



**REGIONAL VICE-PRESIDENT REPORT (PAN AMERICA) TO THE WORLD
SQUASH FEDERATION – 2023 AGM**
(as at September 25, 2023)

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This year the FPS welcome Costa Rica as members of the Federacion Panamericana de Squash, Costa Rica now the squash family of Pan America has 25 countries.

AGM

The FPS 2023 AGM will be held in Santiago de Chile, Chile on November 4th, 2023. It is expecting that most of our members will attend in person to the meeting.

Pan Am Games

The XIX Pan American Games will be hosted by Santiago de Chile, Chile, from 20 October 2023 to 5 November 2023. Squash will be from 31 October to 5 November, 2023.

10 countries will be participating for squash at the XIX Pan American Games, Santiago 2023, all the four sub-regions of the FPS will be present in the Games:

Argentina, Barbados, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Guatemala, Mexico, Peru and USA.

FPS has partnered with the PRF for a virtual demonstration at the 2023 Pan Am Games with the goal to bring more exposure to both our sports.

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Pan American Squash Championships

Two Pan American Squash Championships were held during 2023.

The XXIV Pan American Squash Championship, qualified to the XIX Pan American Games, Santiago 2023 was held in Cartagena, Colombia, from 4 June to 10 June, 2023 with the participation of 18 countries.

The winners were:

Women Single Individual: Gold medal: Hollie Naughton (CAN)
Silver medal: Marina Stefanoni (USA)

Men Single Individual: Gold medal: Diego Elias (PER)
Silver medal: Juan C. Vargas (COL)

Women Doubles: Gold medal: CANADA
Silver medal: MEXICO

Mixed Doubles: Gold medal: CANADA
Silver medal: COLOMBIA

Men Doubles: Gold medal: MEXICO
Silver medal: GUATEMALA

Women Team: Gold medal: USA
Silver medal: CANADA

Men Team: Gold medal: COLOMBIA
Silver medal: PERU

The XIX Pan American Junior Squash Championship was held in Buenos Aires, Argentina, from 13 to 19 August, 2023 with the participation of 11 countries.

The winners were:

Women Single Individual: Gold medal: Samantha Jaffe (USA)
Silver medal: Tabita Guzman (GUA)

Men Single Individual: Gold medal: Juan J. Torres (COL)
Silver medal: Javier Romo (ECU)

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| Women Doubles: | Gold medal: ECUADOR Silver medal: GUATEMALA |
| Mixed Doubles: | Gold medal: ARGENTINA Silver medal: GUATEMALA |
| Men Doubles: | Gold medal: COLOMBIA Silver medal: USA |
| Women Team: | Gold medal: USA Silver medal: ECUADOR |
| Men Team: | Gold medal: COLOMBIA Silver medal: USA |

Officiating

During this year we have officiating courses around the region.

Coaching

We have been certifying new WSF certified coaches in several countries in Pan America.

Elite Athletes

The FPS is encouraged by the progress of several FPS elite athletes in the PSA world rankings. As at September 1st 2023 at the top 10 WPA ranked Pam Am female athlete are Amanda Sobhy of USA (#5) and Olivia Flechter of USA (#9), at the top 10 PSA ranked Pan Am male athletes is Diego Elias from Peru (#2).

Pan American Masters Games

Thanks to the support of US Squash in on the program for the 2024 Pan American Masters Games in Cleveland OH, this is the 1st time since 2016 that squash has been included.



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The FPS Athletes Commission

Now in its 2nd year, continues to work diligently to obtain the opinions of athletes competing in FPS events in order to bring forward recommendations to the FPS executive board.

Panam Sports Sport Administration Certificate Course

To bring better governance to the FPS we are taking the first Panam Sports Administration Certificate, this certificate is in Spanish and the duration is one year.

2023 WSF World Junior Championships

Pan American was proud to have Canada, Colombia, Ecuador, and the USA who competing at 2023 WSF World Junior Championships in Melbourne. Team USA Captured the bronze in the Junior Women's Team event. Congratulations to Caroline Fouts, Madison Ho, Riya Navani and Emma Trayber while Team Canada protected their seeding and finished 7th with the team of Ocea Ma, Spring Ma, Maria Min & Iman Shaheen.

In the Individuals, Pan America had an outstanding showing with 16 of our incredible juniors reached the round of 16.

MEN'S

Varun Chitturi (USA)
Hollis Robertson (USA)
José Santamaria (COL)
Rishi Srivastava (USA)
Juan Jose Torres (COL)

WOMEN'S

Caroline Fouts (USA)
Madison Ho (USA)
Riya Navani (USA)

Including Caroline Fouts (USA), Hollis Robertson (USA) and Juan Jose Torres (COL) who all reached the quarter finals of the toughest junior competition in the World!

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