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## 73rd National Squash Championship

At Otters Club, Mumbai: 17th July 2016 Dipika Pallikal, Saurav Ghosal clinch National squash titles



Women: Dipika Pallikal Karthik beat Joshna Chinappa 4-11,

Mens 0-40: Manish Chotrani [1] bt Dalip Tripathi [2] 11-

Dipika Pallikal dethroned defending champion Joshna Chinappa to regain the women's title in the 73rd Senior National Squash Championship here at Otters Club, Mumbai.

The men's crown was captured by title holder and top seed Saurav Ghosal, who created history by winning it for the 11th time, defeating fourth seed Harinderpal Singh Sandhu in five hard-fought games.

Ghosal beat Sandhu 11-7, 7-11, 3-11, 11-8, 14-12 after an 88minute battle to go past RK Narpat Singh's feat of 10 titles, won from 1946 to 1955.

"We have played five national finals. We played well right through. There was very little to separate us. It's hardest to play Harinder

Pal. It was one of the most enjoyable and high quality matches I have played," said Ghosal after his triumph. It was also his second successive five-game match after having got past third seed Vikram Malhotra in the semi-finals. World no. 19 Dipika, who was playing in the nationals after a five-year gap when she won in 2011, made it to the tops once again by beating arch-rival Joshna 4-11, 11-6, 11-2, 11-8 in 43 minutes.

#### FINAL RESULTS

Men: Saurav Ghosal beat Harinder Pal Singh Sandhu 11-7, 7- Mens 0-45: Anil Bhagat [3/4] bt Darius Surti [3/4] 11-7 11-4 11-8

> Mens 0-50: Lalit Advani [5/8] bt Kavi Seth [3/4] 2-11 11-8 11-6 6-11 11-9

> Mens 0-55: Viney Singh bt Oneill Michail Pramanik [3/4] 11-

Mens 0-35: Aditya Maheshwari bt Amitpal Kohli [2] 11-7 4- 1 11-9 11-3 Mens 0-60: Rajiv Reddy [1] bt Lalit Kumar Agnihotri [2] 11-

5 2-11 11-8 11-7

Professional Coach: Paramit Singh [3/4] bt Deepak Mishra [2] 7-11 11-7 11-13 11-9 11-6

## Pioneer Junior Cup 2016

At ACR Cologne, Cologne, Germany: 11th July 2016

India's Yash Fadte fell at the final hurdle but still did himself proud by finishing runner-up in the boys U-15 category in the Pioneer Cup 2016. He was the only Indian player this year to reach this high. In the final, Fadte went down fighting to the English player Jared Carter in five games after leading 2-1 at one stage. Carter won 12-10, 6-11, 9-11,11-7, 14-12.

#### Bov's Under-15:

11, 3-11, 11-8, 14-12.

11-6, 11-2, 11-8

11 16-14 12-10

5 12-14 11-7 11-7

Finals: Jared Carter (Eng.) beat Yash Fadte 12-10, 6-11, 9-11,11-7,14-12

#### **Semi-Finals:**

Yash Fadte beat Ashraf Abdelnaby (Egypt) 11-5, 11-1, 11-3

## **Quarter Finals:**

Yash Fadte beat Miguel Mathis (Swz) 11-6, 11-5, 11-3

2nd Round: Yash Fadte beat Adam Jirousek (Cze) 11-2 11-3, 11-4 1st Round: Yash Fadte beat Andre Igelbrink (Germany) 11-6, 12-

10.11-6

#### **Results of other Indians:** Boys U-19, 3rd Round:

Dimitri Steinmann (SUI) bt Abhay Singh (IND) 9-11,11-8,11-2,11-3 Rutwa Samant lost to Nathan Masset of Belguim in 3rd round: 9-11,6-11, 3-11

#### Girls: U-17: 1st round:

Koel Shankar lost to Eve Coxon (Eng) 8-11, 2-11, 2-11



## NSCI Indian Classic Junior Open

At NSCI Club, Mumbai: 24/7/2016

Ka Wing Ho, Aryaman, Tin Yan, Yash Fadte are the winners



Maharashtra's Aryaman Adik staved off a determined fight-back from Delhi's Yash Bhargava to record a 3-2 win in the boys' under-19 final of the NSCI Indian Classic Junior Open Squash Championship. Hong Kong girls Ka Wing Ho and Tin Yan Lau completed a satisfying outing to Mumbai, by claiming the top honours in the under-19 and under-15 events respectively. In the under-19 final, the number one seed Ka Wing dropped the second game en route to defeating Goa's second seed Akanksha Salunkhe 11-9, 7-11, 11-6, 11-8 in a little over 31 minutes.

#### FINAL RESULTS

Boys U-11: Yuvraj Wadhwani(Mah) bt Vivaan Shah (Mah) 11-8,11-6,11-7 Boys U-15: Yash Fadte (Goa) bt Advait Adik (Mah) 11-6, 11-7, 11-4.

Boys U-13: Aakash Gupta (Mah) bt Shreyas Mehta (Mah) 11-8, 8-11, 11-5, 3-11, 11-9.

Boys U-17: Tushar Shahani (Mah) bt Arman Jindal (Mah) 11-6, 11-6, 6-

Boys U-19: Boys: Aryaman Adik (Maha) bt Yash Bhargava (Del) 11-5, 11-6, 9-11, 6-11, 11-4.

Girls U-11: Kaavya Bansal (Mah) bt Advita Sharma (Mah) 11-9, 9-11, 11-1,

Girls U-13: Aishwarya Khubchandani (Mah) bt Diksha Aurobindo (TN) 11-5, 11-5. 11-6.

Girls U-15: Tin Yan Lau (HK) bt Sin Yuk Chan (HK) 11-3, 7-11, 13-11,11-9 Girls U-17: Ashita Pranaya Bhengra (TN) bt Nikita Joshi (Mah) 11-13, 13-11, 11-5. 11-8.

Girls U-19: Ka Wing Ho (HK) bt Akanksha Salunkhe (Goa) 11-9, 7-11, 11-6, 11-8.

## Interested in pursuing the U.S. College squash route?

Stay tuned to the next 5 issues of Squash Vacations, where we will guide you through the 5 steps required to tackle the U.S. college squash recruitment process (which is vastly different from applying through the standard academic route). College squash is an experience that will last a lifetime, so explore your options, and remember to Dream Big.

#### Step 1: Decide if U.S. college squash is the route you want to pursue

College squash is a big commitment, and a junior squasher must understand if this is the path they want to take to gain admission to a U.S. university. This article digs into the differences between the regular academic and squash application process, the benefits of college squash, and the importance of starting early in the college squash recruitment process.

#### Step 2: How to kick start the recruitment process

This article will give you an outline and tips on how to tackle the college squash recruitment process. We walk you through a checklist - create marketing materials, identify universities, initiate contact with college coaches etc.

#### Step 3: Building relationships with college coaches

It takes years to build a strong relationship with a college coach, and

recruit needs to learn how to impress upon a coach their squash skills and interest in the coach's team. This article discusses how to manage college coach relationships, and how to increase the visibility of a recruit's profile to attract and maintain the attention of college coaches.

#### Step 4: Don't forget about academics

While squash is the main focus of this discussion, academics is equally important, after all, the "Student" comes first in "Student-Athlete". We tackle the questions of SAT vs. ACT, when to take them, how to prepare for them, as well as the importance of being academically eligible for college sauash.

#### Step 5: Negotiations and commitments; sealing the deal

The final stretch – recruits and coaches both breathe a sigh of relief when the National Letter of Intent is issued and signed. The negotiation process as always tense, and this article will tell you what to expect before and after you seal the deal, and ensure that you are well on your way to begin your once-in-a-lifetime college squash journey!

To know more about US college recruiting, please contact Rishi Jalan at rishi.jalan@addedsport.com



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# Men's/ Women's Bendigo International, Australia: 31 July 2016

RESULTS



#### Final:

[1] Evan Williams (NZL) bt [4] Dimitri Steinmann (SUI) 11-7, 11-7, 1-11, 2-11, 11-5

#### **Semi-finals:**

[1] Evan Williams (NZL) bt Vincent Droesbeke (FRA) 9-11, 11-7, 3-11, 11-8, 11-3 (46m)

[4] Dimitri Steinmann (SUI) bt [2] Elvinn Keo (MAS) 11-2, 11-5, 6-11, 11-9

#### **Quarter-finals:**

[1] Evan Williams (NZL) bt [8] Mithran Selvaratnam (MAS) 11-7, 11-6, 3-11, 11-5

Vincent Droesbeke (FRA) bt Sandeep Ramachandran (IND) 11-7, 11-6, 11-5 [4] Dimitri Steinmann (SUI) bt Mohamed Saeed (EGY) 11-9, 11-6, 12-10 [2] Elvinn Keo (MAS) bt [6] Patrick Miescher (SUI) 11-8, 11-7, 11-9

#### 2nd round:

Sandeep Ramachandran (IND) bt [3] Ben Grindrod (NZL) 13-11, 13-15, 11-9, 11-9 (50m)

#### 1st round:

Sandeep Ramachandran (IND) bt Nathan

Lindner (AUS) 11-6, 11-7, 11-6

[3] Ben Grindrod (NZL) bye

#### Women's Final:

[6] Hana Ramadan (EGY) bt [5] Jessica Turnbull (AUS) 11-6, 11-4, 9-11, 11-9

#### **Semi-finals:**

- [6] Hana Ramadan (EGY) bt [3] Nouran El Torky (EGY) 9-11, 12-14, 11-9, 13-11, 11-8
- [5] Jessica Turnbull (AUS) bt [7] Yura Choi (KOR) 11-5, 11-4, 11-8

#### **Quarter-finals:**

- [6] Hana Ramadan (EGY) bt [1] Millie Tomlinson (ENG) 11-8, 11-8, 5-11 14-12
- [3] Nouran El Torky (EGY) bt [8] Stephanie Wighton (AUS) 11-8, 11-7, 11-1
- [5] Jessica Turnbull (AUS) bt [4] Sachika Ingale (IND) 11-7, 11-9, 11-3
- [7] Yura Choi (KOR) bt [2] Siyoli Waters (RSA) 7-11, 11-8, 11-9,

#### 1st round:

[4] Sachika Ingale (IND) bt Selena Shaikh (AUS) 8-11, 11-5, 11-5, 11-2



# Tasmanian Open, Australia: 10th July 2016

Playing two PSA matches on the same day took a toll on the relatively inexperienced 19-year-old rising squash ace Sandeep Ramachandran. The young Indian bowed out of the \$5,000 Tasmanian Open in Devonport, Australia in the semi-finals but not before asserting himself.

RESULTS

#### Final:

[1] Zac Alexander (AUS) bt [3] Ko Youngjo (KOR) 11-8, 11-1, 11-4

#### **Semi-finals:**

[1] Zac Alexander (AUS) bt [4] Thomas Calvert (AUS) 11-4, 11-5, 11-6 [3] Ko Youngjo (KOR) bt [Q] Sandeep Ramachandran (IND) 11-6, 11-7, 10-12, 12-10

#### **Quarter-finals:**

[1] Zac Alexander (AUS) bt [Q] Darcy Evans (AUS) 11-5, 11-5, 11-3

- [4] Thomas Calvert (AUS) bt Chang Wook Woo (KOR) 13-11, 6-11, 9-11, 11-7, 11-4
- [3] Ko Youngjo (KOR) bt [6] Elliot Selby (ENG) 12-10, 11-4, 11-8
- [Q] Sandeep Ramachandran (IND) bt [2] Rhys Dowling (AUS) 9-11, 11-5, 11-4, 7-11, 11-8

#### 1st round:

[Q] Sandeep Ramachandran (IND) bt [8] Joel Luca (AUS) 12-10, 12-10, 11-7

### **Qualifying finals:**

Sandeep Ramachandran (IND) bt Matthew McConnell (AUS) 11-9, 11-7, 11-4

#### 1st qualifying round:

Sandeep Ramachandran (IND) bt Jack Hudson (AUS) 11-3, 11-7, 11-2

# South Australian Open, Adelaide: 16th July 2016

RESULTS

#### Final:

[Q] Vincent Droesbeke (FRA) bt [2] Ko Youngjo (KOR) 9-11, 11-6, 10-12, 11-2, 11-4

#### **Semi-finals:**

[Q] Vincent Droesbeke (FRA) bt [1] Rhys Dowling (AUS) 11-3, 11-9, 11-1 [2] Ko Youngjo (KOR) bt [7] Mike Corren (AUS) 11-5, 13-11, 11-7

#### **Quarter-finals:**

[1] Rhys Dowling (AUS) bt [Q] Luca Wilhelmi (SUI) 11-6, 8-11, 11-8,11-4 [Q] Vincent Droesbeke (FRA) bt [6] Jong Myoung Park (KOR) 11-7, 11-9, 11-7

[7] Mike Corren (AUS) bt [Q] Sandeep Ramachandran (IND) 11-6, 11-8, 9-11, 10-12, 11-6

[2] Ko Youngjo (KOR) bt [5] Elliot Selby (ENG) 11-8, 11-8, 11-9 (30m)

#### 1st round

[Q] Sandeep Ramachandran (IND) bt [3] Thomas Calvert (AUS) 5-11, 11-6, 11-2, 11-6

#### **Qualifying finals:**

Sandeep Ramachandran (IND) bt Mohamed Saeed (EGY) 11-5, 12-10,11-6

#### 1st qualifying round:

Sandeep Ramachandran (IND) bt Sam Haydon (AUS) 11-1, 11-8, 11-6

## Women's SRAM Invitational 2016

At Bukit Jalil National Squash Centre, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (30 July 2016)



World No. 10 squash ace Joshna Chinappa produced a remarkable show of resilience to come from behind and upset the ninth-ranked Joelle King in the semi-finals of the Women's SRAM Invitational 2016 in Bukit Jalil, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. After being two games down, the India No. 1 won the encounter, 8-11, 5-11, 11-8, 11-4, 11-9 in a 56-minute marathon. She lost to top seed Nicol David in the finals.

**RESULTS** 

#### Final:

[1] Nicol David (MAS) bt [4] Joshna Chinappa (IND) 11-6, 11-6, 11-4

Third place play-off:

[2] Omneya Abdel Kawy (EGY) bt [3] Joelle King (NZL) 11-4, 8-11, 9-11, 11-5, 12-10

**Fifth place play-off:** [5] Jenny Duncalf (ENG) bt [6] Delia Arnold (MAS) 11-9, 9-11, 11-3, 11-6

#### **Semi-finals:**

[1] Nicol David (MAS) bt [2] Omneya Abdel Kawy (EGY) 11-4, 11-4, 11-6 [4] Joshna Chinappa (IND) bt [3] Joelle King (NZL) 8-11, 5-11, 11-8, 11-4, 11-9

#### 3rd pool round:

#### **Pool A**

[4] Joshna Chinappa (IND) bt [5] Jenny Duncalf (ENG) 11-7, 11-8, 11-3 **Pool B :** [3] Joelle King (NZL) bt [6] Delia Arnold (MAS) 14-12, 11-8, 11-9 **2nd pool round:** 

#### **Pool A**

[1] Nicol David (MAS) bt [4] Joshna Chinappa (IND) 11-8, 11-8, 12-10 **Pool B :** [3] Joelle King (NZL) bt [2] Omneya Abdel Kawy (EGY) 11-5, 14-12, 11-4

#### 1st pool round:

#### Pool A

[1] Nicol David (MAS) bt [5] Jenny Duncalf (ENG) 11-4, 11-4, 11-4 **Pool B :** [2] Omneya Abdel Kawy (EGY) bt [6] Delia Arnold (MAS) 5-11, 11-8, 7-11, 11-7, 13-11

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#### **WOMENS RANKING AUGUST 2016**

RANK	PLAYER	RANK	PLAYER
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