



Event Advisory

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2011 CANADIAN WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL LEAGUE FINALS COME TO GREATER VANCOUVER APRIL 8-10, 2011

*BC Wheelchair Basketball Society (BCWBS) and Wheelchair Basketball Canada to host
2011 CWBL Open Finals at South Surrey Recreation Centre*

Surrey, BC – Six of the top competitive wheelchair basketball club teams in Canada will be in Surrey, BC April 8-10 competing for the title of National Champion at the 2011 Canadian Wheelchair Basketball League Open Finals. The tournament welcomes media and spectators the opportunity to see up-close the skill and athleticism that make the sport one of the premium draws at the Paralympics.

- TV/Photo Op:** 2 courts featuring a total of 13 games over three days
- Pre and post game athlete/coach interviews available throughout tournament
- Who:** **6 Club Teams (co-ed)** from across Canada including 2 local teams (Douglas College Lions and Douglas College Royals) that feature past, present, and future members of the Canadian Men's and Women's National Teams including:
- 3-time Paralympic gold medallist and current member of Team Canada Kendra Ohama (Calgary)
 - 2-time Paralympic gold medallists and past members of Team Canada Lori Radke (Calgary) and Jamie Borisoff (Vancouver)
 - Paralympic silver medallists and current members of Team Canada Bo Hedges (Wonowon) and Abdi Dini (Toronto)
- When:** **Friday April 8 – Sunday April 10, 2011**
- Ceremonial Opening tip-off (Friday April 8th at 11:30AM PDT) followed by first game (at 12:00PM PDT)
 - Gold Medal Game (Sunday April 10th at 12:00PM PDT)
 - Trophy and Awards Presentation (Sunday April 10th at approximately 1:30PM PDT)
- Where:** **South Surrey Recreation Centre**
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** All games will be webcast live at sportcanada.tv*

For more information visit: www.wheelchairbasketball.ca

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About BC Wheelchair Basketball Society

The BC Wheelchair Basketball Society (BCWBS) is a non-profit organization formed in 1983 and registered with Revenue Canada as a charity since 1985. BCWBS provides support to wheelchair basketball programs throughout British Columbia.

About Wheelchair Basketball Canada

Wheelchair Basketball Canada is the national sports governing body responsible for the organization of wheelchair basketball in Canada. It is a non-profit, charitable organization that is the Canadian member to the International Wheelchair Basketball Federation (IWBF).

Wheelchair basketball is a fast paced, hard-hitting, competitive sport that has emerged as one of the most competitive and athletic sports played at the Paralympic Games. Our senior national teams are held in high esteem around the world for the elite skill and control that placed them on the podium with a combined five gold and one silver medal in the last five Paralympic Games.

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