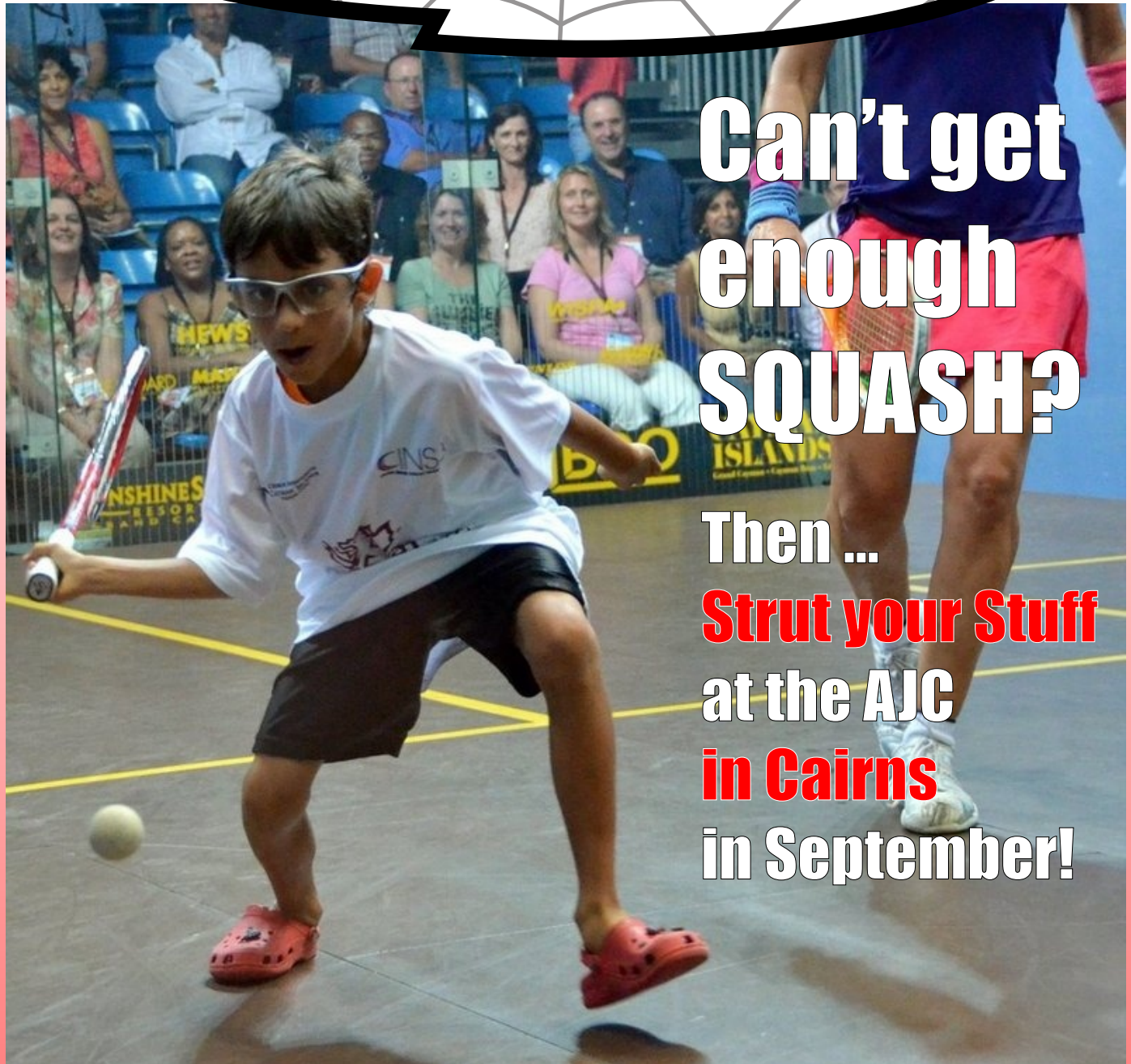


# **REDBACKS**

## **SQUASH**

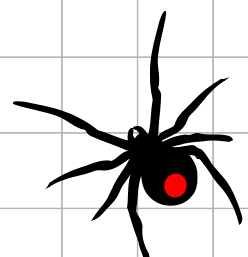


**Can't get  
enough  
SQUASH?**

**Then ...  
Strut your Stuff  
at the AJC  
in Cairns  
in September!**

**INSIDE  
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Mackay Super League  
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# HELLO & WELCOME

Well its that time of the year again. The Queensland Junior Championships (QJC) are fast approaching.

NR have completed their qualifiers for 2015 and the team has been announced. Congratulations to all players on your selection.

So its now down to business to get the team to Brisbane in June. Its always a fun trip with 40 something kids and officials! I certainly miss those trips and what is generally an awesome tournament.

Some kids know what to expect but others will be a little nervous. Remember to try your best and enjoy the experience. You will meet new rivals and make some wonderful new friendships.

If you do have a loss or two try not to get too upset ... focus on learning from the experience. Watch your rivals and work out their strengths and weaknesses. The more you analyse the stronger you will become.

Good luck!!!



Well before you know it, Cairns will be hosting the 2015 Australian Junior Championships (AJC) in September.

I encourage every junior in Queensland to make every possible effort to attend this great event whilst it is in your State.

It doesn't matter how good you are. It is about participating and competing at the highest level. It is about extending yourself and striving for a National ranking. You might just surprise yourself!

The event is closed to Australian residents. Watch out for this logo >>



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## WORLD RANKINGS

1 June 2015

TM: This Month - HWR: Highest World Ranking



NR MEN:	TM:	HWR:
Steve Finitis	58	45



NR WOMEN:	TM:	HWR:
Lisa Camilleri	73	28





# MACKAY SUPER LEAGUE

## CHAMPIONS

**BACK L to R** - Leon Cuzzilla, Jack Matthews **FRONT** - Karen Cumming, David Drake, Chris Harris, Darryn Dyer



**BACK L to R** - Grant Polley, Graham Wessling, John Cumming, Gareth Stewart **FRONT** - Addison Beckmann

## ◀ RUNNERS UP



**Thank You:**  
Andrew Ollett

### Jaguars 3-12 def Lions 3-10

Darryn Dyer lost to Grant Polley 0-3: 15/18, 11/15, 3/15

Chris Harris def Graham Wessling 3-1: 10/15, 15/13, 15/13, 15/11

Leon Cuzzilla lost to Zac Thomson 1-3: 9/15, 15/13, 13/15, 8/15

Karen Cumming def John Cumming 3-0: 15/8, 15/12, 20/17

David Drake lost to Gareth Stewart 2-3: 15/18, 15/8, 11/15, 15/11, 10/15

Jack Matthews def Addison Beckmann 3-0: 15/10, 15/9, 15/9



# 2015 **NR** Junior Qualifier #4

Mackay Squash Club hosted the 4th NR Qualifier for 2015 on the 21-22 March.

With 48 entries across 10 events the tournament provided some wonderful competition.

**Thank you** to all the participants and volunteers who made the 2015 Qualifier such a great success.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Under 9 Winner **Kayce Hoani Vincent** Runner Up Sarah Brazier Plate Olivia McDermott  
Under 11 Winner **Kiara Stubley** Runner Up Payton Douglas Plate Taylor Connor  
Under 13 Winner **Hayley Hankinson** Runner Up Gemma Brownsey Plate Kiara Stubley  
Under 15 Winner **Tia McLennan** Runner Up Hayley Hankinson Plate Dani Hankinson  
Under 17 Winner **Abbey Butcher** Runner Up Summer Palmer Plate Jess Green  
Under 19 Winner **Ozanna Beckmann**



### BEST & FAIREST AWARDS

*Alice Climpson*

*&*

*Tom Fox*

As voted on by the parents  
and coaches at each of the  
qualifying tournaments.

Under 9 No event  
Under 11 Winner **Gavin Palmer**  
Under 13 Winner **BJ MacDonald** Runner Up Jordan DiBella Plate Matt Brazier  
Under 15 Winner **Wes Dyer** Runner Up Brad Martin Plate Kyle Hoani Vincent  
Under 17 Winner **Brody DiBella** Runner Up Brad Martin Plate Zac Houston  
Under 19 Winner **Lucas Nielsen** Runner Up Brody DiBella Plate Zac Thomson  
Under 21 Winner **Lucas Nielsen** Runner Up Adrien Crook Plate Zac Thomson



# JUNIOR RANKINGS

**CONGRATULATIONS** to all the juniors who are featured on this page. Page 5 is dedicated to the Top 5 NR ranked players in each age group. These rankings were updated following the 2015 **Compulsory** qualifier in Mackay.



## UNDER 9 BOYS NORTHERN REGION

- 1 Jack Butcher
- 2 Jackson Korte

## UNDER 11 BOYS NORTHERN REGION

- 1 Lachlan Erba
- 2 Evan Girgenti
- 3 Ethan Van Kerkwyk
- 4 Gavin Palmer

## UNDER 13 BOYS NORTHERN REGION

- 1 Brendan MacDonald
- 2 Jordan DiBella
- 3 Matthew Brazier
- 4 Alex Fox
- 5 Ben Russell

## UNDER 9 GIRLS NORTHERN REGION

- 1 Ally Rhodes
- 2 Kyana Van Kerkwyk
- 3 Kayce Hoani-Vincent
- 4 Sarah Brazier
- 5 Olivia McDermott

## UNDER 11 GIRLS NORTHERN REGION

- 1 Kate Butcher
- 2 Kiara Stubley
- 3 Mackenzie Rhodes
- 4 Payton Douglas

## UNDER 13 GIRLS NORTHERN REGION

- 1 Hayley Hankinson
- 2 Gemma Brownsey
- 3 Grace Brownsey
- 4 Charlotte Erba
- 5 Hannah Atherton



## UNDER 15 BOYS NORTHERN REGION

- 1 Wesley Dyer
- 2 Bradley Martin
- 3 Jake Webb
- 4 Kurtis Solari
- 5 Kyle Hoani-Vincent

## UNDER 17 BOYS NORTHERN REGION

- 1 Michael Hains
- 2 Sean Motti
- 3 Brody DiBella
- 4 Justin DiBella
- 5 Ben Hobbs

## UNDER 19 BOYS NORTHERN REGION

- 1 Ivan Jensen
- 2 Lucas Nielsen
- 3 Callan Menzies
- 4 Zac Thomson
- 5 Max Dunsmore

## UNDER 15 GIRLS NORTHERN REGION

- 1 Tia McLennan
- 2 Danielle Hankinson
- 3 Bianca VanVuren
- 4 Kaci Newman
- 5 Chloe Thompson

## UNDER 17 GIRLS NORTHERN REGION

- 1 Jessica Green
- 2 Abbey Butcher
- 3 Summer Palmer
- 4 Courtney Nipperess
- 5 Caitlin Purcell

## UNDER 19 GIRLS NORTHERN REGION

- 1 Ozanna Beckmann





# 2015 NR Junior Qualifier #4

For the 2015 Northern Region Compulsory all cyclones, rain depressions or other forms of inclement weather stayed away!

The weather gods were finally on our side with clear, cool days and low humidity, making playing conditions the best of all of the 2015 Qualifiers.

Although nominations were slightly down on previous years, the quality of the games was still high with all players competing at their very best.

**Kiara Stubleby** from Cairns continues to improve, winning her age division and gaining a position in the Redbacks Team.

**Sean Julius-Wright** is another new face from Cairns who, although only playing for a short period of time, will be another new player to watch.

Hopefully, Cairns and the far north junior numbers will be able to continue to grow in the coming years.

**Brody DiBella's** tactic of accidentally hitting **Callan Menzies** across the nose seemed to work for him, with Callan unable to get back into the match and losing in 3.

Callan was able to regain his composure later in the day, winning the rest of his matches for the tournament.

Brody went onto meet **Lucas Nielsen** in the final of the U19, playing an excellent game but unfortunately, wasn't strong enough to beat Lucas, losing in 3.

Lucas had a successful weekend, also taking out the U21 title by defeating **Adrien Crook** 3-1 in a fast and tactical game.

**Summer Palmer** had a successful tournament defeating both **Jess Green** and **Ozanna Beckman** in two nail-biter matches.

Her composure throughout these games gave her the winning edge guaranteeing some exciting rematches the next time they meet.

**Brad Martin** continues to improve (and get taller), defeating **Sam Thompson** in a closely contested 5 setter late Saturday afternoon. Both players gave it their all, but unfortunately only one winner is allowed.

Congratulations to **Tom Fox** and **Alice Climpson** who were awarded Best & Fairest for 2015.

Both of these players were worthy recipients and deserve the recognition of their behaviour both off and on the courts.



Congratulations to all the successful members of the Team and welcome to the new players who will be travelling for the first time.

◀ **Captains for 2015 are Ozanna Beckman and Callan Menzies.**

With the QJC only weeks away, the training and hard work begin in earnest to ensure a successful outcome in both the Individual and Team events.

Last, but not least, a big **thank you** to all of the parents who willingly give up their time to travel to training and tournaments, to fundraising events and to continue to support their children at all levels. Success would not be possible without this ongoing support.

# 2015 **NR** Junior Qualifier #4



Kiara Stublely U11



Hayley Hankinson U13



Ozanna Beckmann U19

Kayce Hoani Vincent U13



Tia McLennan U15



Abbey Butcher U17



# 2015 **NR** Junior Qualifier #4

BJ MacDonald U13



Brody DiBella U17



Gavin Palmer U11



Wes Dyer U15



Lucas Nielsen U19







# 2015 **REDBACKS** TEAM



## GIRLS:

**Kiara Stubley** CAIRNS  
**Payton Douglas** MACKAY  
**Kayce Hoani Vincent** MACKAY  
**Sarah Brazier** MACKAY

## BOYS:

**To Be Advised**



## GIRLS:

**Hayley Hankinson** MACKAY  
**Gemma Brownsey** MACKAY  
**Grace Brownsey** MACKAY

## BOYS:

**BJ MacDonald** MACKAY  
**Jordan DiBella** INGHAM  
**Matt Brazier** MACKAY  
**Alex Fox** TOWNSVILLE



## GIRLS:

**Tia McLennan** MACKAY  
**Danielle Hankinson** MACKAY  
**Kaci Newman** INGHAM  
**Chloe Thompson** MACKAY

## BOYS:

**Wes Dyer** MACKAY  
**Bradley Martin** TOWNSVILLE  
**Jake Webb** MACKAY  
**Kyle Hoani Vincent** MACKAY



# 2015 **REDBACKS** TEAM



## GIRLS:

**Abbey Butcher** INGHAM

**Jess Green** MACKAY

**Summer Palmer** MACKAY

## BOYS:

**Sean Motti** INGHAM

**Brody DiBella** INGHAM

**Sam Thomson** MACKAY

**Michael Sutherland** MACKAY



## GIRLS:

**Ozanna Beckmann** MACKAY

**Caitlin Purcell** MACKAY

**Alice Climpson** MACKAY

## BOYS:

**Lucas Nielsen** MACKAY

**Callan Menzies** INGHAM

**Zac Thomson** MACKAY

**Tom Fox** TOWNSVILLE

## 2015 NORTHERN REGION OFFICIALS

**Kay Barclay** SELECTOR / COACH

**Alec MacDonald** COACH

**Janelle Fox** COACH

**Jayden Wadd** COACH

**Gillian Nielsen** COACH / MANAGER





# Cairns Closed Champs



Cairns Squash held a combined event earlier this month which featured the club's own closed championship tournament in conjunction with a Junior Bronze Open.

The combined event was held over two days and was a great success. A total of 72 players competed with players coming from as far south as Mackay to be involved in the Junior Bronze.

Among those juniors that made the journey North were Jack, Kate and Abbey Butcher, Brendan (BJ) MacDonald, Tia McLennan and Frank Bruschi.

Two of the juniors, BJ and Abbey also got the opportunity to play in Division 3 of the club championship which really showcased to the local Cairns Juniors how good they could become with time.

Unfortunately, the pair faced off in the semi finals leaving BJ to play in the finals against Wade Jorgensen whom he defeated 3-0.

Division 1 of the Junior Bronze was won by BJ McDonald from Abbey Butcher of Ingham. Division 2 was won by local Cairns player Kiara Stubley from her Club mate Josh Porter.

Little Butcher boy Jack from Ingham showed that he's going to be a force to be reckoned with taking out Division 2 of the Local Junior Section. Jack beat 7 other local juniors to take out the prize.

The Cairns Club Championship was won in a torrid 5 setter by Marc Forster. He defeated PNG No 1 and Cairns based player Jnr Madako Suari. Jnr will play for Gold at the Pacific Championships to be held next month in Port Moresby.

All in all it was a fun weekend and one which our Cairns Squash players want more of. Having players come from out of town created a great vibe amongst club members.

**Back row (L to R):**

Caitlyn Porter, Abbey Butcher, Tia McLennan, Robert Derby, Sean Julius-Wright

**Middle row:**

Josh Porter, Jack Butcher, Kiara Stubley,

**Front row:**

Kate Butcher, Brendan "BJ" MacDonald



# Cairns Closed Champs



**CAIRNS  
SQUASH**

## Div 1

1 Marc Forster  
2 Madako Suari  
C-1 Zac Forster

## Div 2

1 Jeff Down  
2 Gong Kaewsongsai  
C-1 Gida Varina

## Div 3

1 Brendan McDonald (Mackay)  
2 Wade Jorgensen  
C-1 Troy Holley

## Div 4

1 Shaun McGoldrick  
2 Geyam Derby  
C-1 Sandy Rigby

## Junior Bronze Div 1

1 Brendan McDonald (Mackay)  
2 Abbey Butcher (Ingham)

## Junior Bronze Div 2

1 Kiara Stubley  
2 Josh Porter

## Closed Juniors Div 1

1 Sean Julius-Wright  
2 Robert Derby

## Closed Juniors Div 21

1 Jack Butcher (Ingham)  
2 Ebony Cramp







# MY **AJC** EXPERIENCE



Well finally the AJC is back in Queensland. This great event rotates between all the States and Territories. Queensland last hosted the AJC back in 2007.

If you start young you could actually visit every State/Territory during your junior squash years!

I was fortunate to have been involved with 12 AJC's from 1999 to 2010. I loved every one of them and I'm confident you would too.

The Championships run for 8 days during the school holidays in September/October. The first 4 days are dedicated to the individual championships from U11 to U19. On the night of the 4th day the players celebrate the new champions at a presentation function.

Players who have been selected to represent their State/Territory then enjoy a day off to take in the sights or rest up in preparation for the Australian Teams Championship for U13 to U19 over the next 3 days.

In my opinion, the Teams Championship is the ultimate event on the National junior squash calendar.

Representing the **Queensland Sharks** should be your ultimate aim. The Sharks have won the last 11 Team Championships!

Some parents don't think their child is up to the standard of a National Championship. If there isn't a chance of their child winning they find it difficult to justify the expense.

If this is the situation I can only encourage parents to have a rethink. Participation at the AJC is something to aspire to and representing your State/Territory is the ultimate regardless of your standard.

Participation is so important and contributes significantly to a child's growth in terms of squash development and confidence.

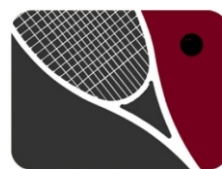
I have seen so many kids get a taste of what the Nationals are all about and return every year to challenge themselves whether they are the best or not.

Some return home and train the house down before returning the next year to see how their squash has improved over the last 12 months.

Sure it costs money to attend and I appreciate some families do struggle but if you plan ahead it is surprising just how well you can do.

Attending an AJC is a life experience. You learn to travel, take in the sights and experiences of a place you may have never been to, meet new people and enjoy playing some competitive squash. You grow.

All in all I'm confident you would have a fantastic time. So I urge you, especially if you live in Queensland, to attend this year's AJC in Cairns. Cairns has so much to offer and it could even be turned into your family holiday!



**CAIRNS  
SQUASH**



# REDSTAR AWARDS



**T**wo NR players will be selected each month to receive either the **REDSTAR** Excellence Award or the **REDSTAR** Encouragement Award. To qualify for the excellence award a player must finish on the podium. To qualify for the encouragement award a player needs to show a level of improvement or a performance that pushes their opponent all the way.

## REDSTAR Excellence => BJ MacDonald



**BJ MacDonald** is this month's **Redstar** Award winner for Excellence.

The young champ from Mackay performed extremely well during May winning the U13 Boys at the Compulsory Qualifier in Mackay before traveling up to Cairns to win another two titles.

BJ won the Division 3 event at the Cairns Closed Championships and the Junior Bronze event.

BJ dominates his age group in NR and is looking forward to competing at the QJC in June where he should reach the final of the U13 Boys.

## REDSTAR Encouragement => Jack Butcher



Not to be upstaged by his older sisters Ingham's **Jack Butcher** decided it was time to start collecting his own set of squash trophies when he took out the Junior Novice event at the Cairns Closed.

The young Cowboys fan obviously loves his "footy" but let's hope he sticks with squash in the future.

Young Jack beat 7 other locals to win Division 2!

To acknowledge a great effort Jack has been chosen as this month's **Redstar** Encouragement Award winner.

**CONGRATULATIONS**



# SQUASH NOTICEBOARD



## Q SQUASH NORTHERN REGION

### 2015 Tournament Calendar

#### 2014 COMMITTEE:

**President:** Alec MacDonald  
**VP:** Jayden Wadd  
**Secretary:** Kay Barclay  
**Treasurer:** Rachel McDermott

**28 JUN - 5 JUL** QJC in Brisbane - Aspley  
**26 SEP - 4 OCT** AJC in Cairns  
**17-18 OCT** NR Qualifier #1 in Ingham  
**29 OCT - 1 NOV** Mackay Open PSA WSA

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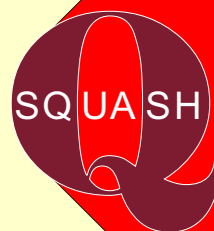


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