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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Table tennis: Youth paddler Wong Xinru receives \$7.5k boost at STTA National Table Tennis Grand Finale tournament**

Wong Xinru (王歆茹), 17 years old, was made a recipient of the STTA Competition & Training (OTC) & STTA Youth Development Bursary. She received the funds from the Guest of Honour, Mr Alex Yam Ziming MP for Marsiling-Yew Tee GRC (Yew Tee) & STTA Deputy President at the STTA National Table Tennis Grand Finale tournament, which concluded today.

Among the STTA Competition & Training (OTC) fund's key objectives are to provide financial support to youth players to take part in overseas table tennis training or competitions. As for the STTA Youth Development Bursary, it is to provide financial assistance to talented young athletes to help defray the cost of training in the STTA youth development programmes.

Wong said, "I am very grateful to STTA for this financial support and this will allow me to stay focus on the sport as well as lessen the financial load off my family. I truly value this opportunity, and hope to be part of the National Team in the near future."

Wong is a member of the STTA Intermediate Squad and her achievements include winning the U18 singles championships at the local tournaments: SAFRA-STTA Table Tennis Championships and Dr Ng Eng Hen Cup-STTA Table Tennis Championships in year 2017. She also has two gold medals and 1 silver medal from the 23<sup>rd</sup> Southeast Asian Table Tennis Championships. In addition, Wong finished with 1 singles silver and 2 bronze doubles at today's STTA National Table Tennis Grand Finale tournament.

The National Table Tennis Grand Finale has attracted more than 300 entries. The National Grand Finale was first organized in the 1930s and it probably has the biggest following because it is soaked in history and tradition. There are a total of seven events, which include men's team, women's team, men's singles, women's singles, men's doubles, women's double and mixed doubles.

We are pleased to share the results for the tournament, as follow:

### **Men's Singles**

Position	Player
1 <sup>st</sup>	Gao Ning 高宁
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ethan Poh 傅绍峰
Joint 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Pang Xuejie 庞学杰
Joint 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Koen Pang 冯耀恩

### **Women's Singles**

Position	Player
1 <sup>st</sup>	Lin Ye 林叶
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wong Xinru 王歆茹
Joint 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Yu Mengyu 于梦雨
Joint 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Goi Ruixuan 魏睿萱

### **Men's Doubles**

Position	Players
1 <sup>st</sup>	Lucas Tan 陈俊/ Pang Xuejie 庞学杰
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ethan Poh 傅绍峰/ Tay Jit Kiat 郑日捷
Joint 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Koen Pang 冯耀恩/ Dominic Koh 许颂骏
Joint 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Gerald Yu 余宗骏/ Josh Chua 蔡劭恒

### **Women's Doubles**

Position	Players
1 <sup>st</sup>	Tan Enhui 陈恩慧/ Zhang Wanling 张苑玲
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Goi Rui Xuan 魏睿萱/ Pearlyn Koh 许凯欣
Joint 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Eunice Lim Zoe 林芷绮/ Wong Xinru 王歆茹
Joint 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Linda Zeng 曾子玥/ Monica Koh 许兢文

### Mixed Doubles

Position	Players
1 <sup>st</sup>	Pang Xuejie 庞学杰/ Zhang Wanling 张菀玲
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Gerald Yu 余宗骏/ Pearlyn Koh 许凯欣
Joint 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Koen Pang 冯耀恩/ Wong Xinru 王歆茹
Joint 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Tay Jit Kiat 郑日捷/ Ang Wanqi 洪婉绮

### Men's Team

Position	Players
1 <sup>st</sup>	Sunsports Team 6 (Song Min Hong 宋敏弘, Ethan Poh Shao Feng 傅绍峰, Gerald Yu Zong Jun 余宗骏, Tay Jit Kiat 郑日捷)
2 <sup>nd</sup>	SAFRA White (Gao Ning, Maxxe Tay, Lucas Tan, Daniel Wong Hong Wei)
Joint 3 <sup>rd</sup>	SAFRA Green (Pang Xuejie, Beh Kun Ting, Dominic Koh Song Jun, Goh Yi Long)
Joint 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Singapore Sports School (Pang Yew En Koen, Wong Yan Kai Andy, Chong Xin Le Nicholas, Zhai Yu)

### Women's Team

Position	Players
1 <sup>st</sup>	SAFRA 'A' (Zeng Jian 曾尖., Zhou Jingyi 周靖祎, Zhang Wanling 张菀玲, Eunice Lim Zoe 林芷绮)
2 <sup>nd</sup>	SAFRA 'Red' (Tan En Hui, Lu Hua Yu, Ang Wan Qi, Pearlyn Koh Kai Xin)
Joint 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sunsports Team 13 (Wong Xinru, Zermaine Nicole Lew, Dorothea BanYinyi, Goi Rui Xuan)
Joint 3 <sup>rd</sup>	NTU Hall 6 Team B (Ser Lin Qian, Lynel Chiang, Chan Lu Wen, Janissa Cheng)

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