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**KINGSTON SELECTED TO HOST 2012 & 2013 ONTARIO CUP  
U13 BANTAM BOYS PROVINCIAL BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Kingston, ON: Tourism Kingston, a division of the Kingston Economic Development Corporation along with the Kingston Impact Basketball Club are happy to announce that the city of Kingston has been selected by Ontario Basketball as the host of the 2012 and 2013 Ontario Cup Under-13 Bantam Boys Provincial Basketball Championships. The tournaments are set to take place April 20-22, 2012 and April 19-21, 2013.

Each tournament weekend is expected to draw 84 teams and over 1,200 players and their families from across Ontario.

Each year Ontario Basketball organizes and stages the Ontario Cup Provincial Championships. Teams entered into the Ontario Cup are made up of representative and club team programs. The Under 13 (U13) Bantam Boys division is composed of players born in 1999, or younger.

"The Kingston Impact Basketball Club is extremely excited about being awarded the Bantam Boys U13 Ontario Cup for the 2012 and 2013 seasons," notes Don Platt, President of the Kingston Impact Basketball Club. "The opportunity for both the club and the city to host 80 plus teams boasting some of the most talented young players from across the province will definitely boost the basketball profile of our city and club for years to come and hopefully introduce the game to many potential young players in the area."

"We are pleased to be both a partner and sponsor of the 2012 and 2013 Ontario Cup Bantam Boys U13 Provincial Championships. Kingston Impact has a great reputation for hosting events and we are proud to work with them in the coming years," notes Rob Carnegie, Director of Tourism Marketing and Development at Tourism Kingston. "This tournament provides the ideal opportunity to once again showcase Kingston as a premier sport destination and welcome thousands of athletes and spectators to our city."

The Kingston tournaments are set to take place at several gymnasiums across the city including the Queen's Athletics and Recreation Centre (ARC), the Kingston Military Community Sports Centre (KMCS), St. Lawrence College and several high school locations.

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