

Class B and Class C Umpire seminars in British Columbia



Over two Sundays (October 16 and November 6) Mr. Rod Johnson and Mr. Chris Law presented Class C and Class B umpire seminars in Vancouver and Port Coquitlam. The seminar was sponsored by the ITF of B.C. and the CTFI. There were 31 participants between the two seminars. The comprehensive seminar covered all facets of Class C and Class B umpire duties and responsibilities. The seminar was based on the most recent updated ITF Official Rules of competition.



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This is difficult!



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The practical component consisted of umpire exercises for both patterns and sparring. Volunteers were asked to perform various patterns to allow the participants the opportunity to practice judging patterns based on the five criteria: technical content, power, balance, breath control, and rhythm. Following patterns students practiced judging sparring. To assist Class B registrants an additional 2 hours was added at the end of seminar to review centre ring umpire duties, hand signals and protocol. There was a written test for both Class C and Class B registrants. All students passed with flying colours. Between the two seminars seven students graduated to Class B and thirteen graduated to Class C umpires.

I am glad that I did not miss the umpire course. The information was easy to follow and digest and will be valuable at future tournaments. B Wong