

News on the GO!

The GO Community Centre (GCC) Board and Staff have been busy the last few months increasing our presence in the Edmonton Region. We have recently relaunched our website to include more information about the GCC, our history, and where we are heading. You can check out the website at GOCentre.com. We have also recently launched our social media platforms for an easier way to interact with our users, donors, and volunteers.

As the GCC continues to operate the Board of Directors is actively working on our strategic plan. This plan will help to further define our immediate and future goals as an organization so we can better serve the community.

As we continue to move forward as an organization we want to thank all the donors and volunteers that have brought us to this point. Without you this facility would not be possible.

GO Champion Campaign

The donor wall for the GO Champions campaign was installed on Thursday October 15th; it is located on the second floor of the facility. The first round of donor names are expected to be installed in December of this year. This donor wall will raise funds for much needed improvements; which includes Mechanical system upgrades, noise reduction installations, and flooring and wall upgrades. If you want to become part of the GCC's legacy in



the capital region you can make a donation via our website. All donation \$100 and over will be recognized on the donor wall and all donations over \$10 will be eligible for a charitable tax receipt. This is an ongoing campaign that the GCC is running and the names will be updated quarterly. Refer to the chart below for the five different giving levels:

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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Save the Date

For Our

Donor and Volunteer

Appreciation Event

September 16th 2016

Edmonton Grads Update

FIBA Americas



On August 19-26th the FIBA America's Women's Championships was held at the facility. Ten teams competed in this Olympic qualifying event with teams participating from Chile, Virgin Islands, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Venezuela, Cuba, Argentina, Puerto Rico, Brazil, and Canada. The Canadian women's team defeated Cuba in the final game in front of a sold crowd qualifying the 2016 games in Rio. We want to thank everyone who came out to support this event and cheer on all the participants.

Edmonton Grads Mural

On November 26th, 2015 the Edmonton Grads Mural will be unveiled at the Saville Community Sports Centre in recognition of the former Edmonton Commercial Graduates ("Edmonton Grads") Basketball Club formed in 1915. This team is still considered as one of the best teams assembled in the game of basketball. From 1915-1940 they posted an amazing record of 502 wins and 20 losses; during this time they also won 4 Olympic Championships and numerous other major tournaments. As Dr. James Naismith once said "this is the finest basketball team that ever stepped out on a floor". This event is a heritage moment in Edmonton Sports history and long overdue for a team that has already been inducted into the Canada's Sports Hall of Fame, the Canadian Basketball Hall of Fame, the Edmonton Sports Hall of Fame, and the Alberta's Sports Hall of Fame.

EVCS Update

National Events

Over the course of the summer months the EVCS has hosted three Volleyball Canada events; the N.T.C.C. Tournament (16U and 18U Boys), the Youth National Development Program training and selection camp, and training for the National Sitting Volleyball team prior to the Para-PanAm Games. Just prior to that, Volleyball Alberta held their Provincial Team tryouts leading up to 2015 Western Canada Summer Games.

On September 1st and 2nd the "Rally for Rio Series" took place at the Saville Community Sports Centre. It saw Volleyball Canada's Men's National team play two international friendlies against world #1 Brazil. Over 4500 spectators witnessed the two days of competition and gave the squad a boost prior to their departure for the World Cup qualifying tournament in Japan.

Business as Usual

After those two major events the facility settled back into its all important role of providing a home for local volleyball players to drop-in, access volleyball programming or participate in leagues. Just under 1500 drop-in uses were recorded in the past three months. The facility is gearing up for another busy season with the startup of both the Edmonton Volleyball Association and the Men's/Women's Recreational Volleyball Society leagues, plus youth programming through Volleyball Alberta's GO Atomic programs and Volleyball Canada's Centre of Excellence.

With the school volleyball season underway, the facility is looking forward to hosting some school tournaments including Louis St. Laurent's SMASH tournament and the Scona Classic, among others. It also means that youth club season is not far removed. NAVC and FOG will be holding some of their tryout sessions at the GO Centre after the end of the school season.

Ortona Update

Adaptive Gymnastics

Ortona Gymnastics Club is committed to providing gymnastics for all! We are excited to introduce our Adaptive Gymnastics Program, launching in 2016. This program will provide the opportunity to explore the fun of gymnastics through instruction and play, for individuals with special needs. Participants will be encouraged to reach their own potential while improving strength, coordination, balance, and flexibility. As we continue to develop the program more information will become available.

For questions regarding this program please contact:

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Facility Fact:

There is 236,000 square feet of recreation space in this facility

