## Mandarin Badminton Welcomes World-Class Cathy Chau and New Expansion Plans

The Mandarin Badminton Club is thrilled to announce that world renowned badminton champion Cathy Chau and her partner Mak Hee Chun are the new spokespersons for the club. In addition to sponsoring this team, Mandarin Badminton is also expanding, adding 4 new courts and a state-of-the-art gym facility.

Cathy and Mak will represent Mandarin Badminton Club as they play in various international tournaments, displaying the club logo on their uniforms. Welcoming Cathy onboard is a huge honour and represents the world-class facility here in Markham. Cathy herself is raised in Toronto, before she left for

Asia where she was selected to play for the Hong Kong "national" team and climbed in the ranks. She is currently ranked by the Badminton World Federation within the top 25 best players in the world and broke into the top 6 ranking in 2014. At the Asia Badminton Championships, Cathy won the Gold Medal in 2014, Silver Medal in 2015 and 2017 and most of all the Bronze Medal in the 2017 World Championships. Among her many accolades and medals, it is of particular note that she won the Gold Medal in the Canada Open Grand Prix in 2015.

In Summer 2019, Mandarin Badminton Club's expansion will be unveiled. Four new badminton courts will be added, for a total of 10 courts, making it one of the largest badminton facilities in Ontario. In addition to the courts there will also be a world-class gym facility that is over 5000 square feet. The expansive facilities will have state-of-the-art equipment, cardio machines, weight machines and expansive change rooms. With additional courts to meet the demand, Mandarin Badminton is able to accept more students and is also adding more highly skilled coaches to add the roster of the highly accredited coaching team. Mandarin Badminton aims to continue promoting badminton as a competitive and spectator sport in Canada, already deemed as one of the best facilities in Canada, this expansion truly makes Mandarin Badminton a World-Class facility.

Cathy and Mak will host very special badminton camps at the world-class expanded facilities. This is a highly anticipated event and we are thrilled to have them come and coach and guide the players here at the club, as well as represent Mandarin Badminton internationally while playing. The camps are guaranteed to fill up quickly; more information will be released on the camps and the dates at a later date.

You can follow along with Cathy's journey and competitions on the Mandarin Badminton Club website and social media, where there will be pictures and updates from every tournament!

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