

WHAT THE HECK IS A CANAHO ?



The polite invitation by the inaugural teams of Spokane and Missoula was rudely trampled upon by the efforts of Team Canaho (see if we ever invite them again). BUT ... what in the world is a “Canaho”? Turns out, they are a bunch of able-bodied Badminton players. In what was probably the weirdest match up yet between the two archrivals, both Spokane and Missoula were both rudely dispatched by visiting team “Canaho” which consisted of folks from Sandpoint, Nelson and Coeur d’Alene (CANAda and idaHO).

With 27 players playing in the 3rd running of the Inland Northwest “Smackdown” from (5) different locations, the decision was made to split the group up into (3) equal teams as it was in Sandpoint. Represented at this 3rd running

	TEAM SPOKANE		TEAM MISSOULA	
Event	Player	Pts	Player	Pts
MD1	Duan/Ted	2	GP/Mark	0
MD2	Swanee/Kris	2	Vincent/Ted	1
MD3	Nick/Ben	2	Alex/Jameel	0
MS1	Eric	2	Vincent	0
MS2	Kris	2	Jameel	0
MS3	Nick	2	Mark	0
WD1	Jette/PingPing	2	Hiroko/Wai Fong	0
XD1	Swanee/Jette	0	Vincent/Hiroko	2
XD2	Duan/Ping Ping	1	Ted/Steph	2
XD3	Eric/Julie	0	Alex/Steph	2
		15		7

were Sandpoint (2), Nelson BC (5), Coeur D’Alene (1), Missoula (8) and Spokane (11). Sandpoint, Coeur D’Alene and Nelson merged to form team Canaho while teams Spokane and Missoula stayed true to their breeding.

	TEAM SPOKANE		TEAM CANAHO	
Event	Player	Pts	Player	Pts
MD1	Ted/Swanee	0	Maik/Sandy	2
MD2	Nick/Kris	2	Maik/Stephen	0
MD3	Ben/Jack	0	Glen/Don	2
MS1	Duan	0	Sandy	2
MS2	Swanee	0	Stephen	2
MS3	Ben	2	Don	0
WD1	Jette/Ping Ping	0	Rebecca/Sandy	2
XD1	Ted/Jette	0	Rebecca/Glen	2
XD2	Eric/Julie	2	Don/Anne	0
XD3	Jack /Ping Ping	0	Don/Kathy	2
		6		14

Unlike previous meetings, this event was not a clash between the perennial powerhouses of Spokane and Missoula. Instead, there was this quiet group of imports who came along and just trampled on the very principles of fair play which states that Spokane has to win at all cost. Now, I would say that Missoula (or should I now say “Mi-losers” courtesy of the Canahos) should have be included in the principle of fair play since they did design and build the belt but then ... naw I won’t say it. Yes, I will ... Spokane (or Spokan’t also courtesy of the Canahos) still beat Missoula and so balance is still in the universe.

There were no accusations of impropriety this time with results being posted almost instantaneously as Missoula was once again found to be woefully inadequate for the task and shamefully returns to Montana without the belt they created.

	TEAM CANAHO		TEAM MISSOULA	
Event	Player	Pts	Player	Pts
MD1	Steph/Don	0	Vincent/Ted	2
MD2	Maik/Glen	0	Alex/Jameel	2
MD3	Sandy/Rebecca	2	GP/Mark	0
MS1	Stephen	0	Vincent	2
MS2	Maik	2	Ted	1
MS3	Glen	2	GP	0
WD1	Kathy/Anne	0	Hiroko/Steph	2
XD1	Maik/Rebecca	0	Vincent/Hiroko	2
XD2	Glenn/Anne	2	Alex/Wai Fong	1
XD3	Steph/Kathy	1	GP/Hiroko	2
		9		14

All jabbing aside, a great time was had by all again with some awesome and good hearted “smack” going back and forth during the whole event. We were also absolutely blessed with a clean slate of no injuries (at least any that people would admit anyway) even with a whole lot of sweating going on. As it was with previous “Smackdowns” there were also festivities beyond Badminton to foster that bond that can only be formed over a “brew” and a 16 lb. ball rolling down a gutter to the chorus of

laughter and “smacks”. This time the festivities followed the Badminton and actually were a pretty good way to go. The schedule this time was as follows: Badminton, Dinner and Bowling. This allowed folks to really just relax, have fun and recover for the trip home on Sunday.



Team Canaho

Pictured from L-R are:
 Standing: Stephen, Maik, Glen, Anne, Don
 Kneeling: Sandy, Rebecca, Kathy



Team Missoula

Pictured from L-R are:
 Jayden (baby) Vincent, Wai Fong, Stephanie, GP, Ted (kneeling),
 Hiroko, Alex, Mark, and Jameel



Team Spokane

Pictured from L-R are:
 Standing: Ping Ping, Duanning, Kris, Swanee, Eric, Julie
 Kneeling: Ted, Ben, Jack, Nick and (missing) Jette.



