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Murphy v Perry,
rivals on court,
friends off court

Tesni Murphy

OUSTS THE DEFENDING CHAMP

End of an amazing run
for Chinappa

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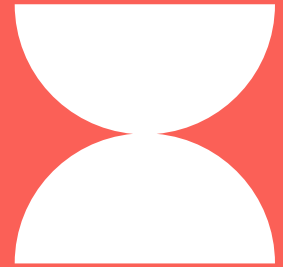


LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Speaking to MC Romain Suire, Sarah-Jane Perry mentioned the topic everyone is talking about in squash, the Olympics. After beating Joshna Chinappa, the English lady called her opponent a source of inspiration because she'll be 38 years old in 2028 – the current age of the Indian, who's making a great comeback after a serious knee injury.

As far as Tesni Murphy goes, she will be 36 in LA. Her level and her motivation are still up there, and she must have this once in a lifetime opportunity in mind! Having said that, we'll have to wait a little longer to find out more about the eligibility and qualification criteria...

Jerome Elhaik



Fersenn Sherkan

**The Olympics
are the topic
everyone is
talking about...**

TOP STORY

MURPHY BACK IN THE FINAL

The Welsh lady beat
defending champ
Lucy Turmel after
another inspired
display.



Picking up where she left off at the end of her quarter against Hana Ismail, Lucy Turmel got off to a flying start and deservedly clinched the first game against Tesni Murphy. But as she usually does, the Welshwoman started mixing things up, and hurt her opponent with the variety of her shots. Despite a brave fight back at the end of the 4th game, Turmel surrendered and lost her title, while Murphy will play another final 6 years after losing to Laura Massaro.



Fersenn Sherkan



Tesni Murphy is as smart off court as she is on court, and interviewing the Welsh player is always fun



Fersenn Sherkan

Tesni Murphy

“I still love learning, and I never stopped trying new things. I am lucky to have Alison Waters as my coach, her game was very different to mine and I am taking some of her shots – for example the crosscourt kills which worked well today – and I am also trying to have more options with my forehand. Except during a period a couple of years ago when I

had stuff going on in my life, I’ve always had fun on court. I actually find the training harder than the matches, I love the competitiveness. Yes I have only one title, when I started I didn’t manage to win the small events and then it was all about going up in the rankings. And to be honest the tour is so strong these days, it’s incredibly hard to win a tournament ...

THE OTHER SEMIS

PERRY PREVAILS

Sarah-Jane Perry ended Joshna Chinappa's magnificent run.

After dominating the start, the Englishwoman had to work hard to overcome her very resilient opponent, who saved 3 match balls before surrendering in the 4th game tie-break.



Fersenn Sherkan

Quote

“I’d watched Joshna this week and knew what to expect, she’s playing at a whole different level compared to her first tournament back. She’s lethal when she’s in the middle, class is something you don’t lose! But fortunately I managed to starve her off at the end. My main goal this season is to get back into a habit of winning matches, and the ultimate plan coming here was to win the event. Tesni and I know each other inside out, we started on the Challenger Tour together. Funny thing is, when they watch our matches people think we don’t get on!”

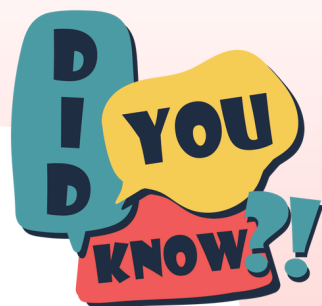
Pic of the day



After losing in the semis, Joshna Chinappa couldn't help smiling hearing her opponent Sarah-Jane Perry being very complimentary towards her.



FACTS & FIGURES



Finalists Sarah-Jane Perry and Tesni Murphy are sharing a room this week at the Marriott Hotel, located across the road from the club.

In the MC Classic list of 26 winners, there are 12 English players but nobody from Wales ...



Ranked 314 in the world this week, Joshna Chinappa is going to make a giant rise, the points she got in Monaco will propel her around 150.

OFF COURT TRIBUTE

On final's day, the club will pay a tribute to Manu Rodrigues, who was a member since the 90s and sadly passed away a few months ago. Manu was not only a very good player - he was part of the team who clinched the bronze medal at the Games of the Small States in 1999, and gold at the 2002 'Small Nations' – he was also unanimously appreciated for his kindness and always had a smile on his face.



Squash Monaco



MONTE-CARLO SQUASH CLASSIC



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14

SEMI-FINALS

[3] Tesni MURPHY
(WAL)

3-1

[2] Lucy TURMEL
(ENG)

8-11, 11-7, 11-4, 11-7



[1] Sarah-Jane PERRY
(ENG)

3-1

[9/16] Joshna CHINAPPA
(IND)

11-8, 11-7, 4-11, 14-12



SCHEDULE



MONTE-CARLO SQUASH CLASSIC



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15

[1] Sarah-Jane PERRY
(ENG)

7pm

[3] Tesni MURPHY
(WAL)

FINAL




RESULTS

FINAL PREVIEW

It has all the ingredients to be a great match between two players who know each other inside out on and off the court, and are both former runner-ups in Monte Carlo - in 2015 for Perry and 2018 for Murphy.

Sarah-Jane Perry




 Fersenn Sherkan



Tesni Murphy



 Fersenn Sherkan

The Englishwoman is 12-5 up in their H2H in PSA and the last one, at the 2024 British Open went her way 11-9 in the 5th game! Fireworks expected with these two ladies who like to attack the front of the court.

FINAL PREVIEW

Both finalists are very close friends offcourt and we asked them to describe each other in 3 words. Well, one of them stuck to the rules better than the other...



Fersenn
Sherkan



Tesni Murphy

by Sarah-Jane Perry

- 1) Tenacious
- 2) Wears her heart on her sleeve
- 3) Clever on a squash court

Sarah-Jane Perry

by Tesni Murphy

- 1) Clever
- 2) Flairy
- 3) Expressive

MONTE CARLO CLASSIC 2024 - THE DRAW

Round of 32 (11 nov)	Round of 16 (12 nov)	Quarterfinals (13 nov)	Semifinals (14 nov)	Final (15 nov)
<div>Ali LOKE (WAL) 11-9, 11-9, 11-4</div> <div>[9/16] Élise ROMBA (FRA) 11-9, 11-5, 11-4</div> <div>[9/16] Alison THOMSON (SCO) 11-9, 11-5, 11-4</div> <div>Hayley WARD (RSA)</div>	<div>[1] Sarah-Jane PERRY (ENG) 11-3, 7-11, 11-6, 11-3</div> <div>Ali LOKE (WAL)</div> <div>Hayley WARD (RSA) 11-5, 11-3, 11-9</div> <div>[7] Emilia SOINI (FIN)</div> <div>[6] Alicia MEAD (ENG) 11-4, 12-10, 11-7</div> <div>[9/16] Lowri ROBERTS (WAL)</div> <div>[9/16] Joshna CHINAPPA (IND) 4-11, 11-5, 11-9, 9-11, 11-7</div> <div>[4] Mélissa ALVES (FRA)</div> <div>[3] Tesni MURPHY (WAL) 11-5, 11-5, 11-8</div> <div>[9/16] Saskia BEINHARD (GER)</div> <div>Tanvi KHANNA (IND) 11-7, 11-8, 11-5</div> <div>[5] Hana RAMADAN (EGY)</div> <div>[8] Énora VILLARD (FRA) 11-6, 11-6, 3-11, 13-11</div> <div>[9/16] Hana ISMAIL (EGY)</div> <div>[9/16] Millie TOMLINSON (ENG) 11-6, 9-11, 8-11, 11-5, 11-5</div> <div>Au Yeong WAI YHANN (SGP) 11-6, 11-5, 11-6</div>	<div>[1] Sarah-Jane PERRY (ENG) 11-7, 11-4, 11-4</div> <div>[7] Emilia SOINI (FIN)</div> <div>[6] Alicia MEAD (ENG) 11-5, 11-4, 11-3</div> <div>[9/16] Joshna CHINAPPA (IND)</div> <div>[3] Tesni MURPHY (WAL) 11-8, 11-6, 11-7</div> <div>[5] Hana RAMADAN (EGY)</div> <div>[9/16] Hana ISMAIL (EGY) 11-4, 9-11, 11-6, 8-11, 11-7</div> <div>[2] Lucy TURMEL (ENG)</div>	<div>[1] Sarah-Jane PERRY (ENG) 11-8, 11-7, 4-11, 14-12</div> <div>[9/16] Joshna CHINAPPA (IND)</div> <div>[3] Tesni MURPHY (WAL) 8-11, 11-7, 11-4, 11-7</div> <div>[2] Lucy TURMEL (ENG)</div>	<div>[1] Sarah-Jane PERRY (ENG)</div> <div>Winner 7pm, ct 1</div> <div>[3] Tesni MURPHY (WAL)</div>



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