

MEDIA RELEASE

NORTH BAY CAPTURES TEAM & SINGLES SILVER DIVISION AT PROVINCIALS

The 18TH Annual Ontario V.N.E.A. Provincial Championships took place this past weekend at the Hilton Hotel in London.

MENS' SILVER DIVISION

Derick Girard captured first place in the Silver Singles Division, going through the double knock out tournament undefeated. Girard began the tournament by winning his opening match against Damain Smith from London 5 to 4. He then went on to defeat eventual 3rd place finisher from London, Craig Roberts 5 games to 2. Next he defeated Dan Tremblay from Sault Ste. Marie 5-3 and Sudbury's Jeff Donaldson 5 games to 2. In his next outing he defeated Kevin White from Windsor 5-2, setting the stage for a rematch in the final.

Girard wasted little time claiming the championship title by handing White a 5-2 loss in the first set of the final.

COPPER DIVISION

Free Lessons captured the championship in the Copper Division, going through the 27 team tournament without a loss. Once in the final, they wasted little time and easily won the title by taking the first set over Sault Ste. Marie's Can't Miss by a score of 127 to 106.

To get to the finals, Free Lessons had wins over Pocketeers of Sault Ste. Marie, from London - Double Dippers 137-100, 8-Ball Express 131-116 and Six Balls In A Hole. In the quarter finals, they defeated Can't Miss to set up the rematch in the finals. Team members included Jeff Sunstrum, Adam Collins, Derek McKenzie and Ryan Lindenbach.

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SILVER HARD LUCK DIVISION

Mongsters captured the Silver Hard Luck Division after winning 3 straight matches against teams from London. Their opening match was against Up In Smoke, they then defeated Binary Code and in the final Larry's Lasers. Team members included Cary Lafonatine, Derick Girard, Kefner Robson and Serge Ruel.