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GIRLS BOX LACROSSE ON FULL DISPLAY WITH SEVEN CHAMPIONS CROWNED

The first championship final in girls' box lacrosse was the 2011 Bantam "B" Championship featuring Sarnia and Kitchener on August 2nd. Each team had several opportunities to put the game out of reach, but it came down to a one-goal decision. Kitchener led 1-0 after the first period and maintained that lead until the third period. Emma Armstrong got Sarnia on the board at 14:42 of the third to tie the game at 1-1. The teams traded goals before Kitchener's Teagann Wells scored the game-winner with 6:47 remaining to give Kitchener the 3-2 victory and the 2011 Bantam "B" Championship.

In the Bantam "A" Championship, Peterborough took on Centre Wellington. Neither team could solve the goaltenders as they entered the second period scoreless. Peterborough regrouped during the intermission and Alexis Kinmond scored the eventual game-winner just 20 seconds into the second frame. The Lakers would add a second goal to lead 2-0 heading into the third. Centre Wellington was unable to mount a comeback and Peterborough cushioned their lead with two more goals to claim the 2011 Bantam "A" Championship by a score of 4-0.

Also taking place on August 2nd was the championship finals in the Intermediate division. In the Intermediate "B" Championship, Clarington battled with Sarnia. The Sarnia Lady Pacers jumped out to a 3-0 lead with two goals from their captain Stephanie Charteris. Neither team found the back of the net in the second as Sarnia held onto their 3-0 advantage. Clarington's Courtney Sankey got the Gaels on the board early in the third but that was all the Gaels' offense could muster as Sarnia went on to win 7-1 and claim the 2011 Intermediate "B" Championship.

In the Intermediate "A" Championship, Peterborough was looking for a similar outcome as their Pee Wee team as they too battled Centre Wellington for the title. Centre Wellington was looking to defend their title and Karla Sharer gave her team a 1-0 lead at the 9:04 mark of the first period. The Mohawks extended their lead to 2-0 in the second before Peterborough captain Allie Ogilvie cut the lead to 2-1. Sharer completed her hat-trick in the third period lifting Centre Wellington to a 4-2 victory to take the 2011 Intermediate "A" Championship.

After posting a perfect record in the round-robin portion of the Pee Wee tournament, Centre Wellington earned the right to play for gold on August 4th. They faced off against Gloucester, a team that posted a 2-1 record in the round-robin with their only loss to Centre Wellington. The teams played a tight first period which ended deadlocked at two goals apiece. Centre Wellington turned up their defensive play and held Gloucester off the score sheet for the remainder of the game while tallying five more goals of their own to take the 2011 Pee Wee Girls Provincial Championship by a score of 7-2. Susan Noble led the Centre Wellington attack with 2g, 1a while Danika Diotte scored both goals for Gloucester.

The Midget "B" Championship saw Kitchener get out to a fast start over Hamilton as they led 4-0 heading into the second period. Hamilton's captain got them on the board at 14:20 of the second period but would not come any closer as Kitchener took the 5-1 victory to claim the 2011 Midget "B" Championship.



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The final girls' box championship of the 2011 Festival saw Whitby and Centre Wellington battle for the Midget "A" Championship. Whitby stayed disciplined throughout the match, not taking a single penalty which helped keep their offence clicking. The Warriors grabbed a 2-0 lead in the first period before Centre Wellington captain Taryn Collins got the Mohawks on the board in the second. Whitby was able to extend their lead with two more goals in the third period to claim their second consecutive Midget "A" Championship with a 5-1 victory.

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