



GROWTHPOINT INTERPROVINCIAL SQUASH TOURNAMENT

Sunday 09 July to Friday 14 July 2023

Final Newsletter 2023

Good Day Players, Administrators and Supporters

An absolutely epic week has come to an end. The echoes of empty courts could be heard on Saturday after the grandest of cheers from one of the biggest crowds reverberated inside a packed Harlequins Courts on Finals Day.

From the Finals to the Relegation ties, everyone left with a hoarse voice, high fives, hugs of joy and disappointments but knowing it was a team effort second to none. Rekindled and new friendships have been packed away for another year.

To our sponsors, we cannot say enough. Growthpoint Properties to allow the great sport to forge ahead and grow. Dunlop who ensured every tie received a new “rock” to pound in the winter chill. Vodacom for the massive task of live streaming 10 courts all day every day. SA Squash, for their endorsement of one of the oldest and most renowned National competitions around the globe.

To my Crew, their unequivocal support, months of planning, late nights, and early mornings of preparation. Thank you, it has been surreal serving with you.

To the Players, what a pleasure to watch your matches of titanic proportions. To witness players putting their body on the line for their province is something to behold.

I quote an excerpt from 2016, by LJ Anjema, the then professional that played for KZN, epitomizing the true spirit of the Growthpoint IPT.

“18/07/2016 - Dear South Africa,

Jarvis Cup, the most prestigious interprovincial squash tournament in the world, turns solo artists into team players. It does so through one simple but unrecognized method in the world of professional sport: partying together. The day after the night before we perhaps felt less healthy, but certainly more connected with each other. We were no longer pieces on a chess board, but buddies who would die for one another. A confident "I got you covered" after a teammates' loss, even when the odds are very much against you, and then pulling through, was the most beautiful example. “

LJ Anjema

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FINALS DAY

What a day it was. Quins packed to the rafters. The cheers and applause lifting the rafters. And I do not mean the Finals only; the Relegation play-offs were as rowdy and exciting. What a tournament we have! The meaning of a win or to survive is as great as each other.

Final positions:

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SECTION	Champions	Runner-Up	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
MEN A (Jarvis Cup)	SACD A	Northerns A	Joburg Squash A	SACD B	Western Province A	Zambia A	KwaZulu Natal A	Eastern Province A
WOMEN A (Kaplan Cup)	SACD A	Joburg Squash A	Northerns A	Eastern Province A	Western Province A			
MEN B (XXV Club Trophy)	Joburg Squash B	Midlands A	Western Province B	Border A	Northerns B	Zambia B	Free State A	Eastern Province B
WOMEN B (Ransom Trophy)	Northerns B	Midlands A	SACD B	Northerns C	Joburg Squash B	Zambia A	Zambia B	
MEN C (Banana Bowl)	SACD C	Northerns C	Joburg Squash C	Namibia A	KwaZulu Natal B	Eastern Province C	Midlands B	Easterns A
MEN C (Daisy Cup)	Northerns D	Zambia C*	SACD D	KwaZulu Natal B	Eastern Province D		*International side cannot win a Section	

Congratulations to SACD for another double. And to our guests from Namibia and Zambia, thank you for making the trip.

<https://www.growthpointipt2023.com/results>.

There is a direct click through to SportyHQ on the document.

ALL THE WINNERS

Congratulations to all the winners – individual and team. All well deserved. View all the awards here: <https://www.growthpointipt2023.com/history>

The Traditions ... and perhaps a new one?



Individual



Best of the Rest



20 Club



30 Club



50 Achievers

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THE GALLERY

Please keep a look out on our website as we finalise and upload Thursday, Friday Finals and Friday Awards: <https://www.growthpointipt2023.com/gallery>

THE NUMBERS

As a stickler for stats, we are embodied by the impressive nature of this great event, and we strive to keep improving. So, here they are:

1: Website	106: Team Ties
3: Host Venues	131: New Balls used
5: Functions	230: Players
10: Streamed Courts	530: Individual Matches
11: Support Crew	3 807: Finals Streaming Views
12: Associations	6 200+: Action Photo's
42: Teams	8 000: Website Hits
43: Countries accessed the Website	30 200: IPT Streaming Views

World Website Hits:



SQUASH LEVELS

Squash Levels has partnered with SA Squash, please support: <https://squashlevels.com/>
Browse the site and look up you're ranking locally and worldwide.

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THANK YOU'S

Many to thank, and some may be missed, but an event of this nature cannot take place without the below, for whom we are grateful:

- Headline Sponsor: Estienne de Klerk, Growthpoint
- Sponsors: Dunlop, Vodacom
- SA Squash: Kyle Potgieter, Jennifer Sawyer and Team
- Media: Neale Emslie, BLD, Gary Plumstead
- Northern Squash Association
- The Crew: The behind-the-scenes team
- Venues: HAD, PCC, PHSOB, CBC
- PHSOB : Steffani and her team as the host venue club
- 6 Referee's
- 12 Associations for sending up 42 teams
- 230 Players

IN CLOSING

It has been an honour hosting such a prestigious event. We trust we have served you well? We have learnt from the experience and will strive to make our next event even better.

The website will remain active for you to peruse and download any relevant information. If you require anything further, please email admin@northerns.co.za.

To the 2024 host, Western Province, we wish you the best and look forward to sea views, the waterfront, and Table Mountain.

Yours in Squash
NSA Committee

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