

O. D. B. A. 1935 - 1936

Players taking part in the District Championships had plenty to talk about on the side. In the middle of the event King George V passed away to be succeeded by Edward VIII. Just three days earlier, a prince of the prose also passed into history with the death of Rudyard Kipling on Jan. 18/36. The Winter Olympics were conducted in Garmisch, Germany where Sonja Hennie won her third consecutive Gold medal in Ladies Singles, a feat never since repeated.

THE DISTRICT

The Districts dominance on the provincial and national levels were starting to wane as a changing of the guard was beginning to take place. Ruth and Marg Robertson and Bev. Mitchell had a monopoly on the District teams for half a decade, but their hold was weakening. The Rideau B.C. made tremendous inroads at the District Championships. On the down side, Capital B.C. lost its' facility to an indoor tennis operation and failed to finish the year.

The challenge cup scene was still quite active and this year saw trusteeship of the Journal Cup come under the jurisdiction of the District. Previous to this trusteeship of the trophy fell under the control of whichever club had won it last. The Rideau B.C. again challenged BCO for the Journal Cup. Once again BCO reigned supreme winning 9 to 6 in match play.

The Hodgson Cup, a challenge competition for women's singles and doubles, was dominated by BCO from 1929 to 1934. In the fall of 1935, the Montreal Ladies Badminton and Tennis Club managed to break the string. Its' ownership was short lived as BCO challenge and regained the cup in early 1936.

Competition for the (Cairine) Wilson Cup, for ladies' doubles was won by BCO over teams from Rideau BC, St. George's BC and the YWCA.

There is also a report of league competitions taking place between clubs in the lower Ottawa and St. Lawrence region. Hawkesbury B.C. took first place and Hudson Quebec took second at the finals of a league event played in Dorian, Quebec. While not mentioned, it is believe this league also included clubs in Cornwall and Brockville as well as Ogdensburg and Messena, New York.

THE PROVINCIAL SCENE

There is not a great deal of information from the provincial level for this year. We do know that W.L. Keenan of Ottawa was elected as OBA President and E.C. Forrest as Secretary.

Ottawa results from the O.B.A. Championships:

Event	Winner	Runner Up	Score
LS	Ruth Robertson (Ott.)	Mrs. W.R. Walton (Tor.)	not available
LD	Isabel Bryson (Ott.) Betty Snell (Ott.)	Ruth Robertson (Ott.) Marg Robertson (Ott.)	not available

THE NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SCENE

The AGM and Championships of CBA took place in Winnipeg Mar. 6 - 9/36. Mr. W.N. Keenan of Ottawa was elected President of the national association, which was very much involved during this season with efforts to organize an United States Badminton Association.

Ottawa results at National Championships:

Event	Winner	Runner Up	Score
LD	Ruth Robertson (Ott.)	Isobel Bryson (Ott.)	15- 10, 15- 11
	Marg Robertson (Ott.)	Betty Snell (Ott.)	
XD	Anna Kier-Patrick (Van.)	Ruth Robertson	15- 12, 15- 12
	Dick Birch (Van.)	Bev Mitchell (Ott.)	

Note: Robertson sisters were the only champions to retain the titles.

DISTRICT DATA 1935 - 36

District Executive:

President - E.C. Forrest

Vice-President - Maj. H.D. Rolland

Hon. Secretary/Treasurer - W.F. Lothian

Executive Committee:

C.M. Cleary

W.E. Dexter

A.J. Gibbard

J.A. Lloyd

W.J. Roe

N. Wainwright Cleary (Auditor)

Member Clubs:

Badminton Club of Ottawa

Rideau B.C.

Garrison B.C.

Naval Ordnance B.C.

Smiths Falls B.C.

Renfrew Militia B.C.

Church League

Number of Clubs - 7

Membership - 914

Other clubs mentioned included National Defence BC, Britannia Hts. BC, Treasury BC. and Brockville Rifles BC. Almonte BC was in operation with a membership of 25.

District Championships:

Tournament was held at both BCO and Rideau B.C. Jan. 21 - 25/36 with the finals at the Rideau facility. Entry fee for the 250 entries was 50 cents per event with birds provided.

The Senior Men's Doubles was re installed.

Event	Winner	Runner Up	Score
MS	Earl O'Halloran (Rid.)	Jack Belcher (Rid.)	15- 10, 15- 12
LS	Ruth Robertson (BCO)	Marg Robertson (BCO)	11- 6, 11- 2
MD	Jack Belcher (Rid.)	Bev Mitchell (BCO)	15- 8, 15- 7
	Paul Blais (Rid.)	F. Len Turner (BCO)	
LD	Isobel Bryson (BCO)	Ruth Robertson	15- 9, 18- 17
	Betty Snell (BCO)	Marg Robertson	
XD	Leonora Welch (Rid.)	Ruth Robertson	15- 0, 6- 15, 18- 15
	Jack Belcher	Bev Mitchell	
SMD	W.N. Keenan (Rid.)	J.G. Dunlop (Rid.)	N / A
	Jack Purcell (Rid.)	E.D. Hendrie (Rid.)	
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XD	Norma Hall (BCO)		
	A. Crombie McNeil (BCO)		

District Junior Championships:

Held Dec. 26 - 30, 1935 at the Rideau B.C.

Event	Winner	Runner Up	Score
MS	Lawrence Purvis (Rid.)	Robert Morgan (Rid.)	15- 13, 15- 5
LS	Lois MacDonald (Rid.)	Doreen Graham (Rid.)	11- 10, 11- 8
MD	Leslie Hodgins (Rid.)	Lawrence Purvis	15- 12, 15- 8
	Robert Graham (Rid.)	Stanley Steene (Rid.)	
LD	Doreen Graham	June McCann (Rid.)	15- 3, 8- 15, 18- 13
	Shirley Geldert (Rid.)	Lois MacDonald	
XD	June McCann	Lois MacDonald	15- 10, 15- 12
	Lawrence Purvis	Robert Morgan	

District "B" League:

Winner - Rideau B.C. (Gold)

Runner Up - Rideau B.C. (Purple)

Other participants:.

Badminton Club of Ottawa (Red)

Badminton Club of Ottawa (Blue)

Garrison BC

Renfrew Militia BC

Naval-Ordnance BC

Church League

St. George's BC

Church League:

Winner	- St. George's	- 28 pts
Runner Up	- Bell	- 25
3rd Place	- All Saints	- 23
	- Dominion	- 23
	- Unitarian	- 18
	- St. James	- 4