

BC SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Nanaïmo

March 2017

What a wonderful 30th Anniversary banquet and dance, great dinner, great music and great participation.

THANK YOU

A huge thank you to Debbie Remillard for donating the turkeys!

Everyone's thanks to the Ladies of the Moose who generously donated their time to cook this excellent meal, and to the Moose Lodge for donating the hall for this event.

Thanks to Ron Greenhorn, he did an excellent job of choosing music to get everyone onto the dance floor. RSM Productions donated the sound system.

Banquets do not just happen, we had helpers come out and set it up in the morning, thanks to Evelyn Provost, Doris Montgomery, Val Brash, Bob Elliott, Jacky Sheng, Doug and Sylvia Taylor.

Thanks to the Cystic Fibrosis for the vases adding to our table centers.

What we can't do without are the COUNTRY GROCER receipts handed into us to buy the groceries. Thank you to all who do and please remember to keep doing this for the next event. We need more handed in from SOBC Nan. Club. The amount collected cuts down on the price of admission. This year we had enough to have everyone come in at the same price.

THANK YOU to Joanne Cottle for counting up all the receipts to get the COUNTRY GROCER gift card. Receipts can be handed into Joanne or any coach to pass on.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Introduction of Geoff Lowe as incoming Coordinator in June, was a surprise to some and confirmation to others. After 33 years as an SOBC coordinator, Sylvia Taylor will be passing on her position to Geoff. He has been on the executive for two years, learning the ins and outs of the club, preparing to step into this position at the AGM in June.

Sylvia will be continuing as assistant coach in Rhythmic Gymnastics and as coordinator of membership for awhile. She will be looking for replacements for these positions so she can truly retire.



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Dennis Lynch is in Austria now competing in cross country skiing. He will return to our airport on March 26 at 10:39. It would be great to have a few of us there to greet him.

Sylvia

Spring Sport Schedule

Softball----- April 05 - June 21 2017 Fairview School field
Soccer----- April 04 - June 20 2017 Quarterway School Field
Golf----- April 06 - June 29 Beban Golf course
Bocce----- May - June Cavalotti Lodge
Track & Field---- April 03 - June 19 Rotary Bowl NDSS
Golf costs \$4.00 per week
Please refer to web site for coach names and contact numbers

New Coaches and Volunteers

Special Olympics is dedicated to offering the best coaching for the athletes.

It is offering a coaching course May 6 & 7 in Campbell River for those interested in continuing with Special Olympics B.C. Nanaimo.

The cost of \$65 is refundable after giving our club an additional sport season, or having been with us for two years previously.

Please let me know ASAP so I can register you into the course and guarantee the numbers to hold the course. Prepayment is required to SOBC Nanaimo.

Any questions please get in touch with Sylvia, sylvia-miller@shaw.ca or 758-0630.

Coaches are needed to help with the Track and Field and golf programs for our athletes. We have very many athletes interested in both these programs and with more coaches we offer better training.

Special Olympics BC Summer Games is fast approaching. We have

35 athletes and 13 coaches attending. Some winter sports are continuing for the ones attending.

Remember that the sport club training must have 80% attendance in order to attend. You also must do extra training along with your sport.

Money to send these athletes to the Games is made through our fundraising. The athletes going to the Games are asked to do their part and help pay for their trip by selling raffle tickets.

Canucks hockey stick raffle tickets are being handed out.