

NOCA Notes

July 28, 2011

Awards Available

There are two awards currently available for nominations:

- The Ontario Medal for Good Citizenship (deadline August 17)
www.ontario.ca/honoursandawards
- The Prime Minister's Volunteer Awards (deadline September 9)
<http://www.pm.gc.ca/eng/feature.asp?featureId=25>

Curling Weekends Planned

The NOCA staff has applied for a grant to hold two Curling Weekends next fall. If the grant is approved, the weekends will take place in Thunder Bay Sept. 30 – Oct. 2, and in Sudbury Oct. 21 – 23. These weekends will have something for everyone:

- **Business of Curling** – Staff from the Canadian Curling Association will provide workshops on topics such as Volunteer recruitment and recognition, Membership Recruitment, Revenue Generation, Board effectiveness, Successful Club Operations, Running a successful Youth program, Sponsorship, and more.
- **Coaches and Athletes** will have the opportunity to hear guest speakers address topics such as Team Dynamics, Mental Toughness, Coaching female athletes, Fitness and Nutrition for Athletes, Canada's Long Term Athlete Development Plan, the new NCCP instruction program, Off season training, and more.
- **Two Investors Group Awards** will be presented to deserving Volunteer Sports Administrators.

These events are designed for club volunteers, Board members, coaches, and athletes, and are open to all sports groups. This will be a great opportunity to network and learn.

More information will follow once we have been notified of the status of our application.

Funding Programs

- Funding is available for not-for-profit organizations, small municipalities (under 250,000), and small private sector organizations to assist with enabling accessibility. The link for the website is below, deadline September 2, 2011.
http://www.hrsdc.gc.ca/eng/disability_issues/eaf/cfp/small_projects/step1.shtml
- The next deadline for the Trillium Foundation funding program is November 1st. Many clubs have received funding for equipment, building repairs and renovations, and accessibility programs.
<http://trilliumfoundation.org/>

2011-2012 Competition Changes and Schedule

There will be changes to the format for Bantams, Juniors, and Seniors this season. Information and the new schedule are on the NOCA website.

NOCA 2011 Annual General Meeting

The 2011 AGM took place in Thunder Bay Sunday June 13. Minutes will be posted on the website in August.

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