

## **Thank you notes**

The 2009 Washington State Games Badminton Tournament went smoothly over the weekend 6/26 – 6/28. There were over 150 players participated in this year's tournament at Bellevue Badminton Club.

Thanks to the continue support of players from Vancouver/BC, there're new faces that came to the tournament. It is through good competition that we can all improve and promote the sport of badminton in our region.

We offered the online entry option on [tournamentsoftware.com](http://tournamentsoftware.com). It turned out to be a great option for the out of town players. Hopefully, this will make it much easier for our out of town players in all our future tournaments. Results are posted on [www.tournamentsoftware.com](http://www.tournamentsoftware.com) as well.

Some photos taken during the tournament are available:  
<http://www.flickr.com/photos/clintonc111/sets/72157620561982055/>

At times, it seems like we will never get done with all the matches with only 5 courts available at the club. Thanks to all the players' patience and cooperation that we were able to finish all our matches. Though Friday night went a little late for some of you, please accept my sincere apology. The good news is that the Club is expanding with the addition of 5 more courts next door in July. Hopefully, we can take advantage of the expansion in our future tournament.

Many thanks to all the volunteers (or being volunteered) who helped out throughout the tournament, without your help, the tournament would not be successful.

Special thanks to my tournament co-director – Katherine Ip who guided and checked with me every steps of the way to make sure the tournament is a success.

Hope to see you again next year!

Just to name a few of the helpers:

Entry – Katherine Ip

Finance - Helen Roome

Umpire – Katherine Ip, Patrick Ip

Score Update – Christine Chen, Rochelle Ng

Registration - Melissa Tang, Doris Ng

Announcer – James Lau, Clinton Chen, Vicky Chen, Rochelle Ng

Tournament Software - Katherine Ip

Tournament Desk - Patrick Ip, Clinton Chen, James Lau

Food/Snack – Grace Yuen, Pauline Lo

Regards,  
James Lau