

# BC SPECIAL OLYMPICS NANAIMO

Oct '08 Newsletter

**Thank you Kathleen & Fred Schloessinger** for the great job of rounding up a full slate of scorekeepers. We have a full house of bowlers.

Thank you volunteers for your time, without you, some of athletes would have to sit out a session.

## **COACHES**

There is another session of NCCP (coaching course) for Special Olympics to be held in Parksville Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. This course is a requirement if you are planning on volunteering for Special Olympics as a coach or assistant coach. We have many young coaches with us and I'm sorry, you have to be 16 in order to take the course. Hang in there, we appreciate your skills very much.

## **DONATIONS**

With the continuing support of the community of Nanaimo, our athletes are able to excel in their chosen sports. This past season and still coming in, the donors to date are:

Cranberry Arms Inn

Cedar Lions

David Elgie

Emily Elgie

Herold Engineering

Independent Order of Foresters

IODE-Malaspina Chapter

Kiwanis Sunrisers

Knights of Columbus Holy Trinity #9990

Kinnetts Club of Nanaimo

Labatts

Ladies of the Moose

Legion #256

Lioness Club/Harbour Lites

Lions Club Nanaimo

Lions Club Protection Is.

Maltesen Masonry

Mid Is. CoOp- Bowen Rd.

Royal Purple

Royal Bank

Rotary Club Nanaimo

Snip and Stitch

**Special Olympics wants to thank the sport venues in Nanaimo that generously help our club.**

Brechin Lanes 5 pin bowling lanes

Nanaimo Curling Club

Splitsville 10 pin bowling lanes

## **WHAT A SUCCESS!!!!**

Cranberry Arms hosted a variety of fundraisers for Special Olympics Nanaimo in conjunction with their 130<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. **THANK YOU TO ALL** who helped make this such a success. Many businesses donated items, or cash for items, to make up gift baskets that were raffled off. Others offered their lovely locks to be shorn for a price, a fun time was had by all!



## **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

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How time flies!!! We have just got started and we are thinking of Christmas already. Just so you are informed very early, mark your calendar for the Special Olympics Christmas party on Wednesday, Dec. 17. It will be at the Nanaimo Yacht club. Too many people have not heeded the urgency of the cutoff time. We do the shopping early and do not count on late entries. There is limited seating in the hall. PLEASE be on time with your reply.

**RESERVATIONS: PHONE** 753-9895 OR 758-0630 Cut off date; Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>.

**DATE:** Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> 2008

**TIME:** SANTA arrives at 5:30 Dinner at 6:30

**WHERE:** Nanaimo Yacht Club parking at waterfront Townsite Rd

Walk up stairs on RIGHT

DISABLED parking/dropoff -Newcastle Ave

**COSTS:** Registered Athletes and volunteers free—guests \$10 to Shirley or pay at door.

## **HELP HELP**

We would like to have donations of desserts for the Christmas party. The one time you brought items, it was so enjoyable to taste and we thought it could happen again. Phone Shirley 753-9895 and let her know you can help us with this. Thank you.

Help is also needed to prepare the mashed potatoes that Special Olympics purchases. Each person is given a 10-pound bag, or some take more. Please

let us know as soon as possible, we do not have to worry about this task at the last minute.

As you know, we need help to set up the tables and chairs on the morning of Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> and especially to clear tables of dishes that evening. In the past I have assigned volunteers to assist at the serving tables and once again we need this. Give us a call to assist in any way.

Shirley 753-9895 or Sylvia 758-0630

**WEB PAGE:** Our web page has recently been updated so check it out at- [www.bcsonanaimo.ca](http://www.bcsonanaimo.ca) . If you happen to notice any errors please let us know.

### **RAFFLES**

We have a great Christmas gift for you to think about. We have a **Vancouver Canucks Jersey** autographed by **BRENDAN MORRISON!!** TICKETS will be handed out to athletes and volunteers to sell by the early Nov. with the draw taking place at the Christmas party Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>. Tickets must be sold by Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>. Don't miss out on the great opportunity to get a great gift and help Nanaimo Special Olympics fund the athletes' sports.

If you did not get the jersey, try again for a **HOCKEY STICK** autographed by **DANIEL SEDIN!!** Tickets for this go on sale early Jan. 2009, cut off date March 3<sup>rd</sup> 2009 with the draw at the Floor Hockey session March 10<sup>th</sup>.

### **LAST DAY: START DAY**

5pin bowling: ends Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> starts Jan 10<sup>th</sup> 2009

Rhythmic gym: ends Dec. 10 starts Jan 7<sup>th</sup> 2009

COACHES please let me know when your dates are. Sylvia 758-0630

### **STAPLES FUNDRAISING NOV. 1<sup>ST</sup> TO 9<sup>TH</sup> 2008**

Once again it is time for our athletes to help fundraise for Special Olympics. We have always had many athletes travel to the competitions and this coming year we have twenty-three participants from our club. The Provincial Office subsidizes these competitions and the money is made from these fundraisers. Please phone me or email, to schedule a time for you to help. I am expecting all the athletes who are going to the games to make an effort to participate.

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