



Squash Outaouais Selected to Host Canadian Women's Team Squash Championship

OTTAWA, ON, August 19, 2016 – It was announced today that Squash Outaouais has been selected by Squash Canada to host the 2017 Canadian Women's Team Championship. To be held January 6-8, 2017, the Canadian Women's Team Championship will be played at La Sporthèque, in Gatineau, Quebec.

Under the direction of Squash Outaouais Director and Head Coach, Maxym Leclair, the recently renovated La Sporthèque is ready to once again host a Canadian National Squash Championship.

"We are excited to host the Canadian Women's Team Championship in Gatineau," said Leclair. "The event will showcase some of the best women's squash players in the country. Squash Outaouais is proud that Squash Canada has awarded the event to Gatineau."

La Sporthèque was a previous host club of a Canadian National Championship back in 2012, that time hosting the men's side, when Team Alberta captured the Canadian Men's Team title. More recently, Squash Outaouais hosted the Quebec Junior Open at La Sporthèque with great success and are looking forward to continue that hosting success with this event.

Last year's Championship featured 8 teams of 3 athletes, representing provinces and territories from across the country, including a team from the Canadian Armed Forces. Teams will compete in over 60 matches during the 3-day event.

"2017 is going to be an exciting time for Canadian squash" said Squash Canada Executive Director, Dan Wolfenden. "Squash Canada is thrilled to see Squash Outaouais and La Sporthèque back as a national championship host. The club has hosted a Team Championship so it is without a doubt they will put on a great event. Maxym and the entire Squash Outaouais organization are committed to growing the sport, and exposing the local community to a high calibre of squash."

With the selection officially made, Squash Outaouais looks towards the next few months as they plan and prepare to host an incredible event. As further event details are confirmed, such as the schedule of events and registration, they will be posted on www.squash.ca/events.

ABOUT SQUASH CANADA

Founded in 1915, Squash Canada is a non-profit, national sport governing body responsible for the development of athletes, coaches and officials and sets the standards for Canadian squash. Squash Canada is a proud member of the Pan-American and World Squash Federations and participates in the Pan-American Championships, Commonwealth & Pan-Am Games as well as World Championships at the junior and senior level. Each year Squash Canada hosts nine national championships across the country and works with its provincial and territorial partners to promote the growth and development of squash across the country. For more information, please visit www.squash.ca.

ABOUT SQUASH OUTAOUAIS

Squash Outaouais is a non-profit organization that enhances the visibility of squash and promotes the sport's practice throughout the community of Ottawa-Gatineau. For more information, please visit squashoutaouais.ca.

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