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Dover Squash & Fitness celebrates new location with sport celebs

World renowned squash player Jahangir Khan and Pakistan Air Vice Marshal Syed Razi Nawab, of the Pakistan Squash Federation, were the featured guests at the inauguration of Dover Squash & Fitness, which is located adjacent to the new Dover Rug & Home in Natick, Mass. The event took place on April 10.

Khan had an extraordinary squash career and has been hailed by pundits of the game as the greatest squash champion of the contemporary period. At the age of 15, Khan won the World Amateur Title and two years later became the youngest-ever winner of the World Open. From 1981 to 1986 he was undefeated in over 500 matches. Khan's feats are astounding with six World Opens, 10 British Opens and 13 Pakistan Opens over the course of his career.



Nawab joined the Pakistan Air Force and graduated from PAF Academy Risalpur in November, 1980. He went on to complete a master's degree in war and strategic studies from PAF Air War College and National Defence University, Islamabad. He is an accomplished fighter pilot and Combat Commander with experience in F-6, A-5 and F-16 aircraft. In recognition of his meritorious and exceptional dedication, he has been decorated with the award of Sitara — i — lmtiaz (military). Nawab has a long association with the squash circuit and was elected senior vice president of the Pakistan Squash Federation in 2010.

Paul Mathieson, director of Dover Squash & Fitness, Jahangir Khan, World-renowned squash player, and Mahmud Jafri, CEO of Dover Rug & Home

"It is a first in the history of U.S. squash that a world renowned, legendary squash champion with an unbeaten world record, Jahangir Khan, visited and inaugurated a squash and fitness facility with a teaching squash academy focused on developing junior players in New England," said Mahmud Jafri, chief executive officer of Dover Rug & Home. "Dover Squash Academy in cooperation with Pakistan Squash Federation will be sponsoring and inviting top level junior players from Pakistan for further training and development at Dover Squash Academy, facilitating tournament play and match play with academy players. This is part of the community outreach and non profit project of the Dover Squash Academy."

Dover Squash & Fitness is a state-of-the-art facility, home to Dover Squash Academy and Dover Yoga. The new venue provides squash lessons, clinics, and summer camps for students and also hosts tournaments and exhibition matches for world ranked players. The Dover Squash Academy, formally a private, members only club, offers personalized training and helps achieve the goals of players at all levels. The yoga program offers classes in both power yoga and restorative yoga.

For more information about Dover Squash Academy and Dover Squash & Fitness, visit the Web site at www.doversquashandfitness.com or call (857) 389-0573. For more information about Dover Rug & Home, visit the company website and virtual showroom at www.doverrug.com or call (508) 651-3500. Dover Squash & Fitness is located at 721 Worcester Road (Route 9) in Natick.