## News on the GO!

#### Launching a GO Generation

The Saville Community Sports Centre (SCSC) is the place to go for sports and fitness activity for all levels and people in the Edmonton community. It is also an excellent venue for large or small corporate or community functions and events. We offer GO Sports Programming which encompasses recreational and organized youth basketball, volleyball, gymnastics, badminton, pickleball, group exercise and so much more.

We are a family friendly facility; GO Sports programing is a valued asset to providing a fun, nurturing and physically stimulating environment from youth to seniors. Our interest in engaging the community to come and watch high level events is well balanced with the fact we want those same people using the facility to their physical benefit. Through GO Sports Programming we encourage parents, grandparents and guardians to partake in health and wellness activities while the participants are actively engaging in their sport. Our centre provides accessible programming and services to sport enthusiasts at all levels, from recreational athletes to Olympic champions.

The SCSC is the home of the Golden Bears and Panda's basketball, volleyball, curling and tennis, a designated Canadian Curling Association National Training Centre, a Tennis Canada High Performance Tennis Development Centre, home to Ortona Gymnastics Club's high performance competitive team, the home gym of the Canadian Women's National Basketball Team and the Volleyball Canada Centre of Excellence. We are building a generation of active individuals from the grassroots level to those who aspire to compete at the highest level. Over 1.5 million people will visit this world class facility annually.

Become part of the family through GO Sports Programming!

### Campaign Update

We are currently in the process of updating our donor wall to include our donors thus far. As we continue to receive donations we will be updating the wall. We want to thank everyone who has donated to the GO Community Centre as you are allowing us to improve the facility so we can better serve our users.

#### **Giving Levels**

Olympic Champion \$5,000 or greater World Champion \$2,500 to \$4,999 National Champion \$1000 to \$2,499 Provincial Champion \$500 to \$999 Regional Champion \$100 to \$499







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As part of Recognizing Women in the Sport of Basketball in the City of Edmonton, on November 26, 2015 the Edmonton Grads unveiled the mural below in recognition of the 1915-40 Edmonton Commercial Grads teams. The event captured the interest of the national media and FIBA Americas in their top 15 events of the year.



The Edmonton Youth Basketball Association will be hosting for the third time at the facility, the 2016 Youth Basketball Provincials with teams coming from across the province to compete. The event will commence on March 11<sup>th</sup> and run until March 13<sup>th</sup>. Youth basketball numbers have increased throughout the Province, and in particular in Edmonton where EYBA saw twenty seven additional teams register for the 2015-16 winter season program. This is a healthy sign for the sport of basketball overall as it demonstrates growth in the number of people playing the game.



This year Ortona will be celebrating 40 years in operation. Follow us on twitter (@ortonagym) to get all the details about upcoming events.



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The facility has been extremely busy since November, serving the Volleyball community needs from drop-in recreational volleyball and grassroots programs to elite competitions.

In November we hosted a number of Junior High and High School Volleyball practices and matches and continue to host the Volleyball Canada Centre of Excellence programs as well as Volleyball Alberta's GO Atomic programs.

At the conclusion of the High School volleyball season the courts filled with Club tryouts on a nightly basis as youth players began the club tryout process throughout December. Interspersed with the club tryouts our regular adult leagues (E.V.A. and M.W.R.V.S.) continued to run their leagues and took a short hiatus during the holiday season.

The University of Alberta Varsity Volleyball teams hosted a couple of international teams over the holiday season. The Bears played host to the Long Beach State 49ers University team, while the Pandas organized their traditional New Year's Classic Tournament which included a guest University team from Japan (NIFS Kanoya).

The EVCS kicked off the new year by serving as the NORCECA Continental Cup venue. This tournament was an Olympic Qualifier for Men's Volleyball. The tournament ran from January 8-10 and just under 6,500 spectators attended the 6 matches that featured the Men's National teams from Canada, Cuba, Puerto Rico and Mexico. Matches were live streamed on CBC.ca with a feature match broadcast on the CBC Television network. Volleyball Canada, Volleyball Alberta, the EVCS and the Saville Community Sports Centre organized this extremely successful event. Team Canada fell short of their goal as they dropped the final match to Cuba and finished second, they still

have a chance to attend the Rio Olympics with a victory at the "Last Chance" qualification tournament in May.

After that event, Saville Volleyball program returns to normal, but is now gearing up for the Volleyball Alberta Club Tournament season (February to May) which will culminate with the Saville Community Sports Centre welcoming 17U/18U Girls National Championship from May 6-8.



**Facility Fact:** We are the home to the Canadian Women's National Basketball Team

