

Juvenile and junior Stingrays spike seventh-place efforts

The York Region Stingrays juvenile and junior girls each served up seventh-place efforts when they took to the hardwood floor recently at two Ontario Volleyball Association events.

At the tier one Challenge Cup in Ottawa, the junior Stingrays gained a split against the Ottawa Roos in their first pool-play match and followed that with two-game sweeps over Forest City London and the Waterdown Raiders to advance to the playoffs.

After a 2-0 loss to the Ganaraska Wolves in their quarter-final match, the Stingrays went to the consolation bracket where they dropped a 2-0 decision to the Durham Attack.

Top attacker for the Stingrays was Ashley Jones, who tallied a 200 kill average.

Nicole Giberson, a call up from the midget squad, contributed three kills and three service aces.

At the tier one Challenge Cup in Newmarket, the juvenile Stingrays split a pair of pool-play contests against London Forest City B and the Durham Attack before falling 2-0 to the Peel Selects.

Forced into an elimination game against London Forest City B, the injury-riddled Stingrays prevailed in

two sets and advanced to the quarter-finals where they dropped a 2-1 decision to the Waterloo Tigers.

The loss placed the Stingrays in the consolation round where they suffered a 2-1 loss to London Forest City A in their semi-final match.

The Stingrays, however, concluded play with a three-game set win over the Scarborough Vipers to take seventh place.

Natalie Porosa and Christine Luibert combined for 91 assists during the tournament.

Jen Sartor hit three for three while Danielle Bablich hit .400 and Amy Mencke, .500 for the Stingrays in their elimination and quarter-final contests.



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