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Leduc firefighters compete internationally with FireFit in Dubai – Firefighters bring home gold and bronze medals

Two Leduc firefighters are top medal winners from the third annual UAE International FireFit Championships, Jan. 15 – 17, 2012 in Dubai. Kari Skierka and Kerry Harper also received bronze medals as part of Team Canada for the overall event.

“To have the opportunity to compete at the international level is extraordinary,” says Deputy Fire Chief George Clancy with Leduc Fire Service. “They proudly represented this community and were very successful in the event.”

Skierka and Harper received a gold medal on the NXG2 race, a tandem relay event, while Skierka won gold as the top female overall. Both firefighters volunteered their time and funds in order to compete in this international competition.

FireFit is an event open to all firefighters as they go head-to-head showcasing regular ground tasks utilized at fire scenes. Competitors try to outrun each other as they go through the tasks in sequence.

Last November Leduc was successful in its bid for the 2012 Scott FireFit Northern Alberta Regional Championships, to be held June 9 – 10 at the Leduc Recreation Centre.

“With the recent successes of our firefighters at various FireFit competitions, we hope to increase awareness and support of our locally-hosted event this year,” says Clancy.

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