Egyptian Squash
A Sport’s Success Story

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Outline

Speaker

History

Rise

Dominance

Women

Reasons
Speaker

• Former Egyptian National Coach
• Founder of ElBorolossy Squash Academy
• 3x Egyptian National Champion
• 2x World Team Champion
• Top 20 PSA Player
History

• Introduction of squash in Egypt and the launch of the Egyptian Squash Federation
The Pioneers:

- Abdelfattah Amr
  - British open champion from 1932 till 1937

- Mahmoud AbdelKarim
  - British open champion from 1947 till 1950

- Abdelfattah Abutaleb
  - British open champion from 1964 till 1966

Rise

- Coach Abdel Wahid Abdel Aziz
- World Juniors Men 1994 (New Zealand)
- World Teams 1999 (Cairo)
Rise (Cont.)

- Al Ahram Tournaments
Rise (Cont.)

• Political Influence
• Egyptian Media Coverage
Dominance

- **PSA Ranking**: (50% of Top 10 PSA players)
  - **Men**: 6 out of Top 10. Including all Top 4
  - **Women**: 4 out of Top 10. Including all Top 3
Dominance (Cont.)

- Top Professionals: (7 World #1’s, 6 World Champions)
  - Amr Shabana: Former World #1 and 4x World champion.
  - Karim Darwish: Former World #1
  - Ramy Ashour: Former World #1 and 2x World champion
  - Karim AbdelGawad: Former World #1 and World Champion
  - Mohammed ElShorbagy: Current World #1 and World Champion
Dominance (Cont.)

- **Raneem El Welily**: Former World #1 and World Champion
- **Nour El Sherbiny**: Current World #1 and 2x World Champion
Dominance (Cont.)

• Top Juniors: (25 World individual Junior Titles)
  – Boys: 10 World Junior Champions:
    Ahmed Barada, Ahmed Faizy, Karim Darwish, Ramy Ashour, Mohamed El Shorbagy, Marawan ElShorbagy, Marwan Tarek, Mostafa Asal
  – Girls: 7 World Junior Champions:
    Omneya Abd ElKawy, Raneem El Welily, Nour El Sherbiny, Nour El Tayeb, Habiba Mohamed, Nouran Gohar, Rawan El Araby
Dominance (Cont.)

- Egyptian Team:
  (22 World Teams Titles)
  - 4 Men Titles
  - 4 Women Titles
  - 6 Junior Men Titles
  - 8 Junior Women Titles
Women

- History and Development
- Dr. Samiha Abul Magd
- Alexandria Girls
- World Junior Women 2003 (Cairo)
- World Women Teams 2008 (Cairo)
Reasons

• Availability (Facilities, Affordability)
• Role Models
• Former Champions/Coaches
Reasons (cont.)

• Parents
• Local Competitions
Reasons (Cont.)

• Egyptian Style (Creativity and Attitude)
• Decline/Weakening of International Competition
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