

## THE PREZ SEZ

By Lou Morsch

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Winter has arrived so it's a good time to get out of Melbourne and head for warmer weather. I hear there are plenty of Masters

players doing just that- heading north or holidaying in Europe. I don't want to miss out so Jill and I will head off soon too. We will be leaving for Italy in July to enjoy the vineyards of Tuscany. This will be our third time. Dirty work I know but someone has to do it - right? Unfortunately I'll miss the opening couple of rounds of next pennant season which will kick off in late July. Sorry team!

Pennant is just surviving which is about the best way I can describe it. The main reason for people leaving pennant seems to be travel time and late nights. Who would have thought late nights were an issue going back in time. Ha ha. So changes will occur and we will make every effort to regionalise the competition to cut back on travel. We will also allow one under age player in a team to introduce them to Masters and assist to make a side. We will introduce a standard start time of 7.30pm across the board and also implement point a rally scoring to fifteen with two clear points at 14-14. I believe we have to do something to address the issue of pennant so I'm hoping that given time to adjust, people will welcome the changes and continue playing rather than leave and make matters worse.

I regret to inform we lost a few more former Masters players recently. Many people may remember Bernie Massie who played squash at Hawthorn Club and AFL football for Melbourne.

Then there was the recent passing of Noel Clough from Geelong who was a Life Member of the VMSA. A great squash player and a champion athlete from what I learned at his funeral. Noel won a gold medal at the Commonwealth Games in 1966 competing in the then 880 yards middle distance race. Noel was a great competitor and a tireless contributor to our Association for many many years

Even more recently, I was informed of the sad passing of Di Peters from a brain tumour. Di was a regular on the Masters scene when I arrived in Melbourne in the early 90's and also served on the VMSA committee. Our condolences to the families and friends of all these wonderful individuals.

Live on playing squash

### Your Prez



Congratulations to Mario Quintella for achieving his 50+ Tournament Badge.



Congratulations to Greg Duncan for achieving his 25+ Tournament Badge.



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### UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS 2023

Aust Champs - NSW	Sept 4-15
Inform Ballarat	Nov 24-26

### 2024

Bairnsdale	Feb 16-18
Dromana	Apr 12-14
Masters Juniors - Westerfolds	May 25-26



The Victorian Championships 2023 now complete, Lilydale Squash Club excelled, pulled out all stops to make this tournament a success to promote VMSA Squash and the club in general. Vic Champs is a special tournament, probably our most prestigious tournament of the year. The prestige of winning a Victorian Title has a special place in our squash achievements without a doubt.

Out of the 84 entries, 8 New players attended (VMSA Virgins) and are you ready for this..... 31 entries from Lilydale, so take note. It really is up to every club to push the boundaries to get players and external commitment, probably the hardest job of them all. Thanks to Jason McGrath and his committee who gave their time to push for success. Great job and congratulations from me. Special mention to Cassy Miller for the Friday DJ. Great work Cassy, also Stewart Harvey for the Pulled Pork Rolls (sensational)

In the Men's 35-39 we had 2 entries so thanks to those younger players for supporting Master's Squash. Now you're on your way to achieving a 100-tournament badge, but what was very special we had Brian Lyon's 80-84 to play against Tom Slattery 80-84 and a special mention to John Link and Dinny Hurley, I hope you can manage one more tournament.

To the 8 new players who gave up their time to play their first tournament, thanks to all, I am very appreciative of your effort. Balazs Vegso, Aleisha Malcolm, Phillip Wall, Michael Newnham, Joe Robinson, Gagan Singh, Suku Sukunesan, Andrew Holden. Keep going forward and connect to us. You will enjoy our tournaments and make friends for life.

Two Badges were handed out at Lilydale, so congratulations to Mario Quintela **50+** Tournaments and Greg Duncan **25+** Tournaments so thanks for your commitment to our tournaments. Over the next few tournaments if you play, you may achieve a tournament milestone as I still have few to give out.

Our dinner was at Club Kilsyth, a massive complex. Thanks to the Club for giving us a private room and for the great 2 course meal. I noticed loads of chatting going on with old friends catching up which is always great to see.

Check out this link to view all the medal awards presented to our Victorian Champions

<https://vmsasquash.com.au/uploads/files/Tournaments/Previous%20Tournament%20Results/42%20Victorian%20Championships%20-%20April%202023%20-%20Lilydale.pdf>

A special mention to our interstate players who made the effort to come down, you all made a sensational effort. At Lilydale we had 2 players from NSW and 2 players from the TAS, thanks for making that effort.

Lilydale's sponsorship for the court hire it was well received so thank you for that.

Food, bar staff at Lilydale, I think you did a great job keeping us hydrated and fed over the weekend, I hoped you enjoyed our company, I know we appreciate your commitment to us.

Thanks once again to the raffle girls, Ally and Michelle great effort, also to Mich for bus and payment collections another stellar effort girls. To all my crew Pam, Helen and Janine, you are amazing and I know how lucky I am to have you.

Check our website for all the 1 million pic's Lynette took over the weekend, thanks Woody xx

See you all in Bendigo 21-23 July 2023, it will be a hoot. We have a great band lined up and it's to the Bendigo Club for the dinner.

\*\*\*\*\* Important note: If you have entered Bendigo check this link, it means you have paid and all you have to do is turn up. If your circumstances have changed please let me know Darren O'Neill 0418362909 or <mailto:tournaments@vmsasquash.com.au> if you think you entered and do not see your name let me know.

Entries Received Bendigo to date - <https://vmsasquash.com.au/entries-received-horsham-2022#.Yp8E26hByUk>

**Thanks for supporting Master's Squash we cannot do it without you.**

My Pleasure

**Darren O'Neill**

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## Vale Noel Clough 25/4/1937 - 20/5/2023

We regret to inform the recent passing of life member Noel Clough.

Noel was a passionate sports lover and one of the original members of the VMSA committee. He was an integral part of the association through its early years and up until 2008. He played an active role on the VMSA committee and was our tournament director for many years. He was heavily involved in the creation of tournament draws, rankings and results. He had an active interest in IT which fuelled his interest in the creation of programs which were used as the basis for setting up draws and recording of match results at tournaments.

Noel loved his squash and apart from playing pennant, competed in over 125 VMSA tournaments and 15 AMSA tournaments. His last AMSA event where he competed for Victoria was in 2008 in the teams event in the Northern Territory.

Noel also excelled at athletics. He was a member of the Coburg Harriers Club where he competed at national and international level in middle distance running. His greatest achievement came when he won a gold medal in 1966 at the British Empire and Commonwealth Games in Kingston, Jamaica in the 880 yards middle distance event. His time for the event was a games record which will never be beaten as it was the last time this event was staged over this now defunct distance. Noel's love of athletics saw him also compete at World Masters Athletics Championships.

The VMSA has lost a great servant who contributed significantly to our association. We extend our sincere condolences to his loving family and friends.

# PRESENTATIONS OF VICTORIAN MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023



MENS 40-44 DIV 2



MENS 45-49 OPEN



MENS 50-54 OPEN



MENS 50-54 DIV 2



MENS 55-59 OPEN



MENS 55-59 DIV 2



MENS 60-64 OPEN



MENS 60-64 DIV 2



MENS 65-69 OPEN



MENS 65-69 DIV 2



MENS 70-74 OPEN



MENS 70-74 DIV 2



MENS 75-79 OPEN



WOMENS 35-39 OPEN



WOMENS 45-49 OPEN



WOMENS 50-54



WOMENS 55-59 OPEN



WOMENS 60-64 OPEN



WOMENS 70-74 OPEN

## RESULTS OF THE VICTORIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023 - LILYDALE

Presentations - VMSA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS LILYDALE 2023		
Event	Award	Awarded to
<b>M35-39 OPEN</b>	M35-39 OPEN WINNER RUNNER UP	ANDREW HOLDEN Poowong ANDREW LYONS Fitzpatricks
<b>M40-44 OPEN</b>	M40-44 OPEN WINNER	SHAHROZE KHAN Mulgrave
<b>MENS 40-44 DIV 2</b>	M40-44 DIV 2 WINNER RUNNER UP THIRD	ADITYA GAUR Focus GP ANDREW CURWOOD Ballarat GAGAN SINGH Squash Logic
<b>MENS 45-49 OPEN</b>	M45-49 OPEN RUNNER UP THIRD	CAMERON PENNA Bendigo PAUL BREWTNALL TAS CHRIS PHOTIS Bright
	M45-49 DIV 2 WINNER	ASHISH KHURANA Squash Logic
<b>MENS 50-54 OPEN</b>	M50-54 OPEN WINNER RUNNER UP THIRD	ANTHONY HILL Lilydale MICHAEL WALKER Corio SUKU SUKUNESAN Lilydale
<b>MENS 50-54 DIV 2</b>	M50-54 DIV 2 WINNER RUNNER UP THIRD	MICHAEL BYRNES Tonic GREG DUNCAN Milawa ROD REYNOLDS Lilydale
<b>MENS 55-59 OPEN</b>	M55-59 OPEN WINNER RUNNER UP THIRD	DAVID MUTIMER Lilydale DONALD WILTSHIRE Lilydale KEVIN HEALY Mildura
<b>M55-59 DIV 2</b>	M55-59 DIV 2 WINNER RUNNER UP THIRD	ROBERT MACFARLANE Lilydale CHRIS ROWLAND Werribee ANDREW MORRIS Lilydale
<b>MENS 60-64 OPEN</b>	M60-64 OPEN WINNER RUNNER UP THIRD	PETER GILBEE Lilydale WARREN MILLER Lilydale KELVIN GRIFFIN Shepparton
<b>MENS 60-64 DIV 2</b>	M60-64 DIV 2 WINNER RUNNER UP THIRD	LOU MORSCH Squash Logic CHRISTIAN LECOMPTE Shepparton LORI FERNANDEZ Corio
<b>MENS 65-69 OPEN</b>	M65-69 OPEN WINNER RUNNER UP THIRD PLATE CONSOLATION PLATE	GREG MCHENRY Lilydale MICHAEL NEWNHAM Westerfolds ROBERT SIMS Squash Logic ROGER CHILD Squash Melb GARRY IRWIN NSW
<b>MENS 65-69 DIV 2</b>	M65-69 DIV 2 WINNER RUNNER UP THIRD	ALAN MCRORIE Squash Logic MARIO QUINTELA Squash Logic ROD WILSON Rod's Toys
<b>MENS 70-74 OPEN</b>	M70-74 OPEN WINNER RUNNER UP THIRD	JOHN SANDS GPHC GEOFF CHAMBERS RACV ADRIAN ANDERSON Lilydale
<b>MENS 70-74 DIV 2</b>	M70-74 DIV 2 WINNER RUNNER UP THIRD	LES MAKARUCHA Focus GP RICHARD JOHNSON Squash Melb ROSS MEDDINGS Squash Logic
<b>MENS 75-79 OPEN</b>	M75-79 OPEN WINNER RUNNER UP PLATE	BOB SIMMONS TAS JOE ROBINSON Bright JOHN THORPE Deniliquin
<b>MENS 80-84 OPEN</b>	M80-84 OPEN WINNER RUNNER UP	TOM SLATTERY Mulgrave Club BRIAN LYONS Yarrowonga
<b>WOMANS 35-39 OPEN</b>	W35-39 OPEN WINNER	ALEISHA MALCOLM Lilydale
<b>WOMANS 40-44 OPEN</b>	W40-44 OPEN WINNER	DEE CASSIDY RACV
<b>WOMENS 45-49 OPEN</b>	W45-49 OPEN WINNER RUNNER UP	CATHRINE REINHARDT Lilydale JENNY SCHOLTZ Lilydale
<b>WOMENS 50-54 OPEN</b>	W50-54 OPEN WINNER RUNNER UP THIRD CONSOLATION PLATE	JODIE MCLEAN Lilydale ANNE FORDHAM Tonic DONNA FISHER Mildura KAREN GRIFFITH Lilydale
<b>WOMENS 55-59 OPEN</b>	W55-59 OPEN WINNER RUNNER UP	MICHELLE ROWLES Squash Logic SALLY WINGETT Lilydale
<b>WOMENS 60-64 OPEN</b>	W60-64 OPEN WINNER RUNNER UP THIRD	CARON PENDREY Lilydale BIDDY MCFARLANE GPHC BELINDA MURPHY Mulgrave
<b>WOMANS 65-69 OPEN WINNER</b>	W65-69 OPEN WINNER	WENDY McWILLIAMS
<b>WOMANS 70-74 OPEN</b>	W70-74 WINNER RUNNER UP THIRD	TINA GILCHREST Lilydale LYNETTE WOODYARD Squash Logic HELEN LOCOCO Squash Logic

# 2023 MASTERS JUNIORS JIM BRISTOW CUP WINNERS





## MASTERS JUNIORS -JIM BRISTOW CUP REPORT 2023

As always Masters Juniors is the tournament we derive a great deal of pleasure hosting. It was another successful event held at Westerfolds Squash Club comprising 7 sections and a total of 78 participants. There were a few little hiccups to overcome but that seems to be the norm when running a time critical event. The boys and girls were a great bunch to work with and their enthusiasm for squash was a joy to behold. There was never a shortage of juniors volunteering to play extra matches when required to do so. Special mention to Sidd Ramani and Harry Hume from Westerfolds who did so and would have played even more if they could have. Great appetite for squash and I hope to see them back next year along with all the other juniors.

Masters and junior players again came from far and wide notably Leeton, Mildura, Maffra, Shepparton, Ballarat, Benalla, Geelong and Mornington Peninsula. Closer to home there were players from Melton, Lilydale, Gladstone Park, Hume City, Werribee, Mulgrave, Squash Melbourne and Westerfolds. Apologies if I missed anyone. If I could get one extra junior from all these regions to enter next year, there would easily be 100 entries or more to fill the centre as we did before.

The tournament would not have been as successful without the help of Rex Hedrick who manages the centre at Westerfolds. Rex was very supportive of the event encouraging everyone and anyone to enter and finding extra juniors at short notice. Thanks for your efforts Rex. You will be sorely missed when you are gone but I wish you well for the future.

It was a real pleasure having Steve Walton - our number one sponsor return in person for Masters/Juniors. Like everyone, Steve has had to lay low for a couple of years but he was back in all his glory flying the flag for squash and entertaining everyone at presentation. His involvement, support and sponsorship of Masters/Juniors with his prizes and his association with the VMSA is something we cherish.

Thank you to our other regular sponsors as well. John and Anne Link, Wali and Terry of TS&L and O'Neill Bros. They too continue to lend great support to Masters/Juniors. Then there is the support crew of the VMSA committee members who do all the hard yards at tournament. Thank you to Helen Lococo, Pam Park and Janine Mossop behind the desk and to Michelle Rowles and Lynette Woodyard. Thanks heaps to Darren O'Neill for his assistance with the draw which always requires plenty of tinkering. It wouldn't be normal if the draw wasn't re- done at least three or four times!!

To the awards and it is always a difficult task choosing just one male and one female for the prestigious Masters/Juniors Apprentice Award. All the juniors were worthy candidates. The panel decided on Tina Ma from Squash Logic Melton and Nicholas Mazzarella from Lilydale Club. Congratulations to these two fine individuals. Their prizes from Steve Walton of INFORM included a squash bag, racket, shoes and accessories to the value of \$1000. There is also the VMSA sponsorship award of \$300 to assist with either coaching, tournament entry or club membership for instance.

Now in its second year, the John and Anne Link award of \$200 was presented to two individuals. I was pleased to announce Ben Jacimovic and Joanne Joseph as recipients on this occasion. Congratulations Ben and Joanne.

Other gifts and encouragements were presented over the weekend. Where's Wally - a fun idea of Rex Hedrick saw prizes of socks given to a number of juniors by Steve Walton and other rackets and a bag donated by the VMSA were give away as prizes to Shenuki Silva of Hume, Rianne Oliver of Westerfolds and Mathew Burfoot of Focus GP.

Sadly we lose Adeep Mahal after this event. A fine young man and a former Masters/Juniors Apprentice award recipient who is heading to England. Good luck and best wishes Adeep and well done going out a winner in Section 3 with Dave Crossley.

Next year will be the final time for another Masters/Junior award winner in Declan Ryan. Times nearly up for Declan and his twin brother Callum. Rumour is there will be a pairing of Declan and Jill Morsch and Callum and Lou Morsch. Maybe both in the same section too!! Bring it on -Yeah!!

It was a pleasure conducting this event again and I look forward to everyone returning next year for another enjoyable event. Thank you to the Masters and juniors players and the parents, supporters and volunteers who all pitched in to ensure another successful outcome.

Lou Morsch - VMSA President and Masters/Juniors Tournament Director

## **2023 JIM BRISTOW CUP MASTERS/JUNIORS TOURNAMENT RESULTS**

<b>SECTION</b>	<b>WINNERS</b>	<b>RUNNERS-UP</b>
1	Tim Austin & Haider Naqvi	Mark Robertson & Kumail Naqvi
2	Paul Luchini & Joanne Joseph	Mark Ascoli & Tina Ma
3	David Crossley & Adeep Mahal	John Sands & Will Rawle
4	Don Wiltshire & Nicholas Mazzarella	Biddy McFarlane & Declan Ryan
5	Michael Chin & Lachlan Chin	Sean Ryan & Callum Ryan
6	Craig Rider & Shenuki Silva	Col Thompson & Adele Thompson
7	Sumanth Krishna & Shara Sumanth	Gary Thompson & Isabel Thompson

### **AWARDS**

<b>MASTERS APPRENTICE AWARDS</b>		
Male	Nicholas Mazzarella	Lilydale Club
Female	Tina Ma	Squash Logic

<b>JOHN &amp; ANNE LINK AWARD</b>		
Male	BEN JACIMOVIC	CORIO SQUASH
Female	JOANNE JOSEPH	SQUASH LOGIC

### ***LETTERS FROM SHARON (NICK MAZZARELLA'S MOTHER)***

I just want to say a BIG thank you for selecting Nick for the Masters Apprentice prize. We are both thrilled, as I said yesterday, it couldn't have come at a better time. He is loaning a racquet and he has holes in his shoes. This wonderful prize will help him to achieve his goal for trying out for the state team. Thank you for your efforts in organising such a wonderful event. We look forward to next year's event.

Much appreciated,

Sharon

### **Update on Nic**

Since the Masters Juniors tournament he has competed every weekend so far.

- ≈ Attended the Mulgrave Junior Bronze where he came second in A grade.
- ≈ Attended the Final Qualifier Silver Event at Gladstone Park where he came third under 15.
- ≈ Attended the Mulgrave Challenger last weekend where he came first Division 2.

So far at in-house pennant he is undefeated. He takes his squash seriously and has a passion and drive for it. This weekend he is participating in the Vic Junior Championships. Fingers crossed he will make the state team. He is sitting in 4th position with only a few points between the boys. He is hoping to be third and make the B reserve team.

Unfortunately his new Salming racquet strings broke in the first 5 mins.  
He loves his new runners - he says they are extremely comfortable.

So again thank you to Salming and the VMSA for the wonderful opportunity you gave him.

With Thanks, Regards, Sharon.

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## Bendigo Tournament Report

A distant memory running a tournament at Bendigo because it was the year of 2019 (The Covid Year) since we last visited the town of Bendigo. Cool indeed at that time of year but not ice cold, and the courts were surprisingly warm inside. It was a challenge being short of our amazing tourney helpers, but we got through as always.

We had 91 entries which I never expected and was very appreciative to all who came. I think everyone played with great enthusiasm as we moved through the weekend, a lot of fantastic matches were played. It was a busy time behind the desk so thanks everyone for your patience. We had 15 fabulous new VMSA Virgins mostly from Bendigo and MCC (Melb Cricket Club). Thanks for coming along. I certainly know how hard Bendigo worked to get their players to take part and it was an amazing effort. Also thanks to the other clubs who brought groups along to make up the numbers over the weekend. I think you all enjoyed being a part of the master's spirit, so don't be strangers now you have made the plunge.

The dinner at the Bendigo Club went down without a hitch. The style of tables were placed very well around the room so that alone created a different feel to the night. The food was really great and the band The John Grossman Project, were one of the best we have had. They played 3 songs after midnight as we normally only get one, sometimes two, but nobody seemed to want to leave the dance floor. Thanks Jill and Ally for our raffle prizes - they looked fabulous, I hope you were one of the lucky winners. Michelle Rowles, thanks for organising the bus which got us there and back safely without a hitch. Michelle it was very well organised trip - great effort.

Well done to the following players who received Badges and thanks for your ongoing support.

Lynette Woodyard - 75+ Tournaments Badge



Cassy Miller – 25+ Tournaments Badge



Congratulations to Janine Mossop who won the Members Draw valued at \$120, I hope you enjoy the next dinner dance on us and thanks for being a member of the VMSA (plus a good little worker bee).

Our President Lou Morsch couldn't make Bendigo as he and his beautiful wife decided to head off to Italy so I am sure you had a great holiday. Our female Vic President volunteered to wear his hat over the weekend. Lou, you and Jill were dearly missed. Lou speaks very well so trying to fill his shoes wasn't an easy task so very well done Ally.

The team of Janine and I had a special guest appearance, Ally (VP) Douglas. Thanks for chipping in. We missed Helen and Pam who couldn't make it. It was a pressure weekend and you were all fantastic and thanks so much for giving up your time to help me and all tournament players get through the weekend. Janine and Ally you are amazing.

To Jason Turk and Jenna Duffy, you were exceptional, plus all your team who kept us fed and hydrated over the weekend. I couldn't fault your effort, it was just great. Suppers were great on Sunday, rare to see food left but there was so much it just kept coming. Special mention to Cam Penna - great job keeping those entries flowing.

Thanks to all our interstate players ACT, NSW, TAS. You know how much I appreciate your effort when you come to see us.

A great final played in the Open Event with Warren Miller back in fine form beating Paul Brewtnall, and respect to Paul who had to fight off Cameron Penna in the Semi winning 16-14 in the 5<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations to all the place holders over the weekend there were some tough matches. Lynette Woodyard thanks for the photos you took of all the presentations plus I'm sure loads more. Most of her photos will be on the website under Media.

See you all at Ballarat 24-26 November for the last event of the year it will be loads of fun. We are having our dinner dance at the Ballarat Golf Club so if you stay at the Bell Tower, it will be walking distance. Our Major sponsor, Steve Walton from Squash.com.au has a new trophy format so don't miss out.

The Australians will be played in NSW this year so check our website [vmsasquash.com.au](http://vmsasquash.com.au) for further details.

Thanks for supporting Master's Squash.

My Pleasure Darren O'Neill

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**Presentations - VMSA SQUASH TOURNAMENT BENDIGO 2023**

Event	Award	Awarded to
(1) SECTION 1	Main Final Winner	WARREN MILLER Lilydale
	Runner Up	PAUL BREWTHALL TAS
	Special plate	JOSHUA SAM MCC
	Plate	MICK DYKE Yarram
	Consolation plate	GARY CALLAWAY Mildura
(2) SECTION 2	Main Final Winner	MARK DUNN (V) Bendigo
	Runner Up	MICHAEL FLINT (V) Fitzpatricks
	Special plate	DEE CASSIDY RACV
	Plate	CLEM VINEY Squash Logic
	Consolation plate	MARTIN GUNN Wagga Wagga
(3) SECTION 3	Main Final Winner	ADITYA GAUR Squash Logic
	Runner Up	ANDREW CURWOOD Ballarat
	Special plate	GREG DUNCAN Milawa
	Plate	ANNE FORDHAM Tonic
	Consolation plate	BIDDY MCFARLANE GPHC
(4) SECTION 4	Main Final Winner	CASSIE LANDY Ballarat
	Runner Up	MICHELLE ROWLES Squash Logic
	Special plate	ROBERT FILLISCH Ballarat
	Plate	DANIEL TITO (V) Werribee
	Consolation plate	LORI FERNANDEZ Corio
(5) SECTION 5	Main Final Winner	TASHIA MIHAIL Mulgrave
	Runner Up	VICKI FOX Bendigo
	Special plate	LYNETTE WOODYARD Squash Logic
	Plate	WENDY MCWILLIAMS Mulgrave
	Consolation plate	GEOFF MORLEY Sale
(6) SECTION 6	Main Final Winner	JEANNETTE VEAR Mildura
	Runner Up	BRUCE BACHMANN (V) Bendigo
	Plate	JACQUI DYER Corio
	Consolation plate	CATHY COOMBS Corio

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(7) SECTION 7

Main Final Winner	CRAIG GUMMERSALL (V) MCC
Runner Up	ROSS MEDDINGS Squash Logic
Special plate	ARTHUR SAMUEL Lilydale
Plate	CLODAGH LYNCH (V) MCC
Consolation plate	DONNA TITO Werribee

(8) SECTION 8

Main Final Winner	ROLENE LIM (V) MCC
Runner Up	BELINDA BONG (V) MCC
Plate	CHERYL GILBEE Lilydale



### **PAM PARK – VMSA LIFE MEMBER**

The VMSA conducted its AGM on the 27<sup>th</sup> August 2023 where it was announced that Pam Park be awarded Life Membership. Pam becomes the 13<sup>th</sup> recipient of Life Membership to the association.

Pam has been a serving member of the VMSA committee since 2002 and has made a significant contribution over a period of more than 20 years and for the past 10 years she has served as our Membership Officer. As a volunteer she has always been prepared to assist and has taken on many tasks to support the committee. Pam has been involved in at least three Australian Championships volunteering as part of the welcome committee and actively assisting in pre- tournament preparations. Such activities included sourcing of bags, pamphlets and novelty gifts to include in welcome packs, registration officer, tournament desk and driver in support of national events held in Melbourne in 2009, Ballarat in 2017 and Gold Coast in 2019. She has fulfilled similar roles of assistance at Victorian Masters tournaments as well over a long period of time. Pam has also competed in 11 Australian Masters Championships so far. Pam also managed and ran the Junior Pennant competition when the VMSA created its own junior pennant to promote and encourage squash at an introductory level when Squash Victoria was so idle it was felt we had to do something for junior squash. This great venture which was initiated by then VMSA President Terry Barlow was managed by Pam for two seasons. Pam has since been an active volunteer at Masters tournaments and particularly at Masters/Juniors events where she has assisted with registrations and on the tournament desk. There is a further major milestone which has seen three generations of Pam’s family actively supporting the VMSA and its activities. It was a great honour for me to present Pam with her award of Life Membership which she has thoroughly deserved as a result of her contribution to masters squash and the VMSA.

Life members from left - Mike Edney, Lou Morsch, Pam Park, Michelle Rowles, Jill Morsch & Terry Barlow



### **A BLAST FROM THE PAST**



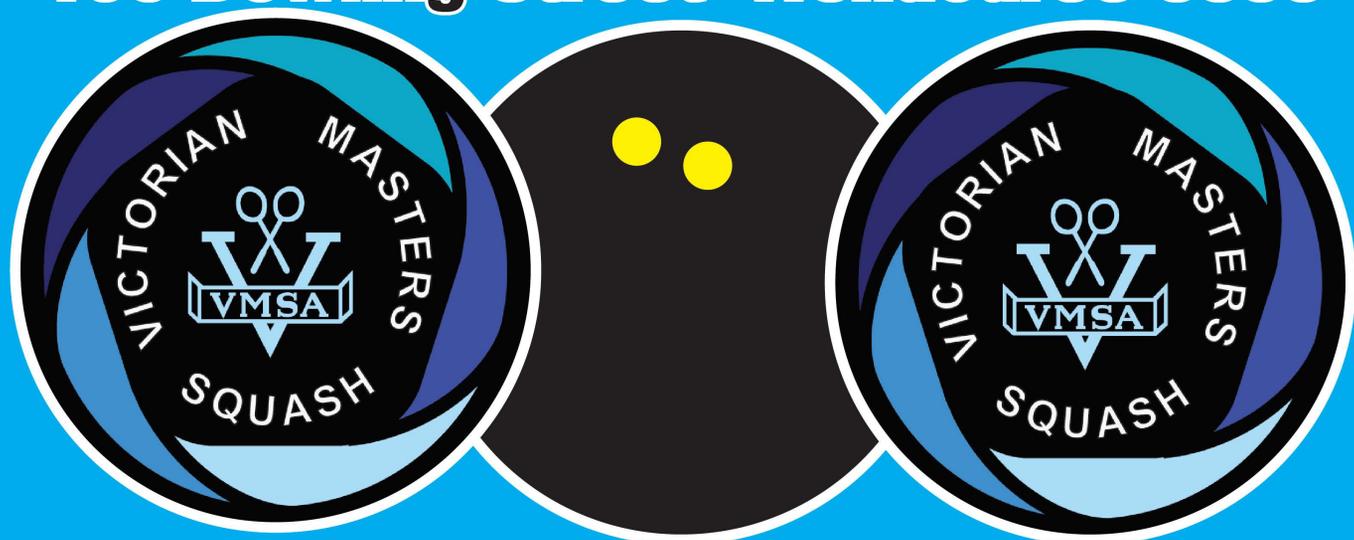
Richard Johnson met up with old team mates he played with between 1990 -1999 at Bendigo. Teammates can be friends for life. Such is the social aspect for squash.

Richard Johnson (back), Wayne Lowe (left), John Mertz (right)

# Ballarat Masters Championships

24th-26th November 2023  
(Closing Date Wed. 15th Nov 2023)

**Ballarat Squash & Racquetball Club**  
**106 Dowling Street Wendouree 3355**



**NEXT TOURNAMENT:**

**Bairnsdale Teams Event**  
**6th-18th February 2024**

**Tournament Hosts:**

**Bairnsdale Squash & Table Tennis Centre**

**Victorian Masters Squash Association**  
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