



SOBC Provincial Games Results

Floor Hockey

The Nanaimo floor hockey team recently brought home the bronze medal from the Kelowna Winter Games. We started on a low note as one of our athletes was injured during the seeding rounds and ultimately did not play the rest of the games. She returned to cheer the team on and is getting better.

We had a very close 1st game against Chilliwack, losing by only 2 goals. Late in the game we scored to tie but the goal was disallowed. Our next 2 games were not as close with us posting 2 wins against Abbotsford and Langley.

At the end of the round robin games, 4 teams were tied with 2-1 records. Using the goals against to break the tie, North Shore and Abbotsford played for the Gold while Nanaimo and Chilliwack played for the bronze. We were only 1 point away from being in the finals. We avenged our loss against Chilliwack in the first game by posting an 11 to 7 win.

The team played exceptionally well especially after the early set back of injuries and losses. As usual our offensive play was excellent and we scored goals with regularity. Defensively we played above expectations. Of note was the play of Dennis Lynch his solid play led to his games nickname - The Wall of Dennis.

Team members were Abraham Stellaard, Robin Blanchette, Mary Lappalainen, Pat Pridge, Ray Lappalainen, Lorraine Rozzano, Dennis Lynch, Kevin Baldwin, Bill Polz, Brad Hogan, and the Port Alberni athletes Dave Rhodes, Kirk Margettish, Lori Domovich.

The tigers would like to thank Steve Lebrun and Krista Meikle for there contribution to the team as they joined us from Victoria for the games.

Figure Skating

Congratulations to Crystal Thompson and Jayleen Brash on a great Provincial Games! Jayleen, who was competing in Level One Ladies, was taking part in her first Provincials and she came home with a gold medal! Well done, Jay! Crystal, the team veteran, was competing in Level Three Ladies, and in a very close scoring, came home with a silver medal. Congrats, Crystal!

CURLING

OUR LOCAL WAS WELL REPRESENTED AT THE WINTER GAMES IN KELOWNA, WITH EIGHT CURLERS AND TWO COACHES. BRENDA ACKERMAN, RICK MEARS, DAN BATEMAN, DOUG ROLPH, & ORRIN JORDAN CURLED TOGETHER AS A TEAM REPRESENTING NANAIMO AND WERE COACHED BY BILL CROCKER & ART PECK. PAUL McKINLEY, JAY BELINSKI, & DOUG KING JOINED WITH TWO CURLERS FROM POWELL RIVER TO REPRESENT THAT LOCAL. THEY WERE COACHED BY CAMERON REID & SUSAN.

BOTH TEAMS QUALIFIED TO PLAY IN “B” DIVISION WHICH WAS COMPRISED OF EIGHT TEAMS. THE COMPETITION WAS VERY TIGHT AND BOTH TEAMS CURLED EXTREMELY WELL WITH POWELL RIVER FINISHING IN 4TH PLACE AND NANAIMO FINISHED IN 5TH SPOT. WITH ANY LUCK AT ALL BOTH TEAMS COULD EASILY HAVE WON MEDALS. OUR ATHLETES HAD A GREAT TIME AT THE WINTER GAMES AND WERE EXCELLENT REPRESENTATIVES FOR REGION 6 AND NANAIMO.

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU TO CORINNE & IAN WHO MADE A SPECIAL EFFORT TO GET TO KELOWNA AND CHEER FOR DOUG KING AND THE REST OF OUR CURLERS.

Other Sports

We also had athletes competing in Alpine Skiing and Snowshoeing. I know our athletes did extremely well and all came home with medals. Unfortunately I did not receive the articles in time for this newsletter. Hopefully I will have them for the next newsletter.

Spring Programs

Softball, golf and track and field are well underway now. Here are the times and locations:

Golf – Thursdays 7:00pm – 8:30pm, at the Nanaimo Golf Course. Cost is \$2 per time.

Softball and T-Ball – Wednesdays 7:00pm – 8:30pm, at Dufferin Crescent Elementary School, this will run rain or shine, more athletes needed if we want to enter the meets.

Track and Field – Mondays 5:45pm – 6:45pm, at Rotary Bowl Track, behind NDSS, Contact Angela Behn at 753-2340 for info

If you are interested in playing soccer, please contact John Campbell at 753-7125. We do not have enough players at this time to run the program, but may start if we get more players.

RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS MEET RESULTS

Nanaimo had a very winning team at the competition held in Nanaimo a few weeks ago. Here are the results for our local athletes:

Level Red –Hoop-----2nd-Melissa Lohr—3rd-Charla Joiner
C-Ribbon -3rd-Melissa Lohr
B-Ribbon--2nd-Melissa Lohr
Level I-----Hoop-- 1st-Jay Brash
2ndCharla Joiner
Ball----- 1st--Jayleen Brash
2nd –Charla Joiner
3rd-Melissa Lohr
Ribbon----1st –Jay Brash
-2nd-Charla Joiner
Free-----1st-Jay Brash
2nd-Melissa Lohr
3nd-Charla Joiner

Year End Shindig

Keep your eyes and ears open for more details to come on the year end party. Here is what we have going so far:

Date: Wednesday, June 20th, 2007

Location: Dufferin Crescent Elementary

Theme: Let's Go To The Circus!

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