

Braden Adams Bio

Dear IAM Organizers and Members,

My name is Braden Adams. I am a 33 year old from British Columbia, Canada and I have been practising and applying memory techniques for nearly 3 years now. I know that may not seem like a long time, but in just 6 weeks after discovering memory techniques, I competed in and won the 2016 CMC BC Memory Championship, which consisted of just a speed cards event. I went on to successfully defend my title in 2017 and 2018 by having the best speed cards time. In September 2017 I also competed in the Canadian Memory Championships and placed 2nd behind Francis Blondin.

In June of this year, Francis Blondin and I formed the Canadian Mind Sports Association. A lot of this would not have happened without Francis, but in 3 short months, and with the help of our other two lovely board members Jean Beland and Valerie Grenon, a simultaneous 2-day event in Montreal, Toronto, and Vancouver was held in September. The event had its challenges but overall it was a success. Day 1 consisted of Speed Cubing and Mental Math while Day 2 was dedicated to Memory Sports. We hope to build on the momentum we built this year and have an even more successful event this coming year.

I should add that I actually competed in and won the CMSA National Memory Championship. I also competed in the first ever Canadian IAM event in April of this year in Westlock, Alberta. I placed first among Canadians and was second overall to the great Ben Pridmore.

I have used my win at the CMSA this year to discuss memory techniques in various interviews I did that aired across Canada. In the new year I will be speaking to some local clubs and organizations that are interested in learning memory techniques.

I am planning on organizing a CMSA BC Memory Championship this summer as well. I am excited to keep promoting, organizing, competing, and teaching the sport and what we do.

Thank you,

Braden Adams

Here are links to the interviews I did in September:

<https://globalnews.ca/video/4480049/b-c-man-wins-national-memory-championship>

<https://www.citynews1130.com/video/2018/09/21/memory-marvel-in-chilliwack/>

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/lifestyle/b-c-man-memorizes-deck-of-cards-in-68-seconds-wins-national-competition-1.4103337>

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/memorable-victory-chilliwack-man-wins-canadian-memory-championship-1.4832660>

<https://www.thestar.com/vancouver/2018/09/19/nothing-special-about-memorizing-250-digits-in-five-minutes-canada-memory-champion.html>

<https://www.kissradio.ca/audio/listen-have-a-bad-memory-use-these-tips-from-a-national-memory-champion/>

<https://www.1310news.com/audio/the-rick-gibbons-show/> (Sept 21 show, hour 1, from 9:12 to 18:20)