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NOTTINGHAM



**University of
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WELCOME

Mark Williams, CEO England Squash

On behalf of everyone at England Squash, and our two outstanding host venues, I am delighted to welcome players, families and coaches to Nottingham for the 2026 English Junior Closed. This season's event features an exciting format designed to elevate this prestigious Championships, offering fresh challenges and new opportunities for competitors to showcase their skills.

Delivering an event of this scale takes a tremendous collective effort and we are extremely grateful for the continued support and collaboration of the teams at the University of Nottingham and Nottingham Squash Club. Together, we are committed to providing an outstanding event experience for all the young players involved.

On a personal note, thank you to everyone who has supported the English Junior Closed. I hope the weekend is filled with great performances, positive experiences and lasting memories, and that you all enjoy a fantastic celebration of junior squash.

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DRAWS

To keep up to date with scores and draws, visit [Sport Manager](#) or scan the QR code here



[View the draw](#)

FOLLOW THE ACTION

For commentary and reaction from the championships, follow England Squash across all of our social channels:



Share your photos from the event and tag us in using hashtag #EJC2026 for a reshare. Visit the official website at <https://www.englishsquash.com/ejc>

LIVE STREAMING, PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO RECORDING

England Squash

There will be official live streaming on the Saturday and Sunday of matches played on the Show Court at the David Ross Sports Village.

By taking part in this event, you agree to allow video streaming of your matches and photographs to be taken during the event and England Squash to use these as described above. If you have any concerns, please inform the tournament desk at registration.

Video Recording and Photography by Individuals

Players and parents are permitted to record matches and take photos at the event, so long as consent is provided from all those involved. Where a child is involved, consent must be obtained from their parent/guardian.



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Venue & Directions

David Ross Sports Village, University of Nottingham, University Park, NG7 2RD

Sat nav: use NG7 2RJ (Orchard Hotel opposite)

Opening hours: 6:30am–10:30pm, daily.

Changing Facilities

Reserved ground-floor male & female changing rooms during the event, with showers and hairdryers. Accessible toilets, changing places room, and private inclusive changing cubicles available.

Lockers require a padlock.

Road Closures

From 8pm Fri 7 Feb to 6am Mon 10 Feb – A52 and A6514 sections around QMC/Middleton Boulevard will be closed.

Food & Drink

Clubhouse Café: 8am–7pm daily

Breakfast: 8–10:30am

Lunch: 11am–3pm

Pizza: 11am–6pm

Court booking

Any player participating in the EJC who'd like to book and use the glass squash court (subject to availability) can join on a UoN Sport PAYG membership via the link below and enter code SQUASHIE which will remove the £10 joining fee. The reception team will also be able to use the same code if players would like to join and book in person at the reception desk. The code is now live and will work for bookings from Friday 6 Feb to Sunday 8 Feb. Click [here to get started](#).

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Parking

Parking restrictions on campus apply Monday-Friday, 08:00-17:30. All visitors will be required to display a ticket from the machine or make use of the RingGo app service during these times. Please note, visitors of the David Ross Sports Village can utilise 2 hours free parking by registering on the screens within the venue. There are no parking charges over the weekend but please do park in an appropriately marked bay only and adhere to any guidance displayed. No parking is permitted on grassed areas. A map of campus can be found [here](#), with parking options immediately surrounding the David Ross Sports Village, on Beeston Lane and as well as the following halls of residences which are in close proximity to the sports village: Bowling Green, Ancaster Hall, Sherwood Hall and Rutland Hall.

Summer 2025 – Summer 2026 – Due to ongoing roadworks on the A52, there will be barriers in place restricting vehicle access across campus. The below map shows the location of the barriers which will be locked between 07:00-19:00, seven days a week. During this period, DRSV will only be accessible from the West entrance which will need to be used to enter and exit the University campus. More information on the roadworks and the impact on the campus can be found [here](#).

NOTTINGHAM SQUASH CLUB

Nottingham Squash Club is situated in the prestigious Park Estate, just a short stroll from Nottingham City Centre.

Nottingham Squash Club

Tattershall Drive
The Park
Nottingham
NG7 1BX

Practice courts

Practice courts available from 4-8 pm on Friday 6th February.
£5 per half-hour booking
To book, please email the club directly at club@nsrc.co.uk

Parking

On-site parking is available at the club for approximately 50 cars. If the car park is full, please park on Tattershall Drive and only on the Tennis court side of the road. If you need to park on the road, then please collect a parking permit from the tournament desk.

Changing facilities

There are separate male and female changing and shower facilities on the ground floor. Please be aware that the changing rooms will be shared by other members of the club. There is a disabled bathroom on the first floor outside the fitness studio, which can be used as an individual changing cubicle if required.

Food & drink

The club will be offering a meal deal for £4.50 which includes:
A sandwich
A pack of Walkers' crisps
A can of soft drink

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Code of Conduct

By entering the tournament, all competitors agree to abide by the England Squash Code of Conduct. Parents must refrain from interference in matches. Any complaints should be addressed formally to the tournament desk.

View England Squash's Code of Conduct:
[Code of Conduct](#)

Anti-Doping

By entering this event, you agree to abide by the rules and regulations governing the championships and declare that you are aware of the Anti-Doping regulations and procedures as set out in Section E and Appendix G of the WSF World Championship Regulations. You accept that you may be tested under these regulations at any stage of the championships and will be subject to the penalties set out in the World Championship Regulations if the test(s) prove positive. This declaration covers participation throughout all stages of the event, including plate rounds.

[WSF Anti-Doping Useful Information – World Squash](#)

Clothing

Players must wear clothing suitable for squash. If the Referee determines there's a conflict in shirt colour, the lower ranked player must change their shirt. On the all-glass court, there must be a clear difference in shirt colour.

Player Withdrawal

A player may withdraw without penalty before 12:00pm on the Monday prior to the start of the tournament. Any withdrawal after this deadline and before the start of a player's first match is considered a late withdrawal. Withdrawal after the start of the tournament must be notified to the Event Director as soon as possible by email with a valid reason. The reason for withdrawal should then be confirmed within 7 days. In the event of illness or injury, written confirmation should be accompanied by a letter of explanation from a parent or coach and a medical certificate.

Road to Selection

This is a selection event contributing towards Road to Selection. For more information visit our website:

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England Squash and Karakal, growing the game from local clubs to the world stage, giving players the gear and support they need to play their best.

Karakal will be set up all weekend at the David Ross Sports Village, with a wide range of products and exclusive event discounts. Karakal will also be offering a free re-gripping service and professional product advice.

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Ashaway will be providing a stringing service at the University of Nottingham throughout the event.

Stringer will be located on the balcony overlooking the glass court at the University of Nottingham

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The following Ashaway strings are available at discounted prices:

- UltraNick / PowerNick / MultiNick: £15
- SuperNick ZX / ZX Micro: £13.50
- SuperNick XL / XL Micro: £12
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Qualified England Squash Referees and Marking of Matches

England Squash are providing referees for matches throughout the event. For matches that do not have an England Squash referee allocated, both players of the previous match must referee the next match on court. This is a mandatory requirement for playing in the event. Please discuss any refereeing concerns with the tournament desk.



Tournament Ball

Dunlop is England Squash's official ball and provides the balls for the event. The Dunlop Pro (double yellow spot) will be used for all events at the tournament, other than the mixed under 9 (MU9) category, which will use the Dunlop Competition (single yellow spot) ball.

Registration and Tournament Desks

All players must sign in at the venue's tournament desk at least 30 minutes before their first match. We cannot accept parents or guardians signing in on a player's behalf. Please direct all enquiries to the staff on the tournament desks. They are there to help and ensure the event runs smoothly for all involved.

Eye Protection

WSF certified or British Standard BS7930.1 protective eyewear is mandatory for participation in all sanctioned England Squash competitions. Eyewear must be always worn by all junior players while on court. This includes appropriate prescriptive protective eyewear or iMask in front of spectacles.

For further details, please see the information here: [Protective Eyewear](#).
Tecnofibre eye protection glasses can be purchased [here](#).



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England Squash Safe Squash Policy

Safe use of changing facilities and toilets

University of Nottingham

2x ground floor changing rooms (1x male and 1x female) have been reserved during the scheduled event times for the England Squash English Junior Champs. These are large changing facilities with showers, sinks, a toilet and a hairdryer and are located near the squash courts. There are also disabled/accessible toilet facilities on the ground floor, a changing places room and accessible changing/toilet facilities available for use by event participants, as well as sports centre members/the general public. 4 ground floor individual private inclusive changing cubicles are available to use; a member of staff will be able to direct you to these. Lockers are located in the corridors and can be used by event attendees; lockers are operated by padlock. More information can be found via this [link](#)

Nottingham Squash Club

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England Squash Programmes & Membership



Squash Stars

A fun junior squash initiative to engage kids aged 5-9 to step on court and begin a lifelong love of the game. Find out more and book onto Squash Stars [here](#)



Squash From The Mosque

Squash from the Mosque takes the game into the heart of communities, connecting with new audiences and inspiring more people to become active through squash.



Mixed Ability Squash

The Mixed Ability Squash programme aims to deliver regular and sustainable activities, as well as club membership for everyone.



Ready Set, Squash!

This free, curriculum-aligned programme makes it easy to deliver high-energy squash sessions in any space - no experience or court required. Find out more [here](#)



England Squash Membership

England Squash Membership has now changed to better connect clubs, coaches and players. Squash clubs and players will benefit from an enhanced membership scheme, providing unbeatable benefits and money-can't-buy experiences. [Sign up today.](#)