Canadians Compete at 2017 Congressional Cup Invitational

March 27, 2017 - Three CBTF athletes competed at the recent <u>Congressional Cup 2017 Invitational</u> [1] competition held at Mount St. Mary's College in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

The Congressional Cup Invitational brings together the best twirlers representing different organizations (CBTF, CNBTA, USTA and NBTA) in a single all-around competition. The Invitational competition combines Solo, 2-Baton and Freestyle events to determine an all-around ranking.

The CBTF athletes competing in the Invitational were:

- Sophie Lightheart, Sundown Optimist Buffalo Gals, Regina
- Jasmine Runge, Sundown Optimist Buffalo Gals, Regina
- Julee Stewart, Sundown Optimist Buffalo Gals, Regina

In addition to those athletes invited to represent CBTF, three other Canadian athletes were invited as the CNBTA representatives:

- · Cassidy Doherty, Camaros, Oshawa
- · Mackenzie Ross, Camaros, Oshawa
- Megan Ward, Stars United, Aurora

Deardra Leslie (pictured below, with Jasmine and Julee after the awards ceremony) was invited to judge at the competition.

Men and Women compete in separate divisions. There are no age divisions in the Invitational. In the Women's Preliminary Round competition, Canada's highest placing athletes were:

- Julee Stewart finished 5th in Solo
- Jasmine Runge and Julee Stewart tied for 1st in 2-Baton
- Julee Stewart finished 1st in Freestyle
- Julee Stewart finished 1st in the overall standings

Julee Stewart and Jasmine Runge both placed in the Top 5 overall and advanced to compete in the Women's Final Round. In the overall rankings of that Final Round:

- Julee Stewart finished 2nd
- Jasmine Runge finished 4th

Complete results of the Men's and Women's competiiton follow.

Women's Invitational Results

Solo	2-Baton	Freestyle	Overall

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Final Round				
Kylie Cates	1	1	1	1
Julee Stewart	1	2	3	2
Laney Puhalla	3	3	2	3
Jasmine Runge	5	4	4	4
Gabrielle Steed	3	5	5	5
Preliminary Round				
Shaelyn Albrecht	1	12	7	6
Sabrina Smith	13	4	4	7
Toriane Graal	9	8	6	8
Deayza-Marie Peebles	4	10	11	9
Erin Noble	11	1	14	10
Allyson Duda	7	11	10	11
Cassidy Doherty	14	6	13	12
Sophie Lightheart	14	15	5	13
Maddie Bronk	8	16	11	14
Alexa Tamburlin	12	13	14	15
Mackienzie Ross	17	13	16	16
Megan Ward	16	17	17	17
Emily R C Cooper	18			

Men's Invitational Results

	Solo	2-Baton	Freestyle	Overall
Final Round				
Conner Rudd	1	1	1	1
Richie Terwilliger	3	2	2	2
Bower Sarra	2	2	3	3
Preliminary Round				
Jacob Griffith	2	5	6	4
Tim Lyzen	5	4	3	5
James Koehler	6	6	5	6

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