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TEAM BC 2009

Canadian Youth Nationals – Ste. Hyacinthe, Quebec, May 15 – 17, 2009



*Scott MacKenzie, Bryce Book, Zack Johnston-Watson, Helen MacKenzie, Connor Book, Al Wright
Jared Brown, Jade Portman, Josephine Legare, Alycia Hope, Kandice MacKenzie, Jesse Hencheroff*



Bryce Book, proudly led Team BC into the Opening Ceremonies at this year's National Competition

*5 B.C. Youth Graduate from the Provincial program this year, they include:
Alycia Hope (Victoria), Dana Dobrazanski (Fernie), Bryce Book, Dustin Inskip and Shaun Cole (Kamloops)*



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TEAM BC READY FOR ACTION



B.C. Youth Director, Helen MacKenzie with the B.C. Girls ready to start the National Competition



B.C. Coach Al Wright, with the B.C. Boys "Ontario, we want you....in the Nodor Cup!"



B.C. Coach Scott MacKenzie, takes stance with the B.C. Boys after the team was awarded Joint 3rd in the Nodor Cup after defeating Ontario, in an intense playoff match; New Brunswick then defeated B.C. and carried on to win the Gold in the Nodor Cup.



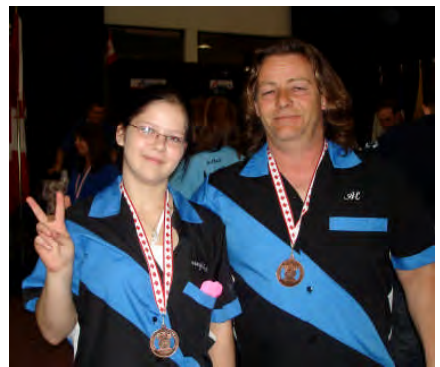
*The Spirit of B.C. is truly emulated in these youth players
Team B.C. is well known at the Youth Nationals for being friendly, fun and yes a little crazy...*



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TEAM BC – SHOWING A LITTLE ATTITUDE & HAVING A LITTLE FUN...





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TEAM BRITISH COLUMBIA – LOOKING GOOD!



B.C. Seniors: Jared, Alycia, Bryce, Kandice



B.C. Juniors: Zack, Jesse, Connor, Jo, Jade



Riley (BC Team Mascot), Connor, Zack, Jared, Bryce



QDA provided a great venue for the National Championships



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TEAM BC JOINS THE WINNER'S CIRCLE



*Alycia Hope (Victoria), Kandice MacKenzie (Kamloops)
Secured Joint 3rd in the Sr. Female Doubles Event*



*Alycia Hope (Victoria) & Bryce Book (Kamloops)
Secured Joint 3rd in each of their Sr. Singles Events*

OUR MANY FRIENDS FROM WEST TO EAST





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GOOD TIMES, GOOD FRIENDS, GOOD DARTS!!

This year's trip to the Canadian Youth Nationals in Ste. Hyacinthe, Quebec was one that will be cherished by the many youth players in attendance for years to come. B.C.'s youth players displayed exemplary competitive and sportsmanship skills throughout this competition, with players advancing to the playoffs in all events. We are truly proud of the manner in which these youth players represented our Province and their home communities. Cudos to Quebec Dart Association for hosting such a successful event.

B.C. secured 4 Joint 3rd Medals throughout this competition:

- ❖ Senior Female Doubles - Kandice MacKenzie & Alycia Hope
- ❖ Sr. Female Singles - Alycia Hope
- ❖ Sr. Male Singles - Bryce Book
- ❖ Nodor Cup - Team BC

For some of B.C.'s Senior's this is Year 4 competing at the Youth Nationals and many good friendships have been made over this period of time. 25% of the youth players across Canada will be graduating out this year and sincere efforts will have to be made by these young adults to keep in touch with the many friendships that have developed. This created many emotional moments and touching goodbyes at the end of this year's competition.

It has been a true pleasure watching these young players and the program grow and develop over the past 4 years. These youths certainly conducted themselves in a manner that would make any parent or coach proud. I would like to congratulate all of the youth players for their commitment to their sport and to the fundraising efforts that allow them to travel to compete in the Provincial and National competitions. 2010's National Competition will be in Newfoundland so our fundraising efforts will have to start early this year. A giant THANK YOU to Darts BC and the NDFC Executives, the adult dart players in B.C. who support our youth program, dedicated parents and the many sponsors/supporters - we could not do this without you.

Helen MacKenzie
Darts BC - Youth Director