



Event Advisory

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2011 NATIONAL WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS COME TO GREATER MONTREAL MAY 13-15, 2011

L'Association québécoise des sports en fauteuil roulant (AQSFR) and Wheelchair Basketball Canada to host 2011 National Championships at the Collège Édouard-Montpetit in Longueuil, QC

Longueuil, QC – Canada's top wheelchair basketball players will be at the Collège Édouard-Montpetit in Longueuil, QC for the 2011 National Championships May 13-15, 2011. Media and spectators have the opportunity to see up-close the skill and athleticism that make the sport one of the premium draws at the Paralympic Games as provincial teams compete to determine a National Champion.

The tournament is being held in conjunction with the Canadian Wheelchair Basketball League (CWBL) Women's National Championships - where the best female club teams in the country will also compete to decide a National Champion.

- TV/Photo Op:** 2 courts featuring a total of 27 games over three days
- Canadian Sr. & Jr. National Team athletes competing in domestic competition prior to major international events
 - Pre- and post-game athlete/coach interviews available throughout tournament
- Who:** Montreal native **David Eng** (Sr. Men's National Team) and **Team Quebec** welcome the best wheelchair basketball players in Canada
- What:** Canada's premier provincial/club wheelchair basketball teams compete to decide National Champion
- When:** **Friday May 13 – Sunday May 15, 2011**
- Opening tip-off - Friday May 13th at 9:00 EDT
 - Championship Game - Sunday May 15th at 12:00 EDT (Men) &

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- Sunday May 15th at 13:45 EDT (Women)
- Medal Ceremonies - Sunday May 15th at approximately 15:00 EDT

Where: Collège Édouard-Montpetit
945 de Chambly Road, Longueuil, QC, Canada, J4H 3M6

The tournament features elite players from across Canada including members of the Canadian Senior Men's, Senior Women's, and Under-25 Women's National Teams.

Both Senior National Teams are preparing to embark on the road to the 2012 Paralympic Games. They will compete at the 2011 Parapan American Games (November 12-20) in Guadalajara, Mexico, which double as the qualification tournament for London 2012.

The Women's U25 National Team is preparing to host the world at the first-ever Women's U25 World Wheelchair Basketball Championships (July 15-21, 2011) in St. Catharines, ON.

For more information visit: www.wheelchairbasketball.ca

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About l'Association québécoise des sports en fauteuil roulant

AQSFR is a non-profit organization officially recognized as the governing body of wheelchair sports by the Quebec government. The organization works to develop programs and services that benefit people with physical limitations while promoting a healthy, active lifestyle and access to wheelchair sports.

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).

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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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