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More Medals for Trampoline Athletes in New Zealand!!

Angelo Despotas and four athletes traveled to Rotura, New Zealand to compete at the Indo-Pacific Championships Trampoline & Tumbling Championships in Rotura, New Zealand. BC athletes brought home 9 medals including 5 gold. Four of these medals are awarded to Kelowna athletes.

This international competition is held every second year and has athletes representing seven countries. Only countries on the Pacific Rim are eligible. This year Canada, Japan, Qatar, South Africa, New Zealand, Australia, and Argentina all sent teams to this event.

Coach Despotas traveled with athletes Curtis Gerein, Ethan McLeary, Nelson Murray, and Jade Wolf.

Congratulations to Ethan McLeary who finished with a gold in Men's Tumbling (13-14 year olds). Curtis Gerein finished with two medals; gold on Men's Double Mini Trampoline (15-16 year olds) and a bronze medal for Men's Trampoline (15-16 year olds). Nelson Murray finished with a silver medal for his performance in Double Mini Trampoline (15-16 year olds.)

CONGRATULATIONS!

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