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2019	Dec	08	Radio Commentary Brit Open 1951	2022	Oct	17	Women's World Open Final 2007
2020	Feb	04	Camera box 1985	2022	Oct	18	Women's British Open Final 1977
2020	Feb	10	PSA Facebook viewership	2022	Oct	19	Women's British Open 1999
2020	Mar	16	1st Squash internet site	2022	Oct	20	Women's British Open Final 1985
2020	Apr	30	Howard Harding - World Media Dir	2022	Oct	21	Women's World Open Final 2009
2020	May	13	SquashTV start	2022	Nov	16	Jansher Khan coaching video
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2020	July	23	1st Italian magazine	2022	Dec	06	Men's World Open Final video 1987
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2024	Feb	08	'Squash-central' report 1982	2024	01	Mar	TOC 2008 player interviews
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2024	Feb	13	Guinness book of squash 1984	2024	02	Apr	Men's British Open 1995 video
2024	15	Feb	Women's World Open 2006 video	2024	16	Apr	Multisquash marketing 1983
2024	19	Feb	Lonsdale Library book 1933				

Updated to 30 April 2024

2024

Squash Library
16 April at 08:14

A promotion company advertising in a general marketing magazine to look for sponsorship for squash championships is unusual. But British company Multisquash did so in 1983 in Marketing Week, having previously been retained by the sponsors of the British Open and National championships.



FOR HIRE: THE CREATIVE TEAM THAT PRODUCED SOME OF THE BEST ADVERTISING FOR AVIS, MOBEN KITCHENS AND WEBSTERS BREWERY.

If you've never considered sports sponsorship, perhaps it's because you've never had the right opportunity. But consider squash. It reaches the right people - ABC's, many at director level. It's inexpensive. You can sponsor a major championship - including promotion, organisation, venue and prize costs - for between £15,000 and £50,000. You can put your name on the championship, and on the courts, with the strong possibility of TV coverage. Particularly this year, with the growing use of transparent 'see-thru' glass courts. We will not only find the right championship for you, but we also experts at making sure you get the best possible mileage from it. Which we've already done for all the famous names above. As well as helping Thom EM, Theobalds and Sun Life into the limelight. Interested? Well, here are four sponsorship opportunities ready and waiting.

SUPASQUASH CHAMPIONSHIP.
A time-limited format with continuous scoring, designed by us to make thrilling TV watching.
Open to 8 players by invitation (and last year, won by the World Squash Champion Jahangir Khan).

TV coverage is guaranteed by Anglia Television (and is likely to be at least four 30 minute programmes).
It will be titled 'Your Name' World Squash Masters.
It is by invitation to the top players from the world's best squash playing nations.
It will have national media coverage in newspapers and radio - TV is being negotiated.
Date is November 1st-5th, 1982. Venue is likely to be the Midlands - or to suit your requirements.

THE INTERNATIONAL SQUASH PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP
This is the players' own event, since the International Squash Players Association is their controlling body.
It can be known as either the 'Your Brand' ISPA Championships or as the 'Your Brand' Players Championships.
It is open to the top 64 players as ranked by ISPA, and as such is one of the top three squash championships in the world.
Date is February 23rd-2nd March, 1983. Venue to be decided.
The 1982 event achieved substantial media coverage which we'll be glad to show you.

GREAT NORTHERN CLASSIC.
A long established tournament, run in the North East.
In 1982, it attracted most of the top 32 players in the world.
For 1983, it has been upgraded, making it one of the top four competitions in the world.
Venue and dates are Stockton Teeside, March 19th-21st, 1983.
The 1982 event received excellent media cover including 30 minutes on Tyne Tees television.
And the 'see-thru' courts means up to 1,000 spectators a night - with your own guests in the place of honour.

FOUR POSSIBILITIES.
Being squash, you'll need a turn of speed to pick up the one you like. So we suggest you get in touch with us quickly.
But if none of these prove right for your needs, there is one more possibility. We'll tailor-make a promotion for you. Soon, you could have some of the world's top squash players running about, to do your advertising.

multisquash

PHONE OR WRITE: MIKE PALMER, MULTISQUASH LTD, ANDRE HOUSE, SALISBURY SQUARE, HATFIELD, HERTS. TEL: HATFIELD 66536/66587

Squash Library
19 March at 08:14

The 1989 Men's World Open was memorable for Chris Dittmar's performances against Jahangir Khan and Jansher Khan. The highlights are on the Library YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos>. Because the referee gantry was used it was filmed through the front wall, and the quality of the copy is not pin-sharp, but a great reminder nonetheless. [Squash - PSA World Tour World Squash Federation](https://www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos)



WORLD OPEN '89
SQUASH CHAMPIONSHIPS
AND ISRF CHALLENGE
OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

1ST - 7TH OCT 1989
KUALA LUMPUR
MALAYSIA.

VENUES:
Dewan Merdeka, PUTC
NSC Squash Centre, Jalan Dutta.

Squash Library
1 March

When the 2008 Tournament of Champions took place on New York, Gregory Gaultier, Ramy Ashour, David Palmer & James Willstrop were interviewed by [squashlive.com](https://www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos) about winning, losing and the game itself. See it at <https://www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos> on the Library YouTube channel. [Tournament of Champions Squash - PSA World Tour](https://www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos)



BEAR STEARNS

Tournament of CHAMPIONS
squash 2008

Squash Library
2 April

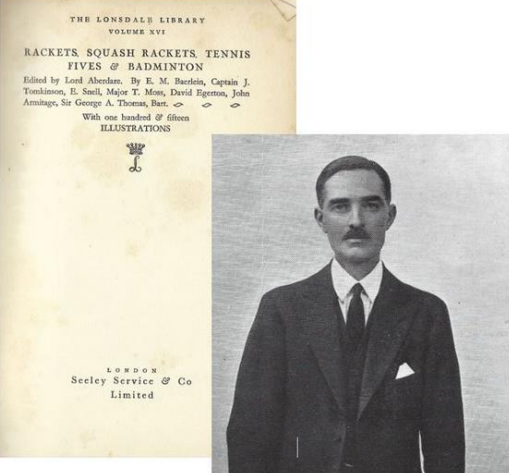
Coming into the British Open in 1995, Jansher Khan had already won the title three times. Here, at <https://www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos>, on the Library YouTube channel, is the video of the event; featuring him and other players including Peter Marshall, Brett Martin, Rodney Eyles, Anthony Hill, Del Harris.



THE '95 LEEKES
BRITISH
Open

Squash Library
19 February at 08:21

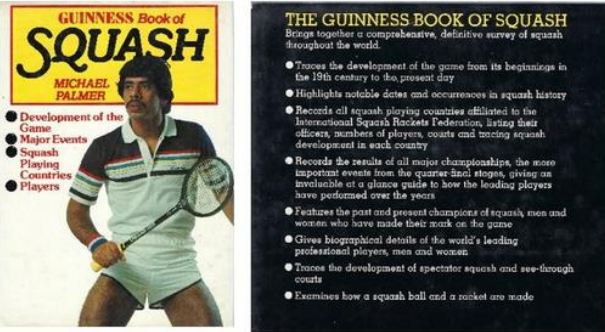
In 1933 the Lonsdale Library produced a book featuring rules, coaching and tactics for five sports. It was edited by Lord Aberdare (pic), and the squash section written by Eward Snell, Major Moss and Captain Tomkinson – linked to their own book the same year titled Squash Rackets.



THE LONSDALE LIBRARY
VOLUME XVI
RACKETS, SQUASH RACKETS, TENNIS
FIVES & BADMINTON
Edited by Lord Aberdare. By E. M. Burtish, Captain J. Tomkinson, E. Saill, Major T. Moss, David Egerton, John Armitage, Sir George A. Thomas, Bart.
With one hundred & fifteen
ILLUSTRATIONS
LONDON
Secley Service & Co
Limited

Squash Library
13 February at 08:19

In 1984 the brewers famous for their Book of Records, published the Guinness Book of Squash. Written by sports journalist Mike Palmer it was published by Guinness Superlatives, and a superlative anthology of the sport it certainly was! [Guinness World Records](#)



GUINNESS Book of SQUASH
MICHAEL PALMER

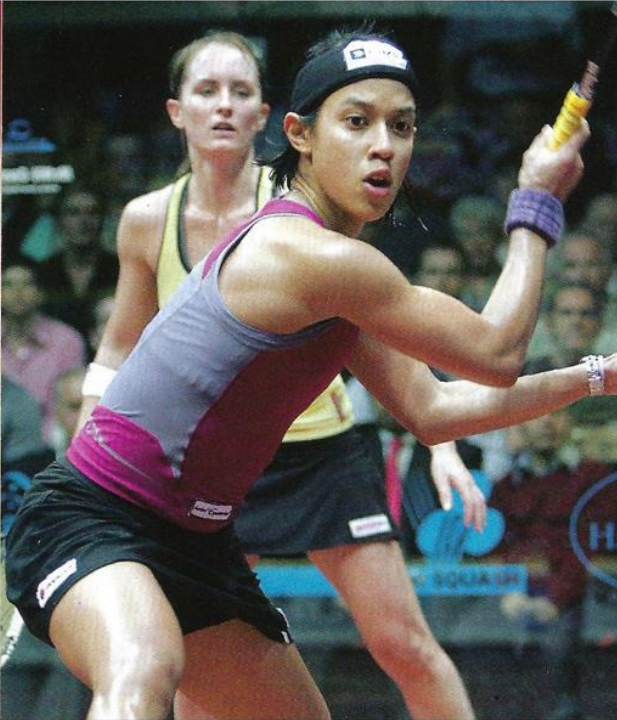
- Development of the Game
- Major Events
- Squash Playing Countries
- Players

THE GUINNESS BOOK OF SQUASH
Brings together a comprehensive, definitive survey of squash throughout the world.

- Traces the development of the game from its beginnings in the 19th century to the present day
- Highlights notable dates and occurrences in squash history
- Records all squash playing countries affiliated to the International Squash Rackets Federation, listing their officers, numbers of players, courts and tracing squash development in each country
- Records the results of all major championships, the more important events from the quarter final stages, giving an invaluable at a glance guide to how the leading players have performed over the years
- Features the past and present champions of squash, men and women who have made their mark on the game
- Gives biographical details of the world's leading professional players, men and women
- Traces the development of spectator squash and see-through courts
- Examines how a squash ball and a racket are made

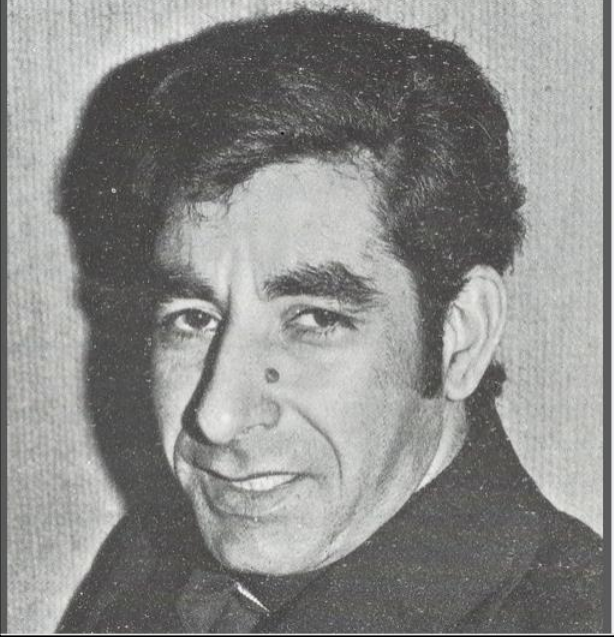
Squash Library
15 February at 08:24

The Women's World Open took place in Belfast in 2006, and Nicol David was chasing a second title. She and Natalie & Rachael Grinham along with Natalie Grainger were the last four. See the semis and final highlights at <https://www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos> on the Library YouTube Channel. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#) World Squash Federation



Squash Library
9 February at 08:08

50 years ago today on 9 Feb 1974 the BBC broadcast the final of the British Open for the first time. Played at Abbeydale, Sheffield, not only did a camera failure hamper the introduction, but there was no final either!
Jonah Barrington had won the last four of his six titles consecutively but in a major upset eighth seed Mohammed Yasin (pic) beat him 1-9 9-4 10-8 9-2 in the quarter finals. The Pakistani went on to beat countryman Qamar Zaman 5-9 9-7 10-9 9-7 in the semis but had turned his ankle and so withdrew. Geoff Hunt was crowned champion at a press conference on semis evening before Barrington returned after negotiations to play a best of three match for the cameras on finals day. [British Open Squash](#) - from [SquashSite Squash](#) - [PSA World Tour](#)



Squash Library
8 February at 08:51

Forty years ago, Nottingham in England was 'squash-central' for a number of players. Writer Rex Bellamy wrote in detail about the city (along with Walton Hall) in the Times on 9 Nov 1982. See it at <https://www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources>. Overseas players such as Glen Brumby and Chris Dittmar feature, along with home players Gawan Briars, Danny Lee, Lisa Opie, Martine Le Moignan, John Le Lievre and others.

Squash Library
13 December 2023 at 08:18

The 2007 WSF Men's World Team Championship took place in Chennai, India. Here, on the Library YouTube channel, www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos, is the WSF highlights film of the semis and final, featuring Australia, Egypt, England and France. World Squash Federation Squash Rackets Federation of India Squash Australia Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش England Squash FFSquash - Fédération Française de Squash

Squash Library
15 January at 08:14

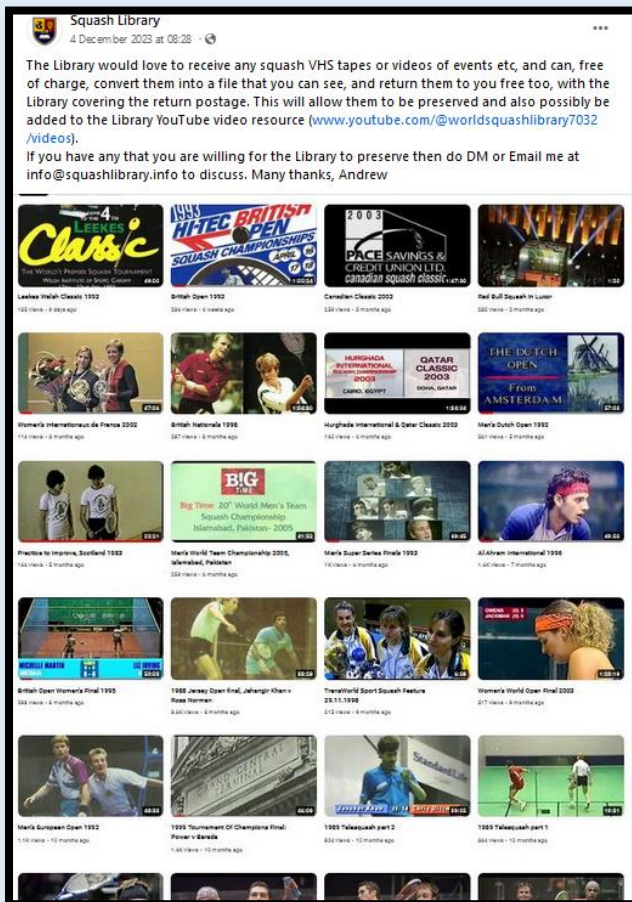
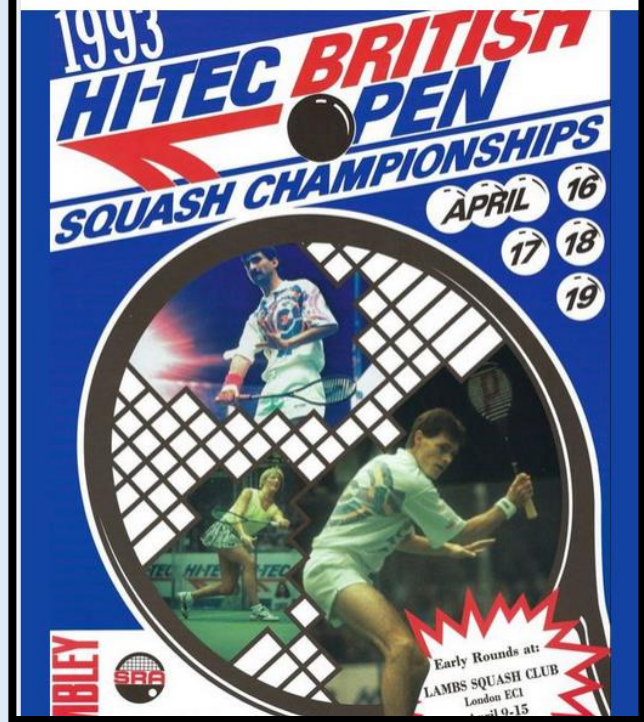
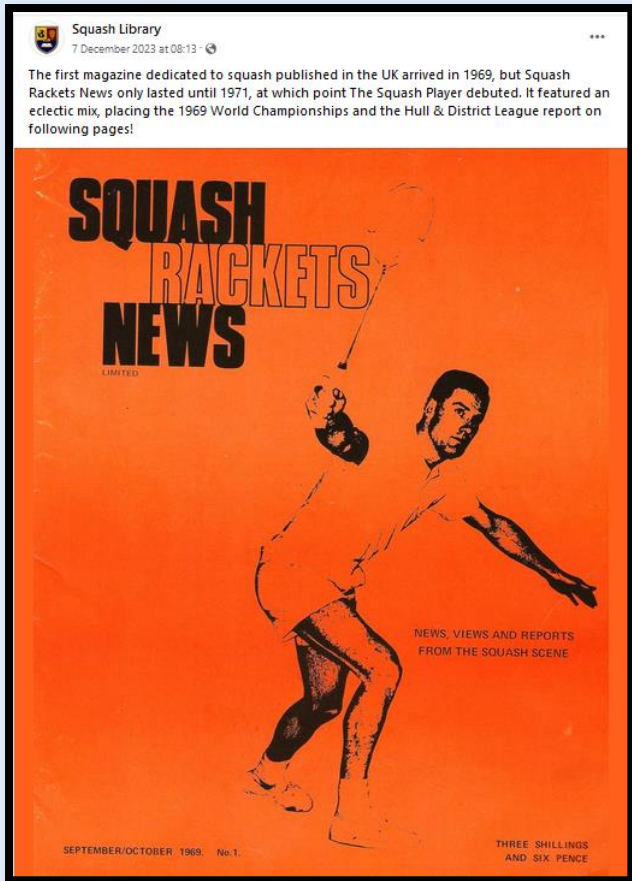
Khans Unlimited, a History of Squash in Pakistan, was published in 1997. Authored by superb journalist and lovely man Dicky Rutnagur, who wrote on cricket, badminton and squash for the Daily Telegraph in UK, along with other publications, it chronicled the rich history of the sport and star players in that country. Pakistan Squash Federation

Squash Library
8 December 2023 at 08:20

In 1991 Jahangir Khan and Chris Dittmar played the Scottish Open final. Here's the film on the Library YouTube Channel: www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos. It includes interviews and behind the scenes features. Squash - PSA World Tour Scottish Squash

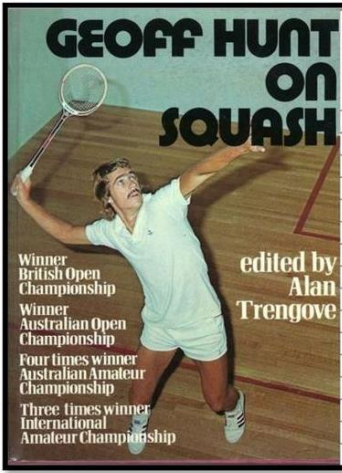
Squash Library
10 January at 08:38

In 2010, PSA invested in a production set-up, brought event rights back in-house and sent teams to film events for broadcast and streaming. Named SQUASHTV, it reached 10 million YouTube views in January 2014. In the last ten years that has shot up massively to over 225 million now. Squash - PSA World Tour



Squash Library
2 November · 🌐

In addition to writing many viewpoint articles for squash publications, Australian eight times British Open winner Geoff Hunt published this book in 1974 on coaching, his life up to that point, and other facets of squash. The first line was, 'Let me explain the steps that took me to success in squash at a fairly early age.' And he did so.



GEOFF HUNT ON SQUASH
edited by Alan Trengove

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Squash Library
28 September at 08:10 · 🌐

Heather McKay won her first Women's British Open final aged 21, in 1962. At the time she was playing under her maiden name, Blundell, and the photo is from the same year. Here is some video footage from her final against Fran Marshall: <https://cutt.ly/AwI288qe>.



Squash Library
5 October at 08:36 · 🌐

In January 1955 the Daily News in Australia proclaimed that 'No game since World War II has achieved such popularity as squash racquets'. See the article about the state of the game at that time here: www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources on the Library website. [Squash AustraliaEngland Squash](http://www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources)

SQUASH CAN'T KEEP PACE WITH WORLD DEMAND

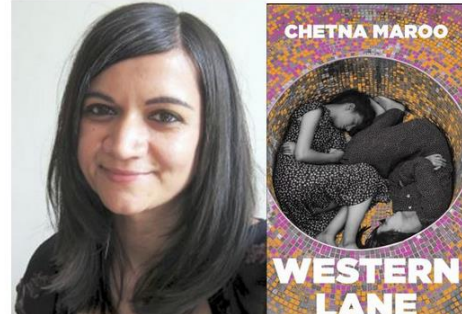
From James Fleet in London

Squash Library
25 September at 08:37 · 🌐

Great news. Western Lane, the squash-based book written by Chetna Maroo, below, (see Library post 9 May) has been placed on the shortlist for the prestigious UK Booker Prize, the winner of which will be announced on 26 November. [The Booker Prizes](http://www.bookerprizes.com)

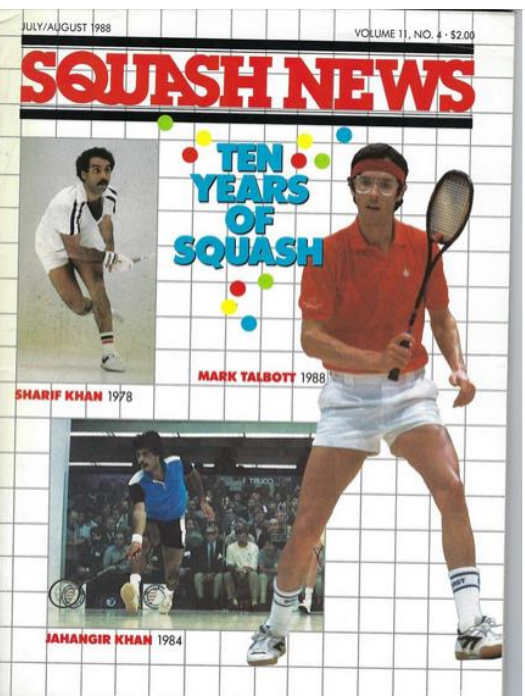
Squash Library
9 May at 08:32 · 🌐

Eleven-year-old Gopi has been playing squash since she was old enough to hold a racket, and soon squash becomes her world. This is the starting point of a novel titled Western Lane by Chetna Maroo that has just been published internationally. Set in 1980s England, Maroo weaves in her heroes, the top squash professionals of the period such as Jahangir Khan and Gamar Zaman, in the atmospheric coming-of-age story. It is available online as well as in bookstores.



Squash Library
4 October at 08:20 · 🌐

35 years ago the 117th edition of American magazine Squash News, in July/Aug 1988 marked its 10th anniversary. Published by Tom & Hazel White Jones, it run for 21 years before Squash Magazine took over.



JULY/AUGUST 1988 VOLUME 11, NO. 4 · \$2.00

SQUASH NEWS

TEN YEARS OF SQUASH

MARK TALBOT 1988

SHARIF KHAN 1978

JAHANGIR KHAN 1984

Squash Library
14 September at 06:53 · 🌐

20 years ago Jonathon Power and David Palmer played the final of the Canadian Classic 2003. See the video of the match, courtesy of Jean DeLierre, here: www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos, on the Library YouTube channel. *Squash - PSA World Tour*

Squash Library
1 September · 🌐

In 2002 the Women's Internationaux de France (French Open) was played in Antibes, with a final contested by Sarah Fitz-Gerald (AUS) and Linda Charman (Eliani, ENG). See the film of it here: www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos on the Library YouTube channel. *FFSquash - Fédération Française de SquashSquash - PSA World Tour*

Squash Library
8 September at 08:20 · 🌐

In 2010 Red Bull sponsored a match between Egyptians Ramy Ashour and Karim Darwish at the stunning setting of the Temple at Luxor. Here is a brief video snapshot: www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos on the Library YouTube channel. *Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش | Red Bull*

Squash Library
17 August at 08:23 · 🌐

25 years ago the British Nationals in 1998 featured, Cassie Jackman, Suzanne Horner, Linda Charman, Sue Wright, Mark Chaloner, Peter Nicol, Simon Parke and Paul Johnson. See their semis and finals at www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos, the Library YouTube channel. *England Squash*

BUSINESS PAGES
1998 NATIONAL
SQUASH
CHAMPIONSHIPS

Squash Library
7 September at 08:08 · 🌐

In 1937 Punch, a UK magazine, included an article moaning about the lack of standardisation in squash. An unhappy gentleman in several ways! Here it is: www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources

Squash Library
11 August at 08:16

A 240 page Squash Rackets Annual, published in UK, made its first appearance in 1936. Two more editions followed in 1937/8 and 1938/9, but it did not reappear after the Second World War. It featured clubs and results from around the world, as well as instruction, player details and other general information.

The image shows the cover of a vintage book titled "THE SQUASH RACKETS ANNUAL". The title is printed in large, red, serif capital letters. Below the title, the years "1936 - 7" are printed in a smaller red font. At the bottom right of the cover, there is a red-outlined rectangular box containing a simplified line drawing of a squash court layout.

Squash Library
4 August at 08:39

In 1967 the British Lawn Tennis Magazine included a feature about the future of TV for squash, this at the time when glass panels were placed in doors, but just before glass back walls arrived. It is here: www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources, on the Library website.

A black and white photograph of a vintage television camera mounted on a tripod. The camera is a large, boxy model with a prominent lens and various adjustment knobs and dials. A white cable is plugged into the side of the camera.

Squash Library
7 August at 07:46

Over 36 years ago, in February 1987, Ian McKenzie began editing Squash Player Magazine. Later he bought the title. Now the London-based irrepresible New Zealander has sold the magazine and is stepping down after decades of providing news, features, reports and results. The Library raises a glass to his time dealing with all the pressures, not least the financial ones; and the enduring resource he has kept running. I am sure that so many in the sport worldwide do so too. Cheers, thanks and best wishes, Ian.

The image shows the cover of "Squash Player International" magazine, dated February 1987. The cover features a large portrait of Ian McKenzie on the right side. On the left, there are several headlines in white text on a green background: "BEESON BEST OF BRITISH", "OPIE BACK ON TOP", and "FULL DRYSDALE REPORT". At the bottom, another headline reads "CENTRAL-SKOL OADBY TOPS AMEX LEAGUE". The magazine title "Squash" is written in a large, stylized font, with "PLAYER INTERNATIONAL" underneath it.

Squash Library
2 August at 08:36

Barbara Slotemaker de Bruine has updated her superb charting of the rise and then success of Australian women's squash on the international stage from Heather McKay onwards. It is available on line at <https://echobooks.com.au/.../the-golden-age-of-.../>. Squash Australia

The image shows the cover of a book titled "THE GOLDEN AGE OF AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S SQUASH". The cover features a large, faded image of a woman in a white squash outfit in the background. In the foreground, there is a grid of small, colorful photographs of various squash players. The title is written in a serif font. Below the title, there is a QR code and the publisher's logo "echo BOOKS". At the bottom, there is a short description of the book and the author's name, Barbara Slotemaker de Bruine (nee Baxter) AM.

Heather McKay led the way with an amazing run of 16 British Open Championships and the first two World Open Championships ...

...Other women champions and teams soon followed.

The extraordinary story of how Australia became the most successful nation in world women's squash from 1952-2016.

Barbara Slotemaker de Bruine (nee Baxter) AM

This book recounts the stories, results and dedication of an amazing group of women from Australia's 'Golden Age' of squash. It will hopefully inspire the next generation of women to 'take over the reins' and succeed on the world stage.

<https://echobooks.com.au/our-books/the-golden-age-of-australian-women-squash/>

Squash Library
27 July at 08:35 · 🌐

Twenty years ago Carol Owens (NZL) played Natalie Grainger (USA) and Rachael Grinham (AUS) in the finals of the Women's Qatar Classic and Hurghada International. See the matches on the Library YouTube channel: www.youtube.com/worldsquashlibrary7032/videos. @psa world

**HURGHADA
INTERNATIONAL
SQUASH CHAMPIONSHIP
2003**
CAIRO, EGYPT

**QATAR
CLASSIC
2003**
DOHA, QATAR

Squash Library
16 June at 08:41 · 🌐

The world & player federations have grappled with match management and player conduct as they framed the rules and referee guidelines over decades. Back in 1976 a 96 decision match was followed by this article in the Daily Express newspaper in UK.

DAILY EXPRESS Thursday February 5 1976

The crunch match...

And why Squash can do without it

By Mike Palmer

PROFESSIONAL SQUASH should beware that the public image it seeks is not ruined by the conduct of its own players. That's clear after a match that featured by refereeing decisions in the Lucas British and World Open championships at Wembley this week.

The "good guy, bad guy" element in any "live" sport, had referees and continued dispute with officials in another. The controversial, angry, and between Pauline Taylor and Chris Dittmar, who played for the British team, they were not allowed through to the final and 12 other decisions from referee Bob Jolly.

Dissect

The match officials' decisions. Was referee Jolly too strict? Should tournament referee rules have been more strict than those of the British Open? Or should the referee have been more lenient towards the players? And should the players own code, the tournament referee's decision, have been followed? It's not the first time Taylor and Dittmar have clashed. In 1974, after a match which referee Jolly had done nothing to prevent Taylor from winning, she said: "I've never seen a referee who was so strict as you. I've never seen a referee who was so strict as you."

It is a complex problem. Squash refereeing rules are very strict and personal referees are not allowed to exercise their own discretion. But the players can do their bit to establish a reputation for themselves. Some of the most interesting matches in the history of the game have been those in which the referee's decision has been overturned. It is a pity that the referee's decision is not always overturned. It is a pity that the referee's decision is not always overturned. It is a pity that the referee's decision is not always overturned.

Picture by Bob Jolly

Collision course... Ken Hiscope clashes with Tansam Khan at Wembley.

Squash Library
17 July at 07:38 · 🌐

Unusually, a group of three players got together to write a squash book. This happened in 1935 when Snell, Moss & Tomkinson produced this one.

SQUASH-RACKETS
BY
E. SNELL (5 ENGLAND CHAMPION), MAJOR T. MOSS (2 CAPT. J. TOMKINSON (AMATEUR CHAMPION 1937)

BECAUSE of its simplicity, Squash Rackets is undoubtedly the most difficult game on which to write a handbook. The authors of this book have, however, succeeded admirably. With the greatest economy of language, 52 in the last detail, they deal with Stroke Play, Tactics, Strategy, of the many other aspects of the game, if the book will be found to contain everything for all classes of players, from the beginner to the competitor in the Championships.

Mr. E. Snell was captain of the victorious Ivry's team which went to America, whilst, among other things, he won the Canadian Championship. He has been 5, of England champion a number of times. Mr. Moss was runner-up in the Amateur Championship. Major T. Moss is one of the finest teachers of Squash Rackets in the country.

The book was written in consultation with Capt. J. E. Tomkinson, who was Amateur Champion in 1937. It is the greatest player the game has ever seen.

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THE PLAYERS AND THE COURT ARE SHOWN IN THE BOOK WHICH IS AVAILABLE AT A SPECIAL PRICE OF 10/6. THE BOOK IS AVAILABLE AT A SPECIAL PRICE OF 10/6. THE BOOK IS AVAILABLE AT A SPECIAL PRICE OF 10/6.

Squash Library
7 June at 08:38 · 🌐

Forty years ago in 1983 the Scottish Squash Rackets Association produced this VHS tape entitled Practice to Improve, led by Director of Squash Robin Smeaton. See it at www.youtube.com/worldsquashlibrary7032/videos. Scottish Squash

Squash Library
23 June at 08:14 · 🌐

The 1992 Men's Dutch Open saw Tristan Nancarrow and Peter Marshall losing to Jansher Khan and Chris Dittmar in the semis before the titans played the final. See a video of the event at www.youtube.com/worldsquashlibrary7032/videos, the Library YouTube Channel. Squash - PSA World Tour

THE DUTCH OPEN

From AMSTERDAM

Squash Library
6 June at 08:27 · 🌐

In 1957 squash was added to the 'Play The Game' series of coaching books which included lawn tennis, cricket, soccer and riding. In his introduction author Sam Jagger explained his intention to plug the scarcity of coaches via a teach-yourself book.

PLAY THE GAME

SQUASH RACKETS

INTRODUCTION

MANY THOUSANDS of people play squash rackets, for they have found that by playing for only one half-hour periods a week they can have all the exercise that is necessary to keep fit. The standard of play is generally low, because the majority of clubs have no professional coaches.

Therefore the primary object of my writing this book is that club players, schoolboys and schoolgirls can teach themselves. To do this it is essential that the book should be laid out as simply as possible and it is most important that you should proceed stage by stage, as the book will show.

Squash rackets is an easy game to learn and it is splendid exercise, but you cannot be proficient at any game unless you are prepared to practice. There is no short cut to success. You be quite sure that you know the first part of the book before you proceed to the second part which is concerned with tactics.

It is extraordinary how competent young players can become. All they have to do is to continue along the lines I shall now show and within a few years they will be able to hold their own with many county players.

This is not a book for the complete beginner. I am assuming that the reader knows the rules* and that he has played before.

I am deeply indebted to Mr. E. C. Phillips and to Mr. Donald Thatcher for the help and guidance they have given me, to G. J. Chapman for his help in posing for the illustrations, and finally to the Chairman and Committee of the Squash Rackets Association for without their consent this book could not have been published.

London, June, 1957 G. J.

* Related rules of the game and advice to the beginner are given in *Know the Game - Squash Rackets* (25/6).

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Squash Library
17 May at 07:58 · 🌐

In 2005 the Men's World Team Championship was hosted in Islamabad. The film of the event produced by the Pakistan Squash Federation is on: www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos, the Library YouTube Channel. [World Squash Federation Pakistan Squash Federation](http://WorldSquashFederationPakistanSquashFederation)



PAKISTAN SQUASH FEDERATION
World Squash Federation

BIG TIME

Big Time 20th World Men's Team Squash Championship Islamabad, Pakistan- 2005


Squash Library
13 April at 08:39 · 🌐

The first live broadcast of squash took place when the second and third games of the Men's British Open semi-final 1951 between Mahmoud Karim (EGY) and Roy Wilson (ENG) for a 25 min programme for the Home Service of the BBC. In addition a part of the final in which Hashim Khan (with trophy) beat Karim was also recorded for transmission in the BBC Overseas Service. The commentator was Max Robertson, and on this Library page: www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources is his account of the experience. [British Open Squash](http://BritishOpenSquash) - from SquashSiteSquash - [PSA World Tour](http://PSAWorldTour)



Squash Library
9 May at 08:32 · 🌐

Eleven-year-old Gopi has been playing squash since she was old enough to hold a racket, and soon squash becomes her world. This is the starting point of a novel titled Western Lane by Chetna Maroo that has just been published internationally. Set in 1980s England, Maroo weaves in her heroes, the top squash professionals of the period such as Jahangir Khan and Qamar Zaman, in the atmospheric coming-of-age story. It is available online as well as in bookstores.




CHETNA MAROO

WESTERN LANE

Squash Library
6 April at 08:21 · 🌐

Yesterday the Library showed the court for the first Al Ahram 'Pyramids' event in 1996. Now on the Library YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos is the film of the event which saw local star Ahmed Barada (pic) taking on Jansher Khan in the final and footage of earlier rounds too. Squash - [PSA World Tour](http://PSAWorldTour) EGYPT سكواش مصر [Pakistan Squash Federation](http://PakistanSquashFederation)



Squash Library
14 March at 08:15

Jahangir Khan was looking for revenge when he met Ross Norman in the final of the Daily Mail International in Jersey in January 1988. He had lost to the New Zealander in the final of the World Open two months earlier. See it at www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos, the Library YouTube Channel. Squash - PSA World TourPakistan Squash FederationSquash New Zealand Jersey Squash Association Daily Mail

Squash Library
8 February at 08:39

The final of the Women's World Open 2003 played in Hong Kong, featured Carol Owens and Cassie Jackman. See it on the Library YouTube Channel at www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos. Squash - PSA World TourWorld Squash Federation

Squash Library
13 February at 08:17

In November 1998 TransWorld Sport broadcast a two-topic squash feature. An interview with new WSF Vice-President Jahangir Khan talking about his Olympic dream was one part; the other coverage of the Women's Worlds in Stuttgart. The memorable finish of the World Open final between Sarah Fitz-Gerald and Michelle Martin, along with the Australia v England Team final. See it at www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos, the Library YouTube Channel. World Squash FederationSquash - PSA World Tour

Squash Library
26 January at 08:39

The latest video to be added to the Library YouTube Channel www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos is the 1992 European Open in Kiel, Germany. Unseeded German Hansi Wiens reached the semi-finals where he was defeated by Chris Dittmar. With Chris Walker losing to Rodney Martin in the other semi the scene was set for an all-Australian final. Squash - PSA World Tour

Squash Library
19 January at 08:16

Jonathon Power (CAN) & Ahmed Barada (EGY) contested the Tournament of Champions 1999 final at Grand Central Terminal, pictured, in New York. Go to the Library YouTube Channel: www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos to see the match. Squash - PSA World Tour Egyptian Squash Federation - الاتحاد المصري للإسكواش Squash Canada

Squash Library
10 January at 08:22

In February 1989 the Edinburgh Sports Club hosting a 'Telesquash' Invitation event, featuring maximum length rallies and using the Tele-ball. After beating Mark Maclean & Chris Robertson in the semi-Finals, Chris Dittmar and Jansher Khan contested the final. Go to the Library YouTube Channel at www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos to see both rounds.

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Squash Library
12 January at 08:35

In 1926, Charles Arnold, the pro at the Bath Club in London, wrote a handbook entitled The Game of Squash Racquets. Here, at www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources is the section titled Positions & Movements Before & After Strokes.

Squash Library
21 December at 09:11

This documentary on Jonathon Power was made in 2000 showing him in action over a year. With thanks to by Cogent Benger Productions, see it on the Library YouTube Channel at www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos. Jonathon Power Squash Canada

Squash Library
19 December at 08:17

A change of ownership marks the end of the stewardship of squashmad.com by Alan Thatcher (pic). He had launched it from earlier squashUK and squash247 sites. Thatcher, a long-term squash journalist and promoter / enthusiast for the sport also founded World Squash Day in 2002, and a year later was a co-founder of the Canary Wharf Classic, where he is host announcer, amongst other involvements.



Squash Library
9 December at 08:19

After their 2005 World Open semi-final wins, David Palmer and Amr Shabana, both previous winners, contested the final in Hong Kong. Go to www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos, the Library YouTube channel, to watch the action. [World Squash FederationSquash - PSA World TourHong Kong Squash](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)



Photo courtesy Steve Line

Squash Library
15 December at 08:21

In 1952 former British Open champion Donald Butcher wrote this booklet to introduce squash to prospective players, including advising against wearing borrowed shoes or socks! Here it is at www.squashlibrary.info/features, reproduced in full.



by D. G. BUTCHER, Open Champion 1920-22. Professional Champion 1930-35

Squash Library
8 December at 08:38


Today on Library video week at www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos is when the 2005 Men's World Open took place in Hong Kong. One semi final was an all left-handed match up between Peter Nicol (ENG) and Amr Shabana (EGY). The other semi-final was played between Australian David Palmer and James Willstrop from England. Both can be viewed now. Final tomorrow. [Squash - PSA World TourWorld Squash FederationHong Kong Squash](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)



Photo courtesy Steve Line

Squash Library
7 December at 08:23

In 1976 Mohibullah Khan (pic) took on Geoff Hunt in the final of the Irish Masters at Leopardstown, Dublin. Here on the Library YouTube channel www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos is the recording of the match.



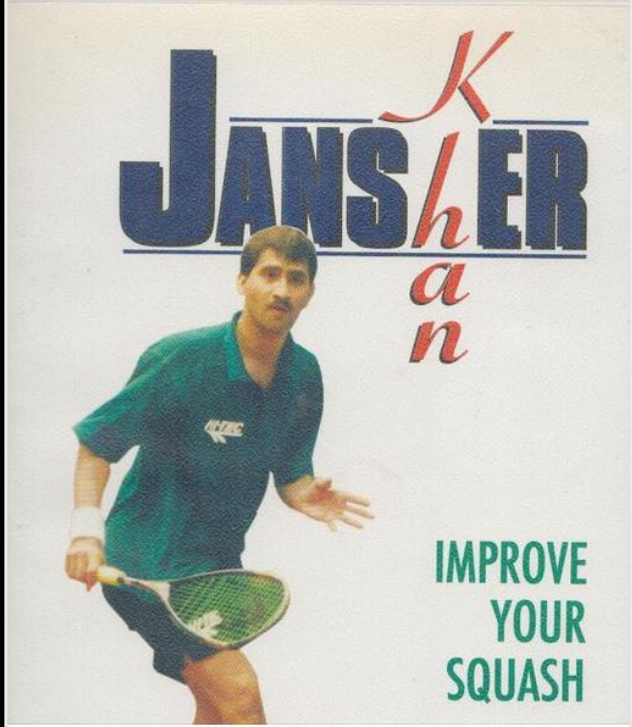
Squash Library
5 December at 08:17

It is men's video week on the Library YouTube Channel. The first video to view at www.youtube.com/@worldsquashlibrary7032/videos is of the two great Khans, Jahangir and Jansher, meeting in the semi-finals of the World Open 1987 in Birmingham, England. The final lands tomorrow. [World Squash FederationSquash - PSA World TourPakistan Squash Federation](#)



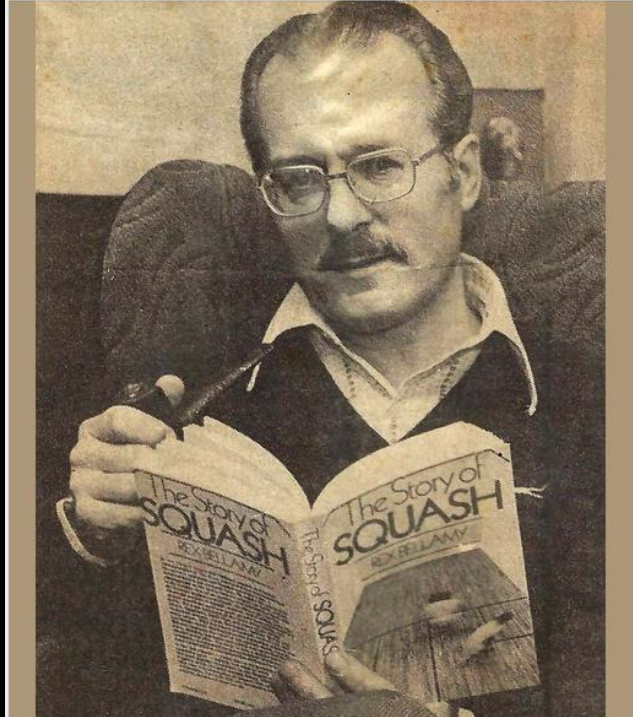
Squash Library
16 November at 08:28

In 1996, eight time World Open champion Jansher Khan fronted a coaching video in conjunction with Satinder Bajwa. The VHS tape has been converted and Jansher's coaching advice can be seen here <https://www.youtube.com/.../UCJFo-3pCw5gTEQSUO34TQnQ/videos>, the Library YouTube Channel.



Squash Library
17 November at 16:35

Sadly, Rex Bellamy (pictured), the leading squash writer, died today aged 94. Living in Midhurst UK, he was an international award-winning tennis journalist, but a keen squash player too; and was the Times Newspaper (UK) tennis and squash correspondent for over two decades. Bellamy's book, the Story of Squash, was a comprehensive telling of the history of the sport, and he was the joint author of Teach Yourself Squash Rackets. But it is as a much-travelled tennis and squash c... See more



Squash Library
21 October at 08:26

Today at the Library's www.youtube.com/channel/UCJFo-3pCw5gTEQSUO34TQnQ/videos, see Nicol David take on Natalie Grinham in the Women's World Open final in Amsterdam in 2009. (Men's video week to come next month). [World Squash FederationSquash - PSA World Tour](#)



Film produced by Adrian Battersby at www.247.tv


Squash Library
20 October at 08:16 · 🌐

Now, at the Library's www.youtube.com/channel/UCJFo-3pCw5gTEQSU034TQnQ/videos, is New Zealand's eight times British Open Champion Susan Devoy winning her second title against Martine Le Moignan in 1985. The VHS of the coverage has deteriorated, but look out for the teeball used that year. [British Open Squash](#) [Squash - PSA World Tour](#) [Squash New Zealand](#) [England Squash](#)




Squash Library
18 October at 08:42 · 🌐

Today in Library's Women's Video week is a link to a British Pathe report on the Women's British Open 1977, when Heather McKay won her 16th and last title at Wembley Squash Centre on 3 March 1977, beating fellow Australian Barbara Wall. It can be seen at <https://tinyurl.com/ymsbnz39>. [Squash Australia](#) [British Open Squash](#)



Squash Library
17 October at 08:57 · 🌐

It is Library's Women's video week..... starting with the 2007 Women's World Open in Madrid. At <https://www.youtube.com/.../UCJFo-3pCw5gTEQSU034TQnQ/videos>, it saw the first final encounter between sisters – the Australian Grinhams, Rachael and Natalie (rep Netherlands later). It includes coverage of their semi-finals against Natalie Grainger & Tania Bailey. [World Squash Federation](#) [Squash - PSA World Tour](#) [Squash Australia](#)



Squash Library
19 October at 08:47 · 🌐

Another Library Women's Week video to view now at www.youtube.com/channel/UCJFo-3pCw5gTEQSU034TQnQ/videos sees New Zealander Leilani Joyce taking on Englishwoman Cassie Campion (Jackman) in the Women's British Open 1999, played in Aberdeen. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#) [British Open Squash](#) [Squash New Zealand](#) [England Squash](#)



Semi final action, Joyce v Natalie Grainger.

Squash Library
29 September at 09:19 · 🌐

The World Squash Library doesn't just produce website resources and archive written material to keep and promote our history, but stores and uploads videos too. Can you help the Library find and preserve more films? Request here:

THE LIBRARY VIDEO COLLECTION

World Squash Library collects squash books, annuals, magazines, programmes, documents, photos and films so that they form an archive that is freely available as a resource now, and for future generations.

(The Library is registered as a not-for-profit with no paid staff with the sole intention of preserving and promoting the rich history of squash, while also making the archive available for reference now).

I mention films as it important for the Library to preserve past moving images too. From VHS to DVD, ranging across events, coaching, refereeing, promotional, and Olympic bid; they are all important to retain so that they can be viewed in the future.

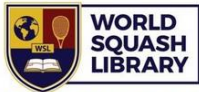
The Library has already uploaded a number of videos on our YouTube Channel (www.youtube.com/channel/UCJFo-3pCw5gTEQSU034TQnQ/videos), with all in the archive converted into digital files so that there quality does not reduce.

But there are many gaps that the Library needs to fill. (Not recent Squash events but ones that took place before the superb SquashTV coverage that began in 2010 and is stored by PSA, along with promotional, coaching, refereeing, interviews etc).

Have you got any VHS tapes or DVDs that you are willing to loan to the Library to convert into a file and return to you immediately? The Library will cover the postage costs and give you a [www.squashinfo](https://www.squashinfo.com) Silver subscription for a year for three or more films so that you can look at the more of the treasure trove of data on the Library's partner protector of history. Or you can simply pass them onto the Library.

If you have any that you are willing for the Library to preserve, then do please DM or Email me at info@squashlibrary.info to discuss. Many thanks,

Andrew Shelley
www.squashlibrary.info



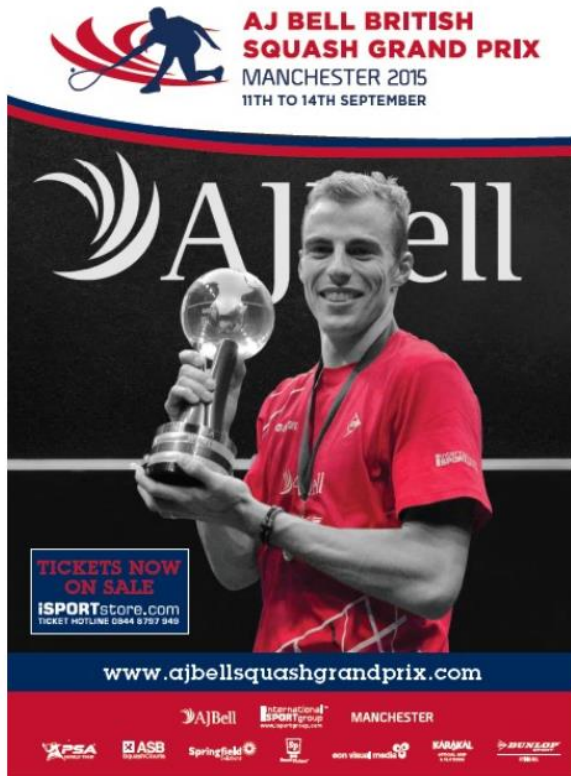
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Squash Library
8 September at 12:04 · 🌐



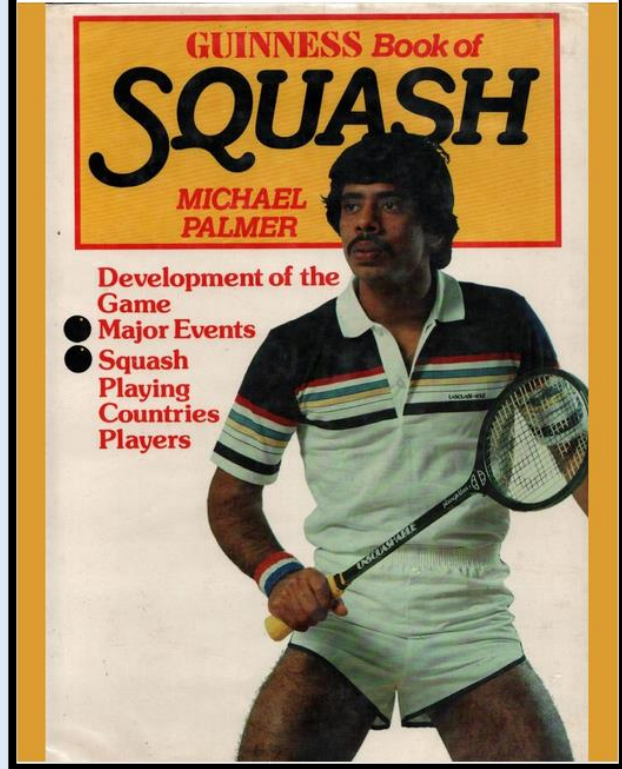
In September 2015 squash became the first racket sport to be broadcast in UltraHD (Ultra High Definition) in the UK. The semi-finals and finals of the AJ Bell British Grand Prix were shown live by BT Sport in both HD & UltraHD.



Squash Library
22 July at 07:31 · 🌐



When the Guinness Book of Squash was published in UK in 1984 it was one of a range of books published by Guinness in addition to their World Records compendium. Written by squash journalist / promoter Mike Palmer, it ran to 160 pages of squash growth, results, biographies etc.



Squash Library
7 September at 11:53 · 🌐



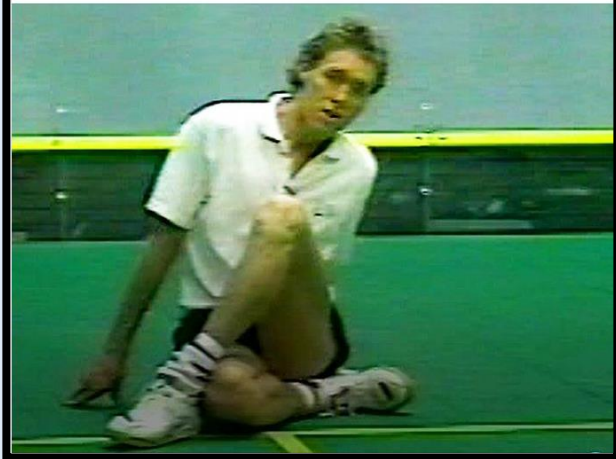
At the Men's World Open 1987 in Birmingham, England, Pakistani Jansher Khan played Chris Dittmar from Australia in the final. (They beat countrymen Jahangir Khan and Rodney Martin in their respective semi finals). www.youtube.com/channel/UCJFo-3pCw5gTEQSU034TQnQ for the TV final highlights on the Library YouTube Channel. World Squash FederationSquash - PSA World Tour Pakistan Squash FederationSquash Australia



Squash Library
19 July at 08:22 · 🌐



In 1992 ISPA (renamed PSA in 1993) produced a coaching video featuring a number of players including Ross Norman, Chris Robertson, Adrian Davies and Del Harris. It also included coverage of the Leekes Welsh Classic 1992 final between Jansher Khan and Chris Dittmar. See it at www.youtube.com/channel/UCJFo-3pCw5gTEQSU034TQnQ - the Library YouTube Channel. Squash - PSA World Tour



Squash Library
5 July at 08:05

The 1994 Mahindra Challenge in Mumbai, India, the first PSA Super Series to be played on an outside court, featured upsets by Hansi Weins (GER) and Federico Usandizaga (ARG). The Martin brothers and Rodney Eyles (AUS), Peter Marshall (ENG) and others are featured. See the official video at www.youtube.com/channel/UJFo-3pCw5gTEQSUO34TQnQ on the Library YouTube Channel. Squash - PSA World Tour Squash Rackets Federation of India

Squash Library
23 June at 08:38

In November 2001, the first edition of the Brazilian national squash magazine was published. It continued for eight years before being superseded.
[Confederação Brasileira de Squash](http://Confederaçao Brasileira de Squash)

Squash Library
2 July at 08:46

The first international edition of French magazine Planete Squash was published in May 2005 with wording in French and English. In addition to the articles it featured a 22 year old Greg Gaultier Dunlop ad. Grégory GaultierFFSquash - Fédération Française de Squash

Squash Library
10 June at 08:57

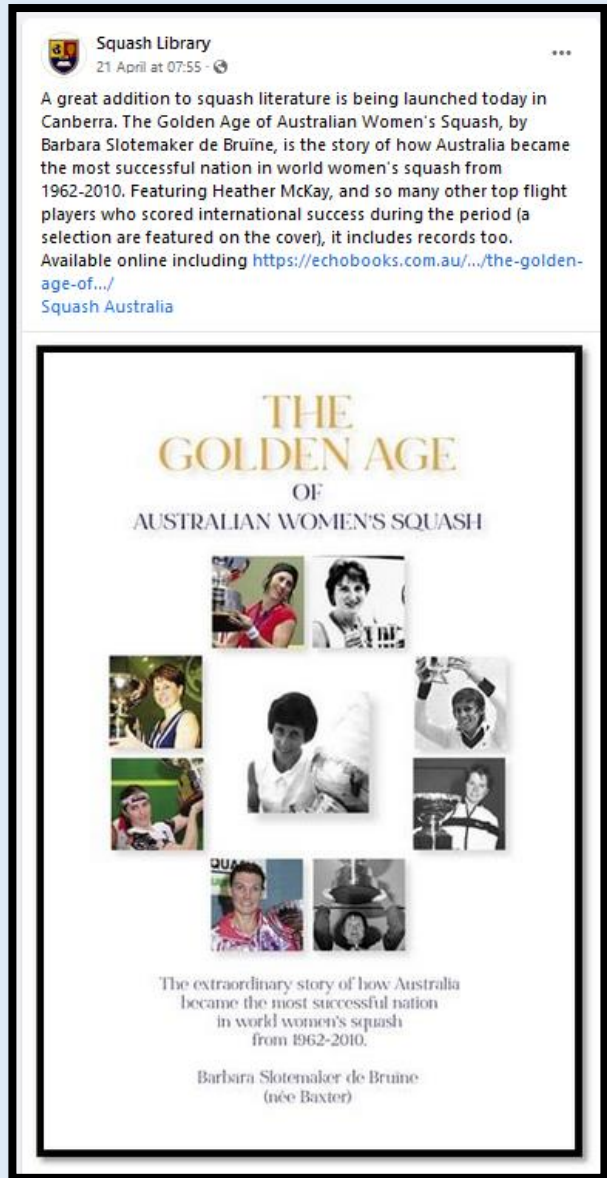
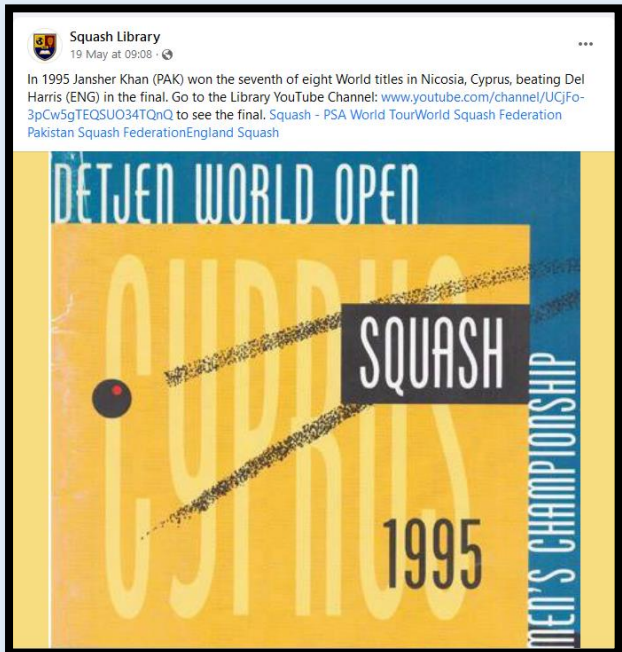
dramas entitled Love and Marriage. Set in a squash club and taking place over a single evening, it traced the fortunes of Alan (Richard Hope) in his attempts to impress fellow club member Samantha (Sallyanne Law). Running through The Clinger were a number of humorous storylines dealing with the politics of squash club life including the point scoring rules for the internal leagues. Pictured during filming top players and the two stars: Lesley Moore, Ian Robinson, Richard Hope, Sally-Anne Law, Karen Butterworth, John Le Lievre.

Squash Library
24 June at 08:42

In March 1996 the Danish Squash Federation under the leadership of the late Oluf Jorgensen, began producing what was a short-lived magazine, titled Dansk Squash. It was re-launched in 2007 titled Let Please. @Dansk Squash Forbund

Squash Library
7 June at 08:18

In 1992 Susan Devoy won the last of her eight British Open finals, while Jansher Khan won his first of six. On the Library YouTube channel: www.youtube.com/channel/UJFo-3pCw5gTEQSUO34TQnQ, you can watch the film of their finals at the Wembley Conference Centre against Martine Le Moignan and Chris Robertson. British Open Squash - PSA World Tour



Squash Library
21 March at 08:23 · 🌐

To follow up on the 1991 video, a 1998 PSA Promotional video has been added to the Library YouTube channel. It features Jansher Khan, Peter Nicol, Ahmed Barada and others. www.youtube.com/channel/UCjFo-3pCw5gTEQSU034TQnQ to view it. Squash - PSA World Tour



Squash Library
24 February at 08:29 · 🌐

In 1987 a South African promotional video entitled 'South African Junior Squash, Building A Nation' was produced. See it on the Squash Library YouTube Channel at www.youtube.com/channel/UCjFo-3pCw5gTEQSU034TQnQ along with many other interesting videos. Squash South Africa



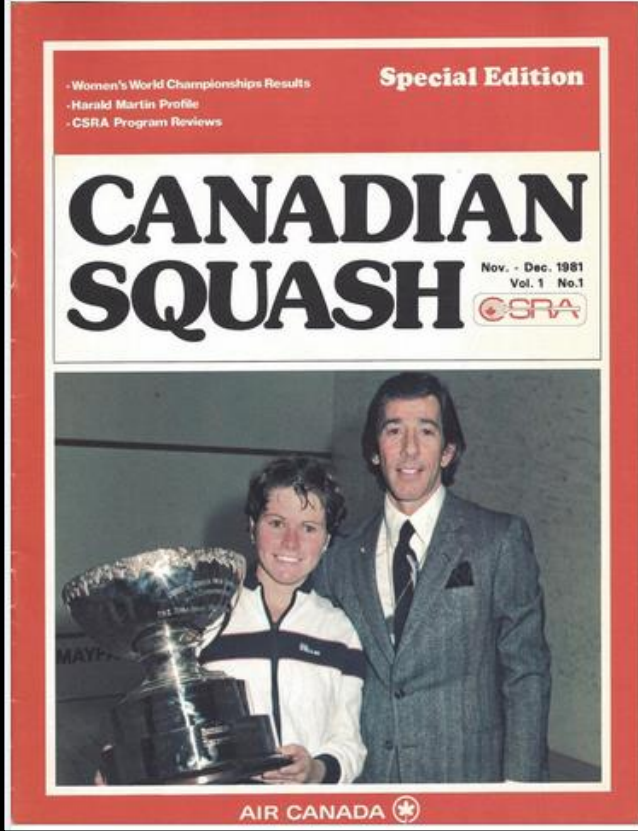
Squash Library
19 March at 08:38 · 🌐

The Library YouTube channel now includes a 1991 ISPA (now PSA) video showing Jahangir Khan, Chris Dittmar and others in a promotional tape for the ISPA Pro-Squash TV Series. www.youtube.com/channel/UCjFo-3pCw5gTEQSU034TQnQ to see it. Squash - PSA World Tour



Squash Library
21 February at 08:19 · 🌐

The first edition of Canadian Squash was published in the fall of 1981, and in addition to reporting on a national schools program, a referee certification program and establishing national centres, it also featured the new World Open champion Rhonda Thorne (AUS) who won the title at Markham, Ontario. [Squash Canada](#)



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CANADIAN SQUASH Nov. - Dec. 1981 Vol. 1 No.1

AIR CANADA



Squash Library
9 February at 08:45

Back in 1979 there was Ceefax, developed by the BBC and the world's first text transmission service. It was available for people who wanted to access the squash page on their television and see the event news.

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BBC SPORT SQUASH AVIS BRITISH OPEN FINAL
- by ANDY MORETON at Wembley -

Geoff Hunt of Australia won the British Open for the sixth time at Wembley.

He beat Qamar Zaman of Pakistan 2-9 9-7 9-0 6-9 9-3 in a memorable final.

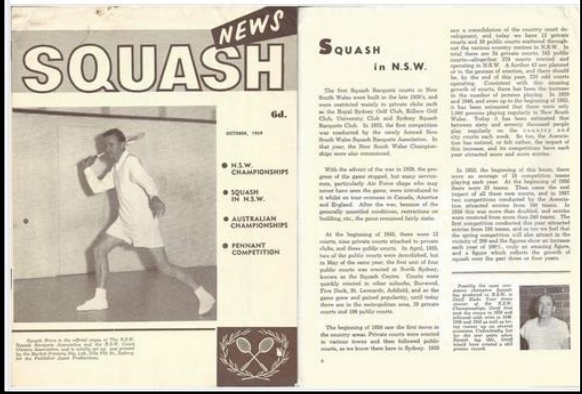
After an indifferent start, Hunt found himself game and 0-4 down. But he won the crucial second game in 22 minutes, then zipped through the third to love.

Zaman recovered brilliantly from 1-6 down in the fourth to take the match to a fifth game. But he could not sustain his challenge, and Hunt eventually powered to victory in 82 minutes.



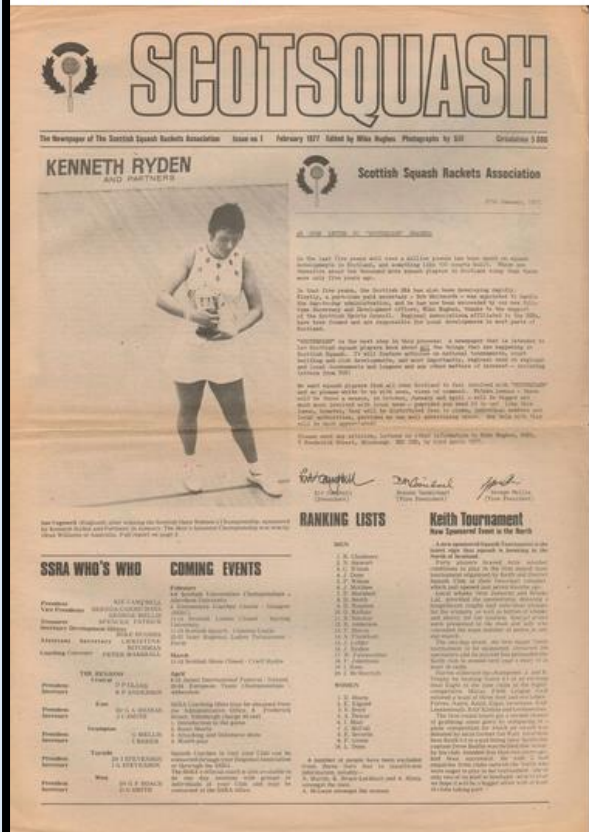
Squash Library
19 January at 08:32

In October 1959, what may have been one of the first squash magazines for a region of a country appeared. It was for the state of New South Wales in Australia, and included a snapshot of squash in the state, shown below. [Squash NSW Squash Australia](#)



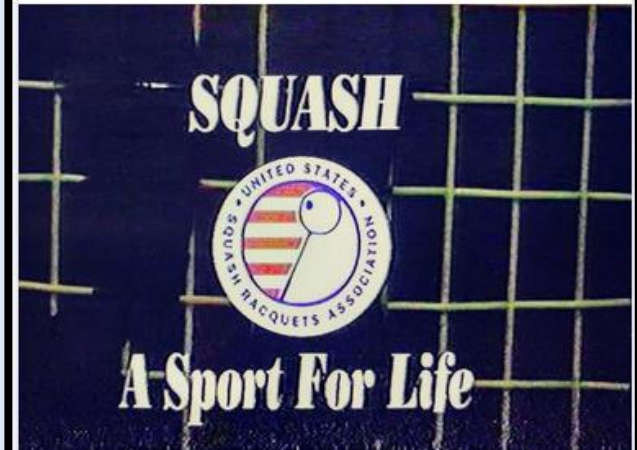
Squash Library
3 February at 08:59

The first edition of the Scottish Federation newsletter – ScotSquash – appeared this month in 1977, pointing out that in the last five years around 100 courts had been built amongst the national news and reports. [Scottish Squash](#)



Squash Library
10 January at 09:05


In the late 1990's, USSRA (now named US Squash) produced a seven minute promotional video entitled 'Squash, a Sport for Life' to promote the sport in America. See it at <https://youtube.com/channel/UCJFo-3pCw5gTEQSUO34TQnQ> on the Library YouTube channel. [US SQUASH](#)



2021

Squash Library
28 December at 08:42 · 🌐

Uploaded today. See snatches of Jahangir Khan, Chris Dittmar and many top stars on the Library YouTube channel at [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjFo-3pCw5gTEQSUO34TnQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjFo-3pCw5gTEQSUO34TQnQ), as this brief 1990 video takes you through the development of TV squash up to show courts, white, tele and chroma balls. (The full Library innovation history is at <https://www.squashlibrary.info/squash-event-innovation>). Squash - PSA World TourWorld Squash Federation



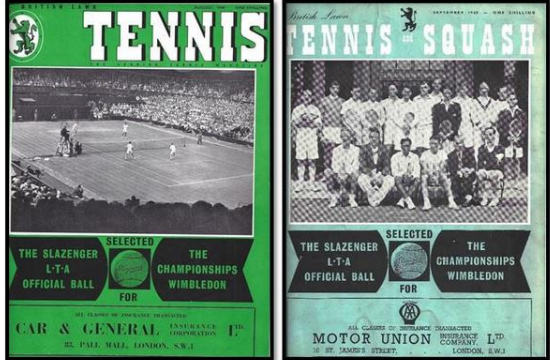
Squash Library
13 December at 08:47 · 🌐

When the Wembley Squash Centre was built in North London in 1974, one innovation was a central block of removable seats so that a TV camera could be slotted in (with room behind, in a storeroom). The end seats on the front row were also removable for cameras. For the full Wembley story go to <https://www.squashlibrary.info/post/wembley-squash-centre>



Squash Library
24 December at 08:43 · 🌐

In the summer of 1948 the British Lawn Tennis Magazine, noting the increasing popularity of squash, reached agreement with the British Squash Rackets Association to make it their official publication and the title changed accordingly. Squash Wales - Sboncen CymruScottish SquashEngland Squash



Squash Library
2 December at 08:50 · 🌐

Here is a newsreel reporting on squash in 1936, made by Pathe, who were famous for their news bulletins. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m_kS8VUBLjg...

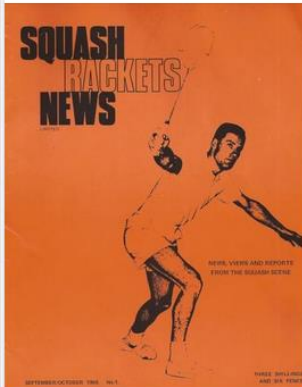




Squash Library

26 November at 09:11 · 🌐

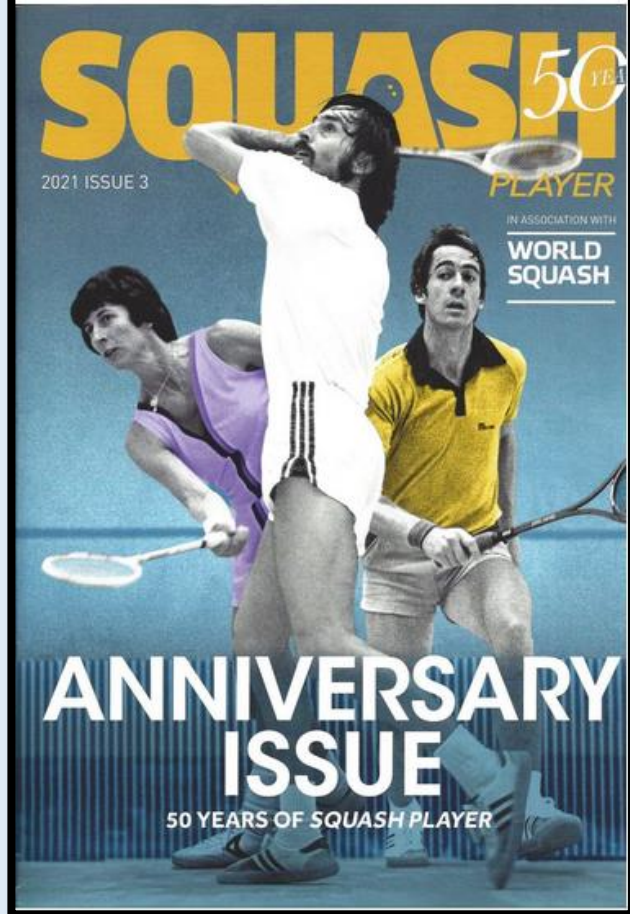
Squash Player Magazine is celebrating its 50th birthday, but it was briefly preceded by SQUASH RACKETS NEWS, the first UK publication devoted entirely to squash. The first edition was Sept/Oct 1969. After a handful of editions it moved to newspaper format until the last in Sept 1971 when the publishers (A.C.M Webb) evolved it into SQUASH PLAYER MAGAZINE. [Squash Player Magazine](#)



Squash Library

5 November at 15:58 · 🌐

Hearty congratulations on 50 years of Squash Player Magazine, and best wishes for the next fifty too. You have done a wonderful job editing and publishing it over so many years Ian McKenzie, and this edition gives some great historical perspectives. Thanks from the world of squash! [Squash Player Magazine](#)



Squash Library

19 November at 08:40 · 🌐

In 1969 when the English SRA was trying to encourage media interest in squash at the birth of glass back walls, the then BBC Director of Programmes and now world famous natural historian and broadcaster David Attenborough, said this:



'So far we have not been able to convince ourselves that it is possible on television to follow this extremely fast-moving ball and still retain the essential geography of the game....we are very reluctant to embark on the coverage of a game without assuring ourselves that the coverage would be satisfactory.'

If we find any other evidence to make us change our minds about the fundamental difficulties which we believe are inherent in the game from a television point of view, we will not hesitate to get in touch with the proper authorities'.



Squash Library

3 November at 08:37 · 🌐

In 1982 Rank Video released a 'squash intro' Laser Disc. It is on the Library YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjFo-3pCw5gTEQSUO34TQnQ>, and featured England internationals Paul Millman & John Easter amongst the players, and technical advice from Tony Swift.

It was one of a series of sports teaching films made in England, running for 50 minutes. (Laser Disc was an alternative format to VHS, and pre-dated DVD).




Squash Library
12 October at 08:30 · 🌐

On 29 November 1986, a documentary produced by Face Films for Channel 4 Television titled **THE KHANS OF PAKISTAN - A SQUASH DYNASTY** was aired, featuring Jahangir Khan. The Library has converted a VHS tape of it with approval of Channel 4 for the Library's YouTube Channel for general interest. Go to <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjFo-3pCw5gTEQSUO34TQnQ> to see it. [Pakistan Squash Federation](#)



Squash Library
23 August at 08:47 · 🌐

Squash has featured on the cover of New Yorker Magazine three times, in 1935, 1936 and 1977. The weekly reporting, commentary, satire, cartoon etc publication itself first appeared in 1925. The first two were the work of Constantin Alajalov. His first featuring squash included squash in a set of six sports, while a year later he drew play on court. The third, in 1977 was by Charles Saxon, showing players waiting to get on court. Fuller details are at a 2008 James Zug blog: <http://web.archive.org/.../blog.../new-yorker-covers/> [US SQUASH](#)



Squash Library
28 September at 08:28 · 🌐

In 1995 Italy based International Squash Magazine produced a 15 minute VHS tape they called 'the first squash music video ever produced. It is a display of top world squash mixed with the best chart hits.....'. See it on the Library YouTube channel www.youtube.com/channel/UCjFo-3pCw5gTEQSUO34TQnQ



Squash Library
14 August at 09:07 · 🌐

Peter Nicol (World Champ 1999, pic Steve Line) was the first player inputted into the www.squashinfo.com database at its start in 2004. Initiated and managed by Howard Harding (left), now there are approaching 20,000 on squash's definitive source of results and player information. There are currently 8,950 events too, going back to 1967, with new and researched ones being added regularly. International ranking lists go back to 1975.





Squash Library

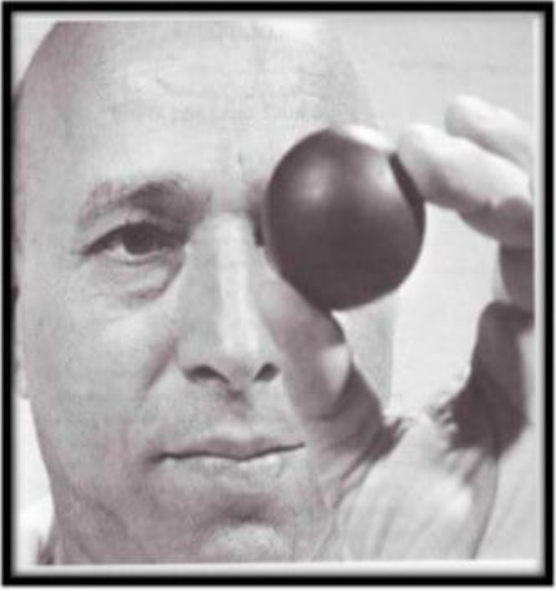
20 April at 08:45 · 🌐



Ten years ago in early 2011 Josh Easdon's documentary film, "Keep Eye on Ball" The Hashim Khan Story, was first broadcast on the U.S. national Sundance Film Channel.

It traced the extraordinary life of the legendary Pakistani. (In 1951, 'veteran' 37-year-old Hashim Khan first entered the British Open. Virtually unknown at the time, he won the first of his eventual seven British Open titles).

[Pakistan Squash Federation](#)

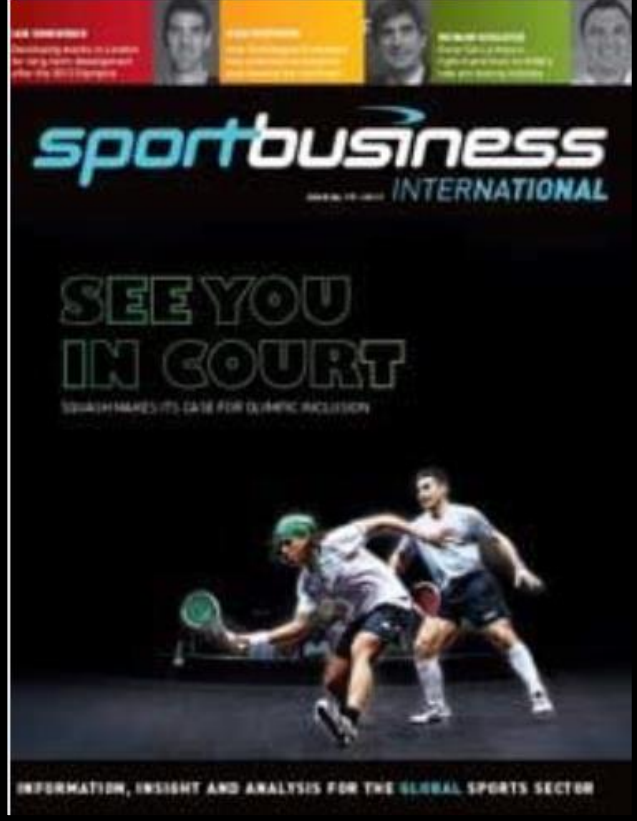


Squash Library

21 May at 08:32 · 🌐



In September 2011 squash was featured on the front cover of Sport Business International magazine. The five-page feature examined the growth of squash, both on and off the court, highlighting the growing commercial interest of the sport and innovative broadcast technologies showcased in both the men's and women's tours. (With a monthly readership of 200,000 spread across 40 countries at that point, Sport Business International is one of the leading publications within the sport business industry).



Squash Library

20 June at 08:18 · 🌐



Eight years ago today (20 June 2013) Dicky Rutnagur, the highly-respected Indian-born British-based journalist who covered squash, badminton and cricket for the Daily Telegraph died in London aged 82. He also authored, Khans Unlimited – A history of Squash in Pakistan.

In an era before the reporting world changed with the advent of internet, Dicky Rutnagur was already a doyen of the craft. His encyclopaedic knowledge of squash players and championships, his direct and accurate mode of reportage - whether it be squash or his other love cricket - along with his wicked sense of humour, led Dicky to be held in the highest esteem by players, promoters and his publications alike.



Squash Library
17 April at 09:12 · 🌐

SquashTV was launched by PSA at the Tournament of Champions in January 2010, the forerunner to which was PSALIVE.tv. It began at the same event in January 2004, and ran until SquashTV began, ending at the PSA Masters in Mumbai, India, in December 2009. The 2004 – 09 collaboration between PSA and Horizon Software saw up to 26 events covered each year.
[Squash - PSA World Tour](#)

Squash Library
2 April at 08:55 · 🌐

SquashTV viewership has mushroomed on its YouTube channel since starting in July 2011. From reaching 25 million views in April 2015, the highlights, interview and general Tour showcasing channel doubled in size to 50 million views two years later in 2017. Then it boasted an average of 1.3 million monthly views, and over 65,000 subscribers. It has since expanded to a current 141,000 subscribers and has reached 120 million views. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)

Squash Library
7 April at 07:16 · 🌐

After over thirty years peering through glass walls, snapping presentations and generally photographing squash events across the globe from his English base, Fritz Borchert retired ten years ago. He supplied many of the memorable squash shots over the years, and is toasted by fellow pro photographer Steve Line.

Squash Library
25 March at 08:51 · 🌐

In 1982, when showcourts had just arrived and the Men's World Open was to take place in Birmingham, the British national broadcasters BBC & ITV declined to broadcast the event. Jonah Barrington protested, saying 'Squash is played by more than 2.5 million in the UK yet TV consider it less worthy than tractor pulling, chopping and push-bike speedway'. He also fronted the national federation push to persuade broadcasters that squash would be good TV.

SUPPORT THE SRA CAMPAIGN FOR SQUASH ON TELEVISION

THE SQUASH Rackets Association are sending out nearly 2000 "JOIN JONAH AND SAY YES TO TV SQUASH" posters to all affiliated clubs with this edition of Squash News. We need the support of club managers and proprietors and the SRA hopes that:

- Club managers and proprietors will be sympathetic to this campaign and find room for this poster on club notice boards.
- All club members who wish to see more and better squash on television will put their signature on this poster and encourage their fellow squash enthusiasts to do the same.
- When the poster is full of signatures it should be sent back to the Squash Rackets Association and clubs will

JOIN JONAH AND

Squash Library
21 December at 09:09

SquashTV was launched by PSA at New York's J.P. Morgan Tournament of Champions in January 2010. Before this events were filmed by local broadcasters resulting in varying qualities of filming, graphics and presentation. The SquashTV subscription service offered live and on-demand replays, and it was also the start of the 'in-house' production team delivering live broadcast internationally – which quickly grew into the high quality, standardised presentation along with general enhancements that squash enjoys today. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#) (Somewhat different from this 1974 Squash Player Magazine cartoon depiction!)

God! How I Hate Televised Matches

Squash Library
3 September

The first squash magazine in USA was Squash News, launched in April 1978 by husband & wife team Hazel & Tom Jones. Coming from an advertising / PR background, when hired by public club owners in New York to secure publicity for squash they started the publication. Initially it was primarily sold to New York public clubs, the Professional Hardball Association and U.S. regional squash associations.

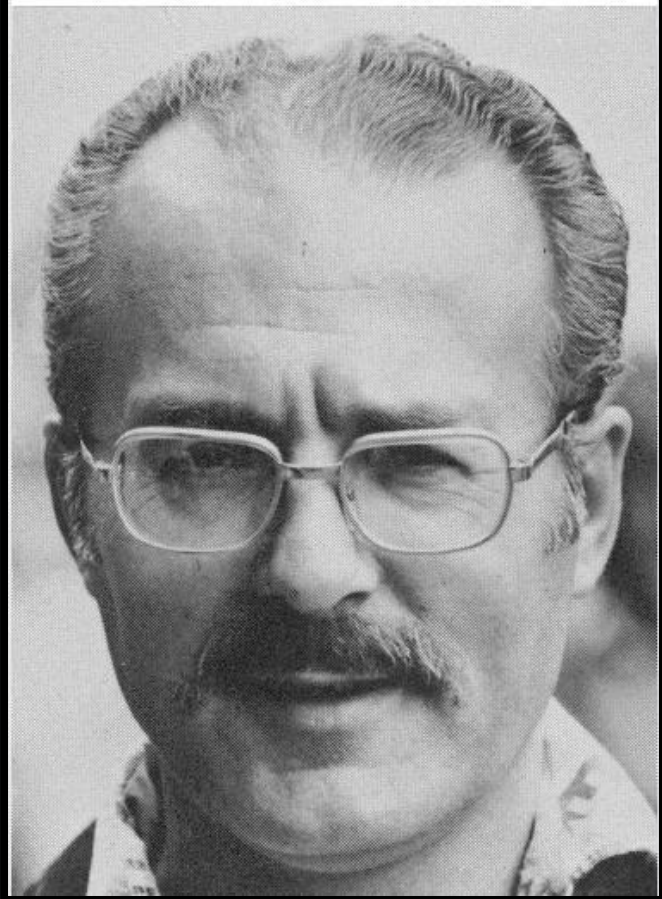
As Hazel Jones commented, 'As a result of growing interest in squash, and the lack of a way to learn about what was happening on a more timely basis, we decided to start the publication, which was a very humble tabloid printed in one color'.

Within a year US Squash had linked in to make it their official magazine, with Squash News a membership benefit. It ran for 21 years, before the baton was taken up by Squash Magazine. Here are the first and last covers. [US SQUASH](#)

In the 1970s as glass backwalls increased the broadcast and spectator potential for squash events, media, led by newspapers, was expanding too. So much so that squash journalists in the UK & Ireland formed themselves into the Squash Writers' Club on 7 February 1975 - finals day of the British Open that year.

The SWC was chaired by celebrated Times newspaper writer Rex Bellamy (pic), and aimed to give promoters and sponsors guidance in helping the media and so garner greater coverage, while also indicating the facilities and general support press needed to be able to undertake their journalistic duties.

Media cost-cutting meant the number of specialist journalists dwindled and the club faded away during the 1980s. The World Squash Media Service by Howard Harding (in 1996) funded by WSF, PSA & WISPA ensured general servicing continued.



In June 1987 ISPA (became PSA in 1993) issued its first ISPA NEWS, re-named PROSCENE in 1989.

In the four pages, the large Men's Tour prize money increase was highlighted. From \$158,000 in 1983, by April 1987 it had broken the \$1m barrier at \$1,159,000. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)

ISPA NEWS

Official bulletin of the International Squash Players Association.

JUNE 1987
ISSUE No.1

Goodbye Greg - and thanks!



Greg Davenport receives a special letter from new chairman Stuart Davenport (right) and president Graham Bruns.

Greg Davenport, who has served the Association for 12 years, has stepped down as chairman. He will be succeeded by Stuart Davenport, who has served the Association for 12 years.

Davenport is new chairman
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Jansher closes in after rankings shake-up

Jansher Khan, 17-year-old brother of former world No.1 Jansher Khan, has stepped up to take over as the new official world rankings agent for the International Squash Players Association.

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LATEST ISPA RANKINGS - TOP 30

Player	Points	Rank	Player	Points	Rank
Jansher Khan	100,000	1	Greg Davenport	80,000	2
Stuart Davenport	75,000	3	Johnnie Williams	60,000	4
Johnnie Williams	55,000	5	Clive Selby	45,000	6
Clive Selby	35,000	7	David Williams	25,000	8
David Williams	15,000	9	Robert Owen	10,000	10
Robert Owen	5,000	11	Johnnie Williams	5,000	12
Johnnie Williams	5,000	13	Clive Selby	5,000	14
Clive Selby	5,000	15	David Williams	5,000	16
David Williams	5,000	17	Robert Owen	5,000	18
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Clive Selby	5,000	39	David Williams	5,000	40
David Williams	5,000	41	Robert Owen	5,000	42
Robert Owen	5,000	43	Johnnie Williams	5,000	44
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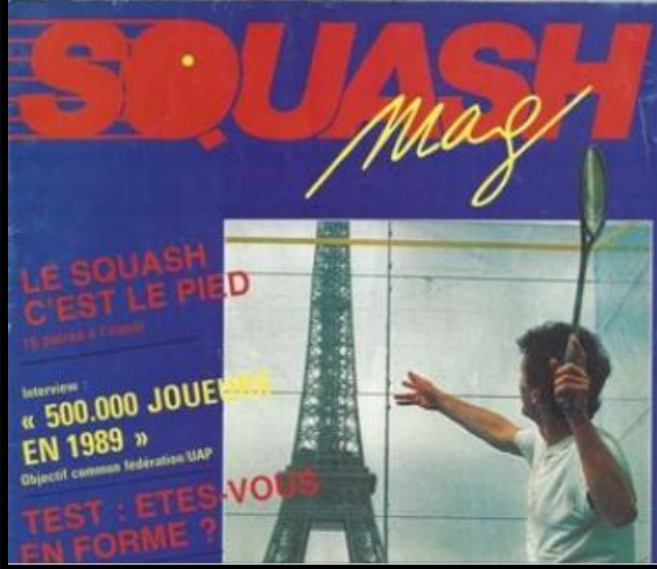


Squash Library

31 July - 🌐

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The 1986 first edition of Squash Mag, a French publication, had a double page article on a May '86 promotional week for the sport featuring a showcourt being built in the shadow of the Eiffel Tower with several days of exhibitions, squash marathons and event finals.
[FFSquash - Fédération Française de Squash](#)



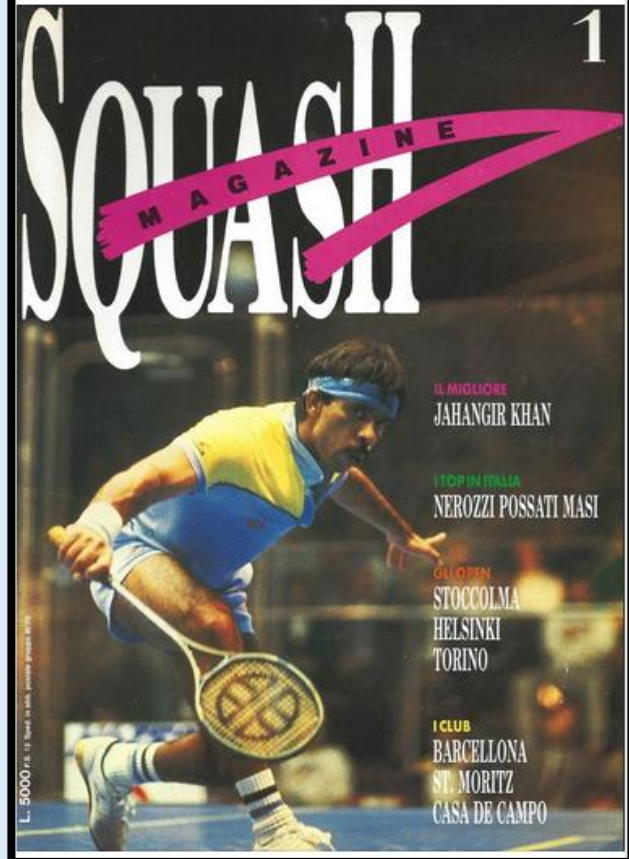
Squash Library

23 July - 🌐

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The first issue of a stylish Italian publication called Squash Magazine was published in March 1987 (pic). It had international as well as domestic news, with wording only in Italian. Two years later the Summer 1989 edition was the first with 'International' added to the title, with wording initially in both Italian & English, and worldwide distribution.

At the end of 1992 it became an English language only glossy magazine, before finishing publication with the Winter 1996 edition.

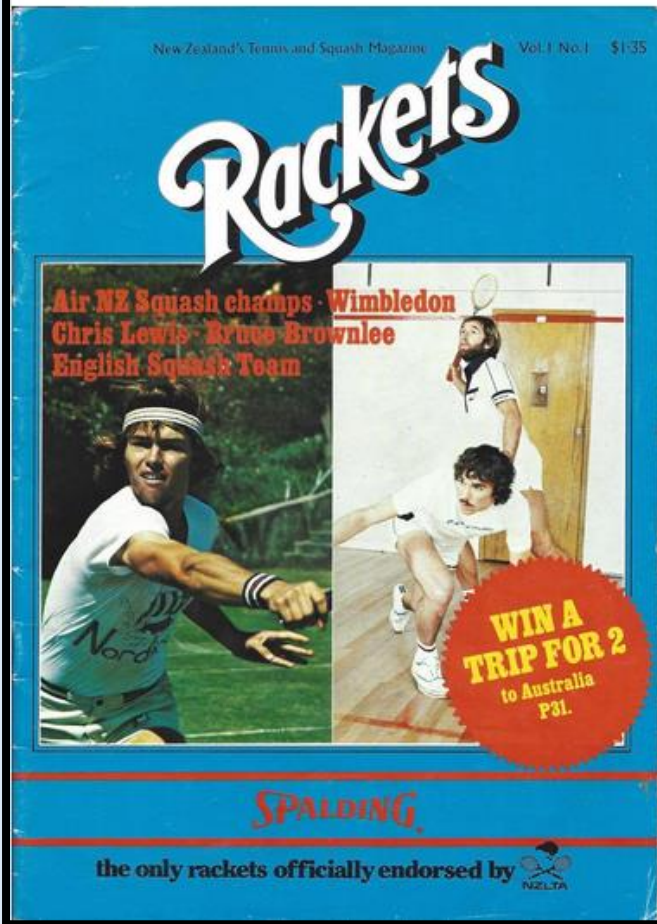




Squash Library
21 July · 🌐

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The first edition of Rackets, a New Zealand magazine covering tennis & squash, was published in September 1978. The squash portion was edited by Joseph Romanos, and the inaugural cover featured Kiwi players Bruce Brownlee and Murray Lilley. [Squash New Zealand](#)



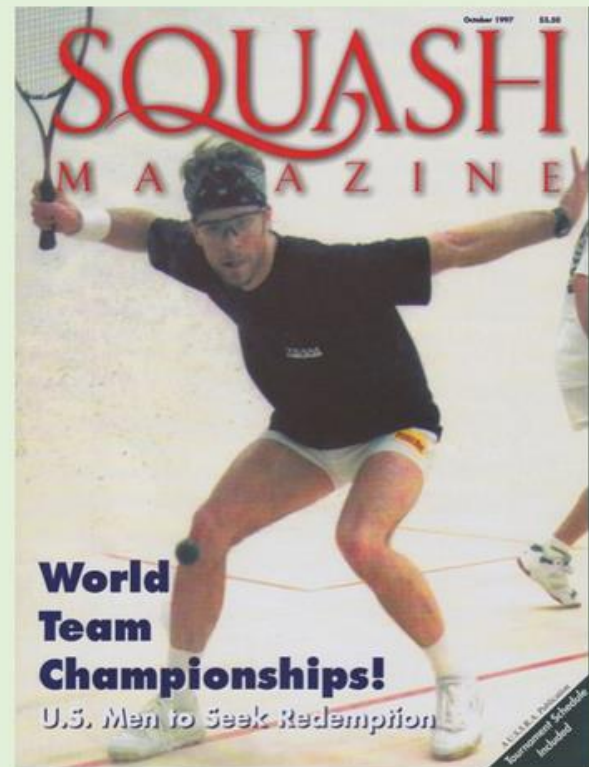
Squash Library
14 June · 🌐

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The first issue of Squash Magazine (USA) was dated October 1997. The cover was of Marty Clark who had won the US Championships Open division the previous spring. The publisher was Jay Prince from Washington State, who previously handled Junior Tennis Magazine.

Squash News, run by Tom and Hazel Jones, was already operating, and was the official US Squash Association publication. Within two years of the Squash Magazine launch official status was switched to it.

Jay Prince published independently, printing ten editions a year until 2013, when it moved 'in-house' to US Squash. [US SQUASH Squash Magazine](#)





Squash Library

13 May · 🌐



A milestone in squash broadcast was reached in January 2010 when SquashTV, a live and video-on-demand platform was launched at the Tournament of Champions in New York.

Before then, the major Men's & Women's events were filmed by local broadcasters usually only from the semi-finals stage, sometimes for live national broadcasts. They then supplied tapes of the match recordings for production companies to produce highlights programmes on behalf of PSA (and WISPA then).

By ensuring all broadcasting rights were taken back in-house, PSA, via SquashTV took charge of filming and producing the programming – so eliminating the various standards of host broadcasters and ensuring continuity and consistent quality. The semi-finals and finals were available for broadcasters to take via satellite, whilst the earlier rounds were only available via streaming on the SquashTV website, which was a huge leap in matches available for viewing.

Go to the innovation timeline in Features (1950's until present) for full details on how squash has changed:
www.squashlibrary.info/features



Squash - PSA Squash World Tour - Century Wheel 2010 - Wilkino v Matthew Ball



Squash Library

30 April · 🌐



Howard Harding took on the role of World Squash Media Director for WSF, PSA & WISPA (who merged with PSA in 2015) in 1996, when the three bodies got together to make a joint appointment.

The 1996 announcement indicated that 'in the increasingly competitive media environment for sport we recognise the need to both coordinate and upgrade our media relations activities'. While the role for PSA / WISPA ceased a few years ago, over the period Harding issued over 8,000 media releases, liaising & communicating as well as being the focal point for media contact and information for the sport.

In 2003 he was awarded a WSF Outstanding Service Award, presented by 10 times British Open Champion Jahangir Khan (then WSF President), with the comment 'Howard's absolute dedication to his role has been outstanding. The hours he works and the commitment he shows are an example to us all'.

He concludes with WSF in June, as was announced today, after 24 years in the role. [World Squash Federation](http://WorldSquashFederation.com) - [PSA World Tour](http://PSAWorldTour.com)



Squash Library
4 February · 🌐

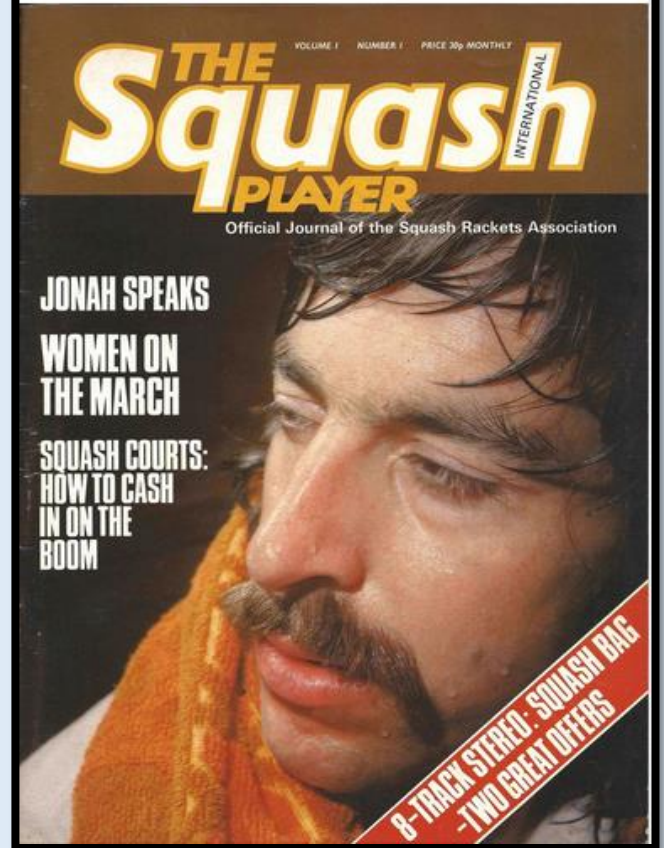
Technology has not only relentlessly innovated, but also compacted. 35 years ago a camera in a box placed in front of the tin was a great 1985 idea from Steve Line, the doyen of squash photography, as reported in Squash Player Magazine. Now, he could probably mount a camera on a pinhead! [Squash Player Magazine](#)

Photographic innovation
Squash Player photographer Steve Line has innovated a new squash photographic system. A wooden and perspex box protects the camera which sits at the front of the court below the tin.
An infra-red remote release works like a T.V. channel change on the pre-focused, motorwind camera. This allows Steve to take front court action shots without a camera pit.
"I was fed up with the restriction of photographing through a normal glass back," said Steve.



Squash Library
16 November 2019 · 🌐

The very first edition of Squash Player Magazine in November 1971 covered the elevation of Men's British Open winner prize money to GBP500 courtesy of Benson & Hedges sponsorship. Yes, cigarette brands sponsored athletic sports then! There was shock reported when Geoff Hunt announced he was turning pro, a profile of 'revolutionary' Jonah Barrington, and the defeat of a move to abolish amateur status (which was eventually abandoned in 1980). [Squash Player Magazine](#)[Squash Info](#)



Squash Library
16 March · 🌐

Twenty five years ago the internet was taking baby steps, and squash was an early embracer of the opportunities, many not fully imagined, that it would represent. By 1996, the 'Internet Squash Federation' the home page for squash, had been voted as 'one of the best organised of all sorts on the World wide Web'. Squash's introduction, what was then termed an interlinked information and news site for all squash data, was an initiative by Paul Baggott, a squash enthusiast from Newcastle University in England.
Then, the restrictive need was to have a computer, modem and internet provider have been overtaken by mobile phones, tablets, virtual assistants and so on, and we can hardly think about a time before the internet! (..... and what was having a web page 'clothed' all about?)

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THE INTERNET SQUASH FEDERATION

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SQUASH DESIGN

this top-level site is devoted to one of the world's fastest, most athletic sports...

NOMINATE NOW FOR THE 1997 UK WEB AWARDS

Squash Library
10 February · 🌐

A SquashTV landmark came in January 2014 when 10 million views was reached on YouTube PSA SquashTV. By 2017 the annual total had moved up to 50 million, and impressively last year was up to over 75 million. [Squash - PSA World Tour](#)

