

TEAM CANADA FUND-RAISING & LEGACY SUPPORT

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Subject: Team Canada fund-raising and report

Dear members of the Canadian Kendo Federation:

Thank you for your ongoing support for Team Canada.

The program continues to attract and motivate our younger members to train hard and develop their Kendo skills so they may compete at the international and world-stage level.



The 15th World Kendo Championships are fast approaching; the tournament will be held from May 25th to the 27th in Novara, Italy.

Over 1,000 participants representing 52 countries will be attending. For more information, please visit:

<http://www.15wkc-italy.org>.

Team Canada (TC2012) is led by Manager David Mori, Men's Coach Matthew Raymond and Women's Coach Daisuke Hayashi. After a challenging and arduous training and evaluation process, the roster of TC2012 was finalized:

Women's Team	Dojo	Men's Team	Dojo
Maya Taguchi, Captain	Renfrew Dojo	Suguru Asaoka, Captain	Youshinkan
Akiko Fukushima	Vancouver Kendo	Shigemitsu Kamata	Etobicoke Kendo
Tania Delage	McGill Kendo	Eddie Yamashita	Etobicoke Kendo
Bree Yang	Jung Ko Kendo	Takashi Yamada	Vancouver Kendo
Man-San Ma	U of Guelph Kendo	Ryo Tamaru	JCCC Kendo
Hanaca Yamada	Vancouver Kendo	Tuan Anh Hoang	McGill Kendo
Misato Hamanaka	UBC Kendo	Elliott Altilia	JCCC Kendo
Ayaka Sugiyama *	Etobicoke Kendo	Tsuyoshi Hamanaka *	Tozenji Dojo

*developmental players

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Pictured above, from left to right:

Ayaka Sugiyama, Tania Delage, Bree Yang, Misato Hamanaka, Hanaca Yamada, Man-San Ma, Akiko Fukushima, Maya Taguchi (Captain), Daisuke Hayashi (Women's Coach)



Pictured above, *back row standing from left to right:*

Eddie Yamashita, Elliott Altilia, Ryo Tamaru, Tuan Anh Hoang, Takashi Yamada, Tsuyoshi Hamanaka

Front row kneeling from left to right:

Shigemitsu Kamata, David Mori (Manager), Matthew Raymond (Men's Coach), Suguru Asaoka (Captain)

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In addition to the official Team members, we have selected two developmental players who will accompany the Team to learn from and share the WKC experience with other young prospects upon their return.

Team Canada Management (Dave Mori, Matthew Raymond and Daisuke Hayashi) has put forth considerable time and energy in developing programs and the final team. Similarly, each player has chosen to make several personal sacrifices and dedicate their training over the past couple of years for this rare opportunity.

With the tournament only weeks away, the players are making final preparations to put forth their best efforts to compete and represent us in Italy. We are very proud of their commitment and confident that their hard work will pay off and lead to success.

While we have increased corporate sponsorship activity from previous years to cover costs, each player is responsible for a portion of their individual costs. Given such, we are approaching the Canadian Kendo community to encourage donations in support of TC2012. The CKF will issue individual income tax receipts for all donations of \$20 or more.

We offer 2 options to contribute – Donation Cheques or Online Payment

1. For Donation Cheques –

Address to: “Canadian Kendo Federation”

(and write “Team Canada” under Memo)

Please send to:

Paul Eric Marko

28 – 800 Dundas Street West, Mississauga, ON, L5C 4S8

2. For online payment –

See directions below

To learn more about Team Canada and Team Canada’s history at WKC’s, please visit us on Facebook @ www.facebook/teamcanadakendo.



To see the 15th WKC tournament ladders/trees, please go to: <http://kendo-fik.org/english-page/english-page2/15WKC-Drawing-Results.html>

We wish to thank the many people that have already contributed time and financial assistance towards TC2012. Special acknowledgement to our official corporate sponsors National Bank and e-bogu and local fundraising initiatives such as Abdal Hoosein’s Canadian Kendo Yearbook, Hayakawa Kendo Club’s ‘1,000 Cut Challenge’ and the SWORD/University Tournament. We appreciate the support and look

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forward to bringing good news from Italy in late May.

We sincerely hope that Team Canada can count on your generosity.

Bryan Asa, co-Manager

Paul Eric Marko, co-Manager

About Team Canada Fundraising and Legacy Support Committee

Our principal objectives are (1) short-term and (2) long-term: (1) raise funds from corporate sponsorships and from individual donors to support the Team Canada program; (2) increase the public profile of Kendo and of Team Canada to ensure a stable flow of funding for the future. We have successfully increased corporate sponsorship activity and embarked on building the Team Canada brand via Facebook and other events. This committee will continue beyond the 15th WKC in May 2012. To learn more or should you wish to join us, please contact us at:

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Online Payment Instructions:

We request that each member of the CKF make a minimum individual donation of \$20 to Team Canada. Please make your donation via cheque sent to the CKF for that purpose (see above) or via the dedicated CKF webpage:

<http://kendo-canada.com/donations.html>



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