

SOTX Area 10

2013 WSG RECAP

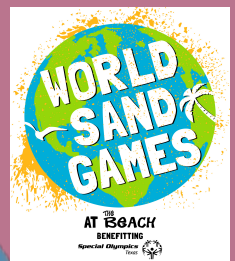
June 1, 2013 Inaugural World Sand Games



Can you “Dig It”? Special Olympics Texas held it’s inaugural World Sand Games fundraising tournament June 1 at The Beach in Craig Ranch. It was a great Texas day spent outdoors enjoying the sports of volleyball, bocce, and corn-hole while enjoying today’s hottest hits played by DJ Sneaky!

Forty-nine teams came from all over the Metroplex, including as far as Wichita Falls, to compete in 8 different divisions: Adult Competitive, Adult Recreational, Juniors 18u, Juniors 16u, Juniors 14u, Juniors 12u, BYOP™ and Special Olympics Unified Sports® division. This event was a great opportunity for Special Olympics Texas athletes to join the mainstream competition by playing in the Unified Sports division, which combines players with and without intellectual disabilities. This division promotes not only awareness about our Special Olympics programs but also inclusion in sports and society.

While the 49 teams competed for first place in their respective divisions, there was plenty of excitement and other activities for the spectators including arts and crafts, bocce and corn-hole.



2014 May 31 WSG at The Beach

We were also honored to welcome the Dallas Morning News, Grind over Matter Productions, and Chevy Hometown Kids! Check out the DMN [link](#) and be sure to look for the videos of the WSG from Grind over Matter Productions and Chevy Hometown Kids.

Congratulations to all 2013 WSG division winners including Team BYOP (BYOP™), Skyline Ro11 (12u), SWAT Team (14u), The Beach Chick's (16u), Team Camp (18u), BIGDig (Adult Rec), Special Olympics Texas Unified team the Smurf's, and our Adult Competitive Grand Champion Sorry for Party Blockin'! Special thanks goes to our 2013 WSG Presenting Sponsors Ashford Hospitality Trust and The Beach at Craig Ranch, our Silver Medal Sponsor TeamLeader, and Bronze Medal Swithplace, DJ Sneaky, and Herb's Body and Paint Shops.



Celebrating Unified Volleyball

Special Olympics Texas provides year-round sports training, competition and a variety of health and education programs for children and adults with intellectual disabilities. More than 6,500 Dallas area athletes from 18 counties compete in aquatics, athletics (track and field), basketball, bocce, bowling, cycling, equestrian, figure skating, flag football, golf, gymnastics, kayaking, powerlifting, softball, soccer, speed skating, table tennis, tennis and volleyball.

We thank everyone who participated and made our inaugural World Sand Games successful. Save the date! We look forward to welcoming back all our teams and gaining new ones on May 31, 2014, for the 2nd World Sand Games! Don't miss out on this outstanding event! See you on The Beach at Craig Ranch!



Thanks Special Olympics



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