

Exhibition Squash Match

On Wednesday 16th December 2009 an exhibition squash match was held at Sandgate Squash Centre.

Zac Alexander current Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) Scholarship holder, current Australian No. 9, highest World ranking in 2009 (No. 84) and Sandgate player played Craig Rowland former World No.7, former AIS Scholarship holder, squash coach and Sandgate player. The match was played under international conditions of best of 5, Point a Rally to 11 (PAR11).

A crowd of about 50 diehard squash enthusiasts witnessed a magnificent display of high quality, world standard squash with corkscrew shots, top spin backhands and forehands, long rallies and exceptional racquet skills being displayed by both players.

Zac's youth at 20 years of age and greater fitness won him the day winning 3 games to 2. However Craig never gave up but at 38 years old the young gun just got him.

After this great display of squash, a doubles match was conducted with Zac teaming up with his younger brother Jake Alexander, current AIS Scholarship holder, current Australian No. 16, highest World ranking in 2009 (No. 179), current Australian 19 Boys No.1 and Sandgate player to play Craig and Luc Rance, current Australian 17 Boys No. 11 and Sandgate player.

Zac and Craig should have welcomed their younger and fresher team-mates to do most of the work but their competitive nature meant that they became involved in many long rallies on the backhand section of the court. Eventually after great entertainment, the doubles match was won by Craig and Luc and the crowd was treated to some innovative and thrilling squash shots.



Left to right: Zac Alexander, Jake Alexander, Craig Rowland, Luc Rance.