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**PSA Men's Final** The Flying Frenchman Enzo Corigliano

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### LARKIN CLAIMS SA OPEN

**Josh Larkin** claimed the 2018 South Australian Open with a strong 3-0 victory over Rhys Dowling in July.

Whilst the match was tight Dowling would have been feeling the effects of a tough semi final against Enzo Corigliano (France) which went for 62 minutes. That match up was extremely tight and required Dowling to fight back from 1-2 down.

Larkin got off to a slow start in his first round match against sentimental favourite Mike Corren but once he hit top gear it was all over for the "Moose"!

He then beat Alex Eustace to advance to the semi final where he eliminated qualifier Tomotaka Endo from Japan.



#### PSA M5 South Australian Open

#### Final

[1] Joshua Larkin (AUS) bt [2] Rhys Dowling (AUS) 11-8, 11-8, 11-9 (46m)

#### Semi Finals

[1] Joshua Larkin (AUS) bt [Q] Tomotaka Endo (JPN) 6-11, 11-5, 11-8, 11-5 (42m)

[2] Rhys Dowling (AUS) bt [5] Enzo Corigliano (FRA) 8-11, 11-8, 12-14, 12-10, 11-6 (62m)

#### **Quarter Finals**

[1] Joshua Larkin (AUS) bt Alex Eustace (AUS) 11-7, 12-14, 11-3, 11-3 (46m)

[Q] Tomotaka Endo (JPN) bt [7] Luke Jones (NZL) 16-14, 11-8, 3-11, 11-7 (39m)

[5] Enzo Corigliano (FRA) bt [4] Sean Conroy (IRL) 12-10, 8-11, 8-11, 11-6, 11-4 (56m)

[2] Rhys Dowling (AUS) bt [6] Thomas Calvert (AUS) 11-9, 11-6, 11-8 (35m)

#### Round 1

[1] Joshua Larkin (AUS) bt Mike Corren (AUS) 6-11, 11-2, 11-2, 11-3 (34m)

Alex Eustace (AUS) bt [8] Ignacio Gutierrez Keen (ARG) 14-12, 6-11, 11-7, 11-4 (46m)

[7] Luke Jones (NZL) bt Thomas King (CAN) 11-2, 11-7, 11-6 (25m)

[Q] Tomotaka Endo (JPN) bt [3] Joe Green (ENG) 10-12, 11-9, 8-11, 11-6, 11-7 (63m)

[4] Sean Conroy (IRL) bt [Q] Lachlan Coxsedge (AUS) 11-4, 11-5, 11-2 (21m)

[5] Enzo Corigliano (FRA) bt [Q] David Ilich (AUS) 11-5, 11-3, 11-5 (25m)

[6] Thomas Calvert (AUS) bt [WC] Nicholas Calvert (AUS) 11-7, 4-11, 11-6, 11-6 (55m)

[2] Rhys Dowling (AUS) bt [Q] Bryan Lim Tze Kang (MAS) 9-11, 12-10, 11-3, 11-8 (33m)





### **SAXBY FALLS AT LAST HURDLE**

Tamika Saxby hasn't had much luck in 2018. In fact, it has been a bit of a roller coaster. After winning every final she contested in 2017, Saxby has had to endure the heartache of finishing runner up on 3 occasions in 2018.

On the bright side she represented Australia at the Commonwealth Games and got married to her partner Andrew Hunt in April.

In the lead up to the final of the PSA W5 SA Open Saxby won all her matches in four. In the final against #1 seed Vanessa Chu Saxby lost a very close opening game 14-16 and never recovered losing the final two games 0-11, 3-11.

#### PSA W5 South Australian Open

Final

[1] Vanessa Chu (HKG) bt [2] Tamika Saxby (AUS) 16-14, 11-0, 11-3 (25m)

Semi Finals

[1] Vanessa Chu (HKG) bt [3] Sarah Cardwell (AUS) 7-11, 9-11, 11-6, 11-4, 11-4 (46m)

[2] Tamika Saxby (AUS) bt [7] Colette Sultana (MLT) 11-4, 9-11, 11-8, 11-7 (29m)

#### **Quarter Finals**

[1] Vanessa Chu (HKG) bt [5] Lauren Aspinall (AUS) 11-6, 11-4, 11-0 (15m)

- [3] Sarah Cardwell (AUS) bt [6] Selena Shaikh (AUS) 11-4, 11-7, 11-6 (21m)
- [7] Colette Sultana (MLT) bt [4] Taylor Flavell (AUS) 11-6, 8-11, 8-11, 11-9, 11-7 (41m)
- [2] Tamika Saxby (AUS) bt [Q] Zoe Petrovansky (AUS) 12-10, 12-10, 9-11, 11-3 (28m)

Round 1

- [1] Vanessa Chu (HKG) bt Jessica Osborne (AUS) 11-3, 11-7, 11-4 (15m)
- [5] Lauren Aspinall (AUS) bt [Q] Chloe Kalvø (NOR) 11-3, 11-4, 11-8 (15m)
- [6] Selena Shaikh (AUS) bt [Q] Casey Owen (NZL) 11-2, 7-11, 11-7, 14-12 (26m)
- [3] Sarah Cardwell (AUS) bt [Q] Trace Johnson (AUS) 11-2, 11-4, 11-3 (19m)
- [4] Taylor Flavell (AUS) bt [WC] Alexandra Haydon (AUS) 11-7, 5-11, 11-3, 11-7 (33m)
- [7] Colette Sultana (MLT) bt Challen Stowell (AUS) 11-8, 11-3, 11-1 (17m)
- [Q] Zoe Petrovansky (AUS) bt [8] Shehana Vithana (AUS) 11-3, 11-5, 11-4 (18m)
- [2] Tamika Saxby (AUS) bt Stephanie Wighton (AUS) 11-6, 11-8, 6-11, 11-8 (29m)







## NUNN WINS TITLE #6

**Christine Nunn** maintained her great form this year taking out the PSA W5 Bendigo International.

She beat Sarah Cardwell 3-0 in the final in 42 minutes. The first game was a close affair but Nunn just kept getting stronger and stronger against the #2 seed.

That was title #6 after winning the Australian Nationals in February, the Sandgate Open



and Malaysian Tour #6 in March, and finally, the NT Open and CourtTech Classic in May.

#### PSA W5 Bendigo International

#### Final

[1] Christine Nunn (AUS) bt [2] Sarah Cardwell (AUS) 14-12, 11-7, 11-6 (42m)

#### Semi Finals

[1] Christine Nunn (AUS) bt [3] Taylor Flavell (AUS) 11-2, 11-4, 11-2 (18m)

[2] Sarah Cardwell (AUS) bt [4] Selena Shaikh (AUS) 11-4, 11-5, 11-3 (19m)

#### **Quarter Finals**

[1] Christine Nunn (AUS) bt Zoe Petrovansky (AUS) 10-12, 11-2, 11-1, 11-6 (24m)

[3] Taylor Flavell (AUS) bt [8] Maria-Rose Kalafatis (AUS) 11-1, 11-3, 11-3 (13m)

[4] Selena Shaikh (AUS) bt [6] Shehana Vithana (AUS) 11-9, 11-2, 14-12 (22m)

[2] Sarah Cardwell (AUS) bt [5] Colette Sultana (MLT) 14-16, 11-3, 11-2, 11-6

#### Round 1

#### [1] Christine Nunn (AUS) bye

Zoe Petrovansky (AUS) bt [7] Trace Johnson (AUS) 11-4, 11-2, 11-4 (14m)

[8] Maria-Rose Kalafatis (AUS) bt Bethany Campbell (AUS) 11-4, 11-9, 11-5 (17m)

- [3] Taylor Flavell (AUS) bye
- [4] Selena Shaikh (AUS) bye
- [6] Shehana Vithana (AUS) bt Lynette Vai (PNG) 12-10, 11-3, 11-0 (15m)
- [5] Colette Sultana (MLT) bt Chloe Kalvø (NOR) 11-1, 11-2, 11-9 (12m)
- [2] Sarah Cardwell (AUS) bye

## **BENDIGO INTERNATIONAL**







### **EJTEMAI - BEST OF AUSSIES**

**Sam Ejtemai** was the best of the Australian players at the 2018 PSA W5 Bendigo International. He was the only Aussie to reach the semi finals. That was a great effort because Ejtemai had to qualify for the event!

In the first round Ejtemai beat another qualifier in four before facing his biggest challenge taking on SA Open semi finalist Tomotaka Endo (Japan) in the quarters.

This challenge was expected to be a tough test and that is exactly what it was. Ejtemai won the match after 50 gruelling minutes 7-11, 11-9, 11-7, 6-11, 11-9 to reach the semi final and earn the right to take on a Top 4 seed.

The semi was the ultimate test for the 21 year old and the crowd wasn't disappointed to witness yet another five setter and 40 minutes of quality squash.

This time #3 seed Enzo Corigliano (another SA Open semi finalist and world #154) ended the Aussie's dream run 11-7, 9-11, 11-1, 5-11, 11-1. Whilst slightly disappointing it was still a great run for the World #375 (June 2018).

#### **PSA M5 Bendigo International** Final [2] Sean Conroy (IRL) bt [3] Enzo Corigliano (FRA) 5-11, 11-9, 11-13, 11-8, 11-9 (59m) Semi Finals [3] Enzo Corigliano (FRA) bt [Q] Sam Ejtemai (AUS) 11-7, 9-11, 11-1, 5-11, 11-1 (40m) [2] Sean Conroy (IRL) bt Matthew Lai (HKG) 9-11, 11-9, 11-8, 11-3 (43m) **Quarter Finals** [Q] Sam Ejtemai (AUS) bt Tomotaka Endo (JPN) 7-11, 11-9, 11-7, 6-11, 11-9 (50m) [3] Enzo Corigliano (FRA) bt Alvin Heumann (USA) 13-11, 11-4, 11-3 (31m) Matthew Lai (HKG) bt [Q] In Woo Lee (KOR) 11-13, 11-9, 11-4, 12-10 (54m) [2] Sean Conroy (IRL) bt [Q] Young Hun Jo (KOR) 11-2, 11-6, 11-6 (22m) Round 1 Tomotaka Endo (JPN) bt [1] Joe Green (ENG) 5-11, 11-7, 11-4, 11-8 (43m) [Q] Sam Ejtemai (AUS) bt [Q] Seong Yeon Yoo (KOR) 14-12, 11-3, 8-11, 11-1 Alvin Heumann (USA) bt Harley Lam (HKG) 11-3, 11-6, 11-4 (26m) [3] Enzo Corigliano (FRA) bt Javed Ali (PAK) 10-12, 11-6, 13-11, 11-4 (37m) Matthew Lai (HKG) bt [4] Ignacio Gutierrez Keen (ARG) 11-2, 5-11, 9-3 ret. (20m) [Q] In Woo Lee (KOR) bt [7] Daniel Lomaglio (ARG) 11-5, 11-5, 11-4 (25m) [Q] Young Hun Jo (KOR) bt [Q] Corben White (AUS) 11-6, 11-9, 11-7 (38m) [2] Sean Conroy (IRL) bt [Q] Harshil Singh (AUS) 11-6, 11-2, 11-4 (18m)



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# **NO JOY FOR GRINHAM**



Unfortunately, #1 seed **Rachael Grinham** ran into a red hot Low Wee Wern in the final of the W10 Tasmanian Open losing in straight 6-11, 7-11, 10-12.

Low Wee Wern is rocketing up the rankings after a 20 month layoff with a knee injury which nearly ended her career. The former World #5 claimed her second title from 3 starts on her comeback mission which began on 5th July.

She finished runner up to [1] Sivasangari Subramaniam [9-11, 11-7, 11-9, 4-11, 11-7 (57m)] in the Malaysian Nationals before winning the W15 Malaysian Open on 22 July. In the MO semi final she faced Sivasangari Subramaniam again but the result was a very clinical 11-6, 11-8, 11-9 (33m) thrashing.

PSA EVENTS

As a qualifier at the Tassie Open Low Wee Wern faced #2 seed Satomi Watanabe in the first round winning in four. Watanabe lost the Malaysian Open final to Low Wee Wern 8-11, 7-11, 4-11 (30m).

#### PSA W10 Tasmanian Open

#### Final

[Q] Low Wee Wern (MAS) bt [1] Rachael Grinham (AUS) 11-6, 11-7, 12-10 (33m)

#### Semi Finals

[Q] Low Wee Wern (MAS) bt [8] Hana Ramadan (EGY) 8-11, 11-4, 11-5, 11-8 (46m)
[1] Rachael Grinham (AUS) bt [6] Abbie Palmer (NZL) 11-3, 11-6, 11-7 (19m)

#### **Quarter Finals**

- [Q] Low Wee Wern (MAS) bt [7] Lai Wen Li (MAS) 12-10, 11-7, 11-6 (24m)
- [8] Hana Ramadan (EGY) bt [4] Lee Ka Yi (HKG) 11-4, 7-11, 11-6, 11-8 (34m)
- [6] Abbie Palmer (NZL) bt [3] Tamika Saxby (AUS) 11-5, 11-0, 11-1 (15m)
- [1] Rachael Grinham (AUS) bt [5] Jessica Turnbull (AUS) 11-5, 11-5, 11-8 (23m)

#### Round 1

- [Q] Low Wee Wern (MAS) bt [2] Satomi Watanabe (JPN) 11-6, 11-9, 7-11, 11-7 (40m)
- [7] Lai Wen Li (MAS) bt Taylor Flavell (AUS) 9-11, 11-8, 11-8, 11-5 (38m)
- [8] Hana Ramadan (EGY) bt Aika Azman (MAS) 11-6, 11-6, 11-1 (17m)
- [4] Lee Ka Yi (HKG) bt [Q] Shehana Vithana (AUS) 11-7, 11-2, 11-1 (18m)
- [3] Tamika Saxby (AUS) bt [Q] Maggy Marshall (AUS) 11-4, 11-7, 11-7 (17m)
- [6] Abbie Palmer (NZL) bt [WC] Grace Pattison (AUS) 11-2, 11-2, 11-1 (12m)
- [5] Jessica Turnbull (AUS) bt Nadia Pfister (SUI) 11-5, 5-11, 11-5, 14-12 (30m)
- [1] Rachael Grinham (AUS) bt [Q] Colette Sultana (MLT) 11-4, 11-4, 7-11, 11-4 (26m)