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Badminton Ontario hosts a successful 2018 AGM and Annual Awards

The Badminton Ontario Board of Directors hosted District Presidents and distinguished guests this past weekend in Toronto for the 2018 Annual Awards presentations and Annual General Meeting. “Once again, we have had a very successful competition season in 2017 that has resulted in strong participation numbers for all our Districts, very strong national results for many of our athletes, and the continued success in placing Ontario athletes on Canadian national teams” said Ian Moss, President of Badminton Ontario. “These results, combined with the very strong fiscal performance for our organisation over the past three years, has put Badminton Ontario in an advantageous position to further build its programming and sport development initiatives well into the future”.

The 2018 Annual Awards presentations saw Badminton Ontario and its Districts recognize the outstanding contribution of many volunteers throughout Ontario and also the outstanding achievements of Ontario athletes, coaches and officials – a list of those recognized with awards is attached to this release. “It is always exciting to see the level of engagement that our volunteers have throughout the Province – without these and many other outstanding volunteers our sport would not be as successful in its growth” said Ian Moss. “As well, I want to congratulate all our athletes, coaches and officials for their continued success on the national and international scene – we have shown that our collective work in Ontario is rewarded by strong performances on the court”.

The Badminton Ontario Annual General Meeting focused on further opportunities for District and sport development growth, along with reports from all Badminton leaders as to the health and challenges for the association moving ahead. The members elected four individuals to the Badminton Ontario Board: Dave Kumar (Vice-President) – Burlington, Kathy Brook (Director of Coaching) – Cambridge, Austin White (Director at Large) – Toronto, Lorna Duquette (Director at Large) – Newmarket. “I am thrilled with the quality of our Board – we now have 8 individuals who are not only committed to the sport of Badminton but bring an immense level of knowledge to the table through their respective professional backgrounds” said Ian Moss.

There is now a small break in the competition schedule for badminton in Ontario, with the 2018/19 Provincial season starting in late September. Meanwhile, Badminton Ontario continues to prepare to host the 2018 World Junior Badminton Championships in Markham from November 5-18th.



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2018 BADMINTON ONTARIO ANNUAL AWARDS RECIPIENTS

Volunteer of the Year by District:

COBA: Karen Watson
GBDBA: Chris Etherington
NOBA: Janet Parfitt
ODBA: Thuy Pham
TDBA: Fernando Dharshana
WOBA: Clovis McLaughlin
YDBA: Charles Chen

Coach Recognition Award:

for Leadership & International Development: Andrew Dabeka

Athlete of the Year Awards by Age Group:

U11 Female: Erin Pan
U11 Male: Ricky Tao
U13 Female: Chloe Lee
U13 Male: Michael Ji
U15 Female: Sophia Nong
U15 Male: Victor Lai
U17 Female: Jacqueline Cheung
U17 Male: Darren Choi
U19 Female: Talia Ng
U19 Male: Brian Yang

Official of the Year:

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Keith Holland's Award:

for Outstanding Contribution to the Sport of Badminton in Ontario: Pandy Chan

Club Competitions Banner:

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Once again, Badminton Ontario would like to thank Black Knight for their continued support to the organization.