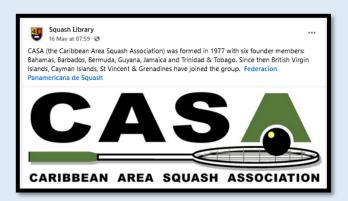
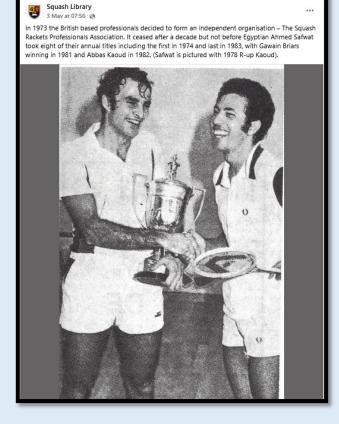
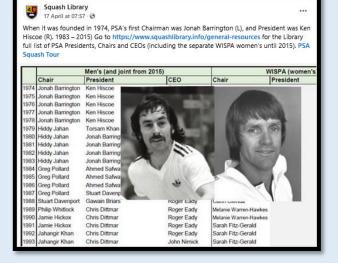
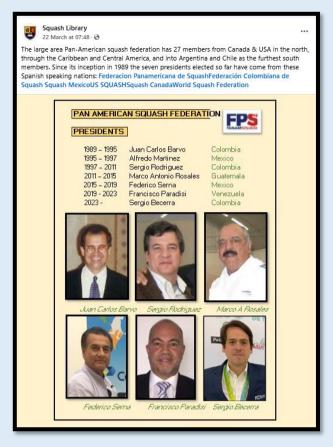
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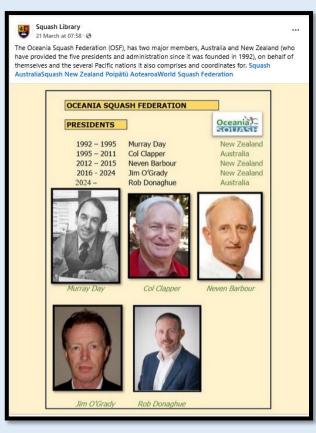
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2020	Mar	03	Federation name changes	2023	Feb	09	Women's ISRF 1979-85
2020	Mar	24	WISPA moustaches	2023	Mar	16	PSA Tour brochure 2003
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2020	May	12	1st WSF AGM	2023	July	13	Friends of World Squash programme
2020	June	13	ISRF elections 1975	2023	Sept	02	Canada &USA – WSF membership
2020	July	13	Squash receives IOC recognition	2023	Sept	18	Men's Tour prize money 1980s
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2020	Dec	27	Asian Federation start	2023	Nov	15	WISPA Promotional visits (1999-2009)
2020	Dec	28	Oceania Federation start	2023	Nov	16	WSF Ambassadors visits (2011 – 19)
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2020	Dec	30	European Federation Start	2023	Nov	25	PSA Tour Guides
2021	Jan	01	PanAm Federation start	2023	Dec	29	1st WSF female president–Susie Simcock
2021	Jan	14	Nat Fed services illustration (1992)	2024	Jan	03	PSA 50th anniversary
2021	Feb	05	Men's/Women's Tours join (2015)	2024	Jan	80	WSF SPIN programme
2021	Mar	12	World Squash Anti-Doping Code	2024	Jan	25	Men's Int Tournament Council 1986
2021	Mar	20	Liz Addison retirement (RSA & Africa)	2024	Jun	24	Roger Eady leaves PSA 1994
2021	Apr	03	Lou Zandvliet (founder, ESRF)	2024	Sept	04	WSRA begins (1934)
2021	Apr	13	International Paralympic Recognition	2024	Oct	09	PSA rankings start
2021	May	23	Early WSF members	2024	Dec	04	Kevin Klipstein (US squash 20 yrs)
2021	June	02	PSA Foundation	2024	Dec	07	SRA Golden Jubilee Dinner 1978
2021	June	07	John Horry – 1 st ISRF Secretary	2024	Dec	19	European Federation members
2021	June	26	World Fed name change 1992	2024	Dec	21	Hong Kong Squash award 2017
2021	July	06	WSF Governance review	2024	Dec	30	Women's Tour hits \$1m fund (2004)
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2021	Sept	07	PSA 21 st Century membership	2025	Jan	29	WSF logos
2021	Nov	80	African Federation Presidents	2025	Jan	30	ISPA (PSA) management 1982
2021	Nov	09	Asian Federation Presidents	2025	Feb	04	Ted Wallbutton retires WSF (2005)
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2021	Nov	11	Oceania Federation Presidents	2025	Mar	17	WSF Presidents
2021	Nov	12	PanAm Federation Presidents	2025	Mar	18	Africa region Presidents
2021	Nov	13	World Federation Presidents	2025	Mar	19	Asia region Presidents
2021	Nov	23	WSF AGM minutes, 1967 onwards	2025	Mar	20	Europe region Presidents
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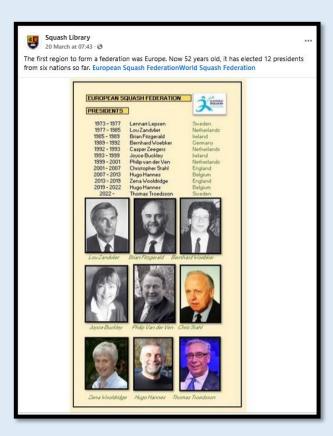


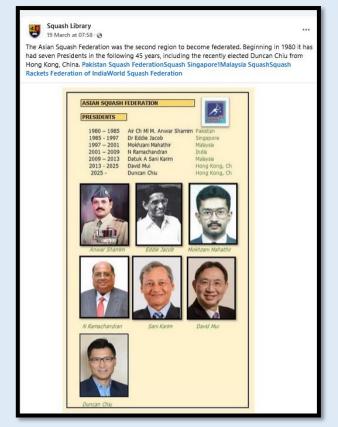


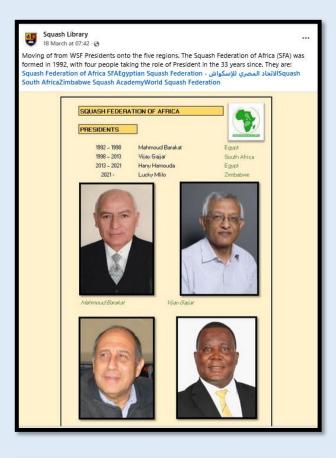




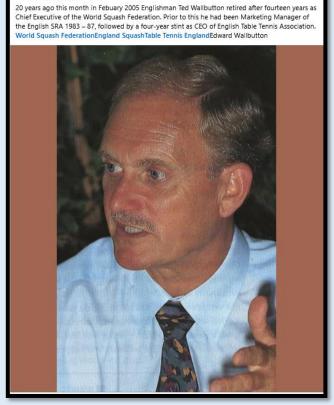












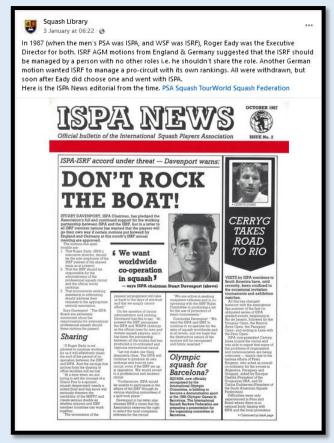
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30 December 2024 at 07:50 · 🚱

This month twenty years ago (Dec 2004) the then WISPA Women's Tour breached \$1m prize fund for the first time, before going on to reach \$1.5m four years later. Here are the details, along with membership number and spread during the period. (The men's & women's Tours merged as PSA in Jan 2015). PSA Squash Tour

WISPA TOUR 1988 - 2008

YEAR	PRIZE FUND	MEMBERS	NATIONS
1988	\$199,445	77	16
1998	\$611,500	134	29
2004	\$1,105,958	205	42
2008	\$1,505,407	275	49



Hong Kong Squash became the first National Sports Association to receive "Directors of The Year Awards" in the categories of Statutory / Non-profit-distributing Organizations by The Hong Kong Institute of Directors in 2017. The award recognised achievement in demonstrating the high standards in corporate governance. @hong kong squash



Chairman Mr. David Mui (pictured left) and the Association's General Committee, were commended by the panel of judges saying, "The Board of Hong Kong Squash has established sound principles and procedures in terms of corporate governance, with policies on risk management, financial controls, internal controls, compliance and reporting in place. Its supervision and evaluation of strategic plans developed by the management team contribute to the continual success of the organization. The Board totally deserves the Award."





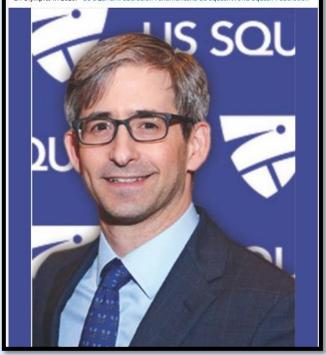
50 years after the formation of the British SRA in 1928, today (7 Dec) in 1978, their Golden Jubilee was celebrated with a dinner at the RAC in London. SRA Patron, the Duke of Edinburgh, toasted the association. He also was introduced to a group of British players, eight of them British Amateur winners (number of times in brackets), left to right in this signed photo: Philip Kenyon, Jonny Leslie (1), Philip Ayton, Jonah Barrington (2), Mike Oddy (2) Nigel Broomfield (2), Roy Wilson (2), Alan Fairbairn (2), Norman Borrett (5), Dugald Macpherson (2). England Squash





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This month Kevin Klipstein celebrates 20 years since his appointment as Chief Executive of US Squash (later '& President' was added to the title). Having added greater funding and exposure levels to the national federation, he also presided over the initiation of the sport's national centre in Philadelphia. Most recently US Squash played a part in the addition of squash to the LA Olympics in 2028. US SQUASHFederacion Panamericana de SquashWorld Squash Federation





In 1977 ISPA (the Men's PSA predecessor), announced that the rankings, at that point annual on 1 Feb, would be increased to 34 players, with seeding lists becoming more regular. This before rankings became quarterly, every two months (in 1988), monthly (in 1998) and now weekly (from Aug 2022). Here is a seeding list from September 1976. PSA Squash Tour

1.	Geof Hunt Mohibullah Khan	Australia Pakistan	
3.	Gogi Alauddin	Pakistan	
4.	Qamar Zaman	Pakistan	
5.	Hiddy Jahan	Pakistan	
6.	Cam Nancarrow	Australia	
7.	Johan Barrington	UK	
8.	Ken Hiscoe	Australia	
9.	Ahmed Safwat	Egypt	
10.	Torsam Khan	Pakistan,	
11.	Mohammad Yasin	Pakistan	
12.	Billy Reedman	Australia	
13.	John Easter	UK	
14.	Mohammad Asran	Egypt	
15.	Abbas Kaoud	Egypt	31
16.	Aly Aziz	Egypt	
17.	Mohammad Khalifa	Egypt	
18.	Rehmatullah Khan	Pakistan	
19.	Bryan Patterson	UK	
20.	Kevin Shawcross	Australia	
21.	Tony Hosford	Australia	
22.	Dough Stephenson	Australia	
23.	Shah Jahan Khan	Pakistan	
24.	Sajjad Muneer	Pakistan	
25.	Seiji Sakamoto	Japan	
26.	Magsood Ahmed	Pakistan	
27.	Bill Andruss	USA	
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Squash Library

4 September at 08:07 ⋅ 😵

When the Women's Squash Rackets Association (WSRA) was formed in 1934 to separately handle women's squash, the SRA in England printed this notice to announce it. (Men & women in England amalgamated as a single federation in 1989). England Squash

NOTICES

In March, 1932, a Ladies Committee of the S.R.A. was formally appointed by the Executive Committee, with powers to manage and control the Ladies Championship and other Ladies Tournaments and to decide all questions relating solely to Squash Rackets for ladies. In May, 1934, the S.R.A. approved the formation of the Women's S.R.A., to take the place of the Ladies Committee, with the same terms of reference.



30 years ago in 1994 Welshman Roger Eady left the PSA after 11 years running the then men's association, with American John Nimick (right), promoter of the Tournament of Champions, taking his place, operating from his Boston USA base while the HQ remained in Cardiff. Squash - PSA World Tour

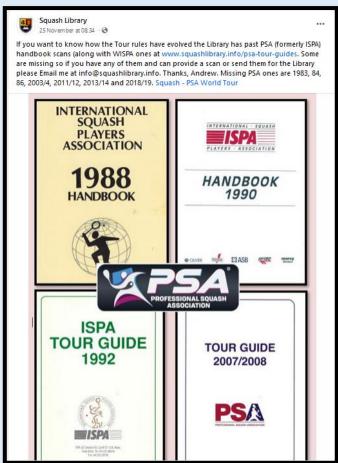


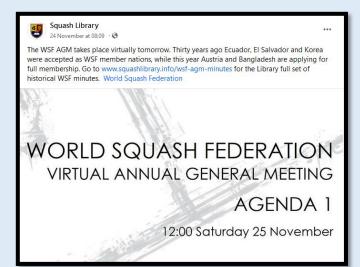










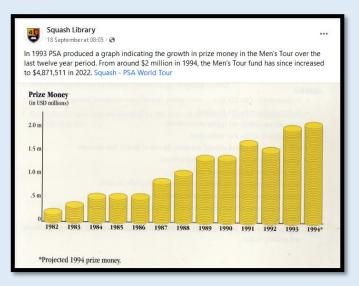
















During the 1990's the WSF introduced a 'Friends of World Squash' fund-raising programme, Here is the brochure: www.squashlibrary.info/general-resources. Doubtless, donations would still be welcomed by them! World Squash Federation

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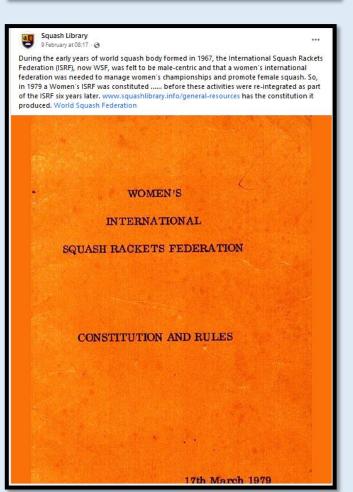
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World Governing Body for Squash the WSF's mission is to keep the
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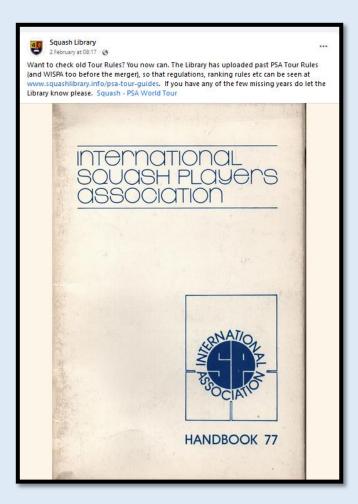
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the President of Which is a WSF Vice-President.

Fis controlled by a Management Committee responsible for the lay work of the Federation. The Committee is elected by Member and consists of a President and there Vice-Presidents, who even two year terms of office. An Executive Committee, ing of Management Committee plus one Regional Vice-erit appointed by each of the five Regional Federations, assists

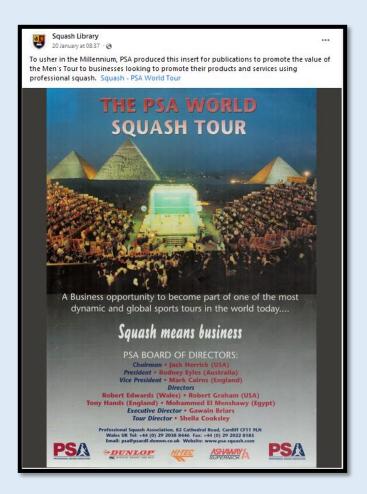
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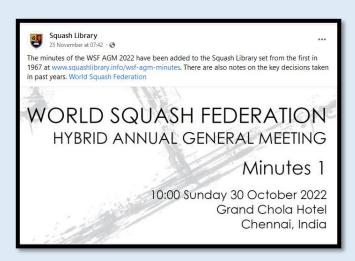








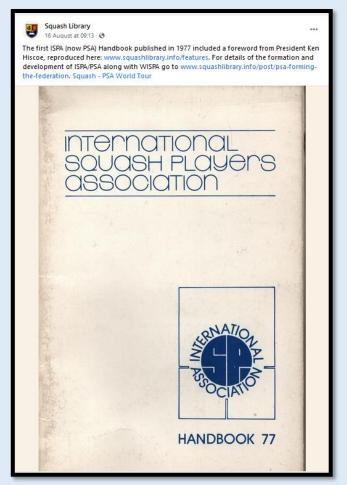














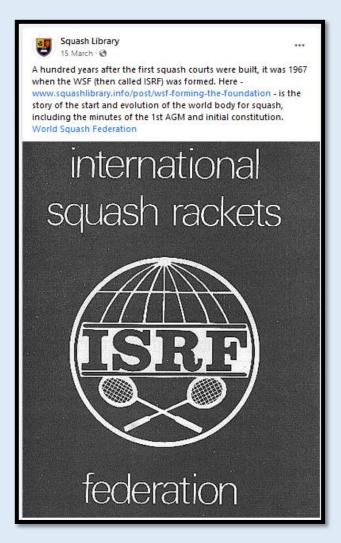


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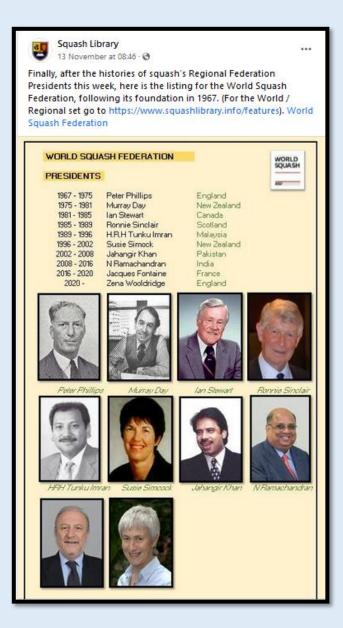
Swede Thomas Troedsson became President of the European Squash Federation at their recent 2022 AGM, becoming the twelth holder since the Federation was founded in 1973. Previously he had served 16 years as Vice President in three spells: 1992-98, 08-14, 18-22. Here is the updated Library list of holders of the position. The European Squash Federation

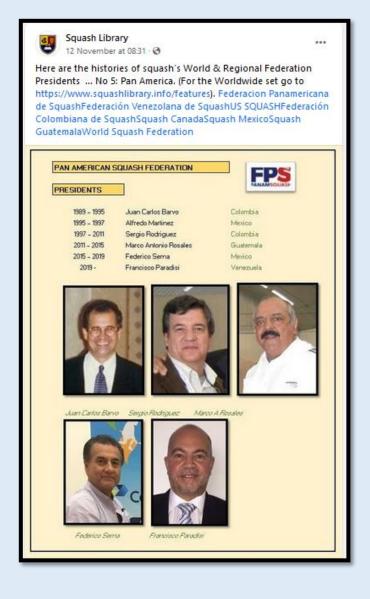


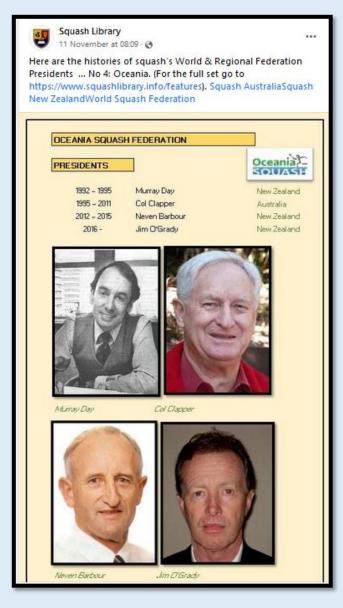














Here are the histories of squash's World & Regional Federation Presidents ... No 3: Europe. (For the full set go to

https://www.squashlibrary.info/features). The European Squash FederationDeutscher Squash Verband e.V.Squash NederlandIrish SquashEngland SquashWorld Squash Federation

EUROPEAN SQUASH FEDERATION

PRESIDENTS



1973 - 1977	Lennart Lepsen	Sweden
1977 - 1985	Lou Zandvliet	Netherlands
1985 - 1989	Brian Fitzgerald	Ireland
1989 - 1992	Bernhard Woebker	Germany
1992 - 1993	Casper Zeegers	Netherlands
1993 - 1999	Joyce Buckley	Ireland
1999 - 2001	Philip van der Ven	Netherlands
2001 - 2007	Christopher Stahl	England
2007 - 2013	Hugo Hannes	Belgium
2013 - 2019	Zena Wooldridge	England
2019 -	Hugo Hannes	Belgium

















Zena Wooldridge



9 November at 08:43 - 3

Here are the histories of squash's World & Regional Federation Presidents ... No 2: Asia. (For the full set go to https://www.squashlibrary.info/features). Pakistan Squash FederationSingapore SquashSquash Racquets Association of MalaysiaSquash Rackets Federation of India Hong Kong Squash World Squash Federation

ASIAN SQUASH FEDERATION

PRESIDENTS



1980 - 1985 1985 - 1997 Dr Eddie Jacob Singapore 1997 - 2001 Mokhzani Mahathir 2001 - 2009 N Ramachandran India: 2009 - 2013 Datuk A Sani Karim 2013 -David Mui Hong Kong

















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SQUASH FEDERATION OF AFRICA

PRESIDENTS



1992 - 1998 Mahmoud Barakat 1998 - 2013 Vijay Gajjar 2013 - 2021 Hany Hamouda 2021 -Lucky Milo

Egypt South Africa Egypt Zimhahwe





Mahmoud Barakat

Vijay Gajjar







These SquashInfo.com details provide is a great illustration of the growth of PSA membership in the last 20 years. The Library feature is at https://www.squashlibrary.info/.../21st-century-psa.... Both the Men & Women have experienced almost identical growth of over 500% in the period - 521% men, 534% women. Combined, there are now over 1,000 players worldwide with PSA membership, as well as many more with Regional, National or Junior membership. Squash - PSA World





Squash Library

On 3 July 2017 Professional Squash Association (PSA) and World Squash Federation (WSF) signed a Memorandum of Understanding intended to see the two bodies work in unison towards achieving a joint vision for the future of Squash on a global scale. The published intention central to the partnership featuring 20 priorities was the development of a global strategy, focusing on objectives such as, securing a place on the Olympic Games programme; maintaining squash's presence on other international multi-sport games programmes; growing participation levels around the world; and encouraging the development of court facilities in conjunction with centres, local associations and national federations. Signatories pictured: Jacques Fontaine, WSF President (left), and Alex Gough, PSA Chief Executive. World Squash FederationSquash - PSA



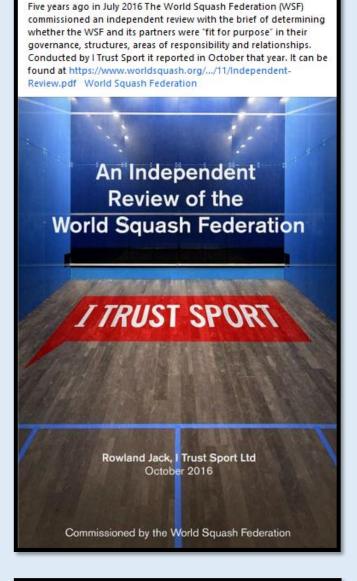


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13 August at 08:55 · 3

On 1 January 1993 ISPA (Men's Tour) merged with WPSA (the professional Hardball player body in North America) to form PSA, thus combining their memberships. While Hardball singles had not continued, the success of Hardball Doubles prize funding led to it splitting away in 2000, with the formation of the International Squash Doubles Association (ISDA). SDA Pro TourSquash - PSA World Tour

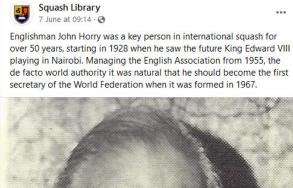




Squash Library

6 July at 08:56 - @









Sunday prompt: Here is when the early nations joined the World Federation as Full Members, with their year of formation in

brackets:
(A Library list of worldwide federation formation years is at

https://www.squashlibrary.info/.../national-federation...). World Squash Federation

1967: [initial members] Australia (1934), Egypt 1931, England (1928), India (1953), New Zealand (1932), Pakistan (1954), South Africa (1910)

1969: Canada (1913), USA (1904)

1971: Sweden (1965)

1975: Japan (1971), Kuwait (1968), Mexico (1968), Nigeria (1974)

1979: Finland (1971), Germany [West] (1975), Netherlands (1938)

1980: Ireland (1934) 1981: Scotland (1936)

1982: France (1974), Hong Kong (1961), Malaysia (1972),

Singapore (1970), Wales (1938)



In 2015 the International Paralympic Committee (IPC), the global governing body of the Paralympic Movement, included the World Squash Federation (WSF) as one of its Recognised International Federations.

(The vision of the IPC is to enable Paralympic athletes to achieve sporting excellence and inspire and excite the world)
World Squash FederationParalympic Games



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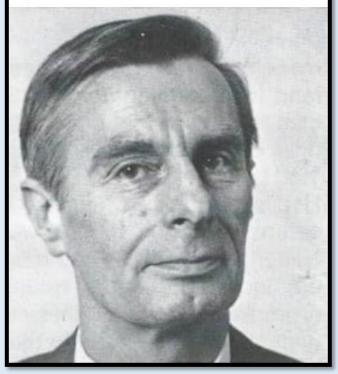


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Ten years ago Dutchman Lou Zandvliet, credited as the founder of the European Squash Federation, passed away at the age of 84. An international player, Zandvliet had the idea of forming a group of European countries to compete against each other and to promote the welfare of Squash, within Europe.

The European Squash Rackets Federation was founded on 17th April 1973, organised by a team of honorary officers and Lou Zandvliet was, from the start, one of the elected vice-chairmen. And following Lennart lepsen's (Sweden) term of office as Chairman at the beginning until 1977, Lou Zandvliet was his natural successor. He presided until 1985.

Squash Bond Nederland





After coaching and assisting at events for a number of years, in 1993 Liz Addison started with Squash South Africa. Now 28 years later almost certainly the most experienced administrator in Africa is retiring this month.

For the last 20 years (since 2001) shehas been Secretary General for the African Squash Federation as the nations wanted her talents too!

To her coaching and event background (including acting as Technical Delegate numerous times), grass roots development always featured highly in areas that she would promote and encourage.

Knowledgeable, experienced, patient and immensely popular too, she has been the go-to person to manage any requirements in her country and region, so it is doubtful that she will be allowed to retire fully!

Squash South Africa





In 2004 a landmark joint World Squash Anti-Doping Code was signed between the World Federation (WSF) and the Men's & Women's Pro Tours (then PSA & WISPA). The three associations published a common code in their regulations so that testing and penalty procedures became jointly administered. At that time the Director General of WADA, the World Anti-Doping Agency, stated "Squash has set an example of how professional organisations and leagues can work hand-in-hand with an International Federation to use the Code as the basis for the fight against doping in sport. It is an example we at WADA would encourage all professional organisations and leagues around the world to follow." World Champions Nicol David & Nick Matthew seen here promoting 'clean sport' in 2011.

Squash - PSA World TourWorld Squash Federation

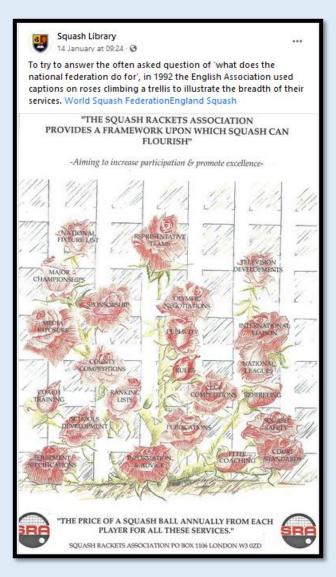




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At a time when possible amalgamation of the Tours is a hot topic in tennis, for squash this happened six years ago. On 1 January 2015 the Men's and Women's pro Tours joined under the Men's name PSA (Professional Squash Association). This, after the playing members of both Tours voted in favour of the move. Squash - PSA World Tour WTAATP Tour







Squash Library

30 December 2020 at 09:42 · •

The ESF (European Squash Federation) was formed in April 1973 during the first Men's European Team Championships in which 10 teams participated & became founder members. They were Belgium, England, Finland, Greece, Ireland, Monaco, Netherlands, Scotland, Sweden and Wales.

It now has over 40 member nations. The first President 1973 – 1977 was Lennart Jepsen (SWE), full list below.

Six ESF member nations (England, Finland, France, Guernsey, Netherlands and Scotland) have produced World individual champions, while 22 members have hosted a total of 62 world championships. The European Squash Federation World Squash Federation



Position / Year	Name	Country
PRESIDENT		
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1999 - 2001	Philip van der Ven	Netherlands
2001 - 2007	Christopher Stahl	England
2007 - 2013	Hugo Hannes	Belgium
2013 - 2019	Zena Wooldridge	England
2019 - Present	Hugo Hannes	Belgium



Squash Library

29 December 2020 at 09:45 · 🔇

The Squash Federation of Africa (SFA) was formed in August 1992, covering the African continent and the Indian Ocean islands. Founder members were Egypt, Kenya, Namibia, Nigeria, South Africa, Zambia and Zimbabwe. Since then a further 13 African nations have joined. The first President was Egyptian Mahmoud Barakat.

The strength of member Egypt can be seen by that nation in 2012 achieving an historic milestone in holding all four World Team titles for the first time, while the enduring strength of World Federation Founder member South Africa's squash can be seen from their hosting six World Championships, including three Masters events. Namibia, have also been World event hosts, the 2014 World Juniors. World Squash Federation





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AFRICA

Squash Library

1 January at 09:56 · 🔇

The Pan American Federation of Squash (FPS) was created on 18 November 1989, in Houston, Texas - with the backing of the squash federations of 22 countries within the American Continents.

The first President was Juan Carlos Barvo from Colombia and it was in his country in 1991 that the first Pan American tournament was organized in Medellin, Colombia.

Under FPS auspices squash participation in the Pan American Games has continued since 1995, and the Federation has 28 members. Brazil, Canada, Cayman Islands, Ecuador & USA have already hosted World Championships.

Pictured during his Presidency Barvo, right, is with Sergio Rodriguez who followed him, and World Federation President Tunku Imran

Squash Canada US SQUASH Federación Colombiana de SquashConfederação Brasileira de SquashWorld Squash Federation







28 December 2020 at 08:18 · 🔇

It was 1992 when the Oceania Squash Federation (OSF) was formed and began coordinating events in the region, including introducing Oceania Championships. Founder members were Cook Islands, Fiji, New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea and Samoa, along with Australia and New Zealand. Vanuatu joined in 2010 and Tahiti in 2014. Eligibility for the Oceania Squash Championships is restricted to member countries and players eligible to compete in the (South) Pacific Games & (South) Pacific Mini Games, e.g. Cook Islands, Fiji, New Caledonia, PNG and Samoa; so Australia & New Zealand do not participate.

The first OSF President was Murray Day (NZL) (below), who had been 2nd World Federation President (1975 – 1981). World Squash Federation





Squash Library

27 December 2020 at 09:42 · 3

The Asian Squash Federation was formed at the suggestion of Pakistan, and the First Meeting of Squash Playing Nations of Asia was held in Karachi on 29 November 1980.

Pakistan were invited to nominate the first President, who was Air Chief Marshal M. Anwar Shamim.

The Founder Members were Bahrain, Bangladesh, Malaysia, Pakistan, Philippines, Singapore and Thailand. Currently based in Hong Kong since David Mui (below) took over the presidency in 2013, it has 28 member nations from across the continent.

The region has produced individual World Champions Jahangir Khan & Jansher Khan from Pakistan, and Malaysian Nicol David, along with world junior winners too.

Nine Asian nations have staged 45 world squash championships between them. World Squash Federation







Squash Library

6 December at 08:39 ⋅ 🔇

When the Federation was formed in 1967 it had a Chairman, Vice Chairman, Honorary Treasurer, Executive Secretary and a 5th officer (a representative of a member nation).

In 1987 a motion was passed changing from this to President and 2 Vice Presidents* + Secretary / Treasurer. Following this, in 1991, the number of VPs was expanded to three*. Two years later the Secretary / Treasurer position was dropped. (*Both genders required)

The number of VPs increased from 3 to 4 at the WSF AGM in 2016. At the WSF AGM yesterday, a motion to increase the number of its VPs from four to five was not passed, so 4 VPs is unaltered. World Squash Federation



5 December at 17:19 · 🚱

The election of Zena Wooldridge as President at the WSF AGM today brings the total of Past Presidents of the World Federation to nine since it was formed in 1967. (Englishwoman Wooldridge had lost to Jacques Fontaine when he was elected in 2016, and beat him in today's re-match).

PAST WSF PRESIDENTS

Peter Phillips	England	1967-1975
Murray Day	New Zealand	1975-1981
Ian Stewart	Canada	1981-1985
Ronnie Sinclair	Scotland	1985-1989
HRH Tunku Imran	Malaysia	1989-1996
Susie Simcock	New Zealand	1996-2002
Jahangir Khan	Pakistan	2002-2008
N Ramachandran	India	2008-2016
Jacques Fontaine	France	2016-2020

From 1975 until 2010 a maximum of two terms of three years was permitted. Following 2010 this was altered to two terms of four years.



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When Jahangir Khan became President of the World Squash Federation in 2002 at the Kuala Lumpur AGM, the Pakistani 'legend' became the first and to date only professional player to take the role. The 6 times World Open and 10 times British Open Champion became a WSF Vice-President in 1998. He served the maximum two terms before stepping down in 2008 to become and remain WSF Emeritus President. (Five times Australian World Champion Sarah Fitz-Gerald is a current WSF Vice-President). World Squash



Photo: Steve Line



Today marks Lorraine Harding's last day as WSF Operations Manager. She first joined the Federation in January 1997, and since then has been the highly respected heartbeat of the organisation, managing for four Presidents and their Boards. I can say this having benefitted from her wonderful talent and support having been a colleague, and I am sure the whole sport thanks her for her service and wishes her a long and happy retirement. Andrew World Squash Federation

Lorraine Harding seen here with past Presidents Jahangir Khan and Susie Simcock; and more recently receiving an award for her services from current WSF President Jacques Fontaine.





In 1986 the ISRF (now WSF) and ISPA (now PSA) jointly formed the MISTC (Men's International Squash Tournament Council). It had four primary aims:

- 1. To develop and co-ordinate the Men's World Calendar
- 2. To plan and develop a World Grand Prix Circuit for men's squash
- 3. To issue regular Grand Prix bonus points / latest status reports
- 4. To arrange contracts with Men's Grand Prix sponsors.

While the Circuit was formed with points published, the search for Grand Prix partners / sponsors didn't succeed, and by 1989 the partnership was disbanded.

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At the ISRF (now WSF) AGM in Cairo in 1985, Canadian Ian Stewart stepped down as Chairman (the title is now President) after a 4 year term, as did his two fellow Canadian officers.

Plaques were presented to him by incoming Chairman Ronnie Sinclair (Scotland) & Australia (this pic) to mark the occasion. Since then the constitution has been amended a few times to ensure a wider international representation and increase the number of board members.

Photo: L to Right: Canadians Bill Richards (Treasurer), lan Stewart, Frank Baillie (Secretary), Bob Finch (Australia).

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In February 1986 the International Olympic Committee (IOC) granted official recognition to the ISRF (now WSF) – thus admitting squash into the Olympic movement. At that point the hope was that squash could try to become a demonstration sport for the Olympic Games in 1992 (Barcelona).

This was not possible for Barcelona, nor Atlanta 1996 or, most disappointingly, Sydney 2000, after which the demonstration sport option was discontinued by IOC. World Squash Federation



INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE



45 years ago today, on 13 June 1975, the ISRF (now WSF) elected in New Zealander Murray Day as the 2nd President – after Englishman Peter Phillips (1967 – 1975). Fellow Kiwis John Taylor and Mike Sumpter were elected a Vice President and Executive Secretary respectively. Raul de Villafranca from Mexico was the other elected Vice president. (L to R: Taylor, Day, Sumpter, Villafranca). World Squash Federation Squash New Zealand





The inaugural AGM of the ISRF (International Squash Rackets Federation, now WSF), took place in London on 5 January 1967. The sport of squash had been led by the British Squash Association from its' formation in 1928 until this point.

The seven nations represented were Australia, United Arab Republic (Egypt), Great Britain, India, New Zealand, Pakistan & South Africa.

Englishman Peter Phillips (pic) became the first Chairman – neatly linking the start of ISRF with the beginning of the sport at Harrow school where he was educated! Amongst other items initially dealt with, a constitution was agreed, the Rules in force were adopted, and an initial annual subscription of GB£100 decided.

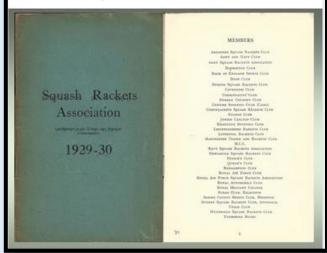
Arrangements were also made to initiate and manage World Championships.

The issue of USA not being able to join due to not subscribing to one of the main objects of the Federation – upholding the Rules of Squash – due to the variation primarily played there, was overcome by inviting USA & Canada to become Associate members. This was soon upgraded and involvement / championship participation became possible. World Squash Federation





Squash first became 'managed' internationally when the Royal Automobile Club (RAC) set up its own squash committee to run squash at the Club - it first met on 19th June 1912. Then the Tennis & Rackets Association appointed a squash sub-committee to look after squash's growth, dealing with Rules, specifications etc. It became too much for them to deal with so the English Squash Rackets Association (SRA) came into being in December 1928. They coordinated the sport until The International Squash Rackets Federation (now WSF) was formed in January 1967. Here is the 1929 list of SRA member clubs, a selection including armed forces and overseas including Cairo, Sydney and no less than two from Khartoum, Sudan.





In 1996 WISPA Board members attending the WSF AGM showed up wearing men's shirts and ties, and with moustaches affixed! The intention was to highlight to nations that they were at that time putting on more male than female events! [LtoR: Sarah Fitz-Gerald, Linda Charman (Elriani), Liz Irving, Misha Grewal)





Names of key Federations have changed over time. As a reminder they include:

ISRF became World Squash Federation (WSF) in 1992 ISPA became Professional Squash Association (PSA) in 1993 SRA became England Squash in 2001*

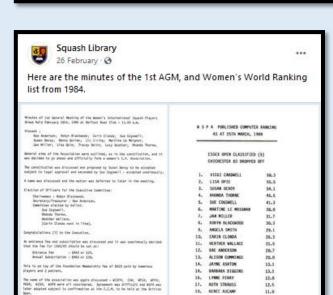
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In Perth, Australia at the Women's World Open in 1983 a player gathering decided that the women should follow the men and institute a player body. At the Belfast Boat Club, N Ireland the following year – 26 February '84 to be exact – the first general meeting of what became called Women's International Squash players Association (WISPA) was held. New Zealander Robyn Blackwood (Ieft) was elected as Chairwoman and Australia's Rae Anderson (right) as Secretary/Treasurer. The Women's Association merged with the Men's (PSA) in January 2015. Squash - PSA World Tour





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In March 1974 international male players decided to form a player association. Unhappy with the seedings produced for the Prodorite Open in Birmingham along with other issues, the players met at the event and International Squash Players Professional Association (ISPPA) was born. The 'professional' was almost immediately dropped when a constitution followed, and the name became ISPA until changing to PSA in 1993. Australian Ken Hiscoe (pic), who had withdrawn from the Prodorite in protest at the seedings, was appointed President, Jonah Barrington became Chairman and Geoff Hunt Vice President.

To be eligible for membership, players would need to have played in three open tournaments in the preceding 12 months.

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