

## 2006 Participation and Results.

The Singapore Sports School went to Brisbane to compete in the 3 tournaments; the Australia International, Australia U19 tournament and the Pan Pacific Invitational.

The players perform very well and did the school very proud. The team was made up of 15 and 16 yrs old and was competing in Open category and U19 category. It was very tough for them, many had to play at least 10 matches each day. By the end of the competition, they would have played more than 20 matches throughout the tournament.

The results for the U19 Australia competition:

Name(s)	Event	Position
Thng Ting Ting	U19 Ladies Singles	2nd
Chen Guorui	U19 Men Singles	1st
Jeffrey Wong	U19 Men Singles	3rd
Mok Jing Qiong/Thng Ting Ting	U19 Ladies Doubles	2nd
Chen Guorui/Jeffrey Wong	U19 Men Doubles	1st
Valerie Wang/Jeffrey Wong	U19 Mixed Doubles	3rd
Thng Ting Ting/Chen Guorui	U19 Mixed Doubles	1st

Some highlighted results for the Australia International:

Name(s)	Event	Position
Chen Guorui	Men Singles	Top 16
Thng Ting Ting	Ladies Singles	Q-finalist
Mok Jing Qiong	Ladies Singles	Top 16
Samantha Neo	Ladies Singles	Top 16
Thng Ting Ting/Mok Jing Qiong	Ladies Doubles	Top 16

In the Pan Pacific Invitational, the Singapore team emerged 2nd overall. We managed to beat Australia Green and New Zealand. We put up a good fight but eventually we lost to Australia Gold 4-7 in the finals.

It was a tough tournament and the players had a wonderful experience. We look forward towards the competition again next year which will be held in New Zealand.

We had another group of players who competed in the Cheers Age Group Finals. Overall the players did well and many managed to perform to expectations. Here are some of the outstanding results:

Name(s)	Event	Position
Tan Kia Hwee/Koh Jiayi	U15 Boys Doubles	Q-finalist
Foo Yong Sheng/Gabriel Teo	U15 Boys Doubles	S-finalist
Cherie Cheong/Toh Siew Fen	U15 Girls Doubles	Q-finalist
Noriko Goh/Tan Weihan	U15 Girls Doubles	S-finalist
Aisyah Latib/Cheong Huimin	U15 Girls Doubles	S-finalist
Wang Ding Kang/Aloysius Tan	U17 Boys Doubles	Q-finalist
Shawn Tan/Lenny Tan	U17 Boys Doubles	S-finalist
Zhou Linglin/Rosie	Women Doubles	S-finalist

The badminton academy is now preparing for the up and coming King's Cup in Bangkok, Thailand. Let's hope that we can produce some good results there. We have 20 representative for the competition.

## Older News

It has been a long season for the badminton academy. In the individual Inter School Badminton tournament, we did reasonably well. We made it to 4 finals. We had players playing for the U14 girls singles, U14 girls doubles, U18 boys doubles and U18 girls doubles.

In the end, Noriko managed to clinch the U14 girl's singles title. The others came up second best. They all played well and were underdogs before the finals began. Our coaches were pleased with their performances as they all performed to their best ability.

Tan Kia Hwee was 3rd in the U14 boys singles, and together with Koh Jiayi, they were also 3rd in the U14 boys doubles.

In summary, our players did well despite the tough challenges in the school scene. Many players can still participate in the same competition the following year and we are looking forward to doing well in the same tournament next year.

Summary of the achievements in the Inter School individual Championships:

<b>Name(s)</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Position</b>
Noriko Goh	U14 Girls' Singles	1st
Noriko Goh/Cherie Cheong	U14 Girls' Doubles	2nd
Thng Ting Ting/Mok Jing Qiong	U18 Girls' Doubles	2nd
Chen Guorui/Jeffrey Wong	U18 Boys' Doubles	2nd
Tan Kia Hwee	U14 Boys' Singles	3rd
Tan Kia Hwee/Koh Jiayi	U14 Boys' Doubles	3rd

In the Inter School competition, our B division boys and girls team got into the finals. Our boys were up against Montfort Sec Sch, and the girls were up against RGS. The boys lost narrowly despite leading twice. We were 1-0 up after the 1st singles and 2-1 up again after the 2nd singles.

We were unable to clinch the 3rd point to win the tournament. It was a pity as we were looking forward to beating Montfort in the finals. Our players were all fired up for the title. We were just 1 step closer to winning the title. To the credit of our players, they all played well and our coach was very pleased with their performance.

The girls did a reversal coming from behind to win the title from RGS. The girls were trailing 1-2 before winning 2 consecutive points to beat RGS 3-2. RGS made it tough for us and credit must go to our girls for the strong fighting spirit. They fought hard to finish strong and did the school proud.

The badminton academy would like to thank the entire supporter who cheer us on and also all the supporters who supported us in spirit. We hope to do much better in the coming Cheers Age Group in June 2006. We will be fielding a strong line up to compete for glory in the coming Age Group Tournament.