



July 10th, 2024



### **AGENDA**



#### 1. General Overview

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- 1.2. 2023 WSW Data
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- 1.4. Becoming an Ambassador
- 1.5. Hosting a WSW Event

#### 2. Funding and Support

- 2.1. Squash BC's Support
- 2.2. Ambassador Package
- 2.3. Women in Squash Program Funding Grant
- 2.4. Becoming a Mentor
- 3. Next Steps





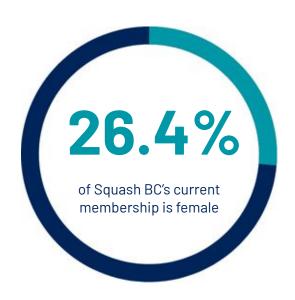
# **GENERAL OVERVIEW**



## **WOMEN'S SQUASH WEEK OVERVIEW**



- Annual event started in 2013
- Focused on promoting women in squash and growing participation
- Supported by female Ambassadors across BC
- The perfect way for your club to contribute to the growth of the sport



## 2023 WOMEN'S SQUASH WEEK DATA



556
participants

**50+** events

23
facilities

## WOMEN'S SQUASH WEEK 2024



- Dates: September 17th to 30th, 2024
- Squash BC Funding & Equipment Provided
- Women's Squash Week: Ambassador Package
- New: Women in Squash: Programming Grant Available
- Women's Squash Week 2024, Squash BC aiming to have over 600 participants!

#### WHAT IS A WSW AMBASSADOR?



- An Ambassador is a key contact between Squash BC, the club, and your event participants
- Vital role in interacting with new members and participants
- The Ambassador can be anyone looking to make a difference at your club
  - Volunteer
  - Coach
  - Club Admin
- Pivotal as a future leader for Women in Squash events at your club



#### WHY HOST A WSW EVENT?



- Engage current, past, and new female players to get back on court for the 2024 season
- Increase and diversify your club's membership
- Fun event to kick start your club's 2024 season
- Event funding & equipment support
- Be part of growing women's community across the province



#### WHAT IS A WSW EVENT?



WSW events can be anything you choose that aims to bring current, past and new female players to your club. This event should fit your comfort level as a leader and cater to your community. Some WSW event ideas include:

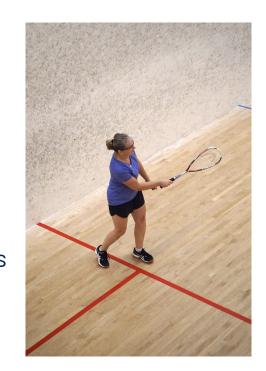
- Introductory Squash Lessons
- Drop-In Night
- Wine & Hit Squash
- Mini Tournaments
- Team Competitions
- Squash 57



## **SQUASH BC SUPPORT**



- Women in Squash: Ambassador Package
- Event funding up to \$150 per facility
- Event equipment & balls
- Event poster created by Squash BC
- Event marketing by Squash BC
- Squash BC Ambassador support
- NEW: Additional \$100 funding is available to facilities for hosting Women's Squash Programming after WSW



# **FUNDING & SUPPORT**



# **WOMEN'S SQUASH WEEK 2024 FUNDING**



Level of Support	Event Requirements	Funding & Equipment Support	
Level 1	<ul> <li>10 or fewer participants</li> <li>At least one Ambassador must complete one of the Squash BC Safe Sport Courses*</li> </ul>	<ul><li>\$50 Event Funding</li><li>3 Balls</li><li>1 Ambassador Shirt</li></ul>	
Level 2	All Level 1 Event Requirements, plus 11 to 25 participants	<ul><li>\$100 Event Funding</li><li>6 Balls</li><li>Up to 2 Ambassador Shirts</li></ul>	
Level 3	<ul> <li>All Level 1 Event Requirements, plus 26 or more participants</li> <li>Commit to host Women in Squash Programming following WSW</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>\$150 Event Funding</li> <li>9 Balls</li> <li>Up to 3 Ambassador Shirts</li> </ul>	

## **WOMEN IN SQUASH - PROGRAM GRANT**



- Squash BC is supporting Ambassadors and Facilities with retention of WSW participants through this new Women in Squash: Program Funding Grant
- Programming must be focused on Grassroots Women's Squash Programming that engage participants over at least a 4 week period
- Programs must start between October 1 and November 15, which engage WSW participants

Level of Support	Event Requirements	Funding & Equipment Support
Level 1	<ul><li>A minimum 4 week program</li><li>3 to 8 Participants</li></ul>	<ul><li>\$50 Program Funding</li><li>3 Balls</li></ul>
Level 2	9 or more Participants	• \$100 Program Funding

# **WOMEN IN SQUASH: AMBASSADOR PACKAGE**



The Women in Squash: Ambassador Package will have everything you need to know to make your event as successful at your facility. The Package will include:

- Event Best Practices
- Strategies on Recruiting New Female Participants
- How-to-Guides and Marketing Templates
- Programming Ideas for Retaining Participants
- And More!



## **WOMEN IN SQUASH - FUNDING DEADLINES**



#### **WSW Event Funding Deadlines**

- Event Registration Deadline
  - August 10th Deadline to Guarantee WSW Ambassador Shirt Sizing
  - September 1st Deadline to receive Event Funding, Marketing Materials & Equipment
- Post Event Report Due October 15

#### Women in Squash: Program Grant Deadlines

- Program Application Submission Due September 15
- Post Program Report Due December 31

#### **NEXT STEPS**



- Pick an event date and time
- Submit your event details to the <u>WSW Event Information Page</u>
- Guarantee your WSW Ambassador Shirt by submitting your event information by August 10
- Guarantee your event Poster & Equipment by sending in the event information by September
   1st, 2024

Join us in making Women's Squash Week a huge success at your local club!

Email <u>programs@squashbc.com</u> for further inquiries



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