



Georgian Bay District Badminton Association

Smashing News

Even though it doesn't feel quite like spring yet, it's actually here which means another badminton season is winding down. Hope you all had a great year....learned something new, caught up with friends, maybe even made some new ones, participated in a tournament or two, but mainly had FUN playing badminton.

Congrats—OWG Team!!

The GBDBA Ontario Winter Games Team is to be commended for placing in 6th place! It was a hard fought battle and it all came down to the final Girls Doubles match. They managed to dig deep and pull out a win!! Appreciation is extended to Curtis Hillman, Venue Manager, for ensuring that athletes and parents had a wonderful experience.

Thanks to the Ontario Winter Games Team Members for making us proud: Dorothy Duck, Vanessa Dunlop, Chantal Fetterly, Katie Harris, Jeremy Kielbiski, Chris Murphy, Selena Norman, Anthony Scalzitti, Field Tian, Bon Tran. Coach Masha Zakharenkova, and Manager Warren Brownlee.

Districts Finals

Remember to sign up for the Districts Finals being held on Saturday, May 3 & Sunday, May 4 in Midland. It's our year-end event that includes cash prizes for the winners and runners up for all events and levels. The fun continues at the Midland Golf and Country Club with a roast beef buffet dinner on Saturday night.

It only costs \$50 to play which also includes the dinner. If only playing mixed, the cost is \$30. If you're only able to attend the dinner, the cost is \$25.

Make sure you ask your Club Contact for the sign-up sheet and get your name on the list by Wednesday, April 30!!

Annual General Meeting

Saturday, June 14, 2014
Georgian College, Rm A215
10 am—12 noon

Come hear about how the year has gone, plans for next year, and vote in your new Board of

Directors. After, we'll be going out for lunch at a local restaurant (at your own expense).



Ontario Masters Championships

Congratulations to the GBDBA players who participated in the Black Knight Ontario Masters Championships at the beginning of April. There were about 10 members who played and most of them placed either first or second in their age categories! What an accomplishment!!

Badminton Ontario (BON) Update

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday, May 17, 2014 at 1:30 pm in the Centennial Room at the Crowne Plaza Toronto Airport, 33 Carlson Court, Toronto. This meeting is open to the District's Board of Directors. Coaches may attend the Coaches Discussion component and must provide their name, club, and a short description of their discussion item to BON. The AGM will be followed by the awards banquet. RSVP by May 5, 2014 to jean.wong@badmintonontario.ca

BON is also looking for volunteers for its Board of Directors. If interested, contact Jean Wong, Administrative Director, jean.wong@badmintonontario.ca

For other BON news, visit, www.badmintonontario.ca

Canadian Masters Championships

From April 21-26, the National Masters Championships were held at the Haber Centre in Burlington. Congratulations to all the GBDBA Members who competed in this event that attracted both Canadian and International players. They had a great competition and for many this was a first time experience. Some teams were very pleased to be Consolation Finalists.

Congratulations to Gary HelmKay and Mike Van Der Schilden from the Bradford Badminton Club. They won the Men's Doubles, age 60 category. Gary won twice as he also took first place for the Mixed Doubles in the same age category.

Thanks to all those who played and proudly represented GBDBA!

GBDBA Board of Directors

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Enjoy Your Summer!

Hope you all have a safe and wonderful summer! See you next season!!

