



# News Release

## Sport North Board Meets in Hay River

**HAY RIVER** (July 19, 2010) - The Sport North Federation Board of Directors met at the Hay River Ski Club this past weekend, July 16-18. It was the first meeting of the newly elected Board of Directors. Hay River board member Gary Hoffman hosted the event. "It was a great weekend," commented Hoffman. "We thank the Ski Club for donating their facility to us. We had an excellent business meeting and accomplished a lot. A few of the board members were also able to fit in a couple of rounds of golf at our beautiful course."

Sport North President, Richard Daitch, echoed Hoffman's words. "It was wonderful to be here in such a beautiful community and one in which sport is highly valued. Hay River is known as a community that gives opportunities in sport to athletes of all ages and abilities. My own children participated in the track and field event here on many occasions."

"It was great to see the poster of Brendan Green at the Ski Club. Few people from the NWT attain the athletic heights of Brendan, but all 19,000 of our members enjoy and value opportunities to take part in sport. Not only was our meeting productive, but we enjoyed an excellent barbecue dinner at the Golf Club and a lunch at the Fisherman's Wharf. The local people were welcoming and helpful. I would particularly like to thank our host, Gary Hoffman, and the excellent staff at the Visitor Information Centre. We will certainly return to Hay River in the future."

Sport North Executive Director, Doug Rentmeister briefly outlined what was accomplished at the meeting. "We have a number of new members recently elected to the board and this was our first face to face meeting. It was an opportunity to provide an orientation about the organization and its programs, and outline their responsibilities as board members. Most of our time was spent on the business portion of the meeting, as we have a significant number of issues confronting the organization right now. We are tremendously encouraged by the commitment and knowledge of our board members and the diversity among them, as there is strong community and aboriginal representation."

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