

Georgian Bay District Badminton Association Smashing News

Hope everyone is managing to survive these frigid temperatures! Sure is nice to be able to stay warm on the badminton courts. Lots has happened since the fall and there's still a lot more playing to happen until our season ends. Remember to visit our website, <u>www.gbdba.ca</u>, for updates and like us on Facebook too, <u>www.facebook.com/pages/GBDBA/310396295790012</u>!

Adult League Play

The January League play in Barrie was another great success. Everyone that came out to play had a

very enjoyable time with a stop at noon for a Subway lunch and draw prizes. Prizes were also awarded for Highest Score to Rob Curl and Suzanne Lachner and Excellent Effort to Cliff Skinner and Dorothy Duck. Congratulations to Rob Curl for playing all of his matches to 3 games and definitely getting the most court time! For more photos, visit <u>www.gbdba.ca</u>.

<u>Districts—April 18 & 19, 2015</u>

The Annual Districts and Banquet Dinner will be held in Midland. This event will



have singles, doubles, and mixed play. The format will be A-B-C and Cash Prizes for Finalists will be presented. The Banquet dinner will be held at The Study Lounge in Midland. We'll be served a delicious 3 course meal where you will have your choice of appetizer, entrée, and dessert. Once dinner is finished, there will be live entertainment to add to the fun evening. Mark the date on your calendar and look for details shortly on our website, <u>www.gbdba.ca</u>.

Junior Circuit

Junior league play continues to go well. A singles tournament was recently held in Gravenhurst. The Junior Championships will be held in Gravenhurst on March 7 & 8 for singles, doubles, and mixed events. The format will be A-B-C-D. Watch for details at <u>www.gbdba.ca</u>

Save The Date!

Saturday, June 13 Annual General Meeting



Details on location and time will be announced soon. Any GBDBA Member may attend.

New Junior Club

Angus Junior Badminton Club is now affiliated with GBDBA. The club has been running for nearly two years and has a great attendance of very enthusiastic juniors. Coaches, Terrence Hussein, Shona Chandler, Dan Mallion and Karen Scarborough are very excited to see the improvement in all the players with some of the Juniors recently playing in a couple of friendly tournaments.

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B.On Update

B.ON continues to search for a Director of Finance for its Board of Directors. If you, or anyone you know is interested in volunteering for this position, has accounting credentials and is familiar, or willing to become familiar with Quickbooks, then please contact Jean Wong, jean.wong@badmintonontario.ca

In January, B.ON hosted the Toronto Open at Humber College. What an exciting weekend with many high calibre athletes participating in the event. It was great to attract players who are representing Ontario at the Canada Winter Games and players who will represent Canada at the Pan Am Games in July. Watch some live badminton action of the Canada Winter Games on February 25 at 12pm on TSN!

Pan Am Games

The Pan Am Games will soon be here, and tickets for badminton and all other events are now available to buy online. Badminton, along with other sports, is being played at a brand new facility in Markham. This facility has been purposely built for the Pan Am Games and also will host table tennis and waterpolo. Congratulations to Terrence Hussein, Karen Scarborough, Joel Barnett, Yuri Brozdnychenko and Warren Brownlee, for all being accepted as Badminton Line judges at the Pan Am Games.

