

Caledon Cougars under-15 girls bring home Provincial gold

It was an undefeated season for the Caledon Cougars U15 girls heading to London for provincials, where they successfully maintained the trend.

Their team is made up of eight returning players who have been part of the Cougar program since Grades 1 or 2, and four new players. They were rewarded with a ranking of first overall in Ontario after winning gold in Transway Hamilton tournament, Caledon Cougar Classic and being tops in ABS league.

The Cougars opened play over the weekend downing Stoney Creek's Newman Youth 48-38. The girls continued their winning ways the following morning with another win against Timmins Select 46-30. The team then rounded off pool play with a solid 53-34 victory over Sudbury Jam. The wins saw the team finish at the top of their pool and earned them a birth in the gold medal game. Sunday, the girls prevailed in a hotly-contested final battle with Mississauga.

As expected, the game was a nail-biter, with both teams swapping the lead several times in the first half. Cougars were ahead after the first quarter, but were behind after the second. After a strong half-time talk, the girls came out and dominated in both ends of the floor. The Cougars came home with a well-deserved gold medal in the top Division. They are the first Caledon Cougar team to win Division 1 gold.

The midget girls demonstrated their commitment to development, both individually and as a team, all season long. They persevered through injury and performed admirably in the face of adversity. Head coach Gord Everett congratulated the girls on a tremendously successful season.

The Caledon Cougars Basketball Association provides a range of programs for boys and girls, including house leagues, summer camps and rep teams.

For information, check out www.caledoncougars.ca, or call 416-540-2364.



The Caledon Cougars U15 girls' team consisted of (back) Aida Wilkalis, Shannon Brown, Jennah Golden, Andrea Dodig, Isabella Belvedere, Gord Everett, Victoria Colp, Giuliana Iaspaarro, Emma Grove, Alexander McGurk, (front) Jade Bailey, Makena McLean and Makayla Ennis. Photo submitted