2010 BC Summer Games Update

November 8th, 2009

Yesterday your Provincial Advisors (Grant Rawstron and Mary Jane Abbott) and Sport Chairs (Marlene Hoyt and Jane Traas) spent the day with Games organizers and other sport volunteers preparing for you to 'Unleash Your Potential' at the BC Summer Games this coming summer in Fort Langley. Below are a few of the updates for the exciting extended weekend that may lay ahead for you next July!

- There will be 3128 athletes, 656 coaches and 397 officials participating in the Games.

Athletes:

- Canoe/Kayak athletes will be staying at the Langley School of Fine Arts with athletes/coaches from the sports of Rowing and Sailing. **ALL canoe/kayak athletes/coaches must stay in the accommodation regardless of where you live.** Coaches will be responsible for supervision in the accommodation and everyone needs to be respectful of the needs of others. Everyone will be having very early mornings (especially because you must travel to Langley Secondary School for your breakfast) so although the Games curfew is 11pm we anticipate that this venue will have an earlier one that is agreed upon by all coaches. Be aware of this now!
- CanoeKayak BC will provide each athlete/coach with a competitive shirt in their zone color.

Officials:

- All interested officials are asked to sign up on the CKBC website ASAP so that roles may be assigned and the registration begun. Two of our officials will be from the whitewater discipline so be prepared to learn how to judge gates in a whitewater slalom event! Priority will be given to Level 3 officials or higher BUT mentorship opportunities will be provided to those Level 1/2 officials in outlying zones.
- A level 1/2 course and safety boat protocol review will be held on the Thursday afternoon from 1 – 4 pm for new local officials. Volunteers will be needed to help with this.
- ALL Games accredited officials will be staying at Trinity Western University.

General:

- ALL participants must be registered in the BC Games system by 4pm on June 19th with NO exceptions
- Accreditation on Thursday July 22nd will be at the Langley Events Centre (Please try to do so before noon)

Evening Activities:

- Thursday night will feature Opening Ceremonies at McLeod Park
- Friday night will feature a live DJ and Dance Party with a Laser Light Show, videotron and mechanical surfboard (pending insurance approval!)
- Saturday night will feature a Country Music Dance with a mechanical bull (pending insurance approval!)
- A draft schedule of events is posted to allow each of you to 'visualize' your week.

How do I qualify?

- Each zone will have different qualification criteria. Contact your zone rep to be sure of yours! Remember you MUST compete for the zone you live in.