

2020 Canadian Women's Team Championships

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Over the long weekend, Nicole Bunyan (1), Grace Thomas (2) and Lindsay Seginson (3) arrived in Gatineau, Quebec to compete at the 2020 Canadian Team Champs.

The tournament was put on by Maxym Leclair and Squash Outaouais at La Sportheque in Gatineau. Ten teams from around the country participated. Going into the tournament, Team BC was seeded #3.

On Friday, we had matches against Manitoba, Quebec B, and the Canadian Armed Forces. We came out on top with 3-0 wins against all three opponents. On Saturday, we faced off against Alberta for a place in the finals. The order of play was 3, 1, 2. Lindsay was up first against opponent Sarah Hall. Lindsay managed to come back from being down 2-0, to clinch a 12-10 win in the fifth! Nicole was up next, playing fellow PSA member Danielle Letourneau. Nicole couldn't quite get the edge on Danielle and lost a close 3-0 match. In the final match of the day, Grace played Jana Dweek, the #1 ranked U17 junior in Alberta. Grace played well and came out on top with a 3-1 win. With a team score of 2-1 over Alberta, BC moved into the finals on Sunday against Ontario.

The order of play on Sunday was 2, 1, 3. Up first against Team Ontario was Grace. She played Molly Chadwick, a recent Junior Team Canada member, who participated in the 2019 World Junior Championships. Grace came out firing and managed to hold off the feisty junior with a 3-0 win. Next up was Nicole, against fellow Team Canada and PSA member, Hollie Naughton. Nicole played well and had many good opportunities but couldn't squeeze a win out of Hollie. In the final match of the day, pressure was on the position 3's as the team scores were tied 1-1. Lindsay was up against junior Iman Shahin. Lindsay played well, but Iman was relentless, getting every shot back. Lindsey lost a close 3-0 match.

Team BC wins silver! We beat our seed and 3rd place finish of 2019. We all agreed it was a fun weekend at the courts and we even got some time to check out the parliament buildings and see the Ottawa Senators win in overtime!