SQUASH MONTHLY

LATEST NEWS FROM SQUASH AUSTRALIA



RYAN CUSKELLY WINS CHICAGO OPEN

Australia's Ryan Cuskelly has claimed the Chicago Open for the second time in his career (also won in 2014), defeating Mexico's Cesar Salazar 11-5, 11-6, 11-3 in the final.

The tournament top seed didn't drop a game all tournament and credited Rod Martin for a different focus and for getting his game back on track.

“I started the season pretty slowly, so I just wanted to get back to playing some good squash again and I proved that this week winning most of the matches three-love which is good," Cuskelly said.

Salazar had a tough semi-final match-up against his brother, and Cuskelly said he knew he needed to capitalise early.

“He had a brutal game with his brother and I knew he'd be a little bit tired.

"I just tried to make the game as hard as I could at the start and unfortunately he was sort of on one leg.

“I’m happy with my week, I just wanted to play some good squash."

SARAH FITZ-GERALD RE-ELECTED AS WSF VICE-PRESIDENT

Australia's five-time World Champion Sarah Fitz-Gerald has been returned unopposed as Vice President of the World Squash Federation.

Fitz-Gerald was originally elected to the role in 2016 and will serve a second term in the role after holding her spot at the WSF AGM held in Cairo, Egypt.

Squash Australia CEO Richard Vaughan says it's great to have such a high profile Australian as part of the WSF panel.

"We see Sarah's appointment, along with a number of individuals on key commissions, as a way we can continue to both help guide the sport in the right Olympic direction and ensure Australia has a key position in that progress."



PLAYER NEWS

ZAC ALEXANDER WINS DOUBLES IN DENVER

Zac Alexander has taken out the 2018 Denver Club Invitational on the Squash Doubles Association Pro Tour.

Playing alongside India's Manek Mathur, the didn't drop a game all tournament, claiming the final 15-6, 15-11, 15-11 against John Roberts and Hameed Ahmed.



WEE WERN LOW CONTINUES STRONG FORM IN AUSTRALIA

Malaysia's Wee Wern Low and Japan's Tomotaka Endo have claimed the Q Open PSA event at the Carrara Squash Centre on the Gold Coast.

Wee Wern defeated Jessica Turnbull 11-6, 11-5, 11-6 (24 mins) to claim her third Australian title this year.

In the men's event, Japan's Tomotaka Endo defeated Robert Andrew Garcia from the Philippines 11-4, 11-8, 12-10 (33 mins).



SZE YU WITH A GREAT PERFORMANCE IN HONG KONG

A great result for one of our winning edge players, Sze Yu, who finished 5th in the u/17 age group at Hong Kong Junior Championships.

And congratulations to Alex Haydon who has been selected as a finalist in the SA School Sport Awards.



AST TOUR FINALS

The first ever Australian Squash Tour Finals will be held at the Carrara Squash Centre on the Gold Coast on the 8th/9th December.

The top seven players in the rankings at the completion of the AST season have gained entry to the event, with a wildcard selected for both the men's and women's draws.

MENS
1. Rex Hedrick
2. Tom Calvert
3. Josh Larkin
4. Alex Eustace
5. Rhys Dowling
6. Nick Calvert
7. Darren Chan
WC Lachlan Coxsedge

WOMENS
1. Christine Nunn
2. Jessica Turnbull
3. Sarah Cardwell
4. Selena Shaikh
5. Tamika Hunt
6. Taylor Flavell
7. Shehana Vithana
WC Katie Davies

The event will be streamed live via SquashAustralia.TV

2019 TRANS TASMAN

The 2019 Australian Trans-Tasman Test Series team will be announced live on Squash Australia's Facebook page on Friday 8th November. All players selected will receive news of their selection before the official announcement.



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HELP SQUASH GET TO THE 2024/2028 OLYMPIC GAMES

THE OLYMPIC PUSH

The World Squash Federation (WSF) has made clear its desire to join the Olympic programme. So have all leading world squash stars including Nicol David, the eight-time women's world champion, who has repeatedly said that she would swap all her world titles for an Olympic gold medal. The WSF, however, is short of funds and have turned to member associations to raise the money needed to drive the Olympic bid for Paris 2024.

HOW TO DONATE

Squash Australia is running this fundraising campaign with 100% of funds being allocated to the WSF and the Paris 2024 campaign. Donate $2.40, $24, $240, $2400 or $24,000. Every little bit will help squash with the best possible bid. All donations are tax deductible.

WHERE TO DONATE

Donations can be made via the Squash Foundation page on Squash Australia's website (squash.org.au) or via the Australian Sports Foundation (for larger contributions).

STATE SUPPORT

ACT, NT, Tasmania, Victoria and South Australia have all pledged support. It's hoped that NSW, Queensland and WA will be able to follow.

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2019 AUSTRALIAN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS



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