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ITEMS OF INTEREST TO BOTH MEMBERS & NON-MEMBERS

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DO YOU KNOW ? / Savez-Vous ?

SCC Prize Fund Projection for Club-Run Open Actives

Y2K SCC Active Promotion Flyer

When SCC drafted its registration flyer for its first monthly active tournament in 2000, being the **Y2K** Active held January 22, 2000, it had to make a projection of what might be a reasonably expected prize fund. This is based on an optimistic, but realistic, estimate of the anticipated turnout. How did we do as futurists, using our figure of **50** players ? Let’s look at some actual information on this.

2 Year Statistical Average (1998 & 1999)

It is gratifying to find out from some statistical analysis of Toronto club-run actives in 1998 & 1999, that the SCC projection is reasonable to advertise and is dead-on ! The data is set out below :

Year(s)	<u>1998/1999</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>
Tournaments		1. SCC Bent Jenson Active 37	1. SCC January Active 51
		2. SCC March Active 34	2. SCC February Active 33
		3. SCC May Active 32	3. SCC April Active 28
		4. SCC November Active 61	4. SCC May Active 26
		5. SCC Xmas Active 57	5. SCC June Active 27
			6. SCC July Active 25
			7. DCC Active # 1 (Aug.) 35
			8. DCC Active # 2 (Sept.) 22
			9. DCC Active # 3 (Oct.) 30
			10. SCC November Active 31
			11. SCC December 51
Total Players	<u>580</u>	<u>221</u>	<u>359</u>
Av. No. of Players/Tourn.	36	44	33
Av. – 2 Largest Turn-outs	55 (4 Tourn.)	59	51

SCC therefore is using a figure that is slightly lower than the average of the 4 highest tournaments of 1998/1999. This is a modest decrease, but is reasonable considering the overall average turn-out. For advertising purposes, it appears SCC believes using a modified 4-highest tournament figure, encourages more players to attend, given a larger advertised prize fund than would be the case if only the much lower 2-year average was used. It is an optimistic figure, but is at the same time realistic in that such turn-outs have occurred at least twice per year in 1998 & 1999 (Of course, we all hope that participation in Toronto Club-Run Actives will increase beyond the last 2-year average in 2000).

SCC Y2K Active (January 22)

Turn-out - 28 players (the below average figure may be due to our being the 4th tourn. in 4 wks. : – active: Jan. 8; weekend : Dec. 26, 1999; Jan. 14, 2000). (Rev. 00/05/31)