

## **WSF MEMBER INFORMATION – MAY 2018**

### **SAFEGUARDING ATHLETES**

If you need help in handling this most important of areas, do view this information on our website: <http://www.worldsquash.org/ws/safeguarding-athletes>, and if you have not already got a policy in place we can send you a process document.

### **WORLD SQUASH OFFICIATING (WSO)**

The latest meeting of the WSO Management group took place last Sunday. Progress was made to ensure the initial levels go live as soon as possible; preparing the final materials, linkage to an operational system, registration and website development. Details and a timeline update will be provided soon.

It was agreed that Lorraine Harding will administer the thrust towards WSO starting.

### **OLYMPIC BID**

For the latest update from President Jacques Fontaine please refer to page 2 of the May Instant Update which was recently circulated and on the WSF website [here](#).

### **MEMBER NATION SURVEY 2018**

Amongst all the very helpful data that will shape coaching, referee and other policies, here are a couple of headline facts which are encouraging:

- 96.3% of countries report that squash participation is growing or stable, compared with 89% in 2017.
- 81.3% of countries report that squash court numbers are growing or stable, compared with 80% in 2017

### **WSF WORLD COACHING CONFERENCE 2018**

Registration is open for this conference at Gold Coast, Australia, being held 21 – 23 September. For details please click [here](#).

### **NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES**

The WSF Development Commission have collected details of several national development programmes as a resource for all Member Nations. They are on our website [here](#).

More programme details are welcomed please.

### **REMINDERS**

#### **WSF WORLD JUNIOR INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Details have been sent to Member Nations for these Championships in Chennai this year so that you can enter players for the Individual events. The entry deadline is **30 May 2018**. Entries must be made [online](#) using your SPIN Member Nation login.

#### **WSF WORLD MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Details to enter this event, being played in Charlottesville, USA between 29 July and 4 August, can be found [here](#). Entries close on **15 June 2018**.

#### **WSF NATIONAL JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The first new WSF World Junior Rankings will appear in August, and then be published monthly.

Events included are:

- *WSF World and WSF Regional Junior Championships*
- *WSF National Junior Opens*
- *WSF National Junior Championships*

For details go [here](#)

Register your event [here](#).

### **WORLD SQUASH DAY 2018**

Saturday 13 October is the date set for World Squash Day this year, the date on which players and clubs worldwide come together to promote the sport and support charities.

One of the main aims this year, as well as simply encouraging clubs to open their doors to encourage participation, is to use empty daytime courts for projects to welcome disadvantaged young people. For further information contact World Squash Day coordinator Alan Thatcher at: [alan@squashmad.com](mailto:alan@squashmad.com)

### **WSF FACEBOOK PAGE**

If you have any events or other interesting news that you think would be of interest to the wider squash world and would like us to share it on the WSF Facebook page, please don't hesitate to send the WSF Office the details

### **CALENDAR UPLOADED**

The [WSF World Calendar](#) is updated monthly; you can add your National Championships to it [here](#).

### **WSF COACH EDUCATION PROGRAMME**

Full details can be found [here](#) along with a list of [National Course Managers](#).

### **WSF DIRECTORY**

The current edition of the [WSF Directory](#) with updated National Federation addresses, WSF Commission details, and much more besides is on the WSF website. Please check your information and let us know of any changes for the next edition please.

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