



# Ontario DanceSport

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## ODS President's Message



August, 2015

Dear ODS members,

The following is the ODS board of directors for the year 2015/2016:

### **Executive:**

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| Gordon Brittain      | President                          |
| Kam Young            | Vice President                     |
| Dave Winn            | Treasurer                          |
| Rosita Young         | Secretary                          |
| Henri List           | Membership Director                |
| Margaret Law         | Publicity and Sponsorship Director |
| Cathy Penalagan      | Southern Ontario Representative    |
| Christine Young      | Social Media Director              |
| Candy Leung/Nixon Wu | Directors/Webmasters               |
| Allen Torreneuva     | Director                           |

ODS is very fortunate to have a very talented and cohesive executive board.

### **Competition Results**

On February 21st, ODS ran the Ontario Closed Championship, which was our qualifier for the CCC 2015.

#### **Our Ontario Champions are as follows:**

Adult Standard, Latin & Ten Dance -Anton Belyayev & Antoaneta Popova  
Youth Standard – Michael Krot & Nicole Vujanic  
Youth Latin – Idan Daich & Sanna Averbuch  
Junior Standard & Latin – Anton LoRi & Rumi Dolmaya  
Senior I Standard – Horace Hu & Agnes Yuan  
Senior I Latin & Senior II Latin – Sunny So & Margo Slota  
Senior II Standard – Horace Hu & Agnes Yuan  
Senior III Standard – Kam Young & Rosita Young  
Senior IV Standard – Kim & Edith Lam

Here are the 2015 Canadian Closed Champions and second place winners from Ontario, from the 2015 CCC in Calgary, AB.

### **The 2015 Canadian Closed Champions & second place winners from Ontario:**

#### **Junior Championship Latin**

1. Anton LoRi & Rumi Dolmaya, ON

#### **Junior Championship Standard**

1. Anton LoRi & Rumi Dolmaya, ON

#### **Junior Championship Ten Dance**

1. Anton LoRi & Rumi Dolmaya , ON

#### **Youth Championship Latin**

1. Idan Daich & Sanna Averbuch, ON  
2. Michael Krot & Nicole Vujanic, ON

#### **Youth Championship Standard**

1. Michael Krot & Nicole Vujanic, ON



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2. Jonatan Kamenetsky & Anastasia LoRi, ON

## Youth Championship Ten Dance

1. Michael Krot & Nicole Vujanic, ON

## Adult Championship Standard

1. Anton Belyayev & Antoaneta Popova, ON

2. Winson Tam & Anastasia Novikova, ON

## Adult Championship Latin

1. Anton Belyayev & Antoaneta Popova, ON

2. Winson Tam & Anastasia Novikova, ON

## Adult Championship Ten Dance

1. Anton Belyayev & Antoaneta Popova, ON

2. Winson Tam & Anastasia Novikova, ON

## Senior I Championship Standard

1. Horace Hu & Agnes Yuan, ON

## Senior II Championship Standard

1. Horace Hu & Agnes Yuan, ON

2. Stanislav Tereschenko & Elina Katsman, ON

## Senior II Championship Ten Dance

2. Richard Stahl & Francine Poissant, ON

## Senior III Championship Standard

1. Stephen Ko & Barbara Ko, ON

## Senior IV Championship Standard

1. Stephen Ko & Barbara Ko, ON

Congratulations to all our ODS athletes who competed at the 2015 CCC but especially those that will represent ODS and CDS at the WDSF Worlds!

## 2014/2015 WDSF World Championships

ODS has been fortunate in having many different couples represent CDS/ODS at different WDSF World Championships, this past dance season, and we have been very excited and proud of these new representations.

**Congratulations** go out to the following notable results from our ODS athletes:

### Youth

2014 World Championship Latin, Moscow

- 16/68 Jacob Korenev & Dayana Nikon

### Under 21

2014 World Championship Latin, Calvia, Spain

- **2<sup>nd</sup>** out of 63 couples Winson Tam & Anastasia Novikova

2014 World Championship Ten Dance, Vancouver

- **1<sup>st</sup>** out of 21 couples Winson Tam & Anastasia Novikova

2015 World Championship Latin Chisineau, Moldova

**2<sup>nd</sup>** out of 80 couples Winson Tam & Anastasia Novikova

### Adult

2014 World Championship Latin, Ostrava, Czech Republic

- 17/83 Anton Belyayev & Antoaneta Popova



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2014 World Championship Ten Dance, Riga, Latvia  
- 5<sup>th</sup> out of 33 couples Anton Belyayev & Antoaneta Popova

2014 World Championship Standard, Vienna, Austria  
- 9/80 Patrick Rucinski & Ella Nusenbaum  
- 26/80 Anton Belyayev & Antoaneta Popova

2014 World Championship Show Dance Standard, Chengdu, China  
- 5<sup>th</sup> out of 13 couples Anton Belyayev & Antoaneta Popova

2014 World Cup Standard, Chengdu, China  
- 5<sup>th</sup> out of 22 couples Anton Belyayev & Antoaneta Popova

## Senior I

2014 World Championship Standard, Rimini, Italy  
- 16/48 Horace Fenghau Hu & Agnes Xiaoguang Yuan

## Senior II

2014 World Championship Standard, Vancouver  
- 8/52 Horace Fenghau Hu & Agnes Xiaoguang Yuan  
- 10/52 Stanislav Tereshchenko & Elina Katsman  
- 16/52 Richard Stahl & Francine Poissant

2015 World Championship Standard, Rimini, Italy  
5<sup>th</sup> out of 237 couples Horace Fenghau Hu & Agnes Xiaoguang Yuan

## Senior IV

2015 World Championship Standard, Netherlands  
- 13 out of 127 couples Stephen Ko & Barbara Ko

## Competitions – 2014/2015 ODS Recognized Competitions:

This year we have sanctioned the following events, three of which ODS produces:

On November 8, 2014, ODS executive organized & ran the **Ontario Open DanceSport Championships** at the Thornhill Community Centre, in Thornhill, Ontario. This event was the first hosted by ODS at this venue and it was well-attended.

On February 1, 2015, Igor & Elena Nikon hosted their second annual **Open Winter Ball**, presented by his Studio, DanceMania. This year it included the following WDSF events, WDSF Open Junior Standard & Latin, WDSF Open Youth standard & Latin, WDSF Open Under 21 Standard & Latin, WDSF Open Adult Standard & Latin, WDSF Open Senior 1 Standard & Latin, WDSF Open Senior II Standard & Latin and WDSF Open Senior III standard. As well as all the other syllabus events. Igor had many young competitors entered into all categories, as well as show dances by various dance studios in the Toronto area. Because it was also a WDSF event he had judges from Ontario, USA, Quebec, Slovenia and Israel.

On February 21, 2015, the annual **Ontario Closed Championships** was held at the International Plaza Hotel, in Toronto, organized by the ODS executive. Even though we had a major snow storm, the event was a complete sell out and all competitors, as well as spectators loved this venue. This event is ODS's official qualifier for the 2015 CCC in Calgary, Alberta.

On Sunday, May 24, 2015, Ontario DanceSport, (ODS), ran its third annual **Champions of Tomorrow** at the West Way Club, in Toronto. This is a competition that is for Newcomers to Pre-Championship level dancers. This year, at the request of some Senior Championship level dancers requested that I put on a Senior Open and they would all attend, because of the 3 outside judging panel of Fabio Bosco, (Italy) Glen Weiss (USA) and Yelena Vesnovskaya, (USA), who they wanted to dance in front of. I granted their request and put this event on but unfortunately not only did they not enter to dance at it but even decided to not even come as spectators to support it. The judges noticed their absence and voiced their opinion to me how disappointed they were with these seniors. Even the ones who requested me to put this event on didn't dance in it. Needless to say we had no



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Ontario Seniors in it but did have two from Quebec and one from Spain. The Champions of Tomorrow was again well-attended and we received many welcome congratulations from those in attendance as this is something that many of the couples wanted to see in our area.

On **June 7, 2015**, Igor & Elena Nikon hosted their **first Toronto Grand Ball**, presented by his Studio, DanceMania. It was well attended and held Championship level and all syllabus events. Igor had many young competitors entered into all categories, as well as show dances by various dance studios in the Toronto area.

## Award of Distinction

This year's Award of Distinction was again awarded at the Ontario Closed Championships on February 21<sup>st</sup>. This year's well deserved recipients were Igor & Elena Nikon, who over the years have done a lot for DanceSport, in Ontario. They were very surprised and pleased recipients.

## 2016 Canadian Closed Amateur Championships – March 18 & 19, 2016

ODS will be hosting the 2016 Canadian Closed Amateur Championships to be held in Toronto, Ontario, March 18-19, 2016, and hope to have the full support of all of our competitors, as well as spectators. We are still looking for support from sponsors for various items ( medals, flowers, program, reception, gift bags etc) as an event of this nature is very costly. Any one who has a background organizing big events and are interested in being on the CCC organizing committee please contact me.

## ODS Scheduled Recognized Competitions (so far, more to follow)

1. 2015 Canadian Open Dancesport Championships, September 26, 2015, Featuring: WDSF events plus all syllabus events, Montreal
2. Ontario Open Championships, October 24, 2015 at Thornhill Community Centre
3. Blue Silver DanceSport Gala, November 15 ,2015 , West Way Club
4. Ontario Closed Championships, January 30, 2016 at Thornhill Community Centre
5. **60<sup>th</sup>** Canadian Closed Championships, March 18 & 19, 2016, International Plaza Hotel
6. 4<sup>th</sup> Champions of Tomorrow , May 15, 2016 (tentative date) West Way Club
7. Toronto Grand Ball, early June 2015, Sheraton Parkway Toronto North Hotel

## ODS Membership and why you should continue to have it.

1. An ODS membership gives you, (those 16 years and over), a democratic right to vote on motions, run for office on ODS Board, & elect the directors of ODS.
2. We are a **true non –profit sport organization** that's main goal is looking after its members that compete in the sport we all love, DanceSport.
3. ODS keeps a computer data file on all its members in which we keep results, & proof of age & citizenship.
4. ODS runs DanceSport competitions, sanctions other competitions using our competition rules & dress code
5. ODS writes letters of recommendation regarding visas, university, or citizenship
6. ODS sends our champions to the Canadian Closed Championships, which we will be hosting the **60<sup>th</sup> CCC** in Toronto on March 18 & 19, 2016. As mentioned previously this is the first time not on Easter Weekend. Join us on this very special Anniversary!
7. ODS and awards bursaries for WDSF Closed World reps for ODS members.
8. ODS is a true Sports association! ODS (formerly known as OADA) has done this work on your behalf as unpaid volunteers for almost 60 years.

Please remember to renew your ODS membership since ODS is “**Your Association**”.

I would like to thank the ODS executive for their dedication and hard work in working for DanceSport in Ontario this past year.



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ODS is still looking for a person experienced in computers to help with competition registration.

Reminder that the **Ontario Open Championship** will be held on October 24, 2015 at the Thornhill Community Centre.

Thank you to all our supporters and hope to see you soon at an ODS or CDS Recognized competition.

Respectively submitted,

Gord Brittain  
President of Ontario DanceSport