



Team BC rocked the lanes at the 2018 Special Olympics Canada Bowling Championships

Seventy-one members of <u>Special Olympics Team BC 2018</u> delivered excellent results at the <u>2018 Special Olympics Canada Bowling Championships</u>, which ran from May 15 to 19 in Prince Edward Island. Team BC 5-and 10-pin bowlers competed with skill and determination, earning 31 medals and achieving many personal bests.

The bowling contingent of Team BC 2018 is comprised of 56 athletes with intellectual disabilities, 12 coaches, and three mission staff members, representing 23 communities across British Columbia.

"Team BC bowlers trained hard for the Bowling Championships, and it was inspiring to see their work pay off," says Leslie Thornley, Team BC 2018 Chef de Mission. "Along with achieving an impressive medal count, they recorded many personal bests, made new friends from across the country, and created wonderful memories."

Team BC 2018 athletes from nine other sports will represent British Columbia at the <u>2018 Special Olympics</u> <u>Canada Summer Games</u> in Antigonish, Nova Scotia. This event will take place from July 31 to August 4 and will see athletes compete in athletics, basketball, bocce, golf, powerlifting, rhythmic gymnastics, soccer, softball, and swimming.

| Team BC medal count from the Bowling Championships | | | | |
|--|------|--------|--------|-------|
| | Gold | Silver | Bronze | Total |
| 5-pin bowling | 4 | 3 | 9 | 16 |
| 10-pin bowling | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 |
| TOTAL | 9 | 8 | 14 | 31 |

Team BC 2018 results, roster, photos, and videos: www.soteambc2018.ca

Read daily recaps of Team BC 2018 performances: www.specialolympics.bc.ca/news/Team%20BC%202018

About Special Olympics BC

Special Olympics BC is dedicated to enriching the lives of individuals with intellectual disabilities through sport. In 55 communities around the province, we provide year-round training and competitive opportunities in 18 different sports to more than 4,600 athletes of all ages and a wide range of abilities, thanks to the dedicated efforts of over 3,900 volunteers. For more information, please visit www.specialolympics.bc.ca and find us on Facebook and Instagram @specialolympicsbc and Twitter @sobcsociety.

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