

June 2009

From Sylvia-coordinator SOBC-NAN

This is a busy season for everyone, including myself. The Special Olympics Summer Games is fast approaching and I am now in scramble mode. This is my excuse for being late with this newsletter.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER

Registered volunteers who have given many hours of their time to SOBC-Nan. are invited to a dinner hosted in their honor.

WHEN: June 23rd 2009

TIME: served at 6:00pm

WHERE: New York Style Pizza & Ribs, corner Fitzwilliam and Wallace St.

PLEASE PHONE OR EMAIL SYLVIA TO CONFIRM YOUR ATTENDANCE. NUMBERS ARE NEEDED BEFORE JUNE 18th. Phone 758-0630, email sylvia-miller@shaw.ca

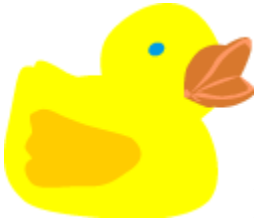
PLEASE make this event a MUST DO. It is a great time to see who does the different volunteer positions for Special Olympics, and we WANT to thank EVERYONE.

VOLUNTEERS IN THE NEWS

This month we highlight two coaches who dedicate their time at the 5 pin bowling alley. JOANNE RAYBECK moved to Nanaimo a few years ago much to our delight. She had been the Coordinator in Port Alberni and besides a few other sports, ran an amazing bowling program. Her teams were always the ones to try and beat at the competitions. Right now she is fine tuning the athletes that are going to the Summer Games. She has been in Special Olympics for 25 years. Our hats come off to one of the most dedicated volunteers in the organization. Joanne takes off every winter for the south but not before she helps arrange the teams for the coming season of bowling. Her expertise is very much appreciated in Nanaimo.

Heading our Nanaimo Special Olympics 5 pin bowling program is Shirley Cottle. She has been with us for 22 years. Not only does she organize the 80 athletes for this program but also serves on the executive board. She does a huge job of looking after the membership registration, athletes and volunteers. As of now we have 121 athletes and 82 volunteers. That is a lot of paper work. The hard thing about this job is trying to keep track of everyone who moves, and the new volunteers who come out to the sport programs. Let her know this information as soon as possible. Shirley also is the one who sends out the cognizance cards to the athletes and volunteers. She tries to keep up with this information however she can, but she could also hear from you to keep on top of it. 250 753-9895.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING JUNE 15TH 2009, at 6009 Schooner Way, Nanaimo, 7:00 pm.



FATHER'S DAY RUBBER DUCK RACES

Once again the RUBBER DUCK RACES are on!!!! This is a large money maker for SPECIAL OLYMPICS-NANAIMO but only with your help. In these times of tight money, a little of everyone's money goes a long way. Support this event, come out and have fun, buy your ducks for great prizes, and support your athletes.

We need volunteers to put in a bit of time to run the races.
Phone Sylvia.

There are TEN races with all the ducks, each with prizes, and the last one has the big prizes.

WHEN; JUNE 21st 2009 1:00pm-4:00pm

WHERE; Cranberry Inn on Cedar Rd.

PRICES; 3 ducks for \$10 or \$5 each.

Phone Sylvia for tickets, buy them from an athlete or get them there. 250 758-0630.

This is the first of a few fundraisers Special Olympics Nanaimo will be involved in. Big plans are being made with the RCMP detachment of Nanaimo for a FUZZ ON THE ROOF. Watch for more news on this.

A silent auction is scheduled, so if you have any new little thing to regift, send it our way. We are making up gift baskets and having individual items. ALL DONATIONS GREATLY APPRECIATED.

The price of each athlete/coach going to the games is \$175, which is paid by the local club. PLEASE SUPPORT FUNDRAISERS!

ATHLETES /VOLUNTEERS OFF TO THE SUMMER GAMES

5 PIN BOWLING

Doug Rolf	Paul McKinley	Serena Brown
Eric Burton	Leanne Fraser	Myrna Agar

10 PIN BOWLING

Chris Crocker, Rick Meers, Crystal Thompson, Christine Kroeger

RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS

Melissa Lohr	Jaylene Brash	Joanna Steele
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SOCCER

Christina Milner	Dennis Lynch	Kevin Baldwin
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SOFTBALL

Bill Polz	Jason Kemp	Ron Greenhorn	Jason Mills
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SWIMMING

Kristeen Cooper	Erin Cote	Glen McCord	Melinda Mills
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TRACK AND FIELD

Charla Joiner, Kaelin Britten, Mary Lappalainen, Ray Lappalainen

COACHES

Doris Montgomery-5pin	Sylvia Taylor-rhy gym
Angela Behn-track	John Campbell-track
Dave Forrester-soccer	Dawn Henderson-swim
Debbie Young-softball	Carla Henderson-team manager

Our softball, soccer and some of the 5pin bowling athletes have been picked up by other locals to fill in.

HAVE A GREAT TIME EVERYONE.