



Department of Youth, Sport and Recreation NEWSLETTER

THE COMPETITIVE EDGE ~ MAY 2023

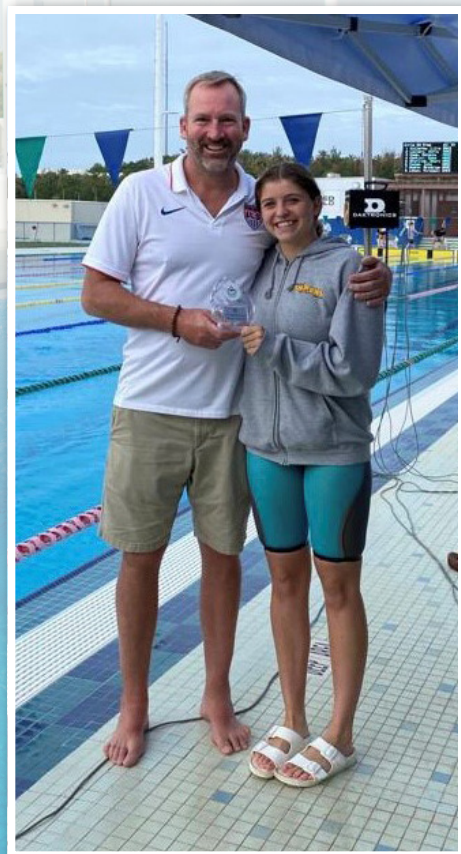
Bermuda Amateur Swimming Association



Elijah Daley – Senior Male National Champion



Joey Cechini – Junior Male National Champion
and Junior Male Individual High Point Swim



Marleigh Howes – Senior Female
National Champion



Bermuda Amateur Swimming Association cont'd

Harveys Lead Bermuda National Swimming Championships with multiple Record Breaking Swims

The Bermuda National Swimming Championships has concluded at the National Sports Center. The event brought several new Bermuda National Open Records, a myriad of personal bests and additional qualifiers for future international meets.

Things got off to a fast start on Friday night with Emma Harvey breaking two Bermuda Open Records in the 50m Butterfly and 50m Backstroke. Harvey first swam a 28.91 in the 50 Backstroke, breaking her own record, which was set at the TYR Pro Series in Westmont in April. She then went on to swim a 27.09 in the 50 Butterfly, breaking Madelyn Moore's record of 27.12 set at the 2021 CCCAN. Brother Jack Harvey went on to break the 200m Backstroke record the

following morning in a time of 2:04.01, breaking his own record set in April at the TYR Pro Series Meet. Elijah Daley, back in Bermuda from Canada, swam a 2:08.66 in the 200m Butterfly, easily taking down the Bermuda Open record of 2:12.18 set by Tyler Mazurek in 2016.

Emma Harvey continued to shine on the final day of the Championships by breaking her own Bermuda Open Record in the 100m Butterfly in a time of 1:01.55 in the morning session. She went on to lower that time to 1:00.70 at finals that evening.

Impressive results continued through the weekend with Elanna Fulton reaching a qualifying standard for Youth Commonwealth Games. Thomas Cechini, who was competing in the US over the

weekend, also met the qualifying standard for Youth Commonwealth Games, where he broke the Bermuda Boys 15 – 16 age group record in the 800m Freestyle in a time of 8:55.41, surpassing Elijah Daley's time of 9:03.16 set in 2022. The seven member Youth Commonwealth team will be announced by the Bermuda Olympic Association shortly.

Scarlett Spurling and Joey Cechini were crowned Junior National Champions and Marleigh Howes and Elijah Daley were crowned Senior National Champions. Gabby and Joey Cechini were each awarded 'Junior High Point' winners for individual swims and Emma and Jack Harvey were awarded 'Senior High Point' winners for individual swims.

Bermuda Boxing Federation

Cedarbridge Academy recognized the work of the Bermuda Boxing Federation (BBF) for its youth boxing program by presenting a community partnership award.

In April, the Cedarbridge Academy S2 Honor Roll assembly took a moment to recognize the impact that the coaches within the BBF have been making since 2017. Accepting the award on behalf of the Federation were National Coach Jermal Woolridge; Cedarbridge boxing club youth coach Jaylon Roberts; and BBF President Nathan Dill.

The Cedarbridge Academy Boxing Club falls under the Youth Boxing Academy Program which itself is sponsored by the Department of Youth, Sport & Recreation. As part of the program, boxing coaches are assigned to middle and senior schools to introduce the sport of Olympic boxing to students. Cedarbridge Academy was the first such program set up under this initiative. Past coaches of the Cedarbridge Boxing Club also include Kevin "Mannix" Simmons, Robert "King" Somner and Leo "Lionheart" Richardson.

If you are interested in forming a boxing club at your school (homeschool, public or private), donating to our programs or volunteering with us, visit our website: www.bermudaboxing.com.

For more information about the Bermuda Boxing Federation we can be contacted on Instagram or Facebook.





Bermuda Cricket Board

The 2023 Cricket Season is off to a great start with the 50 Overs Premier and First Division Domestic League competitions, Youth Leagues, and the new addition of the BCB and BSSF School Super 8's Cricket Festival held at the National Sports Centre North Field.

The winners are as follows:

SENIOR BOYS

The Berkeley Institute

SENIOR GIRLS

Cedar Bridge Academy

MIDDLE BOYS

Warwick Academy

MIDDLE GIRLS

The Whitney Institute

PRIMARY BOYS

Warwick Academy

PRIMARY GIRLS

No matches (skills & drills)

The BCB has also launched a Request for Proposal (RFP) for local businesses to assist in the operations of the 2023 Bermuda Premier League (BPL) from September 7–10 and the ICC Americas T20 World Cup Regional Final in Bermuda from September 28 – October 8.

All parties interested in responding to the RFP, should submit their interest on www.cricketbermuda.com/rfp by Friday, June 9 at 5:00 pm local time.

For more information email the BCB at info@cricket.bm or call 292-8958.

In addition the BCB Women's T20 Cricket League in partnership with BF&M will begin on June 4 – July 15.

Matches for the first women's hard ball cricket tournament will be played on Saturdays and Sundays with participating teams Western Stars Sports Club, Cleveland County Cricket Club, Warwick Workmen's Club, St. George's Cricket Club and St. David's County Cricket Club.



REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL



2023 BERMUDA PREMIER LEAGUE (BPL) 6 ICC AMERICAS T20 WORLD CUP (2024) REGIONAL FINAL BERMUDA

RFP SPECIFICS

THE BERMUDA CRICKET BOARD REQUIRES THE SERVICES OF LOCAL COMPANIES TO ASSIST IN THE OPERATIONS OF THE FOLLOWING EVENT(S).

EVENT 1 - BERMUDA PREMIER LEAGUE (BPL)

THE BERMUDA PREMIER LEAGUE (BPL) IS AN ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL T20 LEAGUE CONTESTED BY TEAMS CONSISTING OF A BLEND OF ELITE AND INTERNATIONAL PLAYERS. THE CONCEPT OF THE LEAGUE IS INSPIRED BY THE CARIBBEAN PREMIER LEAGUE (CPL) OR THE INDIAN PREMIER LEAGUE (IPL).

THE INAUGURAL TOURNAMENT WILL TAKE PLACE FROM SEPTEMBER 7 - 10, 2023, AND WILL PROVIDE ENTERTAINMENT FOR CRICKET FANS AND VIEWERS WHILE PROVIDING A PLATFORM FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF CRICKET IN BERMUDA AND RETURNS FOR OUR SPONSORS AND INVESTORS.

FORMAT:

- T20 CRICKET TOURNAMENT
- 4 FRANCHISE TEAMS
- 1 WEEKEND (THURSDAY - SUNDAY/ATURDAY)
- 8 MATCHES (2 MATCHES PER DAY)
- HOST VENUE(S): NATIONAL SPORTS CENTRE & WHITE HILL FIELD (SOMERSET BRIDGE RECREATION CLUB), BERMUDA
- SMALLER SCALE, FLEXIBILITY AND LESS RESTRICTIONS

EVENT 2 - ICC AMERICAS T20 WORLD CUP (2024) REGIONAL FINAL BERMUDA

THE BERMUDA SENIOR MEN'S NATIONAL CRICKET TEAM WILL BE COMPETING IN THE ICC AMERICAS MEN'S T20 WORLD CUP (2024) REGIONAL FINAL IN AN ATTEMPT TO QUALIFY FOR THE ICC 2024 MEN'S T20 WORLD CUP IN USA AND THE WEST INDIES.

THE LARGE-SCALE TOURNAMENT WILL TAKE PLACE FROM SEPTEMBER 28 - OCTOBER 8, 2023, ON AN INTERNATIONAL PLATFORM, STREAMED GLOBALLY THROUGH THE ICC AND IMG.

FORMAT:

- ICC T20 INTERNATIONAL CRICKET TOURNAMENT
- 4 NATIONAL TEAMS
- 11 MATCH TOURNAMENT DAYS
- 18 MATCHES (2 MATCHES PER DAY)
- HOST VENUE(S): NATIONAL SPORTS CENTRE (NORTH FIELD) & WHITE HILL FIELD (SOMERSET BRIDGE RECREATION CLUB)
- ICC REGULATED WITH SPECIFIC RULES RESTRICTIONS

LIST OF SERVICES:

- ANNOUNCER (MC, COMMENTATOR)
- INCLUDE EXPERIENCE AND/OR REFERENCES
- INCLUDE A REEL, OR AUDIO OR VIDEO EXAMPLES
- AUDIO VISUAL EQUIPMENT
- BARRICADES
- FOR GROUNDS ENTRY POINTS AND ACCESS AREAS
- BUSING & VANS - TRANSPORTATION FOR TEAMS & STAFF
- TO INCLUDE AIRPORT TRANSFERS TO ACCOMMODATIONS
- DAILY TRANSFERS FROM ACCOMMODATIONS TO CRICKET GROUNDS
- EQUIPMENT DROP-OFF AND COLLECTION TO AND FROM CRICKET GROUNDS
- CATERING - SERVICE TO INCLUDE BREAKFAST/LUNCH/DINNER FOR TEAMS & STAFF
- MEALS MADE WITHIN DIETARY REQUIREMENTS
- INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS MUST BE INCLUDED IN RESPONSE INCLUDING REQUIREMENTS FOR AN ONSITE KITCHEN, FOOD WARMERS, COOLING UNITS, ETC.
- INCLUDE A PLAN FOR PACKAGING AND SERVICE THAT IS SUSTAINABLE AND WITHOUT SINGLE-USE PLASTIC
- STAFFING AND OPERATIONAL DELIVERY NEEDS MUST BE INCLUDED
- CONCESSIONS - EVENT FOOD VILLAGE VENDORS AT BOTH GROUNDS
- MUST HAVE APPROPRIATE PERMITTING AND LICENSING IN PLACE OR HAVE THE CAPABILITY TO OBTAIN THEM
- MUST HAVE THE ABILITY TO PROVIDE CASH-FREE POS SYSTEMS (PLEASE INDICATE)
- INCLUDE A WASTE MANAGEMENT AND CLEANING PLAN FOR YOUR OWN SPACE
- INCLUDE A PLAN FOR PACKAGING AND SERVICE THAT IS SUSTAINABLE AND WITHOUT SINGLE-USE PLASTIC

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LIST OF SERVICES:

- DISTRIBUTOR - BEVERAGES
- ALCOHOLIC & SOFT DRINKS
- WATER (GENERAL & TEAMS)
- SPORTS DRINKS (FOR TEAMS).
- BAR SETUP (VIP & GENERAL)
- MUST HAVE THE ABILITY TO PROVIDE CASH-FREE POS SYSTEMS (PLEASE INDICATE)
- STAFFING AND OPERATIONAL DELIVERY NEEDS MUST BE INCLUDED IN RESPONSE
- DJ
- MATCHDAY AVAILABILITY
- INCLUDE PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE AT CRICKET/SPORTING EVENTS
- ABILITY TO MC/MAKE ANNOUNCEMENTS
- SPEAKERS AND EQUIPMENT MUST BE PROVIDED
- ECOLOGY (TRASH REMOVAL & GROUNDS CLEAN UP)
- DAILY CLEAN UP AND COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL FROM BOTH GROUNDS
- TRASH CANS
- ELECTRICAL (TEMPORARY)
- MOBILE ELECTRICITY SETUP
- ENGRAVERS
- AWARDS & PRIZES
- FURNITURE
- TABLES, CHAIRS, SOFAS, PICNIC TABLES/BENCHES, BAR TABLES, BARS, STOOLS ETC. THAT CAN WITHSTAND ALL WEATHER CONDITIONS
- ICE
- VENDOR LOCATED AT BOTH GROUNDS DAILY
- INFRASTRUCTURE
- SCAFFOLDING AT BOTH GROUNDS
- LAUNDRY SERVICES
- QUICK DAILY TURNAROUND FOR TEAMS AND STAFF
- TO INCLUDE PICK-UP AND DELIVERY
- STAFFING AND OPERATIONAL DELIVERY NEEDS MUST BE INCLUDED IN RESPONSE
- PLEASE INCLUDE PLAN FOR COLLECTING, LABELING, AND DROPPING OFF LAUNDRY
- LIAISON OFFICERS
- BCB AMBASSADOR
- SUPPORT INTERNATIONAL TEAMS WITH ALL QUERIES AND REQUESTS (WORKING CLOSELY WITH TEAM MANAGERS)
- MUST BE FLEXIBLE AND MOBILE WITH OWN TRANSPORTATION
- COORDINATE LOGISTICS OF ALL TRANSPORT OF TEAMS FROM AIRPORT, ACCOMMODATIONS AND TOURNAMENT VENUES
- LOCAL ENTERTAINERS
- SINGERS
- MUSICIANS
- DANCE GROUPS
- GOMBEE TROUPES
- MARKETING & MEDIA
- GRAPHIC DESIGNERS
- SPORTS PHOTOGRAPHERS
- VIDEOGRAPHERS
- PRINTERS (FLYERS, POSTERS, WRISTBANDS, ACCREDITATION LANYARDS ETC.)
- MEDICAL/FIRST AID
- DAILY PRESENCE AT BOTH GROUNDS
- ABILITY TO ATTEND TO BOTH PLAYERS, STAFF AND SPECTATORS
- PARKING MANAGEMENT
- FOR VALET, VIP & STANDARD PARKING
- PORTABLE RESTROOMS & RESTROOM TRAILERS
- LOCATED AT BOTH GROUNDS FOR THE DURATION OF THE TOURNAMENT
- RADIO RENTALS
- WALKIE-TALKIES OR COMMUNICATION DEVICES FOR ALL MATCH DAYS
- SECURITY
- DAYTIME AT BOTH GROUNDS
- SHIPPING
- IMPORTS
- SIGNAGE
- STEP-AND-REPEAT
- FLUTTER FLAGS
- BANNERS
- EVENT SIGNS (PROMOTIONAL SIGNS, GATE SIGNS, DIRECTION SIGNS ETC.)

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&
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LIST OF SERVICES:

- TELECOM
- TEMPORARY WIRELESS INTERNET AND TELEPHONE SERVICE
- TENTS
- VARIOUS SIZING OF WHITE TENTING
- CUSTOM TENTING
- TICKETING
- E-TICKET SALES – PACKAGES, GENERAL ADMISSION, VIP
- MARKETING AND PROMOTION
- GATE MANAGEMENT WITH BARCODE SCANNING
- CASHLESS NFC/RFID PAYMENT WRISTBANDS
- TOWING & TRUCKING
- GENERAL DROP OFF AND COLLECTION OF ITEMS

**PARTIES INTERESTED IN RESPONDING TO THIS RFP, SHOULD SUBMIT
THEIR INTEREST ON WWW.CRICKETBERMUDA.COM/RFP**

RFP CRITERIA & REQUIREMENTS

SUBMIT THE ONLINE FORM AND APPROPRIATE SCOPE OF WORK DOCUMENT(S) FOR THE AREA OF SERVICES AS LISTED ABOVE

THIS INCLUDES:

- COMPANY BACKGROUND
- PLEASE STATE EVENT INTENT (EVENT 1, EVENT 2 OR BOTH), LIST AVAILABILITY BASED ON EVENT DATES
- A FULL DESCRIPTION OF YOUR SERVICES AND OFFERINGS
- PLEASE INCLUDE IN YOUR RESPONSE – DAILY/WEEKLY/HOURLY RENTAL COSTS PER ITEM, INCLUDING A BREAKDOWN OF ADDITIONAL COSTS (DELIVERY, INSTALLATION, COLLECTION) AND CHARITY RATE(S) IF APPLICABLE
- PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE AND REFERENCES (PLEASE PROVIDE IMAGES/PHOTOS THAT MAY ASSIST IN OUR DECISION-MAKING)
- WHAT DO YOU REQUIRE THE BCB TO PROVIDE? E.G., APPROXIMATE SPACE ALLOCATIONS, TIMING OF INSTALL & TEARDOWN, ADDITIONAL POWER, ETC.
- IS YOUR COMPANY/BUSINESS INTERESTED IN SPONSORING THE TOURNAMENT(S) (EITHER THROUGH CASH OR TRADE)?

TIMING OF RFPS

- ALL RFPS WILL BE DUE BY 5:00 PM LOCAL TIME ON FRIDAY, JUNE 9
- CONTRACTS WILL BE AWARDED ON OR BEFORE MONDAY, JULY 3
- AN ALL-VENDOR MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, JULY 24

**FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL THE BERMUDA CRICKET BOARD
INFO@CRICKET.BM OR CALL 292-8958**



Bermuda Motorcycle Racing Association

Jediah Cumbermack traveled overseas to California twice this year (once in February and once in April), to train with Jason Pridmore at his JP43 Training camp where he was provided with 1:1 training and evaluation. He did extremely well, starting his first race as an amateur and almost immediately being moved up to the expert level at the CVMA Race Series Round 5 and Round 7 championships. He came back to Bermuda on both occasions with 4 trophies each race weekend totaling 8 in all (for the first race weekend in February one 1st place, 2 second places and one third; April race weekend, all 2nd place finishes).

Jediah travelled to Alabama (May 17 – 21, 2023) to compete in his very first Moto America Race in the Junior Cup Series. He is very excited and continues to work hard towards his dream of becoming a professional motorcycle road racer one day and representing Bermuda. He will be riding under the racing team, A.I.R. Onze Moto Racing Team, which is based in Manvel, Texas.



Jediah Cumbermack - 2nd place finish



Jediah Cumbermack - Race 8 Formula Ultra Lightweight Shootout

Bermuda Sailing Association

Bermudian, Rachael Betschart racing in San Francisco Bay in the SailGP Inspire Finals.

Season 3 Finals of the SailGP event took place in San Francisco on May 4-7 2023. Rachael Betschart secured a seat in the finals after winning the SailGP event held in Bermuda in May 2022, becoming the first female to win a qualifying event. Ethan Thompson who finished second at this event was also representing Bermuda in the finals.

The Final event brought together eighteen sailors, 9 female and 9 males from all over the world, all having qualified at SailGP events held throughout Season 3.

The best of the best Waszp sailors came together and completed 22 races. Stella Bilger won the event with 191pts and Rachael Betschart finished second with 172pts. The conditions varied over the week, slowly building from 10-15kts to 18-20kts. Currents, as expected were strong in the Bay and created considerable waves which made the maneuvers more challenging but Rachael had been on site at the location two weeks prior to practice and also complete her Final Exams in the IB Programme.

The Warwick Academy student, in her final year of the IB Programme had to apply for permission to write all her final exams in San Francisco to be able to compete

in the finals. This meant that she moved out there mid-April for a month. They were fortunate enough to find a school which was also offering the IB Programme and applied to write her exams on their premises. To further complicate matters her exams were taking place during the sailing event and she was dashing from exams to the venue daily to be able to race.

Wasp Sailing is becoming more popular around the world and the SailGP Inspire Programme is working hard to make it more accessible. Bermuda will be hosting a SailGP event in May 2024. Bermudians once again will be able race to qualify for the Finals being held in July 2024 in San Francisco.



Bermudian, **Rachael Betschart** racing in San Francisco Bay in the SailGP Inspire Finals.



Rachael Betschart racing in the SailGP Inspire Finals.

Bermuda Triathlon Association

May 2023

Impressive performances

Having moved training camps from the UK at the end of last year, to splitting time between Stellenbosch, South Africa and Boulder, Colorado, Tyler Smith has had a very strong start to the season. Tyler came away with three top ten finishes in the African Triathlon Cup series followed by a second-place finish at the Caribbean and Central American Championships in Punta Cana.

Following up on confident performances in the World Triathlon Championships in Yokohama and Abu Dhabi, Erica Hawley also showed her strength on the international stage in the early part of 2023, placing 5th in the Americas Triathlon Cup in Missouri.

Nick Pilgrim, Bermuda's youngest professional, continues to move up the world rankings, showing impressive form in the elite divisions of the Americas Triathlon Cup events in Missouri and Sarasota as well as the British Universities Championships in the UK.

In longer distances, Louise Wells took third place in the Zafiro Ironman 70.3 in Alcudia-Mallorca in Spain in her Age Group in an impressive time of 5:38:15.

Unfortunately, Flora Duffy has experienced a knee injury which has prevented her from racing in the early part of the year. She hopes to regain full fitness with the goal of competing in the Olympic test event this summer in Paris.

Juniors

Bermuda's junior triathletes have been active overseas too with 14 athletes traveling to the Clermont Draft Legal Challenge in Florida. Jackson Langley excelled in the male category of the Youth Development Race where he claimed first and third place in a weekend of competitive racing and building friendships. The following week, Langley finished on top of the podium again, winning the Youth Elite Male Category at the Sarasota-Bradenton Triathlon.

Awards

Nick Pilgrim was awarded the Department of Youth, Sport & Recreation '2023 Flora Duffy Award' while Erica Hawley is first recipient of the 'Carey Olsen Athletics' Scholarship.

Local events

The Bermuda season kicked off with the annual Good Friday Triathlon. Over thirty-five athletes of all ages and experience levels raced around Harrington Sound with Nick Pilgrim and Nicole Michell taking the top spots. In early May, the BTA held an Olympic distance qualifier for the Island Games at Clearwater along with a Super-sprint course for juniors hoping to qualify for CARIFTA in August. Alex Waldauer and Maddie Durkin were the top finishers over the longer distance with Jackson Langley and Daria Desmond the top male and female in the shorter distance. The popular Thursday Night Sprints series has also resumed for the 2023 Season with Jackson Langley and Fenella Wightman taking the honors in the first night of racing.

Clermont team 2023

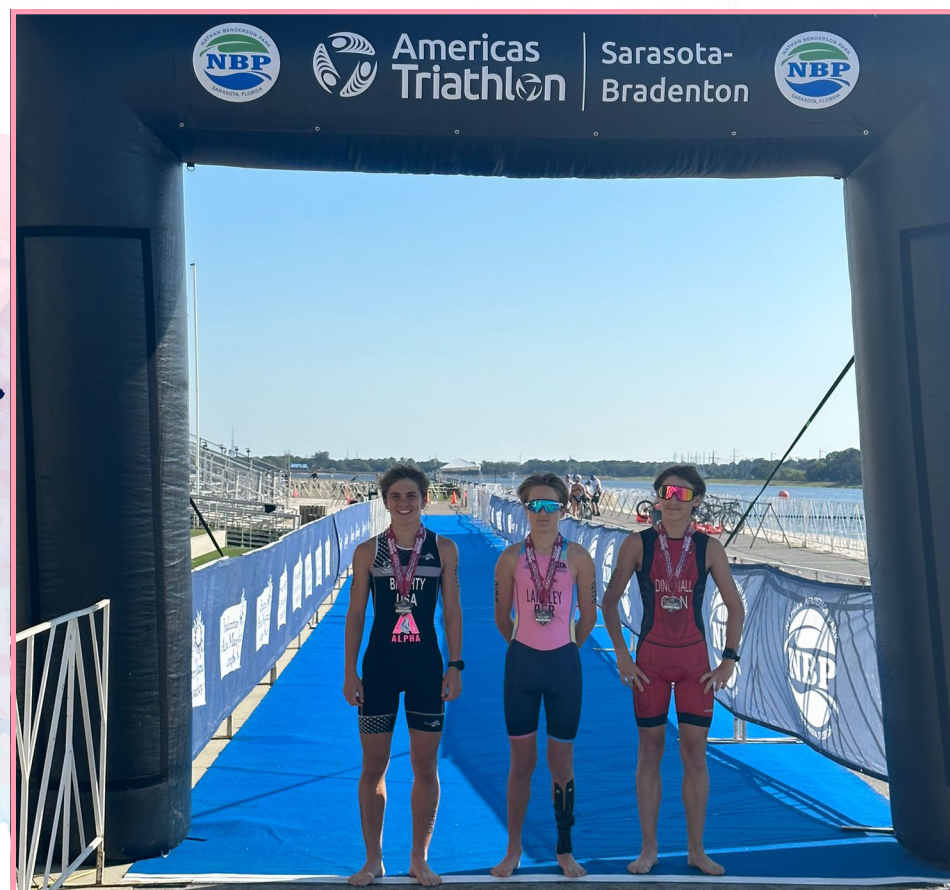




ABOVE: Tyler Smith - Punta Cana
BELOW: Jackson Langley - Sarasota Podium



ABOVE: Erica Hawley



National Archery Association of Bermuda

The Annual General Meeting for NAAB was held on 29 April 2023 to elect in officers and share with existing and new members the year in review for 2022-2023. The Association celebrated a great year of international events achieving significant results at these events, coach & athlete development, community service and new membership. Our returning President shared, "I am pleased to share we achieved our objectives for this period which has enabled us to secure qualification spots for the CAC Games and the World Youth Championships being held in July 2023. We will also be sending a team to the NatWest Island Games in July 2023. Year over year our membership continues to grow as archery is giving our youth and adults another sport to stay active for life."

The following persons were voted into positions for the term 2023-2024:

President – Ross Roberts

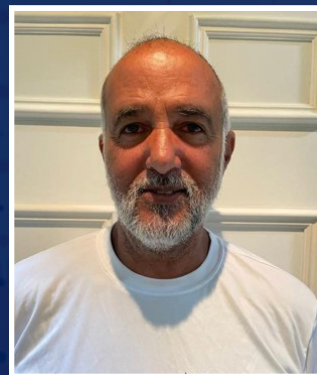
Vice President – Bernard Wade III

Treasurer – Robert O'Connor

Secretary General – Trina Roberts



Jaydon Roberts - Archery



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Bermuda Bicycle Association

Winner Edge Road Race

Sanctioned by Bermuda Bicycle Association (BBA), Winners Edge hosted the first road race of the season, with ideal conditions and a strong turnout of 53 riders across all categories. The race had to be rerouted due to road works around Tommy Fox Road, but all categories were able to complete their race without incident.

'A' and 'B' riders started together, with five laps to complete, while 'C' riders and women started with a three-lap race. All categories were escorted by police and despite some rising temperatures, the majority of riders were able to finish their race. There were a few 'DNFs' due to the hot weather, as well as one rider who had to retire due to a flat tire.

The race was well-organized and attended, with good support from participants and marshals. Overall, the first road race of the season was a success, and the BBA looks forward to hosting more races throughout the season.

Team Gnosis Criterium Race

Team Gnosis, in collaboration with the Bermuda Bicycle Association (BBA), delivered an exhilarating criterium race on Sunday, May 13th. As a significant fixture in the regular BBA road racing season, the criterium race took place on a challenging short course near the Lamb Foggo Clinic.

With its hilly terrain and demanding turns, the course provided an excellent opportunity for participants to showcase their riding skills. The event attracted a strong group of 46 registered participants, ranging from 'junior' to 'adult' categories, ensuring a competitive and action-packed morning of racing.

Despite some rainfall in the early hours, the conditions quickly improved, resulting in a dry track from the start of the race. This allowed for high-speed racing, with participants pushing their limits to achieve remarkable feats on the demanding course.

Adding to the excitement of the event, cash prizes were offered for the first riders across the finish line at specific intervals. This enticing feature heightened the competitiveness among the riders, further intensifying the overall atmosphere.

Gnosis extends their gratitude to Bermuda Timing Systems for their contribution and support in accurately documenting the results of the race. Gnosis also expressed their sincere appreciation to their

generous sponsors, whose support made it possible to reward the top three riders in each category with well-deserved prizes. Their commitment to the sport of cycling and the development of talented riders is truly commendable.

Team Gnosis and the Bermuda Bicycle Association would also like to extend their gratitude to all the participants, volunteers, and spectators who contributed to the success of this event. Their enthusiasm and dedication have truly made the criterium race a memorable occasion.

V.T. Construction's Time Trial Race

The highly anticipated 'VT Construction Time Trial' race took place on Sunday, May 21, 2023, amid overcast and humid conditions. This event saw a total of 40 listed competitors taking on the challenge of completing two laps around Harrington Sound, while four youth riders completed one lap.

Mark Robinson made an exceptional comeback to racing, clinching the overall victory in the A category. Robinson displayed remarkable skill and determination, completing the technical course in a commendable time of 36 minutes and 26 seconds. Not far behind, Jamie Cousins secured second place, followed closely by Jackson Langley in third, highlighting the fierce competition among the top contenders.

In the 'B' Category, Geoff Smith emerged victorious, claiming the third overall position with a commendable time of 37 minutes and 29 seconds. Ian Henderson finished a close second, demonstrating his strength and skill, while Darren Glasford secured the third spot on the podium.

The women's category witnessed an outstanding performance by Maddie Durkin, who not only secured sixth place overall but also claimed the top spot in her category. Durkin's impressive time of 39 minutes and 19 seconds showcased her unwavering determination and skill. Liana Medeiros secured second place, closely followed by Charlotte Millington, both of whom showcased their exceptional abilities throughout the race.

In the highly competitive 'C' Category, Kent Richardson displayed an exemplary performance, securing the 15th position overall with a commendable time of 42 minutes. Richardson's exceptional skills earned him the title of the fastest participant in his category. Paulo Medeiros finished second, closely followed by Yan Leclerc, highlighting the intense competition within the category.



Jennifer Lightbourne, Panzy Olander and Liana Medeiros

Bermuda Bicycle Association cont'd

The youth categories also witnessed strong performances. Jens Drea claimed the top spot in the Youth 11-12 category ahead of Daisy Langley who showcased her skills and finished in second. In the Youth 13-14 category, Makao Butterfield displayed his strength and skill, securing the first-place position, with Sanchez Smith finishing in second place.

V.T. Construction commends all the participants for their performances and thanks the Bermuda Bicycle Association's race officials, timing, and especially the volunteers for their invaluable support in making this event a resounding success.

Sinclair Packwood Memorial Race

Happy Bermuda Day! Attached are the Sinclair Packwood Memorial Race results and podium photos for men's and women's categories. Additional photos can be found here <https://www.facebook.com/media/set?vanity=bermudabicycle&set=a.655986089896578>

Video footage and commentary from women's race <https://www.facebook.com/bermudabicycle/videos/267843442385988>

Video footage and commentary from men's race <https://www.facebook.com/bermudabicycle/videos/2270095576511277>



Clifford Roberts, Dominique Mayho and Kevin Smith

Bermuda Hockey Federation

Prestigious teams visit Bermuda for high-stakes preparation matches for CAC Games

In the exciting lead-up to the Central American and Caribbean Games (CACs), the Bermuda Hockey Federation (BHF) had the privilege of hosting two esteemed teams from the US in a series of preparatory matches against our Women's National Team. This past March and May, the Big Apple Hockey Federation (BAHF) from New York and the University of California, Berkeley (Cal Berkeley), respectively, brought their prowess to Bermuda's hockey turf for an engaging showcase of sportsmanship, competition and cultural exchange.

The Bermuda Women's National Team faced the Big Apple team in the Bermuda Onions v Big Apple Tournament from 10th to 12th March. The BAHF, an organization formed to foster competitive field hockey on the East Coast, provided a challenging yet valuable experience for our national team. Under the seasoned leadership of Director Nigel Traverso, a former United States International field hockey player and a 1984 Summer Olympics competitor, the Big Apple team presented a formidable challenge that pushed our national players to showcase their best.

From 28th May to 1st June, 2023, the BHF will host the UC Berkeley field hockey team (Cal Bears) for a Sports and Culture tour. The Cal Bears team has an impressive history of sporting excellence and dedication and will offer a high level of competition, helping to further hone the skills of our national team in preparation for their CAC experience. As part of the cultural experience, the Bermuda

National Team and the Cal Bears will be running the Bermuda Half Marathon relay and the Bears will also be a part of the Bermuda Day Parade!

Accompanying the Cal Bears on this trip will be their Associate Athletic Director for Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Belonging, and Justice Dr. Ty-Ron Douglas who was born and raised in Bermuda. He will serve "as an unofficial tour guide, sharing his experience growing up in Bermuda and connecting the team with local schools and are scheduled to visit several elementary and middle schools.

The BHF extends its heartfelt appreciation to both the BAHF and Cal Berkeley teams for their sportsmanship, competitive spirit, and their contribution towards the growth of hockey in Bermuda. These matches with the visiting teams provided the Bermuda Women's National Team an invaluable opportunity to apply their principles in real game situations, a crucial part of their preparation for the high-stakes competition at the CAC Games. The intensity and rigor of these matches will mirror the challenges anticipated at the CAC Games and will serve as a valuable experience for our players.

BSSF/BHF Primary and Middle School Hockey Festival:

A celebration of youth hockey in Bermuda

Over three days in May, a splendid display of youth athleticism and sportsmanship was exhibited at the National Sports Centre during the Bermuda School Sports Federation (BSSF)/Bermuda Hockey Federation (BHF) Primary and Middle School Hockey Festival.



Bermuda Women's National Field Hockey Team and Big Apple team in the Bermuda Onions vs. Big Apple Tournament

Bermuda Hockey Federation cont'd

Drawing participation from over a hundred young athletes representing 23 primary schools and 5 middle schools from across Bermuda, the Festival has been a testament to the growing enthusiasm for hockey among the island's youth and the incredible work done by the BSSF and BHF in fostering this interest.

The Festival commenced with Primary School students engaging in hockey skills and drills under the capable guidance of a host of BHF volunteers and was followed by an afternoon filled with six-a-side matches. The Middle School Hockey Tournament followed a similar format and set the tone for a lively Round Robin Tournament which was received enthusiastically by both players and spectators alike. The camaraderie among the students was palpable, with many friendships formed and reinforced on the hockey field. The Festival was about much more than just the thrill of competition - it was a shining example of community spirit and collaboration. The partnership between the BSSF and BHF proved to be invaluable, resulting in a well-organized event that provided a platform for young athletes to develop their skills, build self-confidence, and express their passion for the sport. This endeavor also highlighted the dedication of the numerous volunteers, parents, and coaches, whose tireless efforts contributed to the Festival's success. Their commitment to youth development and the sport of hockey in Bermuda is truly commendable.

As the BHF reflect on the days of exceptional hockey and inspirational teamwork, we look forward to the future of youth hockey in Bermuda with great optimism. The collaboration between the BSSF and BHF holding events like this create a platform that promises to continue fostering sporting talent and promoting a vibrant hockey community on the island. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to all participants for their sportsmanship and commitment, and our sincere gratitude to all volunteers, coaches, and supporters who helped make this event possible. We eagerly anticipate next year's festival and the prospect of yet another celebration of youth hockey in Bermuda.



Pickleball Association of Bermuda

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An Extravaganza to launch the new Pickleball courts at the WER Joell Tennis Stadium is scheduled for Saturday, June 3rd. Highlights will include:

- Ribbon cutting by the Minister of Youth, Sport & Recreation
- Celebrity Challenge
- Have-a-Go sessions for youth, senior and community groups
- Open Play for the public
- Exhibition Matches
- Vendor Tents
- Food trucks and a DJ

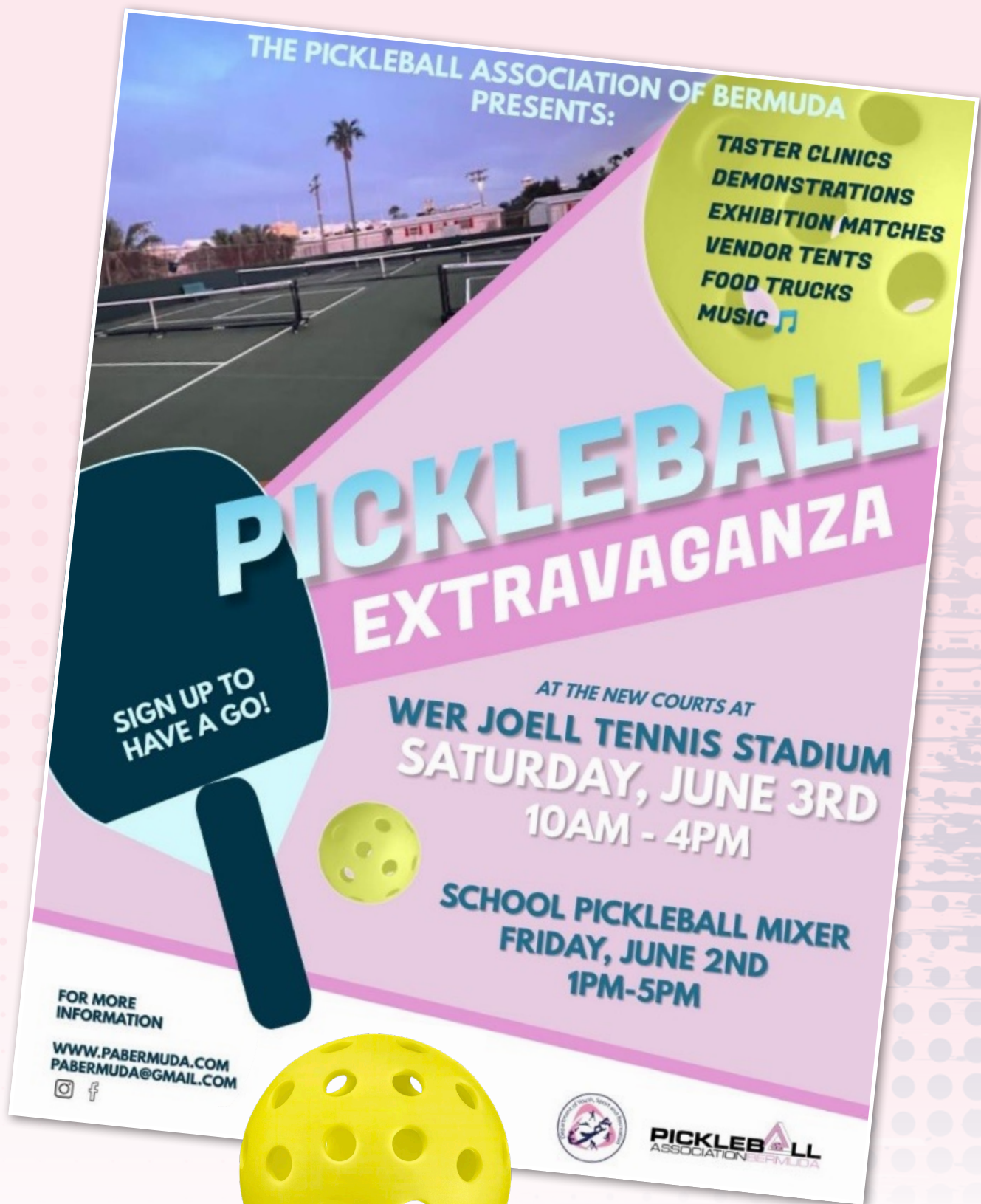
There will be a School Pickleball Mixer on the afternoon of Friday, June 2nd with several public and private schools invited to send students for guided play.

The Pickleball Association's membership base is approaching 150, all from word of mouth—our growth is phenomenal. Mixer sessions held at the WER Joell courts over recent weekends – with experienced players providing courtside assistance to beginners – have been full almost every session (16 players, twice per day). This is an easy-to-learn and very inclusive sport that is quickly making its mark in Bermuda.

Commercial Pickleball League (CPL)

The pilot season of the Commercial Pickleball League was launched on 9th May and is set to run for 12 weeks. Six Advanced teams take to the WER Joell courts on Tuesdays 6-8pm while eight Intermediate teams play Thursdays 6-8pm. The CPL is proving to be a huge success and will be growing as the Intermediate teams work hard to bring some newer players up to speed!





A promotional poster for the Pickleball Extravaganza event. The poster features a background image of a tennis court with a net and palm trees in the distance. The text is arranged in a dynamic, overlapping layout. At the top, it says 'THE PICKLEBALL ASSOCIATION OF BERMUDA PRESENTS:'. Below this, a yellow circle lists activities: 'TASTER CLINICS', 'DEMONSTRATIONS', 'EXHIBITION MATCHES', 'VENDOR TENTS', 'FOOD TRUCKS', and 'MUSIC' with a musical note icon. The main title 'PICKLEBALL EXTRAVAGANZA' is in large, bold, blue and white letters. To the left, a blue paddle graphic contains the text 'SIGN UP TO HAVE A GO!'. Below the title, it says 'AT THE NEW COURTS AT WER JOELL TENNIS STADIUM SATURDAY, JUNE 3RD 10AM - 4PM'. Further down, it mentions 'SCHOOL PICKLEBALL MIXER FRIDAY, JUNE 2ND 1PM-5PM'. At the bottom left, contact information is provided: 'FOR MORE INFORMATION WWW.PABERMUDA.COM PABERMUDA@GMAIL.COM' with social media icons. At the bottom right, there are logos for the 'PICKLEBALL ASSOCIATION BERMUDA' and a circular seal of the 'Ministry of Youth, Sports and Recreation'.

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