



AUSTRALIAN Squash PLAYER



GOLD

**Mixed Doubles
Cameron Pilley &
Donna Urquhart**

**Men's Doubles
Zac Alexander
& David Palmer**

GOLD



Aussie Aussie Aussie, oi! oi! oi!



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Squash Media would like to congratulate Cameron, David, Donna, Rachael and Zac on their awesome achievements at the 2018 Commonwealth Games.

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To David Palmer and Rachael Grinham ... once again thank you for so many wonderful memories over 20 years at the CG.

David Palmer has now won 3 Gold, 2 Silver and 4 Bronze Medals from 6 Games (in actual fact it is 9 medals from 5 Games because he didn't win a medal at his first Games appearance). I'm proud to say I was in the audience to witness your 9th medal ... **GOLD!**

Rachael Grinham has now won 2G, 2S and 4B from 5 Games. Another fantastic record of achievement.

Winning medals at the Commonwealth Games is a wonderful achievement but as 41 year olds ... well that is simply incredible!



Both players may have lost a little speed but their shots and tactics are still awesome

Congratulations & thank you Refs!

Steve Walton put it best



"I thought they did a sensational job because the pressure is immense. The amount of information that they have to manage now is quite extreme particularly when you are the main ref in centre court and you have ear pieces, iPads, 2 competitive players and you are seated right amongst the spectators that groan every time a decision goes against their player.

The refs are also competing to referee in the big matches and they have their own behind the scenes challenges to manage also."



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to watch. They have been the main stays for many years and deserve every recognition they receive.

GREEN & GOLD

To **Cameron Pilley** - three GOLD medals in a row! You are no doubt a Doubles specialist! Cameron won the Mixed Doubles with Kasey Brown in 2010, then the Men's Doubles with David Palmer in 2014 and now, the Mixed Doubles again but this time with his cousin Donna Urquhart.

To **Donna Urquhart** and **Zac Alexander** ... congratulations on winning your first GOLD medals.

Donna was in her 3rd Games. She achieved a Bronze Medal in her very first Games in 2010 but had to wait until 2018 to win GOLD. In fact Donna was our most successful Aussie winning 2 medals on the Gold Coast. Her Bronze Medal with Rachael Grinham in the Women's Doubles took her overall tally to 3 medals.

To **Zac Alexander** it has been a long and emotional journey. Picked to represent Australia at the 2014 Glasgow was an absolute high. To lose your position on appeal and having to leave the Athletes Village just prior to the Opening ceremony was gut wrenching and a devastating low.

Four years on, Alexander was picked again to represent Australia but this time there were no appeals and the young Aussie partnered with David Palmer to win a GOLD medal! The pair also represented Australia at the World Doubles Championships in 2016 (3rd) and 2017 (5th).

"Gold, it's the best kind if you're going to win your first medal! This is as good as it gets, and it feels good." said a delighted Zac Alexander

EVENTS

2018	G	S	B	T
New Zealand	2	1	1	4
Australia	2		1	3
England	1	2	1	4
India		2		2
Malaysia			1	1
Wales			1	1
	5	5	5	15

PLAYERS

2018	G	S	B	T
Australia	4		2	6
New Zealand	3	1	2	6
England	1	3	2	6
India		4		4
Malaysia			1	1
Wales			1	1
	8	8	8	24

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**2018 Gold Coast
Commonwealth Games**



**Photos Courtesy of
Toni van der Kreek**

Joelle King & James Willstrop Strike Commonwealth Games Gold

By Howard Harding

England and New Zealand shared the glory on Singles finals day at the 2018 Commonwealth Games Squash when Kiwi Joelle King struck gold in the women's event and it was third time lucky for two times runner-up James Willstrop in the men's climax at Oxenford Studios in Gold Coast, Australia.

King, a gold medallist in the Women's Doubles in 2010, became New Zealand's first ever Singles gold medallist when she beat England's Sarah-Jane Perry (both pictured in action below). It was always clear that the match would be a close-fought affair - and so it was.



Fourth seed Perry had two games balls in the first, but it was King who closed out her fourth game ball to win the opener 16-14. The New Zealander opened up a two-game lead - but Perry drew level to force a decider.

From eight-all in the fifth, King moved ahead to clinch the match 16-14, 11-8, 6-11, 11-13, 11-8 after 78 minutes take gold.

On winning her country's first gold, King acknowledged: "Yes, it feels pretty good. We've had some great names that have come through the squash community from New Zealand and no-one's managed to do it yet - so it's a privilege, to be honest, to be the first one to do it and I'm just looking forward to celebrating with my team-mates.

"Yes, I'm back on court tomorrow - 11am, I've heard - so there's no rest for the wicked really. You've just got to go back, recover and be ready to go again. Doubles is a completely different format. I think I'll be a bit rusty in my first round!"

Whilst seeded two, King became the event's highest-ranked player after moving up to four in the world on the eve of the start of the event. "To be honest I didn't pay much attention to that," said the 29-year-old. "Obviously I was excited and happy that my ranking had moved but I didn't really look any further than the fact there were probably

Joelle King & James Willstrop Strike Commonwealth Games Gold

about 12 players in this draw that could realistically win the tournament - so I just took it match by match.

"Today was typical final squash - a big occasion and both players wanting to give it everything they have. All I can say is she played really well - she just did not go away, she didn't let me have it all my own way, that's for sure."



England gained revenge in the two nations' battle in the men's final when Willstrop, the fourth seed, prevailed in straight games over in-form Kiwi Paul Coll, the number two seed ranked nine in the world.

Both players had had arduous routes to the final - Willstrop denying home interest in the later stages by beating top Australian Cameron Pilley in 95-minute quarter-final battle and Coll surviving a 106-minute semi-final clash with Welsh outsider Joel Makin less than 24 hours before the final.

Willstrop (seen above celebrating his success) was in imperious form, claiming his first 3/0 win since the opening round by beating Coll 11-9, 11-4, 11-6 in 47 minutes.

"It just clicked for me today," admitted the 34-year-old from Harrogate. "It's stuff you dream of. It's one of the most brilliant performances I've had in my career. It just worked and it clicked - that's happened today. I don't know why, maybe the hours of solo practice I've put in on my own on court, in Harrogate and Ponte, all my life.

"It's an incredible thing - and to make it happen on a big day like today - it's one of the best performances. Whatever happened today, it's an achievement.

"I love playing the game - and four years ago there were some doubts about that - and to think I'm now here with a gold medal in the singles ... I can't really process it to be honest.

"And if you'd talked to me on Friday when I played Campbell (Grayson), I didn't feel

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that great about myself, it was a real fight and three days later it's all different."

Is it his biggest title? "I guess as a title, I reckon it probably is the best. It's a wonderful occasion - and the atmosphere and everything around it adds to it."

The Bronze medal matches were just as dramatic and emotionally-charged. The women's clash saw Malaysian superstar Nicol David, the long-time world number one and gold medallist in 2010 and 2014, take on fast-rising Welsh star Tesni Evans.



Undaunted by a 4/0 career head-to-head record in the 34-year-old Malaysian's favour, sixth seed Evans (pictured above at the medal ceremony with King and Perry) delivered a scintillating performance to see off David, the No.3 seed, 11-7, 3-11, 12-10, 11-7.

"It's truly amazing - unbelievable really - I'm absolutely over the moon," exclaimed the Welsh wizard. "I've had a great week and to beat someone like Nicol for the bronze medal is just out of this world. If you'd asked me 10 years ago, 5 years ago, I never would have thought I would beat her. She's an absolute legend. That's the first time I've ever beaten her so that's extra special as well."

"I've gone from the bottom of the scale to the top of the scale, literally. I was really down yesterday after my semi-final match - but thank you to Dave (Evans) and my team, they really picked me up last night. They made me just realise where I am and that I still had a medal to fight for."

"I can't do too much celebrating tonight as I've got a doubles match tomorrow. At this minute I don't know but, don't worry, I'll definitely be celebrating."

The first Games medal for Wales for 20 years was greeted with delight by national

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coach David Evans. "It's an amazing result for Tesni and Welsh squash as a whole, getting a medal in the Commonwealth Games," said the former British Open champion. "The last one was in 1998 with Alex Gough, so to get a medal is unbelievable.

"But more, to beat Nicol - who we've all got so much respect for, with what she's achieved. For Tes to beat Nicol to get a bronze just adds a little bit extra to it."

On the impact this will have for Welsh squash, Evans added: "I'm only a mere coach, but funding-wise this should help. What Tesni's done in getting a Commonwealth Games medal is pretty special - we're a very proud country, we all fight for each other. Hopefully it will put squash back up there again."

Defending champion David was composed about the result: "I gave what I could today - someone has to come out a winner. I just couldn't quite put some things together. It's tough out there but I'm really proud of the years of representing Malaysia."

"Maybe it's pushing it a little bit to make another Commonwealth Games. If I play it would only be for the singles - and that would definitely be a tough task."

Malaysia took bronze in the men's play-off where 12th seed Nafiizwan Adnan (pictured below, right, with Willstop & Coll) beat Welshman Joel Makin, the No.11 seed, 11-7, 6-11, 9-11, 11-4, 11-5 in 81 minutes.



When asked how big the win was, Adnan replied: "It was the biggest ever match I've ever played - it was enormous. I can't believe it, I was so nervous just now."

"Today I'm the first male player in Malaysia to win a medal - I am very proud, not just for myself but for my team. Everyone's behind me - my coach and the support team. Every day we prepare - so I want to give to them."

Photos courtesy of **Toni van der Kreek**

The Best of the Aussies

Our best player was clearly Cameron Pilley who fell to the Gold Medallist in the Quarter Finals. Due to injury, Ryan Cuskelly withdrew after winning his first match. Rex Hedrick had a blinder and reached the 3rd Round (the final 16) after being unseeded.



Donna Urquhart reached the Quarter Finals but couldn't get past the eventual silver medallist Sarah-Jane Perry from England losing in four.

Sadly, in the third round we had an Aussie v Aussie clash. Christine Nunn played out of her skin taking Donna Urquhart to five. The 59 minute match required Urquhart to fight back from 1 game to 2 down. This probably had a bearing on the outcome of Urquhart's quarter final against Perry. Perry won her Round 3 match in three in 24 minutes.

Unfortunately, Tamika Saxby had a tough draw and fell to India's #8S Joshna Chinappa in Round 3 in straight.

Quarter Finals

[4] James Willstrop (ENG) bt [7] Cameron Pilley (AUS) 7-11, 12-10, 7-11, 11-6, 11-6 (95m)

Round 3

[12] Nafiizwan Adnan (MAS) bt [6] Ryan Cuskelly (AUS) w/o

[7] Cameron Pilley (AUS) bt Lewis Walters (JAM) 11-3, 11-4, 11-8 (38m)

[8] Alan Clyne (SCO) bt Rex Hedrick (AUS) 11-7, 11-3, 11-7 (47m)

Round 2

[6] Ryan Cuskelly (AUS) bt Othneil Bailey (SVG) 11-2, 11-4, 11-3 (18m)

[7] Cameron Pilley (AUS) bt Ernest Jombla (SLE) 11-7, 11-3, 11-2 (18m)

Rex Hedrick (AUS) bt Sunil Seth (GUY) 11-4, 11-2, 11-3 (32m)

Round 1

Rex Hedrick (AUS) bt [13] Eain Yow Ng (MAS) 13-11, 6-11, 8-11, 11-9, 12-10 (93m)

Quarter Finals

[4] Sarah-Jane Perry (ENG) bt [7] Donna Urquhart (AUS) 11-5, 7-11, 11-2, 11-5 (41m)

Round 3

[7] Donna Urquhart (AUS) bt [16] Christine Nunn (AUS) 6-11, 11-4, 7-11, 11-6, 11-5 (59m)

[8] Joshna Chinappa (IND) bt [15] Tamika Saxby (AUS) 11-6, 11-8, 11-4 (25m)

Round 2

[7] Donna Urquhart (AUS) bt Faiza Zafar (PAK) 11-1, 11-2, 11-4 (16m)

[16] Christine Nunn (AUS) bt Dianne Kellas (MLT) 11-3, 11-3, 11-2 (16m)

[15] Tamika Saxby (AUS) bt Eilidh Bridgeman (CAY) 11-4, 11-2, 11-1 (16m)

Results

Commonwealth Games - Men's Singles

Final

[4] **James Willstrop** (ENG) bt [2] Paul Coll (NZL) 11-9, 11-4, 11-6 (47m)

Bronze medal play-off

[12] Nafiizwan Adnan (MAS) bt [11] Joel Makin (WAL) 11-7, 6-11, 9-11, 11-4, 11-5 (81m)

Semi Finals

[4] **James Willstrop** (ENG) bt [12] Nafiizwan Adnan (MAS) 11-6, 12-10, 11-4 (49m)

[2] Paul Coll (NZL) bt [11] Joel Makin (WAL) 6-11, 9-11, 11-9, 11-2, 11-8 (106m)

Quarter Finals

[12] Nafiizwan Adnan (MAS) bt [1] Nick Matthew (ENG) 11-7, 6-11, 12-10, 4-11, 11-6 (81m)

[4] **James Willstrop** (ENG) bt [7] Cameron Pilley (AUS) 7-11, 12-10, 7-11, 11-6, 11-6 (95m)

[11] Joel Makin (WAL) bt [8] Alan Clyne (SCO) 11-9, 4-11, 8-11, 11-8, 12-10 (99m)

[2] Paul Coll (NZL) bt [5] Daryl Selby (ENG) 11-5, 11-9, 7-11, 11-5 (77m)



Commonwealth Games - Women's Singles

Final

[2] **Joelle King** (NZL) bt [4] Sarah-Jane Perry (ENG) 16-14, 11-8, 6-11, 11-13, 11-8 (78m)

Bronze medal play-off

[6] Tesni Evans (WAL) bt [3] Nicol David (MAS) 11-7, 3-11, 12-10, 11-7 (40m)

Semi Finals

[4] Sarah-Jane Perry (ENG) bt [6] Tesni Evans (WAL) 11-6, 11-3, 11-8 (34m)

[2] **Joelle King** (NZL) bt [3] Nicol David (MAS) 13-11, 11-5, 1-11, 11-5 (43m)

Quarter Finals

[6] Tesni Evans (WAL) bt [1] Laura Massaro (ENG) 11-8, 11-8, 5-11, 15-13 (61m)

[4] Sarah-Jane Perry (ENG) bt [7] Donna Urquhart (AUS) 11-5, 7-11, 11-2, 11-5 (41m)

[3] Nicol David (MAS) bt [5] Alison Waters (ENG) 7-11, 11-13, 11-9, 11-9, 12-10 (61m)

[2] **Joelle King** (NZL) bt [8] Joshna Chinappa (IND) 11-5, 11-6, 11-9 (34m)

Donna Urquhart & Cameron Pilley Extend Aussie Ownership of Mixed Doubles Gold Medal

By Howard Harding

Donna Urquhart & Cameron Pilley, an Aussie pairing that has only been together for eight months, claimed Commonwealth Games Squash gold after winning the Mixed Doubles final in straight games in front of a capacity and partisan crowd at Oxenford Studios in Gold Coast - thus keeping the event's gold medal in Australian hands for the fourth time since 2006.



The fourth seeds made their breakthrough in the semi-finals when they despatched second-seeded English pair Alison Waters & Daryl Selby. Their opponents in the final also pulled off a semi-final upset - Dipika Pallikal Karthik & Saurav Ghosal, an Indian pairing celebrating their second successive partnership in the Commonwealth Games, surviving a dramatic third game tie-break against the event favourites.

But, buoyed by the crowd, Urquhart & Pilley - first cousins who hail from Yamba in New South Wales - defeated the Indians 11-8, 11-10 in 31 minutes to claim the first squash medal for the hosts on Gold Coast.

"It feels amazing," said Pilley, who now becomes the first player to win three Commonwealth Games Doubles gold medals. "It won't sink in until we're standing on the podium and watching the flag go up - that'll probably get the waterworks going.

"Every other gold I've won is so special. But to play in front of such a great Aussie crowd is something we never get the opportunity to do. I've got about ten family from Denmark who've come over and we've both got a massive group from Yamba that came up.

"So to do it in front of all your friends and family who never get to see you play - and we walk away with a gold medal - it makes it even better!"

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Urquhart interjected: "It's not just that - but having this capacity crowd cheering for us is very special. It's so good for squash - I hope everybody loved it."

"We might never get another opportunity to play in front of a crowd that big, where they're all cheering for us."

"I can't believe we did it. I can't believe how relaxed we were - I can't believe how relaxed I was!! How good is this moment. We remembered to enjoy it - and that relaxed us. We were so hungry to win."



When asked about the partnership, Pilley replied: "We only played with each for the first time in August, and teamed up for the world champs in England."

Urquhart, who won a Women's Doubles bronze eight years ago in Delhi, added: "It's my first gold medal. I always imagined what it would be like getting gold - it's always been a dream of mine, so it's going to be difficult now to realise it's actually happened!"

New Zealand claimed bronze - and took the country's 2018 Games tally up to four medals, its best ever success - when Joelle King & Paul Coll defeated England's Alison Waters & Daryl Selby 11-6, 11-6 in 28 minutes.

"After yesterday's disappointment we wanted to make sure that we came out here and lifted the team - and I think we put together probably one of our best performances, to be honest," said King, the women's individual gold medallist who is now sure of the three Gold Coast Games medals.

"It's been a tough two weeks and we've played every single day - it's a long stretch. But I'm super proud of our effort today."

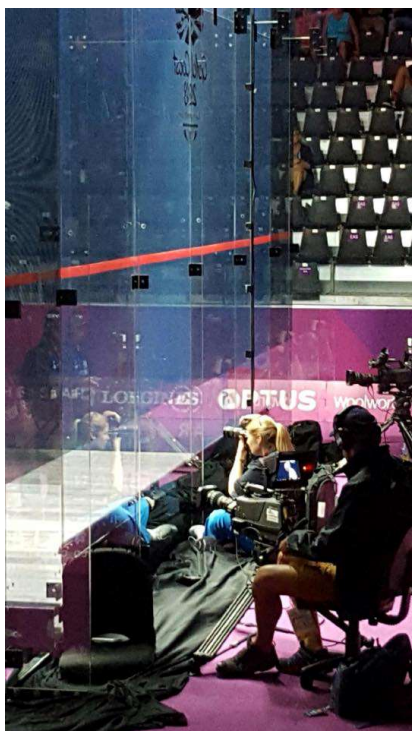
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Coll (pictured, foreground, right), who was clearly distraught after their semi-final defeat, was upbeat about their play-off success. "I was on the floor 24 hours ago, but I've got a champion partner and she picked me up. I've got fire in my belly to help her out today - she's a real inspiration to me. To get a bronze - not the colour we wanted - is a great feeling.

"We're guaranteed four medals, and I think it's the most we've ever got. We had high expectations coming here - we've got a wicked support team."



King, a medallist both in 2014 and 2010, concluded: "This is the third time I've done this - our team is incredible. It's not just our effort, it's a real team effort."



Another Gold Medal Performance

On behalf of the World Squash Federation and Squash Media we would like to thank **Toni van der Kreek** for all her fantastic images.

During the 10 days of competition plus the practice sessions Toni could be seen at the front of the all glass court taking heaps of wonderful images of the players.

That is a tremendous effort for a volunteer. I hope in due course Toni is recognised for her efforts.



Joelle King & David Palmer Share Glory On Final Day At 2018 Gold Coast Games

By Howard Harding

It was fitting that the final match on the final day of 11 days of intense Commonwealth Games Squash competition at Oxenford Studios in Gold Coast produced a second gold medal for hosts Australia - when Zac Alexander & David Palmer held off English rivals Daryl Selby & Adrian Waller in a thrilling near-hour-long Men's Doubles climax which went the full distance.

It was almost certainly the farewell Games performance of veteran campaigner Palmer, the 41-year-old former world number one from New South Wales who has featured in the sport's six appearances in the Commonwealth Games since 1998, and has now extended his record medals haul to nine.



But it was New Zealander Joelle King who topped the individual medals table in the 2018 Gold Coast Games after striking gold in the Women's Doubles, to add to her Singles gold and Mixed Doubles bronze.

Alexander & Palmer, the fifth seeds, reached the men's final after seeing off both the second and third seeds - and took the opening game of the final against the No.7 seeds.

But the tables were turned in the second when Selby (pictured above, left, with Alexander) and Waller levelled the match, for the loss of just three points. The home favourites regrouped, changing their tactics early in the decider before delighting the loud and capacity crowd with their 11-9, 3-11, 11-6 victory after 57 minutes.

"I said from day one, a year and a half ago, when I said I wanted to play, I wasn't just here to make the numbers up - I still felt, deep down, that if things went my way I had a chance," said Palmer.

"It's been great with Zac. We rode under the radar a little bit this week as fifth seeds - it's been nice not to have the pressure on us. The draw went our way. We snuck through and stepped it up when we needed to - in the quarter-finals we beat New Zealand, and last night was great as we took care of the Scottish team really well.

Joelle King & David Palmer Share Glory On Final Day At 2018 Gold Coast Games



"It maybe wasn't our best squash today - but they made it difficult for us, the way they played. But we found a way."

Speaking of his partner Alexander, a 29-year-old from Brisbane who has now won his first medal, Palmer (pictured above with Alexander) continued: "He was great, he's so strong on the forehand, he reads the ball well, he hits the ball cleaner than anyone - and tactically he's very good as well. We played off each other - I'm very happy for him."

Alexander added: "It's unbelievable. It's as good as it gets."

"They outplayed us in the second game - in the third game we had to control the game. We clicked just a few minutes into that last game, and started to play down the middle a bit more - and that worked well. It was huge."

When asked if he might return for the 2022 Games in Birmingham, Palmer said: "No - this is it, this is it! This is a dream come true to finish like this. I'm going to finish on a high!"

King, the world No.4, partnered Amanda Landers-Murphy to an 11-9, 11-8 win in the Women's final over Joshna Chinappa & Dipika Pallikal Karthik, the Indian pair who won gold in the 2014 Games in Glasgow. (Action pictured below)

It was the climax of an arduous 11 days for 29-year-old King whose tally is now five medals over three Games since 2010.

"When you play such a big match, on such an occasion - against a quality team - and come out on top, it's unbelievable," said King. "I'm on cloud nine at the moment."



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"Probably a year ago, three medals would have been beyond my wildest dreams - but the way this year has been going, I wanted three golds to be honest. But to come away with two golds and a bronze is pretty amazing.

"But it's a team effort. It's not just me, it's all these guys who have been watching me all the way through the singles and picking me up each day. It's been pretty amazing and I can't wait to share it with them."

Speaking of Landers-Murphy, the 26-year-old world No.41 who partnered her to world titles both in 2016 and 2017, King said: "She's the dark horse of the team, she's the quiet achiever. She works really hard all the time. I've known her for a while now and we've become really close. I'm really happy for her and proud that she's put in the effort and got the reward. She's carried me most of the week - brought me through when I was a bit flat and down.



"I leave the village at 5am tomorrow morning for El Gouna. I'll probably spend the first day on the beach and let my body heal, then switch over to singles - it's a big tournament, a World Series event, and I don't want to let the momentum of the year be broken now. I've worked hard to get here and I'm going to do everything I can to put in my best performance there."

England and Australia shared the two events' bronze medals. The first match, with a 10.00am start, saw fourth seeds Rachael Grinham & Donna Urquhart (pictured above with fellow medallists) beat the English pair Laura Massaro & Sarah-Jane Perry 11-6, 11-8.

Later, England's No.4 seeds Declan James & James Willstrop needed 58 minutes to get the better of Scottish rivals Alan Clyne & Greg Lobban, the second seeds, 11-9, 11-9.

Grinham was celebrating her eighth Games medal - and agreed that today's success was awesome.



Joelle King & David Palmer Share Glory On Final Day At 2018 Gold Coast Games

"But that's what we come here for, to win medals. I was close to walking away from this Games without a medal. Luckily we turned it on today and had an awesome match. And it was quite comfortable - a lot of the games this week have been so close.

"Donna's been incredible, so solid all week. It's brutal to play in both events, all week."

It was late the previous evening that Urquhart and Cameron Pilley treated the crowd to a gold-medal-winning performance in the Mixed Doubles.

"It's a strange feeling," said Urquhart. "We played the last match last night, a late finish. But I had to be ready for an early start this morning. I think it's adrenaline that got me through, to be honest. But now that I've finished I'm probably going realise how sore my body is.

"Rachael said to me last night: if I'm coming off tomorrow after losing, I'm coming off in a wheelchair!"

When 41-year-old Grinham was asked if she would make the 2022 Games, the former world number one, replied: "Never say never - but very likely not!"

Willstrop, the men's singles gold medallist earlier in the Games, said after his Doubles win: "They count for so much, these Commonwealth medals - it's a huge thing for anyone winning medals, in the village people applaud it and you're up on a board.

"And yesterday we were a million miles away from thinking about that - it's incredible how you have to turn yourself around. You wake up the next morning and have another go!"

His partner James, aged 24, added: "After an hour and a half of drama and stress yesterday, I wouldn't have dreamed of thinking of coming back on court again today!"

"We never go through the emotion of losing at squash, then having to play again. It was reconciliation today - we still realised there's a huge amount to play for and we said fourth is going to feel a hell of a lot worse than third is. We can hold our heads high now knowing that we've done everything we could. We're really happy that we came through today."

When the subject of the next Games came up, 34-year-old Willstrop (pictured below

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with fellow English medallists) replied: "Declan should be there, but it's different for me - I can't take anything for granted. All I know now is that I'd like to play squash for a bit, if I can. I have to take it month by month."

"I'm just so thrilled that I've got my body to a point where it can get through two weeks of this. I never dreamed of that four years ago."



Women's Singles - GOLD
Women's Singles - SILVER
Women's Singles - BRONZE

Joelle King (NZL)
 Sarah-Jane Perry (ENG)
 Tesni Evans (WAL)

Men's Singles - GOLD
Men's Singles - SILVER
Men's Singles - BRONZE

James Willstrop (ENG)
 Paul Coll (NZL)
 Nafiizwan Adnan (MAS)

Women's Doubles - GOLD
Women's Doubles - SILVER
Women's Doubles - BRONZE

Joelle King & Amanda Landers-Murphy (NZL)
 Joshana Chinappa & Dipika Pallikal (IND)
Rachael Grinham & Donna Urquhart (AUS)

Men's Doubles - GOLD
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Zac Alexander & David Palmer (AUS)
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 Declan James & James Willstrop (ENG)

Mixed Doubles - GOLD
Mixed Doubles - SILVER
Mixed Doubles - BRONZE

Cameron Pilley & Donna Urquhart (AUS)
 Dipika Pallikal Karthik & Saurav Ghosal (IND)
 Joelle King & Paul Coll (NZL)



The Best of the Aussies in Doubles

Pool E **[5] Zac Alexander & David Palmer (AUS)**

bt Alexander Frazer & Jacob Kelly (CAY) 11-6, 11-3 (16m)

bt [12] Christopher Binnie & Lewis Walters (JAM) 11-7, 11-5 (30m)

Men's Doubles Last 16 round:

bt [6] Peter Creed & Joel Makin (WAL) 11-1, 11-6 (30m)

Men's Doubles Quarter-finals:

bt [3] Paul Coll & Campbell Grayson (NZL) 11-9, 6-11, 11-7 (64m)

Men's Doubles Semi-finals:

bt [2] Alan Clyne & Greg Lobban (SCO) 11-8, 11-5 (30m)

Men's Doubles Finals:

bt [7] Daryl Selby & Adrian Waller (ENG) 11-9, 3-11, 11-6 (57m)

GOLD to AUSTRALIA ... Congratulations to Zac & David

Pool D **[4] Rachael Grinham & Donna Urquhart (AUS)**

bt [12] Samantha Hennings & Marlene West (CAY) 11-2, 11-3 (11m)

bt [5] Samantha Cornett & Nikki Todd (CAN) 5-11, 11-9, 11-4 (32m)

bt Taylor Fernandes & Mary Fung-A-Fat (GUY) 11-2, 11-2 (10m)

Women's Doubles Quarter-finals:

bt [6] Tesni Evans & Deon Saffery (WAL) 9-11, 11-10, 11-3 (48m)

Women's Doubles Semi-finals:

lost to [1] Joelle King & Amanda Landers-Murphy (NZL) 9-11, 5-11 (20m)

Women's Doubles Play-off for Bronze:

bt [7] Laura Massaro & Sarah-Jane Perry (ENG) 11-6, 11-8 (21m)

BRONZE to AUSTRALIA ... Congratulations to Rachael & Donna

Mixed Doubles Pools line-up:

Pool D **[4] Donna Urquhart & Cameron Pilley (AUS)**

bt Taylor Fernandes & Sunil Seth (GUY) 11-4, 11-7 (18m)

bt [13] Faiza Zafar & Farhan Zaman (PAK) 11-3, 11-6 (12m)

Mixed Doubles Last 16 round:

bt [14] Marlene West & Cameron Stafford (CAY) 11-7, 11-5 (17m)

Mixed Doubles Quarter-finals:

bt [6] Rachael Grinham & Ryan Cuskelly (AUS) 11-6, 11-9 (33m)

Mixed Doubles Semi-finals:

bt [2] Alison Waters & Daryl Selby (ENG) 10-11, 11-7, 11-7 (55m)

Mixed Doubles Finals:

bt [5] Dipika Pallikal Karthik & Saurav Ghosal (IND) 11-8, 11-10 (31m)

GOLD to AUSTRALIA ... Congratulations to Donna & Cameron



The Best of the Aussies in Doubles

Men's Doubles Pools line-up:

Pool A **[1] Ryan Cuskelly & Cameron Pilley (AUS)**

bt Sailesh Pala & Romit Parshottam (FIJ) 11-3, 11-0 (11m)

bt [16] Mandela Patrick & Kale Wilson (TRI) 11-0, 11-2 (14m)

Men's Doubles Last 16 round:

bt [15] Jason-Ray Khalil & Sunil Seth (GUY) 11-9, 11-7 (19m)

Men's Doubles Quarter-finals:

lost to [7] Daryl Selby & Adrian Waller (ENG) 11-9, 8-11, 10-11 (73m)

Eliminated

Women's Doubles Pools line-up:

Pool A **[8] Sarah Cardwell & Christine Nunn (AUS)**

lost to [1] Joelle King & Amanda Landers-Murphy (NZL) 8-11, 6-11 (21m)

lost to [9] Rachel Arnold & Sivasangari Subramaniam (MAS) 11-10, 6-11, 5-11 (38m)

Eliminated

Mixed Doubles Pools line-up:

Pool F **[6] Rachael Grinham & Ryan Cuskelly (AUS)**

bt [11] Aifa Azman & Sanjay Singh Chal (MAS) 11-4, 11-4 (17m)

bt Charlotte Knaggs & Kale Wilson (TRI) 11-0, 11-4 (10m)

Mixed Doubles Last 16 round:

bt [12] Madina Zafar & Tayyab Aslam (PAK) 11-3, 11-1 (12m)

Mixed Doubles Quarter-finals:

lost to [4] Donna Urquhart & Cameron Pilley (AUS) 6-11, 9-11 (33m)

Eliminated

EVENTS

2018	G	S	B	T
New Zealand	2	1	1	4
Australia	2		1	3
England	1	2	1	4
India		2		2
Malaysia			1	1
Wales			1	1
	5	5	5	15

PLAYERS

2018	G	S	B	T
Australia	4		2	6
New Zealand	3	1	2	6
England	1	3	2	6
India		4		4
Malaysia			1	1
Wales			1	1
	8	8	8	24



CG HALL OF FAME



CG Hall of Fame

	G	S	B	T
1 Peter Nicol (SCO G B) (ENG 3G S)	4	1	1	6
2 David Palmer (AUS)	3	2	4	9
3 Joelle King (NZL)	3	1	2	6
4 Nick Matthew (ENG)	3	1	0	4
5 Cameron Pilley (AUS)	3	0	2	5
6 Natalie Grinham (AUS)	3	0	1	4
7 Rachael Grinham (AUS)	2	2	4	8
8 Nicol David (MAS)	2	1	1	4
9 Lee Beachill (ENG)	2	0	1	3
10 Michelle Martin (AUS)	2	0	0	2
Leilani Rorani (NZL)	2	0	0	2
12 James Willstrop (ENG)	1	3	2	6
13 Dipika Pallikal (IND)	1	2	0	3
14 Cassie Jackman (ENG)	1	1	2	4
15 Sarah Fitz-Gerald (AUS)	1	1	1	3
Carol Owens (AUS B) (NZL G S)	1	1	1	3
17 Joshana Chinappa (IND)	1	1	0	2
Adrian Grant (ENG)	1	1	0	2
Jonathon Power (CAN)	1	1	0	2
20 Kasey Brown (AUS)	1	0	3	4
21 Paul Johnson (ENG)	1	0	2	3
Donna Urquhart (AUS)	1	0	2	3
23 Mark Chaloner (ENG)	1	0	1	2
Joe Kneipp (AUS)	1	0	1	2
Glen Wilson (NZL)	1	0	1	2
Sue Wright (ENG)	1	0	1	2
27 Zac Alexander (AUS)	1	0	0	1
Jaclyn Hawkes (NZL)	1	0	0	1
Amanda Landers-Murphy (NZL)	1	0	0	1
Craig Rowland (AUS)	1	0	0	1

To qualify for the CG Hall of Fame a player must have won at least 1 GOLD medal.

If players are equal then the record is listed in alphabetical order.

11 Australians have won at least one GOLD medal.

30 players in total have won at least one GOLD medal



20 YEARS at the CG



Australia's Record at the CG over 20 years

1998	GOLD	Michelle Martin	Women's Individual
		Michelle Martin & Craig Rowland	Mixed Doubles
	SILVER	Sarah Fitz-Gerald	Women's Individual
		Byron Davis & Rodney Eyles	Men's Doubles
		Robyn Cooper & Rachael Grinham	Women's Doubles
	BRONZE	Sarah Fitz-Gerald & Carol Owens	Women's Doubles
2002	GOLD	Sarah Fitz-Gerald	Women's Individual
	SILVER	Stewart Boswell & Anthony Ricketts	Men's Doubles
	BRONZE	Stewart Boswell	Men's Individual
		David Palmer	Men's Individual
		Rachael Grinham	Women's Individual
		David Palmer & Paul Price	Men's Doubles
		Natalie Grinham & Rachael Grinham	Women's Doubles
		Robyn Cooper & Joe Kneipp	Mixed Doubles
2006	GOLD	Natalie Grinham	Women's Individual
		Natalie Grinham & Rachael Grinham	Women's Doubles
		Natalie Grinham & Joe Kneipp	Mixed Doubles
		David Palmer	Men's Individual
	SILVER	Rachael Grinham	Women's Individual
		Stewart Boswell & Anthony Ricketts	Men's Doubles
	BRONZE	Dan Jenson & David Palmer	Men's Doubles
		Rachael Grinham & David Palmer	Mixed Doubles
2010	GOLD	Kasey Brown & Cameron Pilley	Mixed Doubles
	SILVER	Stewart Boswell & David Palmer	Men's Doubles
	BRONZE	Kasey Brown	Women's Individual
		Ryan Cuskelly & Cameron Pilley	Men's Doubles
		Kasey Brown & Donna Urquhart	Women's Doubles
2014	GOLD	David Palmer & Cameron Pilley	Men's Doubles
		Rachael Grinham & David Palmer	Mixed Doubles
	SILVER		
	BRONZE	Kasey Brown & Cameron Pilley	Mixed Doubles
2018	GOLD	Zac Alexander & David Palmer	Men's Doubles
		Cameron Pilley & Donna Urquhart	Mixed Doubles
	SILVER		
	BRONZE	Rachael Grinham & Donna Urquhart	Women's Doubles

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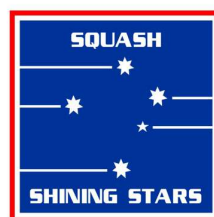
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Welcome to the 1st Edition of the Australian Junior Squash Player Annual.

This publication will cover the World Junior Championships each year together with all Platinum and Gold events run in Australia. We will also cover the AJC Teams event.

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WORLD RANKINGS



AUSTRALIAN PLAYERS

As at 1 May 2018

	TM	LM	HR	WHEN
Ryan Cuskelly	16	15	12	Mar-17
Cameron Pilley	21	20	11	Jan-11
Rex Hedrick	64	65	51	Dec-16
Joshua Larkin	67	69	60	Feb-18
Rhys Dowling	96	98	93	Feb-18
Zac Alexander	134	137	36	Sep-12
Matthew Hopkin	135	138	89	Jul-15
Thomas Calvert	163	168	155	Dec-17
Mike Corren	165	170	38	Feb-04
Alex Eustace	210	211	203	Feb-18
Joel Luca	215	217	209	Nov-17
David Ilich	216	219	216	May-18
Joseph White	245	246	230	Mar-18
Courtney West	267	269	218	Feb-12
Solayman Nowrozi	272	273	189	Jul-17
Rohan Toole	335	336	209	Apr-17
Lachlan Coxsedg	338	330	293	Feb-18
Tim Cowell	355	356	178	Feb-13
Nicholas Calvert	374	371	316	Aug-17
Jacob Ford	383	384	363	Feb-18
Benjamin Ratcliffe	410	408	402	Feb-18
Ethan Eyles	477	466	466	Apr-18
Ryan Marshall	489	477	398	Jan-16
Ben Courtice	564	544	333	Jan-16
Peter Nuttall	564	544	360	Jan-16

All Australian PSA players are listed.

	TM	LM	HR	WHEN
Donna Urquhart	17	16	13	May-11
Rachael Grinham	26	26	1	Aug-04
Christine Nunn	53	55	36	Jul-16
Tamika Saxby	55	57	48	Nov-17
Sarah Cardwell	57	56	41	Feb-17
Jessica Turnbull	75	75	73	Dec-16
Taylor Flavell	99	100	91	Jan-18
Lauren Aspinall	110	109	97	Jan-18
Selena Shaikh	114	114	94	Sep-15
Stephanie Wighton	163	158	98	Jul-16
Shehana Vithana	169	163	159	Jan-18
Courtney Mather	200	195	185	Mar-18
Taylor Jones	201	196	145	Apr-17
Jessica Osborne	203	199	179	Jan-18
Maria-Rose Kalafatis	254	244	223	Mar-18
Zoe Petrovansky	254	NR	60	Sep-10

WORLD TOP 5	TM	LM	HR	
Mohamed Elshorbagy	1	1	1	EGY
Ali Farag	2	2	2	EGY
Marwan Elshorbagy	3	4	3	EGY
Gregory Gaultier	4	3	1	FRA
Tarek Momen	5	5	5	EGY
Nour El Sherbini	1	1	1	EGY
Raneem El Welily	2	2	1	EGY
Nour El Tayeb	3	3	3	EGY
Joelle King	4	4	4	NZL
Nouran Gohar	5	5	2	EGY

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CONGRATULATIONS

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OUR STARS



**PSA Matches played during
March and April by our Top 10 players**

Ryan Cuskelly #1

Ali Farag	L	QF	Canary Wharf Classic	9-11, 12-10, 4-11 (47m)
Borja Golan	W	R1	Canary Wharf Classic	11-5, 6-11, 11-7 (63m)

Cameron Pilley #2

Daryl Selby	L	R1	Canary Wharf Classic	11-7, 8-11, 5-11 (48m)
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Rex Hedrick #3

Abdullah Al Muzayen	L	F	Malaysian Tour No6	8-11, 11-8, 11-3, 8-11, 4-11 (59m)
Wong Chi Him	W	SF	Malaysian Tour No6	11-7, 11-7, 11-7 (37m)
Ammar Altamimi	W	QF	Malaysian Tour No6	13-11, 11-6, 11-7 (35m)
Asim Khan	W	R1	Malaysian Tour No6	11-1, 9-2 ret. (12m)

Rhys Dowling #5

Ryunosuke Tsukue	L	QF	Elanora Open	12-10, 11-5, 7-11, 6-11, 7-11 (52m)
Courtney West	W	R1	Elanora Open	11-4, 11-9, 12-10 (27m)

Zac Alexander #6

Campbell Grayson	L	SF	Manitoba Open	6-11, 9-11, 7-11 (47m)
Christopher Gordon	W	QF	Manitoba Open	5-11, 11-5, 11-7, 6-11, 11-6
Vikram Malhotra	W	R1	Manitoba Open	11-4, 11-8, 11-2
Hugo Varela	W	Q	Manitoba Open	11-8, 11-5, 11-2
Jake Hooker	W	Q	Manitoba Open	11-7, 11-4, 11-5

Tom Calvert #8

Matthew Karwalski	L	R1	Elanora Open	11-7, 3-11, 7-11, 11-8, 4-11 (51m)
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Alex Eustace #10

Ryunosuke Tsukue	L	R1	Elanora Open	3-11, 4-11, 8-11 (29m)
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OUR STARS



PSA Matches played during
March and **April** by our **Top 10** players

Rachael Grinham: Aussie #2

Nouran Gohar	L	R1	El Gouna International Open	5-11, 4-11, 8-11 (26m)
Julianne Courtice	W	Q	El Gouna International Open	11-3, 11-8, 11-4 (24m)
Haley Mendez	W	Q	El Gouna International Open	11-8, 11-5, 11-5 (24m)
Fiona Moverley	L	SF	Calgary Squash Week Open	10-12, 7-11, 9-11 (32m)
Danielle Letourneau	W	QF	Calgary Squash Week Open	11-8, 9-11, 9-11, 11-8, 11-8 (50m)
Menna Hamed	W	R1	Calgary Squash Week Open	11-7, 11-6, 11-6 (31m)

Christine Nunn #3

Hana Moataz	W	F	Malaysian Tour No6	11-5, 11-6, 6-11, 11-9 (41m)
Liu Tsz-Ling	W	SF	Malaysian Tour No6	11-8, 11-4, 11-8 (26m)
Satomi Watanabe	W	QF	Malaysian Tour No6	11-7, 11-3, 11-13, 11-8 (38m)
Noor Aina Ampandi	W	R1	Malaysian Tour No6	11-2, 11-5, 11-1 (24m)
Tamika Saxby	W	F	Sandgate Open	11-8, 9-11, 11-3, 11-7 (37m)
Jessica Turnbull	W	SF	Sandgate Open	9-11, 11-8, 11-5, 11-3 (35m)
Taylor Flavell	W	QF	Sandgate Open	11-6, 11-8, 11-6
Katie Davies	W	R1	Sandgate Open	11-2, 11-2, 11-4

Sarah Cardwell #4

Millie Tomlinson	L	SF	Sekisui Open	5-11, 8-11, 5-11 (34m)
Enora Villard	W	QF	Sekisui Open	11-7, 11-5, 11-6 (25m)
Tessa ter Sluis	W	R1	Sekisui Open	11-7, 9-11, 11-8, 11-4 (35m)
Nada Abbas	L	QF	Queen City Open	7-11, 7-11, 5-11 (31m)
Reyna Pacheco	W	R1	Queen City Open	11-3, 11-7, 11-5 (22m)

CONGRATULATIONS

Sandgate Open Champion
Malaysian Tour #6 Champion

CHRISTINE NUNN



OUR STARS



PSA Matches played during
March and **April** by our **Top 10** players

Tamika Saxby #5

Ineta Mackevica	L	QF	Malaysian Tour No6	9-11, 12-10, 7-11, 5-11 (45m)
Abbie Palmer	W	R1	Malaysian Tour No6	11-8, 11-8, 11-13, 11-9 (38m)
Christine Nunn	L	F	Sandgate Open	8-11, 11-9, 3-11, 7-11 (37m)
Abbie Palmer	W	SF	Sandgate Open	11-5, 4-11, 11-9, 8-11, 11-5 (44m)
Selena Shaikh	W	QF	Sandgate Open	11-7, 12-10, 11-2

Jessica Turnbull #6

Nikki Todd	L	R1	Queen City Open	4-11, 5-11, 4-11 (20m)
Liu Tsz-Ling	L	QF	Malaysian Tour No6	5-11, 5-11, 4-11 (24m)
Aika Azman	W	R1	Malaysian Tour No6	11-1, 11-5, 11-3 (20m)
Christine Nunn	L	SF	Sandgate Open	11-9, 8-11, 5-11, 3-11 (35m)
Lauren Aspinall	W	QF	Sandgate Open	11-3, 11-6, 11-5
Shehana Vithana	W	R1	Sandgate Open	11-1, 11-9, 11-5

Taylor Flavell #7

Christine Nunn	L	QF	Sandgate Open	6-11, 8-11, 6-11
Madison Lyon	W	R1	Sandgate Open	11-3, 11-0, 11-2

Lauren Aspinall #8

Jessica Turnbull	L	QF	Sandgate Open	3-11, 6-11, 5-11
Ariel Lyon	W	R1	Sandgate Open	11-6, 11-5, 11-6

Selena Shaikh #9

Tamika Saxby	L	QF	Sandgate Open	7-11, 10-12, 2-11
Anika Jackson	W	R1	Sandgate Open	14-12, 11-8, 7-11, 11-4

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PSA EVENTS



AWESOME NUNN DOUBLE

Just prior to the Commonwealth Games **Christine Nunn** won two PSA events.

Firstly she won the Sandgate Open before travelling to Malaysia to win the Malaysian Tour #6 tournament.

At the Sandgate Open (PSA W5) Nunn proved her 3-0 win in February's Australian Nationals against Tamika Saxby was full of merit. At the time the W#55 was too good for the W#57 winning the final in four.

With every tournament Nunn looks like she is getting back to the form that saw her reach a career high 36 in July 2016.

Seeded #7 in Malaysia (PSA W10) Nunn was on a mission! She beat the #3 seed in the Quarters before despatching the #1S 3-0 in the semi final in a brisk 26 minutes. In the final she beat the #6S Egyptian Hana Moataz in four in 41 minutes.



It was a great warm up for the Commonwealth Games where she had to play #1 Aussie Donna Urquhart. In that event Nunn bowed out in Round 3 but not before giving Urquhart an almighty scare. Nunn had a 2 game to 1 advantage but just couldn't put Urquhart away losing 11-6, 4-11, 11-7, 6-11, 5-11 in 59 minutes.

Well done **Christine Nunn**!

CG Practice Session

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PSA EVENTS



AWESOME NUNN DOUBLE

PSA W5 Sandgate

Final

[2] **Christine Nunn** (AUS) bt [1] Tamika Saxby (AUS) 11-8, 9-11, 11-3, 11-7 (37m)

Semi Finals

[1] Tamika Saxby (AUS) bt [4] Abbie Palmer (NZL) 11-5, 4-11, 11-9, 8-11, 11-5 (44m)

[2] **Christine Nunn** (AUS) bt [3] Jessica Turnbull (AUS) 9-11, 11-8, 11-5, 11-3 (35m)

Quarter Finals

[1] Tamika Saxby (AUS) bt [7] Selena Shaikh (AUS) 11-7, 12-10, 11-2

[4] Abbie Palmer (NZL) bt [8] Emma Millar (NZL) 11-9, 11-9, 6-11, 11-6

[3] Jessica Turnbull (AUS) bt [6] Lauren Aspinall (AUS) 11-3, 11-6, 11-5

[2] **Christine Nunn** (AUS) bt [5] Taylor Flavell (AUS) 11-6, 11-8, 11-6

Round 1

[1] Tamika Saxby (AUS) bye

[7] Selena Shaikh (AUS) bt Anika Jackson (NZL) 14-12, 11-8, 7-11, 11-4

[8] Emma Millar (NZL) bt Alexandra Haydon (AUS) 11-4, 11-8, 11-7

[4] Abbie Palmer (NZL) bt Challen Stowell (AUS) 11-5, 11-4, 11-5

[3] Jessica Turnbull (AUS) bt Shehana Vithana (AUS) 11-1, 11-9, 11-5

[6] Lauren Aspinall (AUS) bt Ariel Lyon (AUS) 11-6, 11-5, 11-6

[5] Taylor Flavell (AUS) bt Madison Lyon (AUS) 11-3, 11-0, 11-2

[2] **Christine Nunn** (AUS) bt Katie Davies (AUS) 11-2, 11-2, 11-4



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AWESOME NUNN DOUBLE

PSA W10 Malaysian Tour #6

Final

[7] **Christine Nunn** (AUS) bt [6] Hana Moataz (EGY) 11-5, 11-6, 6-11, 11-9 (41m)

Semi Finals

[7] **Christine Nunn** (AUS) bt [1] Liu Tsz-Ling (HKG) 11-8, 11-4, 11-8 (26m)

[6] Hana Moataz (EGY) bt Ineta Mackevica (LAT) 9-11, 7-11, 11-6, 12-10, 11-5 (46m)

Quarter Finals

[1] Liu Tsz-Ling (HKG) bt [8] Jessica Turnbull (AUS) 11-5, 11-5, 11-4 (24m)

[7] **Christine Nunn** (AUS) bt [3] Satomi Watanabe (JPN) 11-7, 11-3, 11-13, 11-8 (38m)

Ineta Mackevica (LAT) bt [5] Tamika Saxby (AUS) 11-9, 10-12, 11-7, 11-5 (45m)

[6] Hana Moataz (EGY) bt [2] Tong Tsz-Wing (HKG) 11-6, 11-6, 11-8 (28m)

Round 1

[1] Liu Tsz-Ling (HKG) bt [WC] Ooi Kah Yan (MAS) 11-3, 11-7, 11-6 (23m)

[8] Jessica Turnbull (AUS) bt Aika Azman (MAS) 11-1, 11-5, 11-3 (20m)

[7] **Christine Nunn** (AUS) bt [Q] Noor Aina Ampandi (MAS) 11-2, 11-5, 11-1 (24m)

[3] Satomi Watanabe (JPN) bt [Q] Wen Li Lai (MAS) 11-7, 11-4, 11-3 (25m)

Ineta Mackevica (LAT) bt [4] Rachel Arnold (MAS) 13-11, 7-11, 11-3, 4-11, 11-8 (49m)

[5] Tamika Saxby (AUS) bt Abbie Palmer (NZL) 11-8, 11-8, 11-13, 11-9 (38m)

[6] Hana Moataz (EGY) bt [Q] Noor Shadira (MAS) 11-1, 11-6, 11-3 (20m)

[2] Tong Tsz-Wing (HKG) bt [Q] Aira Azman (MAS) 11-7, 11-4, 11-5 (25m)





PSA EVENTS



ELANORA OPEN



There was no joy for our Aussie PSA players at the 2018 Pure Blonde Elanora Open held at Elanora Squash & Fitness in NSW.

#1 seed Rhys Dowling was beaten in five in the quarter finals by unseeded Ryunosuke Tsukue from Japan. The best of the Aussies was qualifier Matt Karwalski who reached the semi finals to only endure the same fate as Dowling losing to the "Man from Japan" in straight.

Five seeds crashed out of the main draw in Round 1! Of the nine Aussies, 6 exited the 2018 Open in Round 1!

Former World # 49 Matt Karwalski had a tough match up against #3S Tom Calvert in Round 1 surviving a five game battle to go on and reach the semi finals. Experience told in the end but the 51 minute match was enjoyed by the spectators.



PSA M5 Elanora Open

Final

[2] **Carlos Cornes** (ESP) bt Ryunosuke Tsukue (JPN) 11-4, 12-10, 11-5 (42m)

Semi Finals

Ryunosuke Tsukue (JPN) bt [Q] Matthew Karwalski (AUS) 11-7, 11-4, 11-9 (31m)

[2] **Carlos Cornes** (ESP) bt [4] Luke Jones (NZL) 11-3, 11-5, 11-4 (19m)

Quarter Finals

Ryunosuke Tsukue (JPN) bt [1] Rhys Dowling (AUS) 10-12, 5-11, 11-7, 11-6, 11-7 (52m)

[Q] Matthew Karwalski (AUS) bt Chang-Wook Woo (KOR) 11-5, 11-4, 4-11, 11-5 (27m)

[4] Luke Jones (NZL) bt [Q] Joong-Won Hwang (KOR) 11-8, 8-11, 5-11, 11-2, 11-6 (54m)

[2] **Carlos Cornes** (ESP) bt [Q] Aaron Frankcomb (AUS) 11-2, 11-2, 11-4 (29m)

Round 1

[1] Rhys Dowling (AUS) bt Courtney West (AUS) 11-4, 11-9, 12-10 (27m)

Ryunosuke Tsukue (JPN) bt [5] Alex Eustace (AUS) 11-3, 11-4, 11-8 (29m)

Chang-Wook Woo (KOR) bt [8] David Ilich (AUS) 3/2 (62m)

[Q] Matthew Karwalski (AUS) bt [3] Thomas Calvert (AUS) 7-11, 11-3, 11-7, 8-11, 11-4 (51m)

[4] Luke Jones (NZL) bt Jason Holmes (AUS) 11-9, 11-4, 11-6 (35m)

[Q] Joong-Won Hwang (KOR) bt [6] Joel Luca (AUS) 11-5, 11-7, 11-6 (32m)

[Q] Aaron Frankcomb (AUS) bt [7] Bryan Lim Tze Kang (MAS) 11-9, 15-13, 9-11, 11-5 (60m)

[2] **Carlos Cornes** (ESP) bt [Q] Harley Lam (HKG) 12-10, 11-3, 11-6 (34m)



PSA EVENTS



AST LEADERBOARD

Rex Hedrick and **Christine Nunn** maintain their lead on the Australian Squash Tour Leaderboard! There were only minimal movements in March and April. Results from the Sandgate Open (W5), Elanora Open (M5) and the Esperance Open (CS) have been added.

The AST aims to promote the domestic circuit of PSA events and reward participation and achievement.

Each year Squash Australia will provide a **BONUS PRIZE POOL** to be split up between the top 3 players based on the points they accumulate.

In 2017 Josh Larkin accumulated the most points followed by Rhys Dowling and Rex Hedrick. Tamika Saxby finished a clear winner in the women's tour ahead of Jessica Turnbull and Christine Nunn.

Only a player's Top 10 performances will count. In 2017, Rhys Dowling achieved more points but lost the tour to Larkin who recorded a higher total for his Top 10 performances.

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TOP 10 - LEADERBOARD

BONUS PRIZE POOL

Best 10		Total	Best 10		Total
1	Rex Hedrick VIC	1750		Christine Nunn VIC	2650
2	Josh Larkin NSW	1150		Tamika Saxby NSW	1750
3	Rhys Dowling NT	900		Jessica Turnbull QLD	1050
4	Eugene Heng NSW	700		Selena Shaikh VIC	900
5	Alex Eustace QLD	590		Shehana Vithana NSW	710
6	Courtney West QLD	590		Alex Hayden SA	590
7	Lachlan Coxsedg QLD	450		Lauren Aspinall SA	522
8	Shahzad Khan VIC	450		Courtney Mather QLD	482
9	Tom Calvert QLD	390		Lynette Vai VIC	450
10	Nick Calvert QLD	370		Taylor Flavell VIC	450

Please note: These points are unofficial.

SPLIT UP

Men's Winner	30%	Men's Winner	30%
Men's Runner Up	15%	Men's Runner Up	15%
Men's 3rd Place	5%	Men's 3rd Place	5%



JUNIOR RANKINGS



Australian Junior Squash Tour

TOP 5

Rankings as at 1/5/18

U11 Boys		U13 Boys		U15 Boys	
1	Eric Marsh WA	Daniel Marsh WA		Greg Chan WA	
2	Aiden Finlay-Mulligan SA	Ben Murray QLD		Oscar Curtis WA	
3	Michael Lawrence QLD	Aryan Madan SA		BJ MacDonald QLD	
4	Jonathan Groenewald WA	Tyrese Andrews-Tuhoro QLD		Eric Gray WA	
5	Jia Jay Sia QLD	Finlay Galt WA		Dylan Classen WA	

U17 Boys		U19 Boys	
1	Remi Young WA	Nick Calvert QLD	
2	Abel Jin WA	Eugene Heng NSW	
3	Sam Sergio NSW	Jack Hudson TAS	
4	Wes Dyer QLD	Jacob Ford NSW	
5	Dylan Molinaro VIC	Ben Ratcliffe VIC	

U11 Girls		U13 Girls		U15 Girls	
1	Joanne Joseph VIC	Courtney Scholtz VIC		Ella Burge QLD	
2	Tara Davies QLD	Madison Lyon QLD		Erin Classen WA	
3	Haylee Besant NSW	Janaanii Sukunesan VIC		Eishaanii Sukunesan VIC	
4	Amelie Guziak VIC	Maja Maziuk NSW		Amber Chen ACT	
5	Sienna Butcher NSW	Charlotte Stephenson QLD		Caitlin Pratt WA	

U17 Girls		U19 Girls	
1	Alex Haydon SA	Courtney Mather QLD	
2	Mackenzie Sleep QLD	Grace Pattison TAS	
3	Katie Davies QLD	Jessica Graham VIC	
4	Pascale Louka WA	Jessica Osborne NT	
5	Caitlin Purvis TAS	Hannah Smit ACT	





2018 CALENDAR



We are trialing putting the Calendar and all tournament posters in a separate publication and updating it each month. That way we can keep both publications at a reasonable size. To save any confusion we will aim to publish the **ASP Monthly** and the **ASP Calendar** at the same time.

