



ANNUAL REPORT 2018-2019



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SPORT NORTH AWARDS WINNERS

Sport North held it's annual Awards banquet this past May at the Explorer Hotel.

This year's Awards winners were:

Youth Female Athlete of the Year

Tanisha Steinwand

Youth Male Athlete of the Year

Luke Dizon

Junior Female Athlete of the Year

Deanne Whenham

Junior Male Athlete of the Year

Wilson Elliot

Senior Male Athlete of the Year

Viktor Terlaky

Team of the Year

2018 AWG Junior Female Futsal Team

Coach of the Year

Jane Mooney

Official of the Year

Nick Rivet

Contributor to Sport

Rachel Yee

Community Contributor

Steve Matthews

Corporate Contributor

Carl's Carpet Cleaning



MINISTER'S MESSAGE

As Minister of Municipal and Community Affairs (MACA), I would like to thank the Sport North Federation and its Territorial Sport Organizations for your efforts to provide opportunities for northerners to lead active and healthy lives. I would like to thank the many volunteers who contribute their time, talent and energy to the recreation and sport system. The work you do is important to the well being of our youth, the growth of the sport system and our collective efforts to build healthier communities in the Northwest Territories (NWT).

Sports are an effective and enjoyable way to encourage our residents to be physically and mentally active and healthy. Moreover, sports build leadership skills and community pride. They provide opportunities for our youth and elders, especially, to travel and learn more about other communities in the NWT and Canada, and they help keep our youth in school. Our government is strongly committed to supporting sports and recreation at all levels, and we appreciate the work of all the people involved in our sports organizations.

I was able to attend the opening of the 2019 Canada Winter Games in Red Deer, Alberta, and also want to extend my congratulations to all the athletes, coaches, managers and mission staff of Team NT. These games were very successful and provided tremendous opportunity for youth to experience the excitement of a multi-sport event.

During the past year, the Sport North Federation has continued its efforts to lead a variety of equally important initiatives. These initiatives are important elements of sport programming in the NWT, they also contribute greatly to our goal of improving the daily lives of people in our communities and include: KidSport, a charitable foundation, which provided disadvantaged youth the chance to participate in sports; and the National Coaching Certification Program which offered quality training to aspiring coaches; and your Awards/Hall of Fame program that helped to honour the very best athletes, coaches, officials and leaders from our Territory.



Looking forward, planning and preparations for the 2019 Western Canada Summer Games, which take place August 9 to 18, 2019 in Swift Current, Saskatchewan, have already begun. Planning for the 2020 Arctic Winter Games in Whitehorse, Yukon is also underway. I would like to wish all the best to the athletes, coaches and officials who are preparing to represent Team NT at these Games.

Please accept my best wishes to Sport North, the Territorial Sport Organizations and your many volunteers for continued success. I encourage you to continue to look for ways to broaden programs so that even more people can participate in sport in the future.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alfred Moses".

Minister Alfred Moses,
Responsible for Municipal and Community
Affairs

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Looking back always allows for the time to really reflect on the great work done and the incredible success stories that have been written. This was my second year as President of the Sport North Federation and I am proud to say that we have moved sport forward from year one to two.

The 2019 Canada Winter Games in Red Deer, Alberta capped off a significant year at Sport North. The past year ran smoothly in the sense of the reporting changes within the department of Municipal and Community Affairs (MACA) and Sport North is back to our regular cycle of our May AGM date. Our flagship events and programs such as the Annual Awards Banquet, KidSport Golf Tournament, Rising Star program, Scholarship program and Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony all made headlines for being remarkable. We raised a record breaking \$29,000 at the 66th Annual Petersen & Auger Golf Tournament in support of KidSport NWT. We granted out over \$30,000 in Rising Start grants, and inducted a team, a builder and an athlete into the NWT Sport Hall of Fame in an emotional ceremony.

In addition, our strategic plan has provided specific goals and clear strategies to accomplish each goal we set for ourselves. The four goals we have set for ourselves ensure Sport North has continued presence and prominence in each community in the Northwest Territories as well as on a National level with our Southern counterparts. This upcoming year will see us define a path for our next three years in a new strategic plan. A focus of this plan will include listening to 12 voices from the NWT sport sector and prioritizing recommendations based on the outcomes of the interviews. This new strategic plan is quite timely with the Sport, Physical Activity and Recreation (SPAR) Framework being rolled out by the GNWT - Department of MACA and our membership can expect to see aspects of both documents intertwined and supporting the other.

We had a contingency of 155 at the 2019 Canada Winter Games, athletes participate in our Territorial Trials for the 2018 Arctic Winter Games, 12 scholarship recipients, and 44 applications for our Rising Star program,



25 applications were received for the KidSport Community Equipment Grant program and 159 kids from across the territory we able to compete in a season of sport because of KidSport.

Furthermore, we're very proud of Team NT's showing at the 2019 Canada Winter Games in Red Deer, Alberta. Our contingency included; athletes, participants, coaches, chaperones and mission staff. Team NT came home with 1 Bronze medal in Judo from Wilson Elliot. Our female hockey team made their mark, beating a province for the first time ever when they defeated NL 4-1! We shined with many personal bests and showed the rest of the country we were there to compete.

Moreover, Sport North would like to thank the countless volunteers who donate time, resources, and knowledge to our sporting community. Volunteers are the backbone of our community, whether they be coaches, team managers, organizers, mission staff, Games volunteers or anybody else helping to grow our youth and develop our communities.

Thank you to all our members, athletes, coaches, officials, administration and certainly the volunteers for a great year! We will need each of you more than ever to make this upcoming year more special, memorable and outstanding!

Les Skinner,
President, Sport North Federation

ABOUT SPORT NORTH

The Sport North Federation was incorporated in October 1976 to assist in the promotion and development of amateur sport in the Northwest Territories.

MISSION

Sport North represents the Territorial Sport Organizations of the Northwest Territories. We are dedicated to the development of sport at every level of participation in the Northwest Territories.

VISION

Sport North Federation will be the recognized leader in sport development and will ensure that opportunities in sport, based on fair play, are accessible to all residents of the NWT.

VALUES

At Sport North, we value:

Integrity: Applying our policies and procedures in a consistent, fair and transparent manner.

Responsibility: Meeting our obligations to our members and partners.

Fairness: Free from bias, dishonesty, or injustice.

Honesty: The quality of being truthful and trustworthy.

Respect: Reflecting the values which we seek to instill in our children and youth.

Excellence: Demonstrating high standards in all areas of our organization.

Responsibility: Something for which one is responsible; a duty, obligation, or burden.

Sport North is a voice for sports across the Northwest Territories, promoting the benefits of sport, recreation, healthy and active lifestyles for all residents. Sport North provides leadership, direction and support to our member Territorial Sport Organizations in their delivery of sport opportunities to the residents of the Northwest Territories.

SPORT NORTH STAFF

Our 2018 - 2019 team at Sport North is led by:

- Doug Rentmeister, Executive Director
- Bill Othmer, Sport Manager
- Rita Mercredi, Sport Consultant
- Kendra Wambold, Marketing and Communications Officer/KidSport NWT Coordinator
- Tyler Rentmeister, Finance Officer
- Spider Jones, Community Sport Development & Physical Literacy Engagement Facilitator
- Maggie Works, Summer Student

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Sport North Federation is governed by a Board whose members and president are appointed by the Federation's members, the Territorial Sport Organizations. The Board is responsible for setting Sport North's strategic direction and providing governance and leadership for the Federation.

The following members sit on the 2018-2019 Board of Directors:

- Les Skinner, President (Inuvik)
- Richard Daitch, Vice-President (Fort Smith)
- Chantal Steitzer (Yellowknife)
- Robert Sholto Douglas (Fort Smith)
- Colin Pybus (Inuvik)
- David Shears (Yellowknife)
- Glenn Tait (Yellowknife)
- Sam Shannon (Yellowknife)



PARTICIPATION

With increased collaboration, partnerships and resources within the sport system, Sport North has helped to create a system that is inclusive for sport in the Northwest Territories. Sport North manages several programs that identify and address barriers to ensure all have an opportunity to participate.

Funding opportunities include KidSport and Rising Star. Each of these programs helps to fill gaps or offset costs. Also, the Federation offers coaching clinics and a partnership with the Canadian Sport for Life (CS4L) University. All opportunities have helped to encourage individuals to get involved in sport as an athlete, ambassador, administrator, coach or volunteer.

KidSport grants provide financial assistance for registration fees and equipment to kids aged 18 and under. Through a confidential application process, KidSport provides grants so kids can play a season of sport. In 2018, 159 NWT kids received support totalling over \$32,443.25.

Sport North and our members offer coaching development clinics, from entry level to high performance level. These clinics ranged from sport specific programs to general courses offered by the National Coaching Certification Program. Partnering with the Coaching Association of Canada, Sport North promoted and offered free coaching events all week long, during the National Coaches Week. The Federation was able to offer entry level coaching courses as well as some Competition Development courses.

Through the Coaching program we saw two coaches begin their journey into coaching through apprenticeship, the Women in Coaching Apprenticeship and Aboriginal Apprenticeship Coach Program. This program is partnered with the Coaching Association of Canada and the Canada Games Council. The program enables aspiring women and Aboriginal high performance coaches to obtain the necessary experience and training to advance their coaching education and skills. These coaches will be involved in all aspects of training and will receive support from a local mentor coach.

This year at the 2019 Canada Winter Games in Red Deer, Team NT, once again supported safety and inclusion in sport with the "If You Can Play, You Can Play" shirts. On Wednesday of each week the Team NT contingent of athletes, coaches and mission staff all wore a shirt with a rainbow Team NT logo on the front and a rainbow Sport North Federation logo on the back with the words "If You Can Play, You Can Play." Support for this initiative was well received with the Red Deer 2019 Host Society, Canada Games Council and media outlets all picking up on the story. The positive support received transcended throughout the Games and across all fields of play.

Thanks to Ollie Williams, media mission staff for Team NT, the athletes from each week have an incredible video capturing the emotions and pride from the day to cherish for years to come.



EXCELLENCE

The Federation assists athletes, teams, coaches and officials to achieve excellence through Excel NT, Rising Star, Elite Athlete Assistance, player development clinics, coaching development clinics and officials' clinics.

The Rising Star follows the CS4L train-to-train model. It is a program that provides funding to athletes (females 11 to 15 and males 12 to 16) who exhibit potential in their sport of choice and wish to receive additional training through a camp format.

Sport North partners with the GNWT Municipality and Community Affairs (MACA) to offer the High Performance Athlete Grant. This grant provides funding for high performance athletes from the Northwest Territories to assist with the costs associated with training and competing in their chosen sport. The funding level for each recipient is based on athletic achievement and recognition at the national or international level. The Sport North Federation and MACA jointly approve all recipients. This past year, 44 applications were received. 37 individuals were funded, totalling \$31,900 in grants for sport camps.

While supporting our members' and athletes' endeavours, Sport North annually recognizes and celebrates the achievements of NWT's amateur athletes, coaches, officials, volunteers and sponsors through the Annual Awards Banquet and NWT Sport Hall of Fame. Nine individuals, one team and one sponsor were recognized at the 2018 Awards Banquet held in May, 2018, and one athlete, one builder and a team were inducted into the 2018 NWT Sport Hall of Fame – inducting eight individuals total.



ABE THEIL | BUILDER | VOLLEYBALL



FORT MCPHERSON | TEAM | CANOE



ROBIN MERCER-SPROULE | ATHLETE | FIGURE SKATING, HOCKEY, VOLLEYBALL, BASKETBALL, BROOMBALL, SOFTBALL



RISING STAR PROGRAM

37 19♀
TOTAL MEMBERS

18♂

BADMINTON
BASKETBALL
CURLING
FIGURE SKATING
GYMNASICS

HOCKEY
SOCCER
SPEED
SKATING

SQUASH
TENNIS
VOLLEYBALL

CAPACITY

Sport North is committed to ensuring the sport system has strong financial and human resources, from grassroots through to high performance participation, by continually looking to secure long-term funding with the GNWT as well as discovering ways to partner with organizations within the sport sector.

Partnered with the Aboriginal Sport Circle of NWT, the Petersen and Auger 66th Annual Golf Tournament in support of KidSport NWT was held on July 6, 2018. With 26 teams entered, this year's event was a success. The 18-hole tournament offers competition and fun, with a number of auction prizes to be won, including a diamond, sponsored by Diavik Diamonds, and two hole in ones, sponsored by Petersen and Auger and Aurora Ford.

With a long standing partnership with NWT/NU Lotteries, Top of the World Travel Agency, Coast Fraser Towers and Northwestel, Sport North consistently offers their membership the best opportunities for their sporting teams and upcoming events by developing cost-effective partnerships with the private sector. Sport North has continued to be able to align programs and events with corporate clients.



INTERACTION

Sport North strives to promote interaction and collaboration among key members of the NWT sport community by developing clear roles and responsibilities for the Federation and its partner organizations. With our partners, Sport North looks to share knowledge, maximize resources, and leverage opportunities and efficiencies at the community, territorial and national level to achieve sport sector objectives. The final product being a better connected and coordinated sector.

Sport North continues to represent the NWT sport community at the national level, with an ongoing membership with the Canadian Council of Provincial and Territorial Sport Federation and National Trust Fund. As well, the Federation ensures a spot with KidSport, Coaching Association of Canada, Canada Games Council, Western Canada Games Council and Canada Sport for Life.

For a cohesive vision of the role of sport in the NWT, Sport North actively communicates to and encourages communication among all

sport organizations and advocates to ensure that the needs and interests of our Territorial Sport Organizations are clearly understood and effectively represented in national programs and initiatives. Through regular communication, Sport North's public relations has established stronger relationships with partners, stakeholders and TSOs in support of working cooperatively toward common goals within the sport sector.

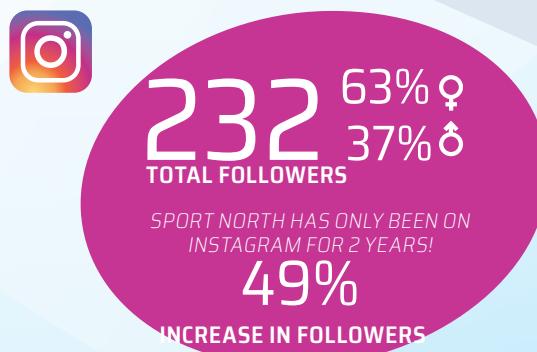
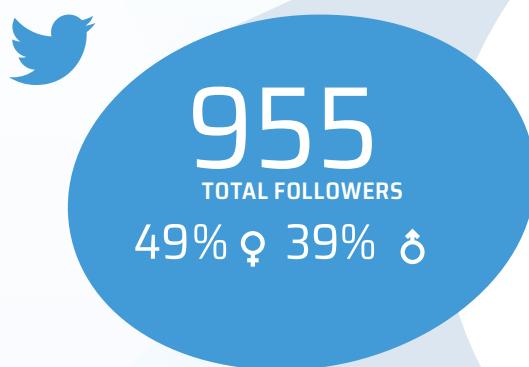
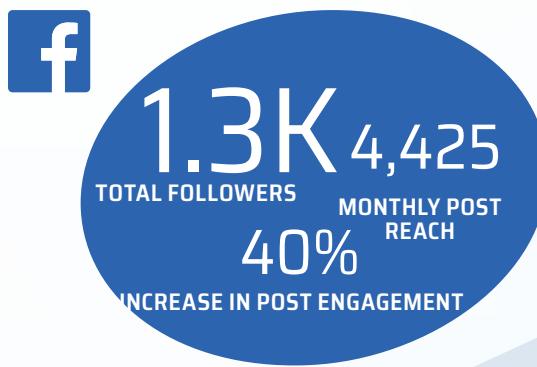
Twice a year, the Federation hosts Sport North membership meetings that provide our members with an opportunity to share information and discuss essential issues. Sport North continues to produce a video to capture all the highlights of our membership.



SPORT NORTH SOCIAL MEDIA

To enhance the communication with our members and the public, Sport North uses social media to promote events, results and success throughout the NWT.

Along with our presence on social media, the Federation continues to provide success stories via traditional avenues. All these opportunities allow the Federation the opportunity to share our members inspiring stories and lessons learned.



TOP POST OF 2018-2019



TEAM NT SOCIAL MEDIA



3.4K 11,256
TOTAL FOLLOWERS ORGANIC POST REACH
62%
INCREASE IN POST ENGAGEMENT



1.2K 63% ♀
37% ♂
TOTAL FOLLOWERS
120K
ORGANIC IMPRESSIONS



1.3K 59% ♀
41% ♂
TOTAL FOLLOWERS
1,282
MONTHLY ORGANIC IMPRESSIONS

TOP POST OF 2017-2018



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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

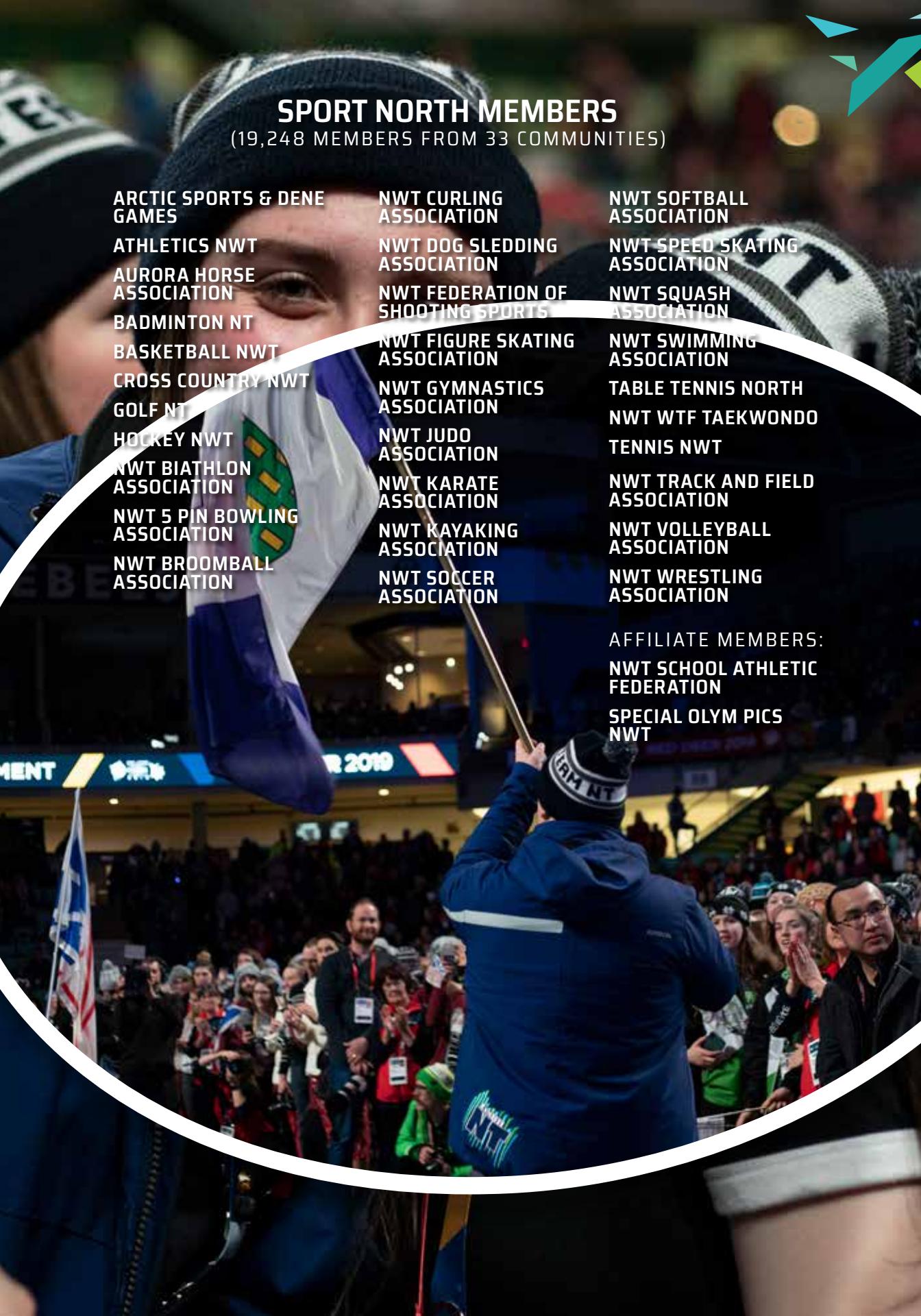
MARCH 31, 2019, WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR MARCH 31, 2018

	March 31, 2019 \$	March 31, 2018 \$
Assets		
Current		
Cash	1,080,510	972,047
Accounts receivable	24,198	384,862
Due from related entities	177,709	578,379
Pre-paid expenses	14,161	11,883
GST receivable	37,812	18,862
	1,334,480	1,965,433
Capital Assets		
Investment in Lex Borealis Ltd.	882	1,465
Investments	774,770	793,243
	622,942	-
	2,733,084	2,760,141
Liabilities		
Current		
Accounts payable	78,750	73,011
Wages payable	91,684	72,538
Deferred income	712,879	763,295
Due to related parties	25,484	4,056
	908,777	912,900
Accrued termination benefits	151,119	149,268
	1,069,896	1,062,168
Net Assets		
General fund	1,511,383	1,536,168
Restricted fund	138,098	139,098
Reserve fund	22,707	22,707
	1,673,188	1,697,973
	2,733,084	2,760,141

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED MARCH 31, 2019, WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR YEAR
ENDED MARCH 31, 2018

	Budget 12 MONTHS \$	Actual 12 MONTHS \$	
	2019	2019	2018
Revenues			
Core	308,053	208,688	240,179
Association Meetings	39,900	68,340	36,573
Membership Services	128,409	190,998	143,003
SNF Scholarships	20,963	19,395	17,640
Awards	27,200	28,333	38,515
Hall of Fame	43,635	53,053	42,312
Volunteer	56,633	62,145	19,073
Sport 4 Life	22,644	11,537	8,592
KidSport	118,355	148,183	107,303
Rising Star	61,460	43,091	49,961
Coaching	69,177	67,070	76,848
Sport Excellence	19,993	20,122	23,820
HP Coaching	19,993	20,840	19,993
Games Management	47,604	155,643	153,736
Golf Tournament		19,587	19,732
Super Bingo		142,328	
Non Reoccurring Programs		31,361	
Summary of Games		242,828	1,789
Other Previous Games		90,692	1,070,091
	984,019	1,624,234	2,069,160
Expenses			
Core	342,479	272,063	190,692
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Golf Tournament		19,587	19,732
Super Bingo		77,455	
Non Reoccurring Programs		34,989	
Summary of Games		254,313	1,788
Other Previous Games		83389	1070091
	1,018,445	1,630,546	2,019,672
Excess of revenue over expenses	(34,426)	(6,312)	49,488



SPORT NORTH MEMBERS

(19,248 MEMBERS FROM 33 COMMUNITIES)

ARCTIC SPORTS & DENE GAMES

ATHLETICS NWT

AURORA HORSE ASSOCIATION

BADMINTON NT

BASKETBALL NWT

CROSS COUNTRY NWT

GOLF NT

HOCKEY NWT

NWT BIATHLON ASSOCIATION

NWT 5 PIN BOWLING ASSOCIATION

NWT BROOMBALL ASSOCIATION

NWT CURLING ASSOCIATION

NWT DOG SLEDDING ASSOCIATION

NWT FEDERATION OF SHOOTING SPORTS

NWT FIGURE SKATING ASSOCIATION

NWT GYMNASTICS ASSOCIATION

NWT JUDO ASSOCIATION

NWT KARATE ASSOCIATION

NWT KAYAKING ASSOCIATION

NWT SOCCER ASSOCIATION

NWT SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

NWT SPEED SKATING ASSOCIATION

NWT SQUASH ASSOCIATION

NWT SWIMMING ASSOCIATION

TABLE TENNIS NORTH

NWT WTF TAEKWONDO

TENNIS NWT

NWT TRACK AND FIELD ASSOCIATION

NWT VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION

NWT WRESTLING ASSOCIATION

AFFILIATE MEMBERS:

NWT SCHOOL ATHLETIC FEDERATION

SPECIAL OLYM PICS NWT