



# BC SPECIAL OLYMPICS NANAIMO



June 2011

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

June 20, 2011 at Sylvia Taylor's residence 6009 Schooner Way (near Rutherford School) at 7:00pm. These meetings are notoriously short, officially electing the executive into chair. All members are willing to continue in their positions but we ALWAYS welcome anyone who wants to have a position or help out. We do need help with Public Relations, as you have not seen anything in the media, and help with Fundraising, which mostly entails rounding up athletes to attend functions designated by Provincial office.

ALL EXECUTIVE MEETINGS ARE LESS THAN 2 HOURS LONG. They are scheduled for the first and third Mon. of the month unless there is no business and then cancelled.

## PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF YOUTH

Your children are the future of Special Olympics-Nanaimo! All of the members of the executive have put in 15 years and more and are probably looking to the near future to step back. They enjoy their positions and are dedicated to the club, but it would be nice to know there is someone in the wings ready to carry on. The best way to ease into any of the positions is to join the executive as a director thus having no job description and picking up slack where YOUR interest lies. Come out and learn how the organization runs and what is in the future for your children.



## CONGRATULATIONS RON GREENHORN

Ron has won the Provincial SPIRIT OF SPORT AWARD for 2011.

His name was presented by SOBC-Nanaimo as being the best candidate for this award, based on the exemplary example of a Special Olympics athlete. He sets the model, being an athlete who is always willing to help where he can, he trains on his own to keep himself fit for all of the sports he participates in and pushes for excellence for the competitions. He shows great sportsmanship towards team members and opponents. He is also involved in many community projects.

Check out his write-up on the website

[www.specialolympics.bc.ca](http://www.specialolympics.bc.ca)

## WHAT AN OPPORTUNITY!!!

SOBC-Nanaimo's soccer coach Deryck Cowling is arranging for the athletes to charter a bus to attend a Whitecaps game in July.

Interested in going with them?!, the more there are the cheaper the ride, give him a call @ 250 758-3201.

## GARAGE SALE

Our garage sale was a great success! We had 5 very dedicated hard working volunteers setting up for two days and being on board to sell items for two more days. One of them was not even an SO volunteer! It was great we have this dedication, but it was certainly a lot of work when more hands would have made it easier. Even when it was very successful, it was decided that we will not have one again. The money goes towards giving the athletes a break with sport fees.

## SPORT PROGRAMS

Most sport programs are nearing the finish of the season. I hope everyone enjoyed them after it finally finished raining. All sports were interrupted by the hockey playoffs, but at least you were watching a sport! Bocce will continue longer because of a late start. It has a good turnout this season.

## TORCH RUN

Thank you so much to the athletes who answered the call for their participation. They did the "run" which was mostly a walk, with a few leaving everyone far behind because they ran the course. Good for you athletes! Everyone was treated to hamburger or hot dog and drink, a tug a war with the officers and then a rousing game of soccer. FUN was had by all and it was a great fundraiser for Special Olympics.

THANKS goes out also to the few volunteers who showed up to help.



LOOK WHO GOT A HOLE IN ONE AT THE SPECIAL  
OLYMPICS GOLFING PROGRAM!!  
Congratulations Glen McCord.