


The NETWORK - September 2012

 BC Wheelchair Basketball Society

Canadian Men Take Down Aussies to Capture Gold in Men's Paralympic Wheelchair Basketball



BCWBS Congratulates BC Athletes Richard Peter and Bo Hedges on their Gold Medal Performance in London! Congratulations also to Janet McLachlan, Jessica Vliegthart, Elisha Williams, and Marni Abbott-Peter for Representing BC and Canada this Summer!

The Canadian Men's Wheelchair Basketball Team conclude the tournament with a sterling 8-0 record and solidifies its dominance on the world's biggest stage. The victory marks Canada's 31st win since 2000, improving their overall record to 31 wins and 1 loss in the last twelve years. They have collected three gold and one silver medal in that time. read more... (<http://bcwbs.ca/news/09-10-2012/canada-takes-down-aussies-capture-gold-men%E2%80%99s-paralympic-wheelchair-basketball>)

Other News

New and Experienced Shared the Sport at the Third All-Comers Basketball Festival

It was a beautiful sunny Saturday afternoon when several wheelchair basketball enthusiasts gathered in the gymnasium at Douglas College New Westminster Campus for the 3rd All Comers Festival to share the love of the sport with a group of wide eyed new comers. read more... (<http://bcwbs.ca/news/09-17-2012/new-and-experienced-shared-sport-third-all-comers-basketball-festival>)

Like Our Facebook Page Contest Winner Announced

BCWBS announced the winner of the *Like Our Facebook Page Contest* on Monday, September 17. Dean Stoney, a second time participant this fall in the Tim Frick City League, is the lucky winner of the gift certificate (\$75 value)! Congratulations Dean!! We would also like to thank all that liked us on Facebook! Please keep spreading the word to your family and friends on **our Facebook page** (<http://www.facebook.com/BCWBS>) !

Fort St. John Wheelchair Basketball and "Let's Play" Program Take to the Gym by Storm

On September 22nd, as part of SportZ Etravaganza facilitated by Pacific Sport Northern BC in conjunction with Sports Day in Canada, BCWBS Northern Program brought a wheelchair basketball experience to the Fort St. John residents. read more... (<http://bcwbs.ca/news/09-27-2012/fort-st-john-wheelchair-basketball-and-lets-play-program-take-gym-storm>)



Regional Club Practices Resume

Regional clubs/programs around the province have started their new season. Here is an update of practice times. For more information, please visit **our website** (<http://www.bcwbs.ca/athletes/programs-teams/recreational>), contact the club/program rep, or BCWBS office at info@bcwbs.ca (<mailto:info@bcwbs.ca>).

Chilliwack Junior: Cheam Centre YMCA - Tue 7:00 - 8:30pm (Brad Hagkull - hagkull4@shaw.ca (<mailto:hagkull4@shaw.ca>))

Comox: Comox Community Centre - Fri 7:00 - 8:30pm (Karin Kratz - wheelchairsports@cvwss.ca (<mailto:wheelchairsports@cvwss.ca>))

Kamloops: Tournament Capital Centre - Thu 7:00 - 9:00pm (Tyler Tingle - 250-579-5700)

Kelowna: Parkinson Rec Centre - Sun 10:30am - 12:00pm (Bryan Shore - okanaganthunder@bcwbs.ca (<mailto:okanaganthunder@bcwbs.ca>))

Langley Junior: Trinity Western University - Sun 6:30 - 8:00pm (Mitch Kosterman - kostermitch@gmail.com (<mailto:kostermitch@gmail.com>))

Nanaimo: Oliver Woods Gym- Tue 7:30-9:30pm & Arrowview Elem - Mon 6:00-7:30pm (Bert Abbott 250-616-1186)

New Westminser: Tim Frick City League only (fall registration closed)

Powell River: Oceanview School Gym - Fri 4:00 - 6:00pm (Lindsay Peake - disabilitysportclub@gmail.com (<mailto:disabilitysportclub@gmail.com>))

Prince George: TBA

Richmond Junior: TBA

Surrey Junior: TBA

Victoria: PISE - Sundays 6:00 - 8:00pm & Tuesdays 8:30-10:00pm (Victoria Wheelchair Sports Club - basketball@victoriawheelchairsports.ca (<mailto:basketball@victoriawheelchairsports.ca>))

Grant Opportunities for Local Clubs

- BCWBS Annual Grant (<http://www.bcwbs.ca/about-us/awards-grants>) - due Oct 1st
- WCB Special Project Funding (<http://www.bcwbs.ca/news/09-24-2012/wbc-special-project-funding-available>) - due Oct 9th
- ViaSport's Local Sport Development Fund (<http://www.bcwbs.ca/news/09-20-2012/viasports-local-sport-development-fund>) - due Oct 1st

Vote for Pat Harris - Scotia Bank's Game Changers

BCWBS long time member Pat Harris was nominated for Scotiabank's Gamechanger award. Pat has been a great leader in wheelchair sports especially in wheelchair basketball. Visit **here** (<https://www.scotiabankgamechangers.com/nomination/?nominationid=403>) to learn more about Pat's contributions and vote for Pat!

Upcoming Events

Sept 29: Shooting Camp @ Douglas College

Oct 13/14: Edmonton Inferno Jamboree, Seattle Dribble on Wheels Camp

Oct 20/21: Performance Camp/D1 Games @ Douglas College/TWU

Oct 21: Junior Halloween Game Night @ TWU, Langley

Oct 27/28: D2 Tournament in Kamloops

Nov 4: Let's Play Date @ LEC, Langley

For more, see **our Calendar of Events** (<http://www.bcwbs.ca/news/calendar>)

New to BCWBS and Wheelchair Basketball? Learn More about Us!

Visit our website to learn more about our programs and society. The best place for you to start is the "**Ready to Play**" (<http://www.bcwbs.ca/athletes/ready-play>) page. It will guide you to the information you need and help you get started! You can also see some photos to find how our members enjoy our sport at our volunteer photographer Gerry Kripps' Galleries **here** (<http://gerrykripps.smugmug.com/>). Remember, our staff and coaches are always there for you too if you have any questions!

DONATE NOW

BC Wheelchair Basketball Society is a non-profit organization and registered charity. To that extent many of our services are made possible only by the generosity of individuals who donate to our cause.

If you would like to make a donation, visit **Canada Helps** (<http://www.canadahelps.org/CharityProfilePage.aspx?CharityID=s58523>).

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