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Team Manitoba Regina Bound!

by Melvin Magpantay

Starting July 19 approximately 350 athletes and 100 coaches and volunteers will be travelling from all over Manitoba to converge in Regina, Saskatchewan to compete in the 2014 North American Indigenous Games (NAIG) from July 20th to 26th.

NAIG this year will feature all provinces & territories in Canada as well as some states that will be representing the United States of America making this an international event.

This event marks 8th time that the NAIG has been held since 1990 with Manitoba having a strong presence both in competition and support during the event's history.

The Manitoba Aboriginal Sports and Recreation Council (MASRC) is responsible for the selection of team managers, coaches and athletes that will be representing Manitoba during this week long competition.

To compete and represent Team Manitoba in these games is an honor and a privilege and it showed, with many Aboriginal youth from all over the province attending tryouts to earn a spot – in one case having over 300+ youth trying out for a sport!

Our Team Manitoba managers and coaches were faced with some difficult decisions on who would represent Manitoba with the huge amount of youth that want to be part of this amazing experience!

The sports that Manitoba will be competing in while in Regina will be:

Archery

Badminton
Basketball
Baseball
Canoeing
Golf
Lacrosse
Soccer
Swimming
Athletics (Track and Field)
Volleyball
Wrestling

Please congratulate and welcome the managers, coaches, support staff, volunteers and athletes that will be making up this year's North American Indigenous Games Team Manitoba contingent!

MASRC - Team Manitoba Staff

From left to right – Sonny Albert, Lynette Kryminski, Melvin Magpantay, Jacinta Bear, Andrea Sutherland and Mel Whitesell



Team Manitoba - Basketball

60 youth participated in the Team Manitoba Basketball's scheduled "power weekend" in August 2013 in preparation for the 2014 NAIG

Support Team MB – Property of Team MB t-shirts will be on sale for \$15 each!

On site in Regina at the Team Manitoba office during the games!

Player Profile - Buddy Moise

by Melvin Magpantay

Jaiden "Buddy" Moise is part of Team Manitoba's U16 Male Volleyball Team.

Buddy is from Brochet, a remote community in Northern Manitoba and has been playing the sport of Volleyball since he was approximately 13 years old.

Buddy will be competing at the 2014 NAIG games from July 24st to the 26th – please come cheer this athlete on as he represents his community as well as Manitoba!

Years playing sport?

I have been playing volleyball for about two years now.

Position?

I had been an all around player for a year, a power hitter for half a year and then a setter for the rest of the other half of the year.

Favorite Player / Team?

I have a few favorite players in sports such as for basketball, hockey and volleyball. Basketball is Michael Jordan, hockey is Jordan Eberle and volleyball is Gavin Schmitt.

What are you looking most forward to

about NAIG?

I am mostly looking forward to going out to Regina and to do my best to help the team to achieve what we are going there for. And that is to play volleyball and have fun.

Best memory so far with the Team MB Volleyball team?

Best memory I have with the team is when we had practices, played together and got to know each other better as a team and friends.

Do you have any talents outside of your sport?

I don't have any talents other than playing sports but I wouldn't mind playing some musical instruments like a guitar, drums or hass

What would you like Manitoba to know about you?

I would Manitoba to know that I live in a small community called Brochet, my real name is Jaiden Moise, but well known as Buddy. I am an athletic, responsible, respect and friendly person. And I loved volleyball every since I held a volleyball and started playing the sport.

What will you look forward to about the NAIG?

In NAIG, I'm looking forward to meeting new people, making friends, and to have a lot of fun playing volleyball with other teams across Canada.



Contest! – First 2 people to circle the communities listed for both the athlete and coach profiled on the newsletter and bring them to the Team MB offices in Regina will receive a team MB baseball cap.



Keith is a band member from Fisher River Cree Nation and has been coaching organized basketball for approximately 5 years. One of his coaching highlights is taking an Anishinabe Pride Basketball 16-18 Boys team to the city finals last spring.

Coach Keith has been working endlessly since the announcement of Team MB's Basketball Tryouts in April 2013 and has volunteered a huge amount of time to make everyone's NAIG memories a great one!

Coach Profile: Keith Mason

by Melvin Magpantay

When was your first NAIG experience?

2002 (as an athlete!)

What do you remember the most out of your previous NAIG experience?

Meeting different people from all over, visiting beautiful BC

How long have you been coaching?

2 years with Anishinabe pride and 3 years with the YMCA of Winnipeg

Most memorable experience so far being a Team MB coach?

Seeing how fast my team grew in a year and coaching with Coach Melvin at NAIG!

What memories/lessons would you like your athletes to take back with them once competition is done?

The ball moves faster than a person

Come cheer on Keith and the rest of Team Manitoba's basketball teams as they make a run for the medals! Basketball competes at NAIG in Regina from July 20th to 23rd.

Events at a Glance

by Melvin Magpantay

Archery

U16 Male - July 23 - 1:00pm to 8:00pm Practice and Equipment Check

U19 Male - July 23 - 1:00pm to 8:00pm Practice and Equipment Check

Athletics

U14 Male - Begins July 23 U14 Female - Begins July 23

U16 Male - Begins July 23 U16 Female - Begins July 23

U19 Male - Begins July 23 U19 Female - Begins July 23

Badminton

U16 Male - Begins July 21 U16 Female - Begins July 21

U19 Male - Begins July 21 U19 Female - Begins July 21

Basketball

U14 Male - July 20 5:30pm vs SK @ Miller 2 Gym

U14 Female - July 20 9:30am vs SK @ Miller 1 Gym

U16 Male -July 20 9:00pm vs NY @ U of R

U16 Female - July 21 11:30am vs ON @ U of R

- July 20 7:15pm vs COL @ U of R U19 Male Gym 3 C

U19 Female - July 20 9:009m vs AB @ U of R Gym 3 A

Canoeing

U14 Male - Begins July 21 U14 Female - Begins July 21

U₁6 Male - Begins July 21 U16 Female - Begins July 21

U19 Male - Begins July 21 U19 Female - Begins July 23

Lacrosse

U₁6 Male - Begins July 21

U19 Male - Begins July 21

Golf

U17 Male - Begins July 22 U17 Female - Begins July 22

U19 Male - Begins July 22 U19 Female - Begins July 22

Soccer

U₁6 Male - July 21 5:00pm vs SK @ Leibel

Field

U₁8 Male - July 22 6:00pm vs BC @ U of R Field

U18 Female - July 21 9:00am vs BC @ U of R Field

Softball

U16 Male - July 22 6:00pm vs NB @ Rambler Park U16 Female - July 23 10:00am vs WIS @

Douglas Park

U19 Male - July 23 2:00pm vs NS @ NS @ Rambler Park

U19 Female - July 22 6:00pm vs NY @ Douglas Park

Swimming

U14 Male - TBA U14 Female - TBA

U₁6 Male - TBA U16 Female - TBA

U19 Male - TBA U19 Female - TBA

Volleyball

U16 Male - July 24 9:00am vs SKU of R Court 5

U16 Female - July 23 8:15pm vs WIS U of R Court 4

U19 Male - July 24 5:00pm vs ON U of R Court 5

U19 Female - July 23 8:15pm vs WIS U of R Court 1

Wrestling

1996-1998 – July 21 7:00pm to 8:00pm Weigh

Team Manitoba Pins are on sale for \$2!

Please visit us at the Team MB **Administrative Office**

THIS PAST YEAR



Soccer Tryouts August 2013

Players line up during the NAIG Team MB Tryouts last August.



Canoe Tryouts August 2013

Two youths make a strong push to the finish at the NAIG Team MB Tryouts at Pike Like



Archery Tryouts July 2013

An athlete lines up his shot during the NAIG Team MB Archery Tryouts in Birtle

NAIG official Schedules and Results page are now up and available:

Schedule -

http://naig2014.gems.pro/Result/Calendar. aspx

Results -

http://naig2014.gems.pro/Result/Sport_Lis t.aspx?&Gems ScreenWidth=1371&Gems ScreenHeight=771&Gems_ScreenAvailWid th=1371&Gems_ScreenAvailHeight=737

About the MASRC

By Melvin Magpantay

The North American Indigenous Games (NAIG) is North America's largest Aboriginal sporting event. The 2014 games will be taking place in Regina, SK, Canada from July 20th-26th, 2014.

The Manitoba Aboriginal Sport and Recreation Council (MASRC) with help from sport managers and coaches, organized try outs to select the many athletes who have the honour to represent Manitoba at this most prestigious event.

The MASRC is responsible for the Team Manitoba's contingent during their stay

at NAIG. These responsibilities include travel, accommodations, meals of the many managers, coaches, chaperones - all of whom are volunteers, as well as all the athletes to ensure that their time spent in Regina is a truly memorable one.

The MASRC would like to congratulate all the amazing volunteers who have volunteered so much of their time from all over the province to ensure that many of Manitoba's Aboriginal youth from many different communities have an opportunity to compete. This is a huge undertaking and without these hardworking people many of the youth would not have had this experience.

The MASRC would also like to acknowledge all the hard work put out by the many amazing athletes (many who come from far distances) in

attending the tryouts and the regularly scheduled practices for the various sports and wish them the best of luck at their competitions!



Volunteer Profile - Ken Faulder

by Melvin Magpantay

The Manitoba Aboriginal Sports and Recreation would like to take the time to profile an important member of our contingent, Ken Faulder.

Ken is the Community Programs Manager for Sport Manitoba and has been an integral part of the North American Indigenous Games experience for Team Manitoba. Ken was one of the key pieces for us here in Manitoba to ensure that our own NAIG (that Winnipeg hosted in 2002) was a phenomenal success.

In fact Ken is one of the very few people that have been to all the Games since it first started. The NAIG games that Ken has attended so far have been:

1990 (Edmonton, AB) 1993 (Prince Albert, SK) 1995 (Blaine, MN) 1997 (Victoria, BC) 2002 (Winnipeg, MB) 2006 (Denver, CO) 2008 (Cowichan, BC)

Ken will be taking a well deserved break and will be retiring at the end of the summer.

The MASRC, the NAIG Team MB planning committee and all of Team Manitoba wish to take this time and opportunity to thank Ken for all the hardwork, the kilometers logged and the vast amount of time he has invested to ensure that our Aboriginal youth in Manitoba have a platform to showcase their athletic skills.

Thank you for all your work Ken!



