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NICOL LOOKS FORWARD TO AN EXCITING NATIONALS

13 July 2010, Bukit Jalil : World and Malaysian number one Datuk Nicol Ann David is all set to compete in the TC Malaysian Nationals Squash Championships (TCMNSC) which began today until July 17 (Saturday) at the National Squash Centre in Bukit Jalil.

Despite leading the world's women squash rankings, the 26-year-old Nicol has yet to bag the TCMNSC title, which is making a comeback after a 13-year hiatus.

"It's great to have the nationals back," said Nicol when met during practice at the courts today.

Competing in the Women's Premier, Nicol last competed in the event held back in 1997, known then as the National Closed Championships. At the age of 13, Nicol lost to eventual winner Sharon Wee in the quarterfinals. Interestingly, Wee is also among the players participating in this year's edition.

Besides gunning for another title, Nicol is also pleased that the prestigious event is making a return to the national squash calendar.

"It is great! This will definitely be good for the players to improve on their national rankings and make their way into the national squad for team tournaments," said the Penang born lass.

"It's a good build-up as I'd like to get a good rhythm going ahead of the Malaysian Open (next week)."

"It will also be fun and a great experience to play competitively with the same people we train with," she added.

Nicol starts her campaign in the Women's Premier category tomorrow against 16th seed Teh Min Jie.

In total there will be five categories held: the Men's Premier and Women's Premier, Men's Division 2, Men's Division 3 and Men's Veteran (above 45).

To-date, Malaysia's top 16 ranked players in both the men's and women's category have confirmed their participation.

The tournament kicked off today with only the quarter-finals of the Men's Veteran category, which saw Raymond Arnold outclass Peter Chee Nyuk Min 11-2, 11-2, 11-6.

Other results include Lawrence Kwan beating Colin Robertson 11-6, 13-11, 11-5.
Ng Hong Yuen had a close match against Chee Yew Chai in which he won 13-11, 8-11, 11-8, 11-8,
while Foo Chee Keong overcame Tarmidi Saad 11-6, 9-11, 11-9, 12-10 to book a place in the
semifinals.

Results

Men's Veteran 45+

Raymond Arnold bt Peter Chee Nyuk Min 11-2, 11-2, 11-6

Lawrence Kwan bt Colin Robertson 11-6, 13-11, 11-5

Ng Hong Yuen bt Chee Yew Chai 13-11, 8-11, 11-8, 11-8

Foo Chee Keong bt Tarmidi Saad 11-6, 9-11, 11-9, 12-10

Who's Playing Tomorrow

Premier Men

Kamran Khan vs Md. Asfar Azan

4:00PM, Court 5

Md. Nafiizwan bin Md. Adnan vs Ahmad Zamry Esahak

4:00PM, Court 4

Choong Kam Hing vs Md. Zul Azri

4:00PM, Court 3

Ng Jo Wen vs Aaron Soyza

5:00PM, Court 5

Md. Asyraf Azan vs Marcus Yuen

5:00PM, Court 4

Ivan Yuen Chee Wern vs Md. Addeen Idrakie

5:00PM, Court 3

Premier Women

Zulhijah Azan vs Yong Sue Ann

4:00PM, Court 2

Low Wee Wern vs Serene Chee

4:00PM, Court 1

Low Wee Nee vs Tan Yan Xin

4:00PM, Court 8

Delia Arnold vs Andrea Lee

4:00PM, Court 6

Dato' Nicol David vs Teh Min Jie

5:00PM, Court 8

Pushppa Devi vs Nessrine Arrifin

5:00PM, Court 2

Sharon Wee vs Jadeleen Lee

5:00PM, Court 1

Siti Munirah vs Rachel Arnold

5:00PM, Court 6

Men's Division II

Izzi Tarmidi vs Nicolas Quek

6.00PM, Court 2

Leroy Leong vs Hannan Tarmidi

6.00PM, Court 1

Faris Daniel vs Mohd Hafifi Tarmidi

7.00PM, Court 2

Kenny Foo Kean Ghee vs Mark Low

7.00PM, Court 1

Men's Division III

Andrew Lee vs Ng Eain Wei

6.00PM, Court 9

Khoo Teng Hin vs Edward Chan

6.00PM, Court 8

Edmund Yap vs Nishan Ravi Nekoo

6.00PM, Court 7

Syafiq Kamal vs Aqif Ampandi

6.00PM, Court 6

Amir Farhan vs Vincent Tan

7.00PM, Court 9

Md. Rizal Lugman vs Chan Sum Kin

7.00PM, Court 8

Jaafar Sadiq vs Md. Zulkefli Surif
7.00PM, Court 7

Anont Watanasin vs Mugilan Moorthi
7.00PM, Court 6

EVENT SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Details	Division	Time	Location
Tuesday	13 July	1st Round	All Other Divisions	1800 - 2200	Courts 1 – 10
Wednesday	14 July	1st Round	Premier Men	1600 - 1800	Courts 1 – 5
		1st Round	Premier Women	1600 - 1800	Courts 6 – 10
		All Other Divisions	1800 - 2200	Courts 1 – 10	
Thursday	15 July	Quarters	Premier Men	1600 - 1800	Courts 3, 4, 5
		Quarters	Premier Women	1600 - 1800	Courts 1 & 2
		All Other Divisions	1800 - 2200	Courts 1 – 10	
Friday	16 July	Semis	Premier Women (Semi Finals 1)	1700 - 1745	Glass Court*
		Semis	Premier Men (Semi Finals 1)	1745 - 1830	Glass Court*
		Semis	Premier Women (Semi Finals 2)	1830 - 1915	Glass Court*
		Semis	Premier Men (Semi Finals 2)	1915 - 2000	Glass Court*
		Semis	All Other Matches	1600 - 2200	Courts 1 – 10
Saturday	17 July	Finals	Men Div. III	1300 - 1400	Glass Court*
		Finals	Men Vet < 45	1400 - 1500	Glass Court*
		Finals	Men Div. II	1500 - 1600	Glass Court*
		Finals	Premier Women	1600 - 1700	Glass Court*
		Finals	Premier Men	1700 - 1800	Glass Court*
		All Other Placings	1300 - 1800	Courts 1 – 10	
Closing Prize Presentation	1800 - 1830	Glass Court*			

*Glass Court is also known as the Arena Nicol David

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