!! $5000 prize money !!
BB&T presents:
National Capital Open

USAB (1 Star) Ranking Tournament
Hosted by the Badminton Clubs of UM and DC
North Gym (HHP; #255), University of Maryland, College Park, MD
January 11-13, 2008

Events:  A/B, C/D, and S (seniors, 40+) level in all Singles, Doubles and Mixed events (with sufficient entries). $5000 prize money in A's and trophies in all other events. All events will have consolation events. All events will be played in the new 21-rally scoring system. Seniors must be 40 as of January 11, 2008. The size of entries may be limited if the tournament is over-subscribed, at the discretion of the tournament committee. This will be posted on the website.

Entry fees: $25 for the first event, $20 for each additional. USAB membership required (forms available via web entry form and at the tournament registration desk). Each entry comes with a free DC Open t-shirt!


Tentative schedule  (check website for final schedule):

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<td>Men Singles (A,C) through quarter-finals</td>
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<td>semi-finals, singles (A-D) followed by doubles</td>
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Be sure to call the tournament desk at 202-309-3638 (Diane) if you are running late!

Website:  http://www.astro.umd.edu/badminton/dcopen
ENTRY FORM: !!! deadline December 31 !!!
(electronic entry at http://www.astro.umd.edu/badminton/dcopen preferred)

First name:_________________ Last Name:_________________ Sex: m/f
Address:_____________________________ USAB #: __________
City:_______________ State/Zip:__________ Club (opt): __________
Phone:___________ Email:___________________ t-shirt size: S/M/L/XL

Select up to 3 entries from Singles/Doubles/mixed event and A/C/S level:

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<tr>
<th>Entry #</th>
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Note: players may not enter in A and C draws of the same event!
your entry is not valid until your partner has also registered!

Fees:
First events: $25
Additional events: $__ ($20 per extra event)
USAB fees: $__ ($20 juniors, $25 tournament only, $30 full)

TOTAL FEES: $_______

Release and Covenant not to Sue: By signing this entry form, I agree to waive any and all claims which may arise from my participation in the National Capital Open. In consideration to participate in this competition, I, the person named below, release and discharge the USAB, BB&T, HL Corporation, National Capital Open, Badminton Club at UM, DC Badminton Club and the University of Maryland, their employees, agents, officers, members, heirs, assigns, executors, and administrators and any and all participants in this event harmless for any bodily injury to myself or others, or for damage to, or loss, of my property incurred during the course of the National Capital Open.

I have read this agreement, understand its purpose and agree to its terms.

Signed: ________________________________ Date: ______________
Parent/Guardian: (if participant is a minor): ______________________ Date: ______________

Send this form, with a check payment, to guarantee your slot in the DC Open to be received before December 31 at:

Elizabeth Jensen - 11818 Snow Patch Way - Columbia, MD 21044.
Make checks out to: University of Maryland Badminton Club

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Additional Information:

**Updates:** We will send e-mail updates several times preceding the tournament concerning starting times, potential weather problems etc. It is thus important we can contact you via email, so please include your e-mail address on the entry if you have one.

**Directions:** Take exit 27 or 25 from I95/I495 (Washington Beltway) south onto US Rt. 1 towards College Park. After about 1 mile, take Rt. 193 West, a right exit just before the 193 overpass. You are on University Blvd now, going west. Go through one traffic light, make a U-turn at the next traffic light, the Arena (Terrapin Trail) Parking Garage will then be the first exit on your right hand side. Use the pedestrian walkway to walk straight towards the gym. The North Gym (HHP) is the huge building on your left, ERC is a newer gym on your right. We are on the 2nd (top) floor of the North Gym, right above when you enter the building from parking lot SS1. You can also enter campus proper and find parking on your own, but carefully obey the posted parking rules. Most meters on Friday are enforced until 10pm, and parking rules are aggressively enforced. Parking lot DD is fairly close to the gym, and is free Friday’s after 4pm.

**Hotel:** We have a special University discount at the nearby Best Western Hotel for National Capital Open participants for about $70/night. The hotel also offers a free shuttle to campus, and has complimentary breakfast and internet. Call 1-800-442-1644 to reserve. Address: 8601 Baltimore Blvd, College Park, MD 20740.

**Airports:** There are 3 airports within 45 mins of College Park: **BWI** (25 mins, both Southwest and Airtran have a hub here), **DCA** (35 mins) and **IAD** (45 mins, JetBlue has a hub here). They all have public transportation to College Park, though only **DCA** is directly on Metro, where from **BWI** and **IAD** you will have to take a connecting airport express-bus (also run by Metro) to Metro (pricing appr. $5), or use taxi or SuperShuttle (pricing $25-$70).

**Umpire clinic:** On Friday night Ikuko Mukai might organize an umpire clinic. Students will practice their new skills during this tournament. News on this will be on the website. Contact Ikuko at mukaii@mail.nih.gov directly if you would like more information.

**USAB membership:** Participants must be current members of the USAB, bring your membership card to the registration desk. New membership forms will be available, with the following options:

- Regular membership (22 and over) = $30/80/125 for 1/3/5 yrs
- Junior membership (21 and under) = $20/50/75 for 1/3/5 yrs
- Family membership = $65/145/230 for 1/3/5 yrs
- Life membership = $750 (in 5 installments of $150)
- Tournament only = $25 for 1 yr