Camosun women's volleyball contingent headed for Canada Games

Canada Summer Games, August 2-9

Four members of the Camosun College Chargers women's volleyball program have joined forces with BC's best U20 athletes to compete for top honours at this year's Canada Summer Games, August 2-9 in Sherbrooke, Quebec.

Heading up the 20U Team BC Women's Volleyball Canada Games squad is Chargers Women's Volleyball Head Coach **Chris Dahl** who will be making his second trip to the Games after coaching the men at the 2009 Canada Games in PEI where the squad won Bronze. Coach Dahl has been a coach within the Team BC program for a number of years and has participated in a variety of capacities from head coach, co-head coach to assistant.

Entering her third year with the Chargers this Fall, veteran middle **Morgan Marshall** was named to the 20U Team BC Women's Volleyball squad in June and was selected as one of 12 athletes who will represent the province at the Canada Games, and the upcoming USA Volleyball High Performance Championships in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida (July 23-27).

"Being a part of the Canada Games program is a great achievement for athletes from any program," comments Coach Dahl who has attracted a significant number of current and former provincial team athletes to the program over his three short years at Camosun. "Morgan is doing great things as a high performance athlete both on and off the court and I look forward to working with her in a different environment as the team travels across the continent and competes internationally and ultimately for Canada's top honour."

Coach Dahl will oversee two assistant coaches, Becki Kosinski (assistant coach with the UBC Okanagan Heat women's volleyball program and head coach with the Volleyball Canada Centre of Excellence programs in the Okanagan) and former Camosun Chargers men's volleyball student-athlete **Chris Abra** who continues to work with the Chargers as he heads into his third season as an assistant coach with the women's volleyball program. Abra is active with Volleyball Canada's Centre of Excellence in Victoria and the South Island Volleyball Association leagues and youth development programs.

An additional member of the Chargers women's volleyball program will be working behind the scenes to help the team achieve its goals at the Games. **Jarret Poitras**, who approaches his fourth year as assistant coach of the Chargers women's volleyball team, is part of this year's TEAM BC mission staff.

"Jarret's role is to ensure that our Games experience and ability to compete at the highest level is achievable," comments Coach Dahl. "As is the case with many organizations, there are numerous bodies working tirelessly in the background so that others can succeed."

For news and results from the Canada Games, go to:

Website: http://www.jeuxducanada2013.ca/en/games-mobile-app-now-available/

Live Events Stream: http://www.canadagames.tv/

Mobile App: http://www.jeuxducanada2013.ca/en/games-mobile-app-now-available/

USA Volleyball High Performance Championships, July 23-27

This weekend, Coach Dahl and the 20U program travel to Ft Lauderdale, Florida to the USA Volleyball High Performance Championships where the squad will meet Junior National teams from the USA, New Zealand, Chile,

and Puerto Rico in the hunt for Gold. The tournament, which is one of USA Volleyball's flagship events, will take place over 5 days from July 23-27.

Find more information on the USA Volleyball HPC including the schedule, results and live streaming at: http://www.teamusa.org/USA-Volleyball/High-Performance/Indoor/HP-Championships/2013-HPCs

At the conclusion of the tournament, the program will remain in Florida and travel to Orlando to train at the University of Central Florida before returning to Canada for the Games in Sherbrooke. Notably, UCF is the current home of Chargers alum Loren Cory (Australia) who played for Camosun during the 2010-11 season.

Chargers Girls' Volleyball Camp, August 26-30

Following a summer of training, competing and reconnecting with old friends, Coach Dahl and the Chargers will be set to run the Annual **Chargers Girls' Volleyball Camp (ages 12-18)**, **August 26-30** at the Pacific Institute for Sport Excellence in Victoria.

"The 2013 Camosun Chargers Girls' Volleyball Camp is coached by the Chargers coaching staff and the 2013-14 edition of the Chargers," says Coach Dahl. "Current and former Team BC athletes like Morgan Marshall will be there in addition to returning Chargers Hilary Graham (PACWEST All-Star), Erika Morris (Team BC 2010-12) and new Chargers Alex Cloutier (Parksville), Kaelyn Parmelee (Vernon) and Erika Sheen (Lethbridge).

Information on the camp can be found here: http://piseworld.com/camps/

Camosun wishes the best of luck to the Chargers and Team BC in all their upcoming endeavors!

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