

It's all in the fin - SONO SHARKS win inaugural NSL Match 4-0 vs Lake Erie Beacons

The SONO Sharks made a splash in the NSL by securing a historic victory. They redefined squash, combining top athleticism with unprecedented entertainment.

NORWALK, CT, UNITED STATES, May 4, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- NORWALK, CT - The [SONO Sharks](#) have made a splash in the [National Squash League](#) (NSL) by securing a historic victory in their inaugural match. The Sharks' debut was more than just a win; it was a spectacle that redefined squash, combining top-tier athleticism with an unprecedented entertainment experience.

The match, held on the [MSQUASH](#) SONO Glass court, showcased the NSL's innovative format, which features shorter, more dynamic games designed for spectator excitement. Adding to the thrill, attendees enjoyed courtside dining, transforming the event into a unique social gathering.

The Sono Sharks team was led by World #12 Salma Hany from Egypt, World #69 Yashmita Kumar from Malaysia and World #86 Maddie Hylland. They beat the Lake Erie Beacons team from Ohio in 3 straight periods 4-0: 30-25, 43-24, 55-48.

Belgian Katline Cauwels, co-owner of MSquash and USSquash Coach of the Year '24 is the Shark's coach: "It was a great first match with all players strong on defense during powerplays, lasting in



Salma Hany closes the last game 55-48



Sono Sharks get coached to 3rd winning period

long rallies without making mistakes. The new format makes the sport of squash even faster, unpredictable and exciting until the very end. The players' substitutions are a completely new thing for the fans and for the players, and everyone loved it."

Co-owner of the Sharks, Shaun Moxham said: "Tonight was electric, our team played with heart, and the atmosphere was unbelievable. The energy from the crowd, combined with the new format and the court-side dining, created an experience unlike anything squash has ever seen."



Somo Shark "Sharkie" helps the Somo Sharks to victory

"It's all in the fin" - cheered the crowd at the end of the match as Egyptian Salma Hany was the last player on court finalizing a strong win for the CT team.

The Sharks' victory marks a significant milestone for the NSL and for the sport of squash. By introducing a more accessible and entertaining format, the league aims to broaden squash's appeal and attract a new generation of fans.

"We're not just playing squash; we're putting on a show," said Margot Prow, SONO Sharks player from Barbados. "Tonight proved that squash can be both a high-level sport and a fantastic night out. We're proud to be leading this revolution."

The next SONO Sharks match is scheduled for May 16 at 6pm at in Cleveland Ohio. You can rewatch the Sharks spectacle here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fMPXxhe9VaE&t=6410s>

About the SONO Sharks

The SONO Sharks are a professional squash team competing in the National Squash League. They are committed to excellence on the court and innovation in the sport's presentation, aiming to bring squash and the women's game to a wider audience through exciting matches and engaging fan experiences.

About the NSL

The National Squash League is a new professional squash league focused on creating a more dynamic and entertaining format for the sport. The NSL aims to attract new fans and elevate squash's profile through its innovative rules, shorter matches, and interactive spectator experiences.

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