



DEVELOPING A PREMIER NATIONAL SQUASH COMPLEX

AT ST STITHIANS COLLEGE



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Inspiring Excellence. Making a World of Difference - the strategic intent of St Stithians - invites us to dream of new futures and to mobilise actively to achieve our goals. Drawing on this imperative, the College's squash community has grasped the vision to create a facility at St Stithians which will be unrivalled among South African schools - 12 courts of an international standard and a Squash Complex of welcome and wonder. The top-quality facility will include singles and doubles courts; excellent playing conditions; ample spectator stands which connect those who watch and those who play; as well as hosting and administrative venues.

Squash is growing as a sport at St Stithians, in our primary and secondary schools - the Girls' Preparatory, the Boys' Preparatory, the Girls' College and the Boys' College. There are good reasons for modernising and expanding the existing facility. The value of the sport is that it can be played throughout the year in all-weather conditions. Squash is a way of life and can be played throughout adulthood. Requiring agility, dexterity, speed, spatial intelligence and a high work-rate, squash is both excellent exercise and a good life-skill.

The new Squash Complex will enable St Stithians to enhance its existing role in Gauteng and national squash programmes, including developmental projects to diversify participation in the greater Johannesburg community. St Stithians has a rich legacy in schools squash. This sport code is a proud participant in the annual St Stithians Sports Festival, which draws teams from across the country. St Stithians is committed to making an impact beyond the school gates, and a community Squash Complex will contribute to this intent.

I am an enthusiastic participant in the campaign to raise funds to make the bold vision of the new Squash Complex a reality.

Dr Tim Nuttall
Rector & Executive Head
St Stithians College

SAINTS SPORTS FEST - SYNERGY AT ITS BEST!



A PROUD HISTORY OF ST STITHIANS SQUASH

Squash was introduced as an official sport at St Stithians in 1974 and the College immediately embarked on a course which was to make it one of the top South African schools in squash within the next decade and beyond. In its relatively short history, St Stithians Squash has enjoyed much success, from winning their school leagues all the way through to many players being selected to represent various provincial sides, South African Schools Teams and their country. In the early years, St Stithians Squash was run by Ken and Myrna Hovelmeier who brought their passion and expertise to the discipline, with unprecedented success.

I was delighted to learn that Saints is planning a major development of the squash facilities at the College. My wife, Myrna, and I were privileged to be able to play a meaningful role in the growth and development of squash in the Boys' College from 1978 to 1997, and to share in the achievements of our players both locally and overseas. I look forward with interest to following the on-going development of squash at Saints, and I hope that the support given to this new building project will be as enthusiastic as that given to Myrna and me during our time with the squash club. - Ken Hovelmeier

BENEFITS OF THE SQUASH COMPLEX

Aside from meeting the growing needs of the sport at St Stithians, the new Squash Complex will generate revenue through both national and international tournaments.

St Stithians is committed to broadening the reach of squash to include Egoli squash programmes and students attending the Thandulwazi Academy Saturday School.

Multi-functional use - it is also possible to play other ball games such as indoor basketball, soccer and volleyball.

The expansion of the Squash Complex will ensure that this much-loved sport can be enjoyed by our ever-growing community.

GREEN DESIGN:

- Solar energy system for lighting of the courts
- Rain water and grey water harvesting
- Sustainable building practices
- Natural ventilation

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- ✓ TWELVE SINGLES COURTS
 - ✓ FOUR DOUBLES COURTS
 - ✓ SPECTATOR FRIENDLY

OUR NEW SQUASH
COMPLEX WILL
HAVE A UNIQUE
FEATURE -
**MOVABLE
WALLS!**

Simply by pressing a button,
not only the court but also the
sport of squash is changed.



THE FUTURE

At St Stithians we provide a holistic educational experience for all our students, developing not only their minds through our dedication to the provision of the highest level of teaching, but also allowing them to cultivate their sporting skills through the provision of superior facilities.

Squash continues to grow at St Stithians College and the demand for court time has increased. The courts are currently being used by more than 200 students from Boys' College, Boys' Preparatory, Girls' College and the Girls' Preparatory, as well as by the broader St Stithians Community of Belonging. One and All are encouraged to make use of the facilities that we have on offer on our campus and membership and use of the squash facilities is, and always has been, available to our community by the purchase of the squash membership card for a nominal fee. In the interest of growing the sport, there is the planned inclusion of players from the Junior Preparatory and the Thandulwazi Academy. Development of the squash facilities has therefore become a priority for this sports code, particularly as St Stithians intends to host national and international tournaments.

At present there are six courts. The new Squash Complex will add six further courts which will be able to be reconfigured as four double courts through the innovative use of movable sidewalls. An office, gymnasium and a shop are planned.

This Squash Complex will be a Discovery Vitality approved centre.

ADVANTAGES

Doubles Squash - every modern centre will and has to be able to offer doubles squash. More and more major doubles events and championships are being staged all over the world.

Extended training surface - not only for squash, but also for other sports and for different events. It makes sense to have this flexibility in a facility.

TECHNOLOGY

The ASB Movable Wall is a 100mm thick wall that can be moved either mechanically or electrically. The movable wall stops at the programmed places and locks automatically. All electronic cables and mechanics are concealed and pre-installed. Source: ASB

TO OFFER OUR STUDENTS THIS WORLD-CLASS FACILITY,

WE NEED TO RAISE R25 MILLION

FUNDING FOR THE PROJECT

Donations and a pledge target of R20 million by other benefactors.

St Stithians College is fully supportive of this project and has committed R5 million towards the upgrade of the Squash Complex. We are extremely grateful to the dedicated parents, staff, alumni and benefactors who have provided the foundations to make this dream a reality. A donation valued at 50% or more of the project cost brings the opportunity of naming rights.

HOW YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE TO THE ST STITHIANS COLLEGE SQUASH COMPLEX

There are many ways that parents (past and present), students and alumni can assist St Stithians College in the addition of the extra courts and facilities. All gifts and donations, large and small, will be gratefully received.

- A lump sum / cash donation can be made as a direct deposit into the St Stithians Endowment Fund bank account or via the secure online giving facility on the website (<http://www.stithain.com/donate>)
- Regular monthly contributions can be set up via monthly stop-orders or by using your Visa or MasterCard through our donation portal
- Donations-in-kind such as professional services, furnishings and equipment can be donated
- A long-term interest-free loan is another way of assisting St Stithians College to finance our Squash Court Addition project

Please note: All donations qualify for a Section 18A tax certificate, which enables donors to claim donations against taxable income.

DONATIONS 'IN KIND' OR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT INCLUDE:

- Professional services such as Construction, Engineering, Green building, Interior design - in conjunction with the College's appointed professionals
- Energy efficient lighting and water heating systems
- Glass Panels
- Gymnasium equipment
- Photographs for the walls (Squash Old Boys/Girls)
- Squash flooring
- TVs, audio equipment and projectors for scoring



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