ranking variations and there will shortly be a meeting to finalise discussions and trials in this area. At this time no changes have been made. <u>Please click here to see the ranking section of the website.</u>