

## Sport Aurora Breakfast of Champions Spotlight: Storm Vortex 15U girls capped a fantastic year winning both Provincial and National titles in 2014



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Practicing twice a week, as well as playing up in the older division, these young ladies progressed throughout the year.

There were many ups and downs, but in the end the team put it all together to play their best volleyball of the year when it mattered the most.

They were able to adapt to learning from three different coaches, all with unique styles. They had terrific parental support from the sidelines. Most of all they had ?heart? and ?desire?!

These were the key ingredients that lead to the girls winning both the Provincial and National Championships. At both championship tournaments they were very resilient and resourceful in each game and match.

At the provincial tournament they faced a rival team from Durham on the first day of competition and lost the match finishing second in their pool. The next day they went undefeated to set up a semifinal match against that same Durham team. This time they prevailed, drawing upon their defeat in their previous meeting. They then carried that momentum right into the final and won it two sets to one against a strong team from Halton.

At the National Championships in Sherbrooke, Quebec the girls put together a string of fantastic matches going undefeated throughout the tournament. They faced a rival team from Mississauga in the semifinal match that they lost to in their previous three meetings. They won a close match in three sets and then beat a Toronto team in the final to capture the Eastern National Championships.

A perfect ending to a perfect year!