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MEDIA RELEASE

THE CROCODILE CHALLENGE CUP- THE BEST COMPETITION PLATFORM FOR YOUNG LOCAL TALENTS

The Crocodile Challenge Cup 2012 edition (23-27 May 2012) will feature 250 young participants, over 49 primary schools and it is the perfect competitive arena for primary school players to develop their abilities as an individual. These young paddlers across the island will come together and pit their table tennis skills and talents against each other at the upcoming Crocodile Challenge Cup.

The Crocodile Challenge Cup will feature six singles events:

- Primary 1 & 2 Boys' Singles
- Primary 1 & 2 Girls' Singles
- Primary 3 & 4 Boys' Singles
- Primary 3 & 4 Girls' Singles
- Primary 5 & 6 Boys' Singles
- Primary 5 & 6 Girls' Singles

The Crocodile Challenge Cup is part of the STTA's long term blueprint to identify local born talent which starts from the STTA-PCF table tennis programme. In addition, the Crocodile Challenge Cup also provides kindergarten children from the STTA-PCF table tennis programme with continuity and gives our young paddlers more tournaments to look forward to.

"Crocodile and STTA shares the same commitment in supporting and developing young, local sports talents. That is why the Crocodile Challenge Cup is open only to Singaporeans. This shows STTA's commitment to groom local talents. Furthermore, Crocodile and STTA would like to increase participation of the sport among young Singaporeans and the schools serve as the best entry point to the introduction of the sport. Through the Crocodile Challenge Cup, we hope to identify more talents and promote mass participation in the game at both the competitive and recreational level," says, Er. Dr. Lee Bee Wah, Member of Parliament for Nee Soon GRC & President of STTA.

We are pleased to inform you Mr Chan Chun Sing, Acting Minister for Community Development, Youth and Sports will be the Guest of Honour for the closing ceremony on 27th May 2012 at Velocity. More details of the event are as follow:

Opening Ceremony: 23rd May 2012 at 12.50pm @ Lee Kong Chian Training Hall (STTA)
Special Appearance: Pang Xuejie and Zena Sim will meet & greet the young paddlers

Closing Ceremony: 27th May 2012 at 1pm Velocity @ Novena Square
Highlights:
Friendly Match between Mr Chan Chun Sing/ Er. Dr Lee Bee Wah
vs
Primary 3&4 Boys (winners)

Programme for Opening Ceremony

on 23th May 2012 at STTA

<u>Time</u>	<u>Programme</u>
1200	Registration
1230	Stage Games for the Students
1255	Arrival of Title Sponsor from Crocodile - Mr Lim Keng Boon, Asst General Manager
1300	Opening Address by Er. Dr. Lee Bee Wah, Member of Parliament for Nee Soon GRC & President of STTA
1305	Opening address by Title Sponsor - Mr Lim Keng Boon
1310	Exhibition Match by National Players – Pang Xue Jie and Zena Sim
1330	Light Refreshments
1400	Commencement of Tournament Primary 1 & 2 Boys' Singles, Round 64, 32 Primary 1 & 2 Girls' Singles, Round 32, 16 Primary 3 & 4 Boys' Singles, Round 64, 32

Programme for Closing Ceremony

on 27th May 2012 at Velocity @ Novena

<u>Time</u>	<u>Programme</u>
1300 (est)	Commencement of Primary 5 & 6 Girls Singles, Final match
1330 (est)	Commencement of Primary 5 & 6 Boys Singles, Final match
1400 (est)	Commencement of Primary 1 & 2 Girls Singles, Final match
1430(est)	Commencement of Primary 1 & 2 Boys Singles, Final match
1500 (est)	Commencement of Primary 3 & 4 Girls Singles, Final match
1520	Arrival of Guest of Honour: Mr Chan Chun Sing, Acting Minister for Community Development, Youth and Sports
1525	Friendly Match: Mr Chan Chun Sing/ Er.Dr Lee Bee Wah Vs Winners (1st) of Primary 3&4 Boys
1530 (est)	Commencement of Primary 3 & 4 Boys Singles, Final match
1600 (est)	Presentation of token of appreciation to sponsors
1610 (est)	Prize Presentation Ceremony
1630	End of Programme