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Arjuna Award for Dipika Pallikal

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Squash player Dipika Pallikal receives the Arjuna award from President Pranab Mukherjee

The last two years have been eventful for squash champion Dipika Pallikal, who has been gradually but firmly getting into her groove by winning three high-profile tournaments, finishing runner-up at the Tournament of Champions and recently becoming the first Indian player to reach the semifinals of the Australian Open. But the icing on the cake was the prestigious Arjuna Award that was conferred by the Indian government. She gets talking on the award, the Olympics and her plans for the future...

What the award means... It feels great to be recognised along with talented and inspiring athletes. The fact that I had won the Arjuna Award did not sink in until the ceremony was over. The award shows that I'm on the right track. But I see this only as the beginning of my journey, from a player ranked 15 to World No 1. Hopefully,

recognitions like these will help me get there.

The awards night... Just being one among the 25 athletes who have done the nation proud was a great feeling on that day and a reinforcement of my belief that I deserve to be on the same platform. We had rehearsals for the event and every athlete had only around 15 seconds to go to the dais, collect the award from the President and smile for a photograph. So, there was no chance of him talking to us. Still, it was an honour to be congratulated by the President of India.

Credit goes to... There are a few people who deserve credit for what I am today. My parents and family members, who sacrificed a lot, my coach Sarah Fitz-Gerald with whom I started training about two-and-a-half years back, and the results are for all to see. We have clicked on a personal and professional level and she has proved she is the right one for me. My fitness trainer in Chennai, Basu Shankar, who has completely taken care of my fitness programme ever since I was 14 and Ritwik Bhattacharya, with whom I have recently started training in Mumbai, which has helped me a lot.

The Olympics impact... Every athlete deserves recognition and people winning medals in the Olympic Games in different sports like boxing, shooting and badminton augurs well for our sporting future. Personally, it also reaffirms that squash, which is still considered an elite sport in India, will also get recognised once I start succeeding the way I've been in the last few years.

Movies... Yes, I was offered a few film roles a long time back, but not in recent times. But my prime focus is squash, so I didn't think about them.



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Indian Junior Open Squash Championship 2012 : Chennai

Kush Kumar, Anaka, Veer Chotrani, Harshit Jwanda are winners (31/8/2012)



The winners in different age categories at the Indian junior open squash tournament

Boys U-11: Veer Chotrani bt S. Navaneeth Prabhu 12-10, 11-9, 11-6

Boys U-13: Chaitanya Shah bt Tushar Shahani 9-11, 11-8, 7-11, 11-8, 11-8

Boys U-15: Velavan Senthilkumar bt Ranjit Singh 4-11, 11-5, 11-3, 11-5

Boys U-17: Vijay Kumar Meena bt Yuen Tsun Hei (Hkg) 11-9, 11-5, 6-11, 11-7

Boys U-19: Kush Kumar bt Rishi Tandon 11-4, 11-4, 11-4

Girls U-11: S. Samita bt Megha Bhatia 9-11, 10-12, 11-5, 12-10, 11-6

India's Kush Kumar and Anaka Alankamony, the top seeds in the boys' and girls' u-19 sections respectively, won the Indian junior squash championships in style at the ISA courts.

Kush scripted a 11-4, 11-4, 11-4 win over Rishi Tandon while Anaka came back after losing the first game to post a 9-11, 11-3, 11-2, 11-3 win over Aparajitha Balamurukan.

In the girls' final, Aparajitha put up a grand show in the first game playing a nice forecourt game.

The top seed, who is the reigning Asian junior champion, raised her game by increasing the pace considerably from the second game onwards.

Aparajitha couldn't keep pace for most of the points as Anaka emerged a comfortable winner. In the boys' u-17 final, Vijay Kumar Meena defeated the top seed Yuen Tsun Hei of Hong Kong 11-9, 11-5, 6-11, 11-7.

RESULTS

Girls U-13: Nikita Joshi bt Koel Shankar 11-5, 11-9, 11-6

Girls U-15: Mihiliya Methasrani (SL) bt Aishwarya

Bhattacharya 10-12, 11-8, 11-8, 9-11, 11-5

Girls U-17: Harshit Kaur Jawanda bt Lakshya

Ragavendran 6-11, 11-5, 11-4, 6-11, 11-6

Girls U-19: Anaka Alankamony bt Aparajitha

Balamurukan 9-11, 11-3, 11-2, 11-3.

Asian Masters Championship : Lahore

Former squash champions win Asian Masters Championship

(06/09/2012)

The Indian contingent did remarkably well at the Asian Masters Championship at Lahore, Pakistan. Lt. Col (Retd) Lalit Agnihotri won a gold in 55-59 age group! Some of the other results were- Jaideep Grewal Silver in 50-54, Saurabh Nayyar Bronze in 35-39 group, Rajiv Reddy Silver in 60 and above group, Bronze each by Rohit Thawani (45-49), Deepak Moolani and Munir Sait.

The hospitality extended by the hosts was outstanding! The welcome to the players from Chandigarh who drove down through Wagah Border was done by the Pakistan Squash Federation representatives and press. The tournament was well organized. To promote squash in a big way, legendary squash players were also invited, some of them to play exhibition matches- Geoff Hunt, Jahangir Khan, Jonathan Power, David Palmer, Rami Ashour, Qamar Zaman!

RESULTS

Over 35-39: Jahangir Khan Jr beat Pakistani counterpart Zulfiqar Khan 11-5, 11-8, 5-11, 6-11, 5-1 (retired hurt)

Over 40-44: Sajjad Ahmed (PAK) beat Abdul Rashid (PAK) 11-7, 11-9, 11-9

Over 45-49: Mohammad Fayyaz (HKG) bt Sohail Qaiser (PAK) 12-10, 11-6, 11-7

Over 50-54: Hassan Raza (PAK) beat Jaideep Singh Grewal (India) 11-8, 9-11, 11-8, 11-4

Over 55-59: Lalit Kumar Agnihotri (India) beat Mohammad Hanif



L to R: Vikas Nayyar, Saurav Nayyar, Jaydeep Grewal, Lalit Agnihotri, Rajiv Reddy, Rohit Thawani & Deepak Moolani

Lodhi (PAK) 11-2, 11-1, 11-6

Over 60 & above: Gogi Alauddin (PAK) beat Rajiv Reddy (India) 11-6, 11-8, 11-4

Coca-Cola Squash Open Championship 2012 : Delhi

Gaurav Nandrajog Wins Men's title, Karm Kumar wins
Men's U-23 and Ranjit Singh wins Boys' U-17 title

(29/07/2012)



The winners in different age categories along with office bearers of Indian Squash Professionals and Chief Guest Shri. M. S. Bitta (Chairman of All India Anti-Terrorist Front President) and Mrs. S. Choudhary (National Squash Champion 1955-1959)

Singh upset Ashwarya Singh of Jindal Squash Academy 11-9, 11-4, 11-3 in the toughest match of Day 6. More than 350 players of all age-categories from all over the country competed for the whopping prize money of Rs 3.25 Lacs.

RESULTS

Men's :

Winner : Gaurav Nandrajog
Runner-UP: Sandeep Jhangra

Mens Under 23 :

Winner : Karm Kumar
Runner-Up : Rishi Jalan

Boys Under 19 :

Winner : Abhijeet Mallik
Runner-Up : Shashi Pandey

Boys Under 17 :

Winner : Ranjit Singh
Runner-Up : Ashwarya Singh

Boys Under 15 :

Winner : Ranjit Singh
Runners-Up : Robin Mann

Boys Under 13 :

Winner : Saksham Choudhary
Runners-Up : Rahil Peris

Boys Under 11 :

Winner : Sankalp Anand

Runner-Up : Prithvi Singh

Girls Under 19 :

Winner : Urwashi Joshi
Runner-Up : Tanvi Khanna

Girls Under 17 :

Winner : Urwashi Joshi
Runner-Up : Tanvi Khanna

Girls Under 15 :

Winner : Sanika Chowdhary
Runner-Up : Mahima Gupta

Girls Under 13 :

Winner : Nandika Kumar
Runners-Up : Bhavna Yadav

Girls Under 11 :

Winner : Megha Bhatia
Runners-Up : Janiya Singh

Handicap 1 :

Winner : Janet Vidhi

Runners-Up : Inderjit Singh

Handicap 2 :

Winner : Devrath Jalan
Runners-Up : Saurav Nayyar

Mens Over 35 :

Winner : Vikas Nayyar
Runners-Up : Saurav Nayyar

Kendriya Vidyalaya School :

Boys Under 19 :

Winner : S Radhakrishna
Runners-Up : Saurav Babu

Boys Under 15 :

Winner : Saral Babu
Runners-Up : Shubham



Urwashi Joshi winner in Girls Under 19 receiving trophy from Ashutosh Singh (VP-Key Accounts (Hindustan Coca-Cola Beverages Pvt. Ltd.))



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Maharashtra State Open Junior Squash Championship

Mahesh, Abhay, Advait, Urvashi & Kush emerge as winners

(25/09/2012)

Abhay Singh turned giant-killer when he shocked second seed Aryaman Adik of Oters Club to earn the boys under-15 title, in the 37th Bombay Gymkhana Maharashtra State Open Junior Squash Championship.

Seeded in the five to eight slot, Singh, who stunned top seed Dev Vazirani in the quarter-finals and No. 3 Yohan Surti in the semi-finals, was the toast of the competition when he scalped Adik with a thrilling 3-2 win after leading 2-1 and snatching a nail-biting decider over extra points.

Aryaman's younger brother Advait made amends when as the second seed he upset top seed and Hong Kong Open winner Yash Fadte of Goa in another 3-2 thriller that went down to the wire in the under-11 final.

Advait led 2-1 after dropping the opening set before Fadte enjoyed an envious 10-7 lead in the decider and frittered away the advantage.

Exciting action continued in the girls' category as under-13 top seed Koel Shankar of Khar Gymkhana endured a determined challenge from lower ranked Aakanksha Rao before snatching a 12-10, 12-10, 11-6 victory for the title.

Kush Kumar won the boys under 17 crown but was denied a double when he went down to favourite Mahesh Mangaonkar in an absorbing under-19 title clash. Rich tributes were paid to Jindal coach Sunil Verma who passed away recently and a memento was presented to his wife Shanti by the Jindal squash players on behalf of the Bombay Gymkhana.

This tournament showcased the next line of champions entering the Indian circuit. Jay Vakhnalli (Khar Gym) beat Jeh Pandole (CCI), only to have the tables turned in the next tournament (Little Masters-Report in the next issue of PROSQUASH) and Jaiveer Dhillon (Delhi) has been quietly keeping his powder dry. We can expect the three "J"s to display splendid fireworks in the future!



All winners and runners up with their trophies

RESULTS

Under-9: Jay Vakhnalli (Khar Gym) bt Jeh Pandole 11-3, 11-6, 11-4.
Girls U-11: Megha Bhatia (Delhi) bt Avani Nagar (Hiranandani) 11-4, 11-1, 11-7.
Girls U-13: Koel Shankar (Khar Gym) bt Aakanksha Rao 12-10, 12-10, 11-6.
Girls U-15: Adya Advani (Delhi) bt Nikita Joshi (Oters Club) 11-8, 11-7, 14-12.
Girls U-17: Gayatri Raheja (Oters Club) bt Sireena Divecha (Bombay Gym) 11-4, 11-2, 11-2.
Girls U-19: Urvashi Joshi (Jindal) bt Vishruti Sani (CCI) 11-9, 11-5,

11-5.
Boys U-11: Advait Adik (Oters Club) bt Yash Fadte (Goa) 11-7, 3-11, 11-7, 4-11, 12-10.
Boys U-13: Chaitanya Shah (Bombay Gym) bt Veer Chotrani (Khar Gym) 11-6, 11-6, 11-8.
Boys U-15: Abhay Singh (TN) bt Aryaman Adik (Oters Club) 5-11, 11-7, 11-6, 2-11, 15-13.
Boys U-17: Kush Kumar (TN) bt Madhav Dhingra (Oters Club) 11-5, 11-5, 11-5.
Boys U-19: Mahesh Mangaonkar (CCI) bt Kush Kumar (TN) 4-11, 11-2, 9-11, 11-2, 11-9

Hong Kong Junior Open squash championship

Yash Fadte from Goa wins the Hong Kong Junior Open title

12/8/2012

The Hong Kong Junior Open an Asian Platinum Event had 550 players from all over the world with 16 Indians participating in the event. Yash's achievement is commendable having defeated the top seed Shanmugam Given from Malaysia in the semi finals and defeating 3/4 seeded Tang Ethan Pul Lok from Hong Kong in the finals 11-8, 11-9, 11-1. The other notable achievements are Dev Vazirani (Boys U-13) - 3rd position, Harshit Kaur Jawanda (Girls U-17) - 5th position and Shamika Reddy (Girls U-15) - 8th position.



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PROSQUASH speaks to squash players Ritvik Rau and Koel Shankar



Ritvik Rau

Ritvik Rau from Khar Gymkhana Squash Academy is a player who has shown tremendous progress, growing strength to strength in recent tournaments. He won the Jaipur Open Boys Under-13 title, and stood 6th in the Maharashtra Open championship. PROSQUASH interviewed the class 7 student of Arya Vidya Mandir (Bandra West, Mumbai).

PROSQUASH- Tell us about how you took up Squash?

Rutvik- I have played many sports like Cricket, Tennis,

Skating, Swimming and my Dad told me you must explore various sports and see which one you like the most and I thought of playing Squash for fun and to explore some new sport. That's how I started squash 2 years back.

PROSQUASH- How do you train? How do you balance training with studies?

Rutvik- I train everyday for about 2.5 hrs at Khar Gymkhana under the guidance of my Coach, Mr. A. I. Singh. In my coaching, I spend time on game as well as fitness and yoga. I am an early riser and hence I get up early around 5.30 (not all the days!) and study and I pay attention in the school and try finish most work in school.

PROSQUASH- Are your family members also interested in sports, or have a background in sports? How do they encourage you to play squash?

Rutvik- My family has been very supportive for Squash. They take me for all the good tournaments, encourage me to play and also allow me to miss school if I have some tournaments. My Father was a competition player in Table Tennis.

PROSQUASH- What is your ambition?

Rutvik- To be world's no 1 Squash Player.

PROSQUASH- What are your other interests apart from Squash?

Rutvik- Apart from Squash I enjoy playing and watching Cricket; I love wild life and love to watch TV shows on wild life. I also play TT, and I represented my school in a TT tournament, and was finalist in inter school solo singing.

Koel Shankar is an established squash player, ranked at No-3 in India in Girls Under-13 age group. A student of Podar International School, she is a promising player. She won the Maharashtra Open Girls Under-13 title recently, won the Pune Open title and stood runner-up in the Indian Junior Open in Chennai.

PROSQUASH- Tell us about how you took up Squash?

Koel- I have been holding a racket since I was 3 years old as I played tennis in my previous school- Besant Montesori Juhu. Subsequently I joined Khar Gym and played tennis for a while. I got into squash when I saw my brother and my father play.

PROSQUASH- Tell us about your training and time management?

Koel- I do fitness with Ahmed Sir three times a week and play in Khar Gym the rest four days with my two coaches- A.I. Singh Sir and Naresh Sir. As for my studies, my school starts very early at 7am and I am back at 1pm, which gives me enough time to study and train as well.

PROSQUASH- Do you get good support from all around to train hard for squash? Do you have sports in your family?

Koel- My father represented his college in the U.S.A and Maharashtra for Tennis. My brother used to play football and basketball for his school. My parents have always encouraged me towards playing sports.

PROSQUASH- What is your ambition?

Koel- To become the top player in the world and represent my country and continue to play squash my entire life.

PROSQUASH- What hobbies do you have?

Koel- I love listening to music, swimming and spending time with my dogs. I also enjoy reading. I enjoy watching sports like gymnastics, cycling and football. I recently acquired my green-yellow belt for Brazilian Martial Arts.



Koel Shankar

Iran Junior Squash Open 2012

Salunkhe clinches Iran Junior Open squash title

(20/09/2012)

Goa's Akanksha Salunkhe claimed her maiden international title when she rallied to beat Kimiya Mohammed in straight games in the final of the Iran Junior Open squash tournament in Tehran.

Salunkhe, who is ranked No 3 in India, defeated Kuwait's Kimiya 11-1 11-5 11-4 to win the Asian Junior Super Series event, categorised as a Silver Event, at the Enghelab Sports Complex. The Goa Naval school girl defeated Kimiya Farah in the first round, winning 11-1 11-0 11-1 before accounting for Muscat's Nurinha 11-3 11-2 11-1 in a second-round clash.

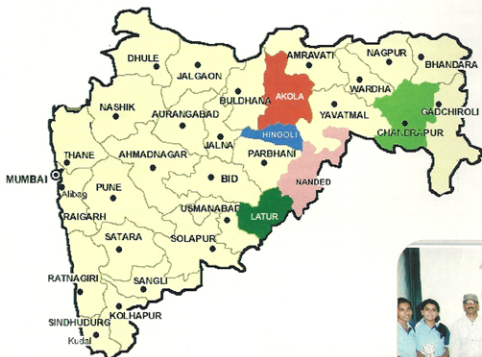
In the quarters, Salunkhe, the only Indian in the event, put paid to the hopes of Mubeen of Kish Island 11-5 11-4 11-1 and then squeezed past Kazol Sharafu from the host nation, 11-6 11-4 11-9 in the semifinals.

Salunkhe, runner-up in the Scottish Open and fifth in the Chennai Open, did not drop a game in the entire tournament.



Akanksha Salunkhe

Squash activities in the in



SRAM-ISP free coaching camp, at Akola (29/07/2012)

Squash Racket Association of Akola District (SRAAD) organised a free coaching camp at DAY English school Akola on 28th and 29th July 2012 in association with Squash Racquets Association of Maharashtra (SRAM) and Indian Squash Professionals (ISP).

In all 28 students participated in the free coaching camp which was conducted by SRAM technical director Mr Sunil Dawkar.

The committee also felicitated participants and winners of 34th Maharashtra State Junior Squash Championship which was organised in Nanded District on 8th July 2012 by SRAM.

The players felicitated were Ms Kalyani Thakre, Ms Shiwani Deshmukh, Ms Sheetal Deshmukh, Ms Rekha Thakre, Ms Ujjwal Bhatkar and Master Prashant Vairale.

The programme was organised by Sachin Thakre, Santosh Sahare, Namrata Katangale, Amol Suryavanshi and Yogesh Tekam, all office bearers of Akola District Squash Rackets Association.

34th Maharashtra State Junior

The Nanded District Squash Racket championship for Boy's Under-11, Under-13 and Under-15 was held at Nanded on 7th & 8th July 2012 in association with (SRAM) and Indian Squash Professionals (ISP).

The opening ceremony was done at the Nanded District Stadium by Mr. Deepak Shinde (Director of Sports) and Mr Sunil Dawkar (technical director of SRAM).

More than 270 players from 23 Districts of Maharashtra participated in the tournament. Players from Nanded did well in the tournament and won several awards.

The event was organised with the help of Vidya Ingale, Prashant Kolate, Sunil Hatkar, Vijay Dhokale.



34th Maharashtra State Junior Open, at Nanded



SRAM-ISP free coaching camp, at Akola

teriors of Maharashtra

Open, at Nanded (08/07/2012)

Association (NDSRA) organised state level Open-13 & Men's Open at Nanded Club, Nanded. The Maharashtra Squash Racquets Association of Maharashtra

stands of G.Srikant (Municipal Commissioner, Mumbai Ramanand Tirth Marathwada University) (M).

Maharashtra participated in the said event. 4 players while Aurangabad players got maximum

by Vaghmare, Vidya Raut, Raju Kadam, Arvind Kadam. All officials of NDSRA.

Squash Coaching Camp, at Hingoli District (19/08/2012)

SRAM in association with SRAM organised a free coaching camp in Hingoli District, Maharashtra on 18 & 19 August 2012.

The camp was attended by 45 squash players and all newcomers in this game were coached by Sunil Dawkar.

The camp was organised with the help of District Sports Officials and Squash Racket Association of Hingoli (SRAH). President Mr Subhash Ladage praised SRAM & ISP's effort in spreading the knowledge of the game in remote districts.

Hingoli District has one cement flooring squash court in District Sports Stadium. Present at the occasion were Mr Gopal Visave (VP, SRAH), Santosh Nagare (Secretary, SRAH) & Anand Ghadge (Member, SRAH).



Squash Coaching Camp, at Hingoli District



Free coaching seminar, at Latur District

Free coaching seminar, at Latur District (2/9/2012)

Latur District Squash Racket Association (LDSRA) organised a 2 day seminar for 50 players in Rabindranath Tagore School, Ahmedpur, Latur on 1st & 2nd Sept 2012.

Since there is no squash court in Latur District a hall in the school was made as squash court with proper marking and school kids were made to play in the artificial squash court. They were explained the rules and regulation, points etc by Mr Sunil Dawkar in marathi language.

The seminar was organised by LDSRA secretary Attam Habbare and District Sports Stadium in 1 year will have a squash court according to him.

Squash coaching seminar, at Chandrapur District 10th August 2012

40 players participated in squash seminar held in Rafi Ahmed Quidwai High School & Takshil College in Chandrapur District in Maharashtra.

Since the district doesn't have a squash court the hall in the school and college were made temporary squash court with the marking and Mr Sunil Dawkar explained to the school kids and college students Rules & Regulation etc of squash game.

Dr. Rakesh Tiwari President of Chandrapur District Squash Racket Association (CDSRA), Gopal Gatewade, Dilip Modak & Pandurang Goir (Members of CDSRA) were present on the occasion.

Dr Vijay Hingole (CEO) of Chandrapur promised to make one squash court in near future in their District Sports Stadium. Mr Shamsheer Khan (Principal of Rafi Ahmed Quidwai School) & Mr Vinay Dongre (Principal of Takshil College) also helped SRAM & ISP in organising the seminar.

The Pune Open Squash Championship 2012

Ghoshal clinches Pune Open Squash title, Sachika Balwani wins women's title, while Atharva Yadav takes Under-9 crown in mixed event

(19/08/2012)

Top seeded Saurav Ghoshal of Mumbai scored a 11-9, 11-7, 11-7 win over fourth seed Mahesh Mangaonkar to lift the men's singles finals title of the Kirlskar Pune Open Squash Championships, which concluded at the Poona Club Squash Courts.

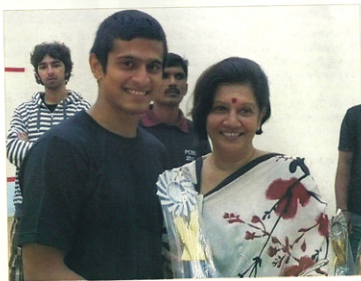
Ghoshal who scored the victory in around 45 minutes lifted a prize money purse of Rs 1,00,000 while the young Mangaonkar had to be content with Rs 50,000 in this Kirlskar Group sponsored event.

Hemant Nadkarni, Vaman Apte and Paramit Singh lifted the titles in the 35+, 45+ and Professional events. In the Boys Under 21 top seeded Deerav Moolani scraped past a fighting Ankit Siwach 14-12, 17-19, 11-9, 11-6 in the best contested match of the day and lift the title and a purse of Rs 20,000. In the Boys Under 19 finals top seeded Shashi Pandey scored a thrilling 11-6, 11-7, 7-11, 11-6 win over Rohan Vora while Sachika Balwani lifted the Women's singles title accounting for Sai Meera 11-7, 11-7, 11-6. In Girls Under 15 finals, Aishwarya Bhattacharya overcame Akanksha Salunkhe to lift the trophy.

The prizes were given away at the hands of Poona Club President Rekha Krishnan and Tournament Director Rahul Agarwal.

RESULTS

Boys U-9: Atharva Yadav bt Jaivir Dhillon 11-7, 11-4, 11-4
Girls U-11: Megha Bhatia bt Aaryaa Ogale 11-2, 11-7, 11-4
Girls U-13: Koel Shankar bt Aakansha Rao 11-2, 11-4, 14-12
Girls U-15: Aishwarya Bhattacharya bt Akanksha Salunkhe 11-9, 11-2, 11-7
Boys U-11: Navneeth Prabhu bt Advait Adik 11-6, 12-10, 11-4
Boys U-13: Dev Vazirani bt Tushar Shahani 11-7, 11-4, 11-9
Boys U-15: Adhitya Raghavan bt Sandeep Paswan 11-6, 11-8, 12-10
Boys U-17: Abhimanyu Shah bt Yohan Pandole 11-7, 11-3, 11-2



Saurav Ghosal winner (Mens Open) receiving trophy from Poona Club President Rekha Krishnan

Boys U-19: Shashi Pandey bt Rohan Vora 11-6, 11-7, 7-11, 11-7
Boys U-21: Deerav Moolani bt Ankit Siwach 14-12, 17-19, 11-9, 11-6
Over 35: Hemant Nadkarni bt Jamshid Pandole 13-15, 11-9, 11-6, 11-5
Over 45: Vaman Apte bt Samir Khare 11-6, 11-6, 11-4
Ment: Saurav Ghoshal bt Mahesh Mangaonkar 11-8, 11-9, 11-7
Professionals: Paramit Singh bt Sanjay Pawar 11-9, 11-8, 11-7
Women: Sachika Balwani bt Sai Meera 11-7, 11-7, 11-6

2nd Hiranandani Estate Squash Tournament 2012 : Thane

(29/07/2012)



All winners of the event with their trophies and gifts

SRAT (Squash Racquets Association of Thane District) successfully organised the Open Squash tournament in Thane. The tournament had five categories namely Mens Open, Womens Over 30, Mixed U-17, Mixed U-13 and Mens Over-40. In all there were more than 70 matches played across these categories, with participants coming from all across Thane & Mumbai. The matches were held over two days on July 28 & 29, 2012 at the Hiranandani Estate Club House Squash Courts.

There was exemplary display of squash skills & the audience was treated to an enthralling weekend of top notch squash in all categories. The finals lived up to its hype and potential with all matches going down to the wire.

It all started with the Men's O-40 Final which set the tone for the evening. A nerve wracking five setter between Yogesh Chandra and Sanjay Gawand, saw fluctuating fortunes till the end, with the winner's tag going to Yogesh 11-4, 11-6, 11-10, 12-11, 11-8. In the Mixed U-13 Final, Ansh Bharganwar and Shrishti Nagar (both national level Junior players from H.Estate), gave superlative performances in one of the closest matches of the evening which could have gone either way. Ansh eventually prevailed over Shrishti

5-11, 11-9, 13-11, 14-12 in a hard fought four set thriller.

The Mixed U-17 Final was like icing on the cake. Siddhant Iyer (H. Estate) and Aman Kumbhani (Chembur), both top junior national level players dished out an epic. The skills displayed by both players was of top quality and the audience was exposed to a great game of squash. Siddhant ultimately prevailed over Aman 11-3, 11-7, 12-14, 7-11, 13-11 in a match which also could have gone either way. The other notable performances came from Yash Randive a very promising Under 15 junior and Varun Babbar who was also

adjudged the Most Promising junior player of the tournament. And finally the Mens Final was played fittingly between the two of the best players on view, Yudhvir Katoch and Siddhant Iyer and what ensued was an extremely absorbing battle between the master and the understudy. Yudhvir won the title beating Siddhant 11-9, 11-7, 11-13, 12-10 to end a tournament which truly went the distance.

The Women's Over 30 Final was a keenly contested affair where Anagha Ogale prevailed over Aparna Latta.

RESULTS

Men's Open

1. Yudhvir Katoch
2. Siddhant Iyer
3. Hasrat Mohammed

Boys & Girls U-17

1. Siddhant Iyer
2. Aman Kumbhani
3. Yash Randive

Boys & Girls U-13

1. Ansh Bharganwar
2. Shrishti Nagar
3. Arjun Lal

Mens O-40

1. Yogesh Chandra
2. Sanjay Gawand
3. Promod Dogra

Promising Junior

1. Varun Babbar
- Women's Over 30**
1. Anagha Ogale
2. Aparna Latta

World Mens Junior Team Squash Championship 2012 : Qatar

India gets its first bronze medal while Egypt Retain World Junior Title

(18/7/2012)



Indian Team : Vrishab Kotian, Abhishek Pradhan, Mahesh Mangaonkar, Kush Kumar at the prize distribution function.

Saurav Ghosal, Siddharth Suchde, Sahil Vora and Gaurav Nandrajog then the 2008 team with Vikram Molhotra, Aditya Jagtap, Ravi Dixit and Ramit Tandon. But this team has eclipsed them all winning this bronze medal our first in the World Junior Men's Championship and defeating England for the first time.

Final: [1] EGYPT bt [2] PAKISTAN 2/0

Mazen Hesham Ga Sabry bt Syed Ali Shah Bokhari 7-11, 11-8, 11-5, 11-6

Marwan El Shorbagy bt Nasir Iqbal 11-9, 11-7, 11-6

3rd place play-off:

[4] INDIA bt [3] ENGLAND 2/0

Kush Kumar bt Richie Fallows 11-8, 11-8, 9-11, 13-11

Mahesh Mangaonkar bt Ollie Holland 6-11, 11-0, 11-6, 11-7

SEMI FINALS: [1] Egypt 3-0 [4] India

Marwan El Shorbagy 3-2 Mahesh Mangaonkar 9/11, 12/10, 11/5, 6/11, 11/5

Mohamed Abouelghar 3-1 Abhishek Pradhan 10/12, 11/6, 11/8, 11/5

Mazen Hesham 2-0 Vrishab Kotian 11/9, 11/4

[2] Pakistan 3-0 [3] England

Nasir Iqbal 3-0 Ollie Holland 11/5, 11/4, 11/6

In fifth successive meeting in the climax of the biennial WSF event, it was favourites Egypt who again triumphed over second seeds Pakistan in the final of the Doha WSF Men's World Junior Team Squash Championship at the Khalifa International Tennis & Squash Complex in the Qatar capital Doha to retain the title.

India upset the third seed England 2-0 whom they had never beaten in past and attained their highest ever finish.

Kush Kumar had a great start, imposing his fast pace to a Richie who was a bit of the back foot, and took two games to get used to that wizardry, such great attacks at the front... But slowly, the English boy was able to lengthen the rallies, put more weight on the ball, and he won the third game 11-9.

And what a finish that was in that 4th game, England having 2 game ball, before making two errors, pushed by Kush finding some excellent width and length. 13/11. Close, close...

The Indian camp celebrated that win as the final win, and they were probably right to do so. Mahesh on paper had better results this week than Ollie, and everybody's money was on the Indians to win 2/0 now. India had great teams in the past - notably 2004 team with Saurav Ghosal, Siddharth Suchde, Sahil Vora and Gaurav Nandrajog then the 2008 team with Vikram Molhotra, Aditya Jagtap, Ravi Dixit and Ramit Tandon. But this team has eclipsed them all winning this bronze medal our first in the World Junior Men's Championship and defeating England for the first time.

RESULTS

Syed Hamzah Bukhari 3-0 Tom Ford 11/7, 12/10, 11/7

Syed Mujtaba Bukhari 2-1 Richie Fallows 11/7, 9/11, 11/6

Quarter-Finals: [4] India 2-1 [5] Hong Kong

Vrishab Kotian 0-3 Yip Tsz Fung 8/11, 4/11, 9/11

Mahesh Mangaonkar 3-0 Cheuk Yan Tank 11/4, 11/4, 11/2

Kush Kumar 3-1 Yeung Ho Wai 11/9, 11/7, 3/11, 12/10

Final qualifying rounds - Pool D

[4] INDIA bt [9] AUSTRALIA 3/0

Kush Kumar bt Thomas Calvert 11-3, 11-7, 11-6

Mahesh Mangaonkar bt Rhys Dowling 11-5, 11-4, 11-6

Vrishab Kotian bt TJ Rarere 11-4, 11-8, 11-5

[4] INDIA bt QATAR 3/0

Kush Kumar bt Abdulwahab Al-Ishaq 11-3, 11-5, 11-3

Mahesh Mangaonkar bt Abdulla Mohd Tamimi 11-7, 11-3, 11-9

Abhishek Pradhan bt Saddam Mehawesh 11-2, 11-2, 11-2



Tarek Momen is Malaysian Open Champion (15/09/2012)

Tarek Momen

Saving two match-balls in the dying stages of the game, unseeded Tarek Momen overcame second seed Mohamed El Shorbagy in first ever all-Egyptian final of the CIMB Malaysian Open to win the PSA World Tour International 50 squash event at the Curve Shopping Mall in Selangor in dramatic style - and claim the biggest title of his career.

The 24-year-old from Cairo had only beaten world No 8 El Shorbagy once before in his career - in the semi-finals of the 2010 Malaysian Open!

Results - Men's Final: Tarek Momen (EGY) bt [2] Mohamed El Shorbagy (EGY) 12-10, 6-11, 12-10, 8-11, 12-12

Semi-finals: Tarek Momen (EGY) bt Borja Golan (ESP) 13-15, 11-7, 11-6, 11-6

[2] Mohamed El Shorbagy (EGY) bt Nicolas Mueller (SUI) 11-13, 11-7, 10-12, 11-8, 11-8

Quarter-finals: Borja Golan (ESP) bt [1] Karim Darwish (EGY) 11-3, 12-10 ret.

Tarek Momen (EGY) bt Mohd Nafizwan Adnan (MAS) 11-8, 11-4, 11-13, 11-4

Nicolas Mueller (SUI) bt [Q] Abdullah Al Muzayen (KUW) 10-12, 11-5, 11-4, 11-0

[2] Mohamed El Shorbagy (EGY) bt Olli Tuominen (FIN) 11-8, 11-9, 11-5, 11-11, 11-8

1st round: [1] Karim Darwish (EGY) bt [Q] Siddharth Suchde (IND) 11-3, 11-4, 11-6

Olli Tuominen (FIN) bt Saurav Ghosal (IND) 8-11, 11-6, 12-10, 10-12, 11-5

Qualifying finals: Siddharth Suchde (IND) bt Mohamed Abouelghar (EGY) 11-9, 6-11, 11-9, 11-7

1st qualifying round: Siddharth Suchde (IND) bt Kamran Khan (MAS) 10-12, 11-5, 8-11, 11-7, 14-12

ALL WOMEN RESULTS:

Final: [2] Raneem El Welaily (EGY) bt [1] Nicol David (MAS) 12-10, 11-13, 11-6, 11-2

Semifinals: [1] Nicol David (MAS) bt [4] Laura Massaro (ENG) 10-12, 11-6, 11-7, 11-8

[2] Raneem El Welaily (EGY) bt [11] Low Wee Wern (MAS) 11-8, 9-11, 11-9, 9-11, 11-9

Quarter-finals: [1] Nicol David (MAS) bt [6] Annie Au (HKG) 6-11, 11-5, 15-13, 11-5

[4] Laura Massaro (ENG) bt [7] Nour El Sherbini (EGY) 11-13, 11-5, 11-7, 11-3

[11] Low Wee Wern (MAS) bt [3] Jenny Duncalf (ENG) 11-7, 11-5, 11-8

[2] Raneem El Welaily (EGY) bt [15] Alison Waters (ENG) 12-10, 5-11, 11-6, 11-3

2nd round: [4] Laura Massaro (ENG) bt [14] Dipika Pallikal (IND) 11-5, 14-12, 8-11, 11-7

1st round: [1] Nicol David (MAS) bt [Q] Joshna Chinappa (IND) 11-3, 12-10, 11-9

[14] Dipika Pallikal (IND) bt [Q] Kylie Lindsay (NZL) 11-6, 11-6, 12-10

Qualifying finals: Joshna Chinappa (IND) bt Teh Min Jie (MAS) 11-4, 11-6, 11-2

It was Ga Sabry's second successive five-game match in the PSA World Tour Challenger 15 squash event at the Hong Kong Squash Centre after being taken the full distance by fellow non-seed Harinder Pal Sandhu, from India, in the semi-finals.

Results - Final: Mazen Hesham Ga Sabry (EGY) bt [1] Max Lee (HKG) 11-13, 6-11, 11-9, 11-4, 11-3

Semi-finals: [1] Max Lee (HKG) bt [3] Campbell Grayson (NZL) 11-7, 8-11, 11-8, 11-9

Mazen Hesham Ga Sabry (EGY) bt Harinder Pal Sandhu (IND) 11-2, 11-13, 7-11, 11-9, 11-6

Quarter-finals: [1] Max Lee (HKG) bt Dick Lau (HKG) 11-5, 7-11, 11-5, 11-5

[3] Campbell Grayson (NZL) bt Leo Au (HKG) 11-6, 11-5, 8-11, 11-7

Harinder Pal Sandhu (IND) bt [4] Matthew Karwalski (AUS) 11-6, 5-11, 11-6, 11-9

Mazen Hesham Ga Sabry (EGY) bt Elvinn Keo (MAS) 12-10, 11-6, 7-11, 11-9

1st round: Dick Lau (HKG) bt [Q] Ravi Dixit (IND) 8-11, 11-4, 13-11, 11-3

Leo Au (HKG) bt [Q] Mahesh Mangaonkar (IND) 11-4, 11-6, 1-11, 11-13, 11-4

Harinder Pal Sandhu (IND) bt Hon Fung W (HKG) 11-9, 11-6, 11-9

Mazen Hesham Ga Sabry (EGY) bt [Q] Ramit Tandon (IND) 12-10, 11-7, 11-4

Nicol David Wins Second Australian Open as Dipika creates history losing in semi finals : (19/08/2012)



Nicol David

Defending champion Nicol David of Malaysia won her second consecutive Hi-Tec Australian Open when she beat a gallant Laura Massaro in an enthralling women's final in Canberra's Royal Theatre.

David saved six game points in the crucial opening game then overwhelmed the Englishwoman in the next two to win 17-15, 11-2, 11-6 for her 62nd title on the women's tour.

Dipika Pallikal became the first Indian to enter the semifinals of a Gold Series event when she recorded a straight sets win over Amanda Sobhy in the Australian Squash Open in the Quarter Finals.

But in the Semi Finals Massaro came from 5-9 in the deciding fifth game to beat Pallikal and deny India a first ever finalist in a major tournament.

Pallikal had played superbly to take the fourth game 11-3 and opened a big lead in the fifth before faltering under the pressure of Massaro's comeback.

After beginning the match strongly, Massaro began to struggle to cope with Pallikal's deceptiveness at the front of the court.

Pallikal was unlucky to lose the third in a tiebreak then dominated until the late stages of the fifth.

She will be rueing losing a match that even her opponent conceded she should have won.

"At 9-5 down in the fifth I'd just decided I'd lost really and I just wanted to finish well and make the score respectable," Massaro said.

Results Final: [1] Nicol David (MAS) bt [3] Laura Massaro (ENG) 17-15, 11-2, 11-6

Semi-finals: [1] Nicol David (MAS) bt [4] Madeline Perry (IRL) 11-7, 11-4, 11-5

Sandhu loses in semi's and Mazen Sabry wins PSA Challenger 15 Crocodile Challenge Cup in Hongkong (2/09/2012)

Unseeded Egyptian teenager Mazen Hesham Ga Sabry pulled off a dramatic title triumph in Hong Kong when he recovered from two games down to beat top seed and local favourite Max Lee in the final of the Crocodile Challenge Cup.



Mazen Sabry

[3] Laura Massaro (ENG) bt [11] Dipika Pallikal (IND) 11-7, 7-11, 13-11, 3-11, 11-9
Women's Quarter-finals:
 [1] Nicol David (MAS) bt Alison Waters (ENG) 10-12, 11-1, 11-7, 15-13
 [4] Madeline Perry (IRL) bt [8] Kasey Brown (AUS) 11-4, 11-5, 11-6
 [11] Dipika Pallikal (IND) bt Amanda Sobhy (USA) 11-5, 11-7, 12-10
Women's 2nd Round: Dipika Pallikal bt Camille Serme 3-11, 11-9, 11-9, 11-6

Women's 1st Round: [11] Dipika Pallikal (Ind) bt Christine Nunn (Aus) 11/5, 11/2, 11/5
 [2] Jenny Duncalf (Eng) [Q] Joshna Chinappa (Ind) 11/7, 11/7, 13/11
Qualifying Finals: Joshna Chinappa bt Megan C. 4-12, 12-10, 11-4

Brilliant Ashour Wins Australian Open Final: 19/08/2012

Defending champion Ramy Ashour was at his brilliant best as he downed fellow Egyptian Omar Mosaad in straight games to win his second Hi-Tec Australian Open crown in Canberra.



Ramy Ashour

Ashour took 53 minutes to see off the tall and powerful Mosaad 11-9, 11-9, 11-6, thrilling the big crowd with the audacity of his stroke play in the climax of the PSA World Tour International 70 squash event in Canberra's Royal Theatre.

Results Final: [1] Ramy Ashour (EGY) bt [2] Omar Mosaad (EGY) 11-9, 11-9, 11-6

Semi-finals: [1] Ramy Ashour (EGY) bt [4] Cameron Pilley (AUS) 8-11, 11-7, 11-7, 11-7

[2] Omar M. (EGY) bt [3] Tom Richards (ENG) 9-11, 11-3, 11-3, 11-3

1st round: [7] Alan Clyne (SCO) bt Siddharth Suchde (IND) 11-7, 11-5, 11-8

Qualifying finals: Aqeel Rehman (AUT) bt Mahesh Mangaonkar (IND) 9-11, 3-11, 11-5, 11-8, 11-7

1st qualifying round: Mahesh Mangaonkar (IND) bt Lance James Beddoes (NZL) 11-6, 11-9, 11-5

Subway World Masters Squash Championship, England : 27/7/2012



Manish Chotrani

Manish loses in 2nd Round of Men's World O-40 Masters

Mens O-40 : 2nd Round:

Jason Foster (ENG) bt Manish Chotrani (IND) 11-4, 11-4, 5-11, 11-9

1st round: [1] Derek Ryan (IRL) bt Mohanish Sawant (IND) 11-6, 11-6, 11-5

Oliver Gerhardt (GER) bt Navin Shenoy (IND) 11-2, 11-9, 11-9

Manish Chotrani (IND) bt David Lindsay (SCO) 11-4, 11-4, 12-10

Rishad Pandole loses in quarter finals of Men's World O-35 Masters

Men's O-35 : Quarter-finals: [3/4] Stefan Leifels (GER) bt [9/16] Rishad Pandole (IND) 11-9, 11-3, 12-10

3rd round: [9/16] Rishad Pandole (IND) bt Oliver Gapp (GER) 11-5, 11-7, 11-8

2nd round: [9/16] Rishad Pandole (IND) bt Dean Newberry (ENG) 11-5, 11-6, 11-3

1st round: [9/16] Rishad Pandole (IND) bye
 Tony Clark (IOM) bt Yashasvi Yadav (IND) 11-2, 11-4, 11-6 (16m)

Shorbagy & Sherbini Share World Junior Title in Doha : 13/07/2012

Top seeds Marwan El Shorbagy and Nour El Sherbini celebrated a notable Egyptian double in Doha by becoming world junior squash

champions for the second time.

El Shorbagy winning the men's title at the Doha WSF World Junior Championships to retain the trophy he won for the first time last year, and El Sherbini, in her third final in four years, reclaiming the U19 crown she first won in 2009 aged just 13.



Marwan Shorbagy



Nour El Sherbini

It was bad day for India as Mahesh lost the 90 minutes well played match against Mohamed Abouelghar of Egypt in the quarter finals and it turned out to be the longest, closest and best of the tournament so far which Mahesh lost.

Mohamed came from two-nil down, saving two match balls in the process, to beat India's Mahesh Mangaonkar in an incredibly tense match which, as the saying goes, no-one deserved to lose.

Results Men's final: [1] Marwan El Shorbagy (EGY) bt [2] Mohamed Abouelghar (EGY) 11-9, 7-11, 11-7, 11-8

Semi-finals: [1] Marwan El Shorbagy (EGY) bt [3/4] Danish Atlas Khan (PAK) 12-10, 11-7, 5-11, 11-4

[2] Mohamed Abouelghar (EGY) bt [3/4] Mazen Hesham Ga Sabry (EGY) 2-11, 9-11, 11-8, 11-9, 14-12

Quarter-Finals: [2] Mohamed Abouelghar (Egy) bt [5/8] Mahesh Mangaonkar (Ind) 10/12, 8/11, 11/9, 12/10, 12/10

4th round: [5/8] Mahesh Mangaonkar (IND) bt [9/16] Abdulla Mohd Al Tamimi (QAT) 10-12, 11-3, 4-4 (default)

3rd round: Juan Camilo Vargas (COL) bt [9/16] Abhishek Pradhan (IND) 11-9, 11-9, 7-11, 11-6

[5/8] Mahesh Mangaonkar (IND) bt Matthew Sidaway (ENG) 12-10, 11-2, 11-7

2nd round: Richie Fallows (ENG) bt Deepak Mishra (IND) 11-2, 11-9, 12-10

Yusei Kobayashi (JPN) bt Vivek Dinodia (IND) 11-3, 11-1, 5-11, 11-7

[5/8] Mahesh Mangaonkar (IND) bt Zachary Leman (CAN) 11-5, 11-4, 11-9

Vishabh Kotian (IND) bt Faisal Hassan (ZIM) 11-7, 11-6, 14-12

1st round: Deepak Mishra (IND) bt Yousif Ali (KUW) 11-4, 11-6, 12-10

[9/16] Syed Hamzah Shah Bukhari (PAK) bt Kush Kumar (IND) 11-3, 11-5, 11-3

Vivek Dinodia (IND) bt Blessing Muhwate (ZIM) 11-1, 11-7, 11-1

[9/16] Abhishek Pradhan (IND) bt Mateo Vargas (COL) w/o

[5/8] Mahesh Mangaonkar (IND) bye

Vishabh Kotian (IND) bt Taiki Kaido (JPN) 11-3, 11-4, 11-4 (20m)

Women's final: [1] Nour El Sherbini (EGY) bt [3/4] Yathreb Adel (EGY) 10-12, 11-9, 11-5, 11-2 (42m)

Semi-finals: [1] Nour El Sherbini (EGY) bt [5/8] Mariam Ibrahim Metwally (EGY) 11-2, 8-11, 11-9, 11-6 (38m)

[3/4] Yathreb Adel (EGY) bt [2] Emily Whitlock (ENG) 11-8, 13-11, 11-7 (45m)

Quarter-Finals: [3/4] Yathreb Adel (Egy) bt [5/8] Anaka Alankamony (Ind) 11/4, 11/8, 5/11, 11/9 (37m)

3rd round: [5/8] Mariam Ibrahim Metwally (EGY) bt [9/16] Aparajitha Balamurukan (IND) 11-4, 11-4, 11-2 (20m)

[5/8] Anaka Alankamony (IND) bt [9/16] Ho Ka Po (HKG) 8-11, 11-5, 11-6, 11-6 (44m)

2nd round: [9/16] Melissa Alves (FRA) bt Harshit Kar Jawanda (IND) 5-11, 11-9, 11-6, 11-9

[9/16] Aparajitha Balamurukan (IND) bt Laura Viviana Tovar Perez (COL) 14-12, 9-11, 6-11, 11-4, 11-9 (43m)

[5/8] Anaka Alankamony (IND) bt Oxane Ah-Hu (FRA) 11-3, 11-2, 11-1 (15m)

1st round: Harshit Kar Jawanda (IND) bt Megan Page (RSA) 6-11,

11-3, 11-3, 5-11, 12-10 (32m)

Maria Stephan (FRA) bt Sachika Ingale (IND) 8-11, 12-10, 11-8, 11-5
 Lakshya Rogavendran (IND) bt Reeham Sedky (USA) w/o

Ravi loses while Rehman Rallies to Maiden Tour Title in Tasmania (15/07/2012)



Ravi Dixit lost in 2nd round to James Earles of England in the PSA Challenger 5 event Tasmania Open at Eastside Squash in Bellerive, Tasmania, Australia.

In the finals Aqeel Rehman, a world-ranked member of the Professional Squash Association since 2005, won his maiden PSA World Tour title. The 26-year-old from Salzburg made his long-awaited breakthrough when he beat Argentina's Gonzalo Miranda 11-8, 11-7, 6-11, 11-4 to become the first Austrian ever to win a men's pro squash title.

Results - Final: [2] Aqeel Rehman (AUT) bt [3] Gonzalo Miranda (ARG) 11-8, 11-7, 6-11, 11-4

Semi-finals:

[3] Gonzalo Miranda (ARG) bt James Earles (ENG) 11-5, 12-10, 13-11
 [2] Aqeel Rehman (AUT) bt [4] Elvinn Keo (MAS) 7-11, 11-8, 12-10, 9-11, 12-10

Quarter-finals: James Earles (ENG) bt [1] Muhd Asyraf Azan (MAS) 11-8, 9-11, 16-14, 9-11, 12-10

[3] Gonzalo Miranda (ARG) bt [8] Tsukue Shinnosuke (JPN) 11-5, 11-7, 11-3

[4] Elvinn Keo (MAS) bt Greg Lobban (SCO) 9-11, 11-6, 6-11, 11-6, 14-12

[2] Aqeel Rehman (AUT) bt [6] Paul Coll (NZL) 11-8, 11-4, 9-11, 11-4

2nd round: James Earles (ENG) bt Ravi Dixit (IND) 11-6, 10-12, 11-4, 12-10

1st round: Ravi Dixit (IND) bt [5] Alex Phillips (ENG) 11-9, 9-11, 6-11, 11-3, 11-5

Maestro Matthew Marks Silver Milestone In Manchester (01/09/2012)

Nick Matthew, appearing in his 50th PSA final, went one better than last year when he claimed the Springfield Solutions British Grand Prix title with a 3-1 win over top seed and Yorkshire rival James Willstrop at the National Squash Centre in Manchester (England).

Matthew, the reigning world champion, entered the match as favourite on the back of an impressive head to head record against world number one Willstrop, who had come through a gruelling two-hour semi-final against third seed Gregory Gaultier of France while Matthew spent well under half the time on court in his win against Peter



Nick Matthew

Barker.

Results - Finals: [2] Nick Matthew (ENG) beat [1] James Willstrop (ENG) 4/11, 11/6, 11/9, 11/5

Semi-finals: James Willstrop (ENG) bt Gregory Gaultier (FRA) 7-11, 11-6, 11-4, 14-16, 15-13

[2] Nick Matthew (ENG) bt [4] Peter Barker (ENG) 11-6, 11-7, 11-3

Quarter-finals:

[1] James Willstrop (ENG) bt Laurens Jan Anjema (NED) 8-11, 11-5, 11-3, 11-5

[3] Gregory Gaultier (FRA) bt Simon Rosner (GER) 12-10, 10-12, 11-5, 11-7

[4] Peter Barker (ENG) bt Adrian Grant (ENG) 11-8, 11-1, 11-3

[2] Nick Matthew (ENG) bt Alister Walker (BOT) 9-11, 11-8, 11-4, 11-3

1st Round: Adrian Grant (ENG) 3-2 [Q] Saurav Ghosal (Ind) 7/11, 7/11, 11/3, 12/10, 11/6

Qualifying finals: Saurav Ghosal (IND) bt Jonathan Kemp (ENG) 5-11, 11-4, 11-8, 5-11, 11-9

1st qualifying round: Chris Simpson (ENG) bt Siddharth Suchde (IND) 11-6, 5-11, 12-10, 14-12

Laura relieves Raneem of the Weymuller title at Women's Carol Weymuller Open Gold 50 at USA (30/09/2012)



Laura Massaro

Defending US Open champion Laura Massaro received a massive boost ahead of her title defence when she outclassed world No. 3 Raneem El Welilely of Egypt in the final of the Carol Weymuller Open squash championship in New York.

The world No. 2 Englishwoman was in top form as she blew away Welilely 11-8, 11-4, 11-5 in just 34 minutes.

Results - Finals: Laura Massaro (Eng) Raneem El Welilely (Egy) 11/8, 11/4, 11/5

Semi-finals: [4] Laura Massaro (ENG) bt [Q] Alison Waters (ENG) 11-7, 11-7, 11-4

[2] Raneem El Welilely (EGY) bt [7] Nour El Sherbini (EGY) 11-6, 11-9, 9-11, 11-9

Quarter-finals: [Q] Alison Waters (ENG) bt [1] Nicol David (MAS) 11-9, 5-11, 11-3, 11-7

[4] Laura Massaro (ENG) bt Annie Au (HKG) 9-11, 11-4, 11-3, 11-6

[7] Nour El Sherbini (EGY) bt [3] Jenny Duncalf (ENG) 11-6, 11-9, 11-6

[2] Raneem El Welilely (EGY) bt Joelle King (NZL) 3-11, 10-12, 11-3, 11-9, 13-11

1st round: [3] Jenny Duncalf (ENG) bt [Q] Dipika Pallikal (IND) 11-9, 11-6, 11-6

Qualifying finals: Dipika Pallikal (IND) bt Latasha Khan (USA) 12-10, 11-6, 8-11, 11-4

1st qualifying round: Dipika Pallikal (IND) bt Maria Toor Pakay (PAK) 11-8, 11-5, 11-3



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