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## ONTARIO ATHLETES OFF TO ECUADOR



Canada will be sending its strongest-ever junior boys team to compete in the World Junior Boys' Championships which are being hosted by Quito, Ecuador from July 27<sup>th</sup> to August 7<sup>th</sup>. We congratulate Nick Sachvie, Arjun Gupta and Tyler Osborne who together with Calgary's Andrew Schnell, will be looking to improve our 2008 7<sup>th</sup> place finish.

One of the biggest challenges awaiting the players in Quito is the high elevation. The city is nearly 10,000 feet above sea level which will deeply affect play in a physically demanding sport like squash. The team will arrive in Quito one week early to transition to the climate and conditions.

We encourage you to follow the team in their journey at the championship by viewing their event blog at the following address: <http://jrmensworlds2010.blogspot.com/>. In doing so, you will find the most recent results, player profiles, player blogs and photos.



Nick Sachvie



Tyler Osborne



Arjun Gupta

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## LINDA MACPHAIL LEAVES SQUASH CANADA

Linda MacPhail in her capacity as both Technical Director and for the last decade, Executive Director, has helped guide Squash Canada through some very rough and turbulent waters. Managing a not for profit sport organization these days is anything but easy, especially when you have to tread a fine line between government policies and constituent expectations. The sad reality is that often times, those two things are incompatible.



Linda's contributions to squash in Canada and to Squash Canada are truly significant. Many may not be aware that it was her doggedness and resolve in researching eye protection that led to the Canadian Standards Association formal testing of eyeguards and she advocated for mandatory eye protection at the international level. It was not the most popular stand to take but she eventually closed the deal. It was her determination and leadership which resulted in squash being included as a Pan American and Commonwealth Game sport. How prophetic now when we have been left out in the cold yet again from being included in the Olympic Games. Her technical expertise is second to none and no one benefitted from that more than the World Squash Federation where she served as a director for the Pan American region. She represented Canada with honour and

integrity at the world level and gave this country a level of international credibility of which we can all be proud.

Linda leaves Squash Canada to take on new challenges and we wish her every success. She has left a legacy of dedication, commitment, passion and devotion to squash in Canada. Big shoes to fill – very big shoes to fill.

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## SQUASH ONTARIO WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS



The **National Squash Academy** will be opening its doors on August 26<sup>th</sup> and the Ontario squash community is very excited. This new 10 court facility will have a “dream management team” in Jonathon Power, Jamie Nicholls and Gary Waite. The National Squash Academy is located in Downsview Park, 75 Carl Hall Road, Unit #15 in Toronto.

<http://www.nationalsquashacademy.com/>



The **Harbour Fitness Club** in Belleville is back bigger and better than ever. Once a bastion of squash in the Central Ontario Region, this facility hosted many tournaments including the Canadian Women's Open which attracted many international WISPA players.

Under new management, the club is looking to re-establish its dominance in the area.

<http://www.famfitcentre.com/>

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## SQUASH ONTARIO CHARITY GOLF CLASSIC

Eight years ago, the Squash Ontario Junior Advisory Committee created the Charity Golf Classic to raise much needed funds to grow and promote junior squash in Ontario. Participation in and support for the event has steadily increased and over the years, the dollars raised have been ploughed right back into junior squash – whether at the grassroots level through our school programs or at the high performance level where our Ontario teams have excelled in national championships and Canada Games. In fact, everyone will have an opportunity to meet our Canada Games Team at the golf tournament – they'll be there to help out and meet and greet.

Once again we are calling on the Ontario squash community to help support junior squash by participating in the Charity Golf Classic which is being held at Lionhead Golf & Country Club in Brampton on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

To register, [http://squashontario.com/tournaments/golf\\_tournament.asp](http://squashontario.com/tournaments/golf_tournament.asp)

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## SQUASH ONTARIO ANNUAL MEETING

The annual general meeting of members is being hosted at the Lionhead Golf & Country Club on Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup> beginning at 8:30 a.m. with a continental breakfast. Everyone is welcome.

President Mark Sachvie and his Board colleagues, Jennifer Bennett, Chris Sadler, Brenda Forbes and Andrew Mount all look forward to welcoming club owners, managers and squash professionals and updating the members on the “state of the union”. A new Board will be elected by the members, the Nominating Committee having completed its task of identifying suitable and qualified candidates to complement the current Board members.

The formal meeting begins at 9 am and will be followed by two presentations: - the first presentation will cover the new tournament software package which will be available to clubs for use in September of this year. This software has been a repeated request from many of our squash professionals and programmers for a number of years but it has taken some time to identify reliable software, test it ourselves and then offer it to our members. Using the software will make your life as a tournament organizer infinitely easier and many of the features will be attractive and well received by your participants.

The new software includes the following functions:

- ✓ Allow the tournament organizer to create an unlimited number of match results and post draws onto a specified section of their website with a single mouse-click
- ✓ Allow the organizer to create a wide variety of draw types including:
  - Gold, Silver, Bronze draws and consolations
  - Standard full feed-in draws
  - Standard full feed-in draws with classic plate function included
  - Round Robins for as little as 3 or up to 6 players
  - Crossover Round Robin with two pools and standard draw format out
  - Full logic of BYEs flowing throughout draw per business rules
  - Function to replace players with BYES or replace BYEs with players
  - Printing of all draws on demand and using the web in HTML format allowing for a 10 pt font for a 32 draw on a single page

- ✓ Integrated draw maker with registration so players using the web to register are automatically placed into draw manager
- ✓ Scheduling component to communicate match times. Thin dynamic scheduling component to allow auto-scheduling of draws if needed
- ✓ Re-arrange function to help adjust for errors made by tournament staff to make draw/results inputted in the database more accurate.
- ✓ Replace player function to allow for players to trade positions with players on a waiting list or with BYEs without regenerating the entire draw
- ✓ Live scoring – ability to update scores and results as they are recorded by the tournament desk.
- ✓ Customer-facing web draws with addresses that can be published on your own website or shared on Facebook/Twitter for maximum exposure
- ✓ When integrated with registration draw making takes 3 mouse clicks

The second presentation is a “Best Practices” panel discussion which will include individuals who have enjoyed enormous success in junior programming, school programs, club management, court maintenance and how it’s importance in a club’s risk management program and house leagues – all of these topics focus on building a club membership base and maximizing court usage.

Registration is easy – just go to [www.squashontario.com](http://www.squashontario.com) and sign in.

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## 2010 – 2011 ONTARIO CHAMPIONSHIP HOSTS AND DATES CONFIRMED Mark Your Calendars Now!

Event	Date	Host Club
Ontario Men’s & Women’s Closed Championships	November 19 - 21	Mayfair Lakeshore Racquet Club, Toronto
Ontario Men’s & Women’s B Doubles and Men’s C Doubles Championships	November 19 - 21	Pickering Recreation Complex, Pickering
Ontario Mixed Doubles Championships	November 26 - 28	NEEDS A HOME!
Ontario Masters Closed Championships	November 12 - 14	Fabulous Fitness Racquet Club, Concord
Ontario Junior Closed Championships	November 26 - 28	Fabulous Fitness Racquet Club, Concord
<b>ONTARIO LEAGUES CHAMPIONSHIPS</b>	<b>DECEMBER 3 - 5</b>	<b>THE CLUB AT WHITE OAKS NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE</b>
Ontario Veterans Doubles Championships	January 14 - 16	Toronto Racquet Club, Toronto
Ontario Open Doubles Championships	January 28 - 30	Granite Club Toronto
Ontario Open Singles Championships	February 11 - 13	The Club at White Oaks, Niagara-on-the-Lake
Ontario Junior Teams Championship	March 4 - 6	Club Markham, Markham
Ontario Masters Open Championships	March 25 - 27	Glenway Country Club, Newmarket
Ontario Junior Open Championships	April 8 - 10	The Club at White Oaks, Niagara-on-the-Lake
<b>ONTARIO MASTERS TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP</b>	<b>APRIL 22 – 24</b>	<b>FABULOUS FITNESS RACQUET CLUB, CONCORD</b>

Registrations will be open beginning August 1st for all of the above Championships as well as for the Junior Gold and Silver Events.

<http://squashontario.com/Registration/RegistrationHome.aspx>

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