



CANADIAN SQUAD SET TO DEFEND 'BATTLE OF THE BORDER' TITLE

OTTAWA, ON, July 24, 2017 – Squash Canada has named the 24-athlete roster for the 2017 Battle of the Border that will compete next week from August 3-5. In its third year as a Squash Canada National Team event, the 'Battle of the Border' is a three-day event that sees Canada face off against the neighbours to the south showcasing some of North America's top junior talent.

Hosted by the White Oaks Resort and Spa (Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON), the Battle of the Border features six age groups (Girls U13, 15, 17 and Boys U13, U15, U17) with 4 athletes per group for a total of 24 Canadians competing against 24 Americans.

The Battle of the Border is a unique development opportunity for some of Canada's rising stars to represent their country at a young age. Looking to defend the 2016 win (for complete results from the 2016 Battle of the Border, visit: <http://squash.ca/en/news/team-canada-wins-2016-battle-border>), Team Canada's roster features 7 returning players from 2016 who will lead the charge for the red and white.

Squash Canada 2017 Battle of the Border roster:

Girls U17	Boys U17
Emma Jinks (PEI)	George Crowne (ON)
Charlotte Orcutt (ON)	Liam Marrison (ON)
Marlow Benson (ON)	Elliot Hunt (ON)
Sydney Maxwell (ON)	Abdelrahman Dweek (AB)
Girls U15	Boys U15
Lucia Bicknell (BC)	Nikhil Ismail (ON)
Molly Chadwick (ON)	Dylan Deverill (ON)
Taylor MacKay (AB)	Seif Elfiky (AB)
Jana Dweek (AB)	Liam Jinks (PEI)
Girls U13	Boys U13
Maddie Martin (ON)	Alexander Yuzpe (ON)
Iman Shaheen (ON)	Patrick Walford (ON)
Grace Huang (BC)	Daniel Deverill (ON)
Maddison Laine (AB)	Jacob Marrison (ON)

Canada's Emma Jinks (who won the 2017 Canadian Girls U19 title at the age of 16) will make her third straight appearance in the Battle and will be hitting the White Oak courts just days after returning from the [2017 World Junior Championships](#) in Tauranga, New Zealand. On the boys' side, 2017 Canadian Boys U17 Champion, George Crowne will also make his third appearance for the Canadian squad. Amongst the talented veterans are some exciting rising stars like 2017 Canadian Girls U13 Finalist, Iman Shaheen, 2017 Canadian Boys U13 Finalist Alexander Yuzpe, 2017

Canadian Girls U15 Champion Lucia Bicknell and Finalist Molly Chadwick and Boys U15 Champion and Finalist, Nikhil Ismail and Dylan Deverill.

Experience, talent and passion will drive the Canadian squad as they battle it out to defend the title.

Stay tuned to www.squash.ca as Squash Canada will publicize the complete match schedule when it has been finalized.

ABOUT SQUASH CANADA

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