

NWT Broomball Annual General Meeting  
October 4, 2005 – 5:15pm  
Sport North Boardroom, Panda II Mall

In Attendance: Darryl English –Inuvik, **Trista** Nault – Hay River, Pat Fowler-Referee In Chief, Lynn Fowler-consultant, **Jan** Vallillee - President, **Sherry** Connors –Treasurer, Curtis Debogorski –Vice President, Directors, Karen Tomasta, Val Pond, Tina Setter – YK Womens Broomball Assoc, Molly Pilgrim – Rebels Broomball Team Representative

**Call to order** at 5:20pm. Conference call was setup for those members not able to attend in Yellowknife. Role Call was done with everyone introducing themselves.

**Jan** asked if everyone attending had a copy of the agenda and the financial statements that was issued via email. Everyone stated they all had copies of the documents.

**Condolences** were said by **Jan** for Louise Pargeter's Family & for Frank Stapleton's family on the loss of their loved ones over this past year.

**Jan** asked if everyone had a chance to review the 2004 AGM Minutes. All stated they had. **Jan** asked if there were any issues with the minutes. There were none. A motion was made to accept the minutes by **Sherry**, Second by **Tina**, All in favor.

**Jan** stated she would give the floor to **Sherry** to explain and discuss the financial statements.

**Sherry** stated that she acquired the assistance of Gary Brennan of Sport North to prepare the financial statements. Gary is a CGA and was able to do an unofficial audit of the books for the NWT Broomball Association. **Sherry** stated that after all of the current outstanding cheques are cashed there will be a balance of \$21,474.86. That balance does not reflect cheques that will be paid out shortly for the Travel Teams competing at the Western Championships in November and a broomball loaner kit of shoes. It doesn't account for the balls and sticks purchased outright for Inuvik either. Once those committed funds are paid out, then NWT Broomball Association will have a balance of \$11,000.

**Jan** interjected the break down of bingo revenues and how they are dispersed. The Bingo Revenues are paid out in percentages of 30%, 30%, 30% & 10% the 10% is setup as a contingency fund for NWT Broomball for unexpected expenditures. Bingo Revenue that will be paid out this year from the last 2 bingo's is as follows:

UNW Wolverines Junior Broomball Team -	\$3,600.00
Yellowknife Ravens All Star Team	\$1,480.00
Yellowknife Rebels All Star Team	\$4,816.00

Jan reiterated that Associations/Leagues must cash cheques when they have been issued by NWT Broomball. Hay River still has not cashed a cheque that was issued to them last year. If cheques are not cashed within the six month period prior to becoming stale dated the Association/League will not be issued a replacement. The onus is on that group to cash the cheques when they are issued. Jan asked Trista if she would be willing to speak to the Ladies League about the unnegotiated item. Trista declined to do so as she did not want to appear as though she was interfering with the Hay River Ladies League and cause any undue animosity. Jan stated she would then contact the Hay River Ladies Executive about the cheque.

The topic of chartered accountants and audited financial statements was raised. Jan stated the costs involved in having the statements done by a chartered accountant were excessive. She asked the executive members if everyone was in favor of having the statements done yearly as they have been in the past. Jan stated that NWT Broomball is transparent and the books are open to view. Val asked if Sport North accepts the statements as they are. Jan stated they are. Everyone was in agreement that the statements should continue to be done as they have in the past and avoid any excessive fees. Tina motioned to accept the financial statements. Sherry seconded. All were in Favor.

Short term plans and grants application process was explained to everyone and what is involved in completing the documentation for the grant application. All expenditures must be explained in detail and all short term plans must be identified. The grant is issued in a lump sum amount that must then be budgeted for all regions/groups for everything from referees, coaches player development clinics, equipment purchases, committed travel (i.e. Westerns, Junior & Senior Nationals, etc.). Jan did not go into detail but made everyone aware that the package was available for all to review should they wish to do so. Jan advised that the grant application is created annually after discussions with all parties (teams, communities) involved.

#### **NWT Broomball Association Achievements for 2004**

Womens team went to Western Championships in November 04  
Player Development clinics were held in October & November 2004  
TSO Funded Mixed Broomball in Hay River last January 2004  
Officials Development in Winnipeg, January 2004  
Player Development Clinic in February 2005  
Territorial Championships February 2005 – 16 teams (mens, womens, mixed competitive & mixed non competitive)  
Junior Nationals in April 2005 saw the NWT win a Gold Medal on the B side

CBF AGM Workshops in April 2005

2 NWT Players went to the World Championships in Oct/Nov 2004

A New Logo was designed

A Contribution to Tsunami Relief of \$3500 (NWT Broomball, YK womens, YK Rebels & YK Ravens)

New NWT Broomball Website & domain

### **NWT Broomballs plans for 2005/2006**

2 senior teams will be traveling to the Western Championships in Nov 2005

A Senior Mens team will be traveling to the Canadian National Championships in April 2006

A Junior Boys team will be traveling to the Juvenile National Championships in April 2006

TSO Mixed Tournament will be in Hay River, January 2006

Territorial Championships will be in Yellowknife, February 23-26, 2006

First Annual Aboriginal Tournament is planned for March 2006

Development of a Female Coach this year – Candidate is Melissa Cousins

Senior Women's team will be traveling to the World Championships in November 2006

Loaner Kit of shoes, balls & sticks may be purchased for the high school in Hay River.

Loaner Kit will be purchased for Inuvik Broomball – Ryan/Darrel will maintain and monitor all equipment that is sent to Inuvik for the implementation of their league.

**Jan** took the opportunity to mention that Sport North has identified NWT Broomball as one of the most active TSO in the Northwest Territories.

Performance funding are dollars for National, Canadian, and International tournaments as well as establishing qualified officials and coaches.

Lynn asked if NWT Broomball had been informed that the Canadian Nationals may be cancelled in Alberta and done in another province due to the resignation of the Canadian National Organizer. **Jan** had not been informed but will investigate.

**Jan** stated NWT Broomball is awaiting notification from Sport North as to how much funding they may receive for the upcoming fiscal year.

**Tina** interjected that any women wanting to be on the team traveling to the World Championships must play in the women's division of the Territorials in 2006. Val asked why that was since the World's is an Invitational Tournament. **Jan** stated it was because it is the Yellowknife Rebels organizing the team and as such they can institute the criteria. She stated it would be similar if the men decided to field a team, they would be responsible for the selection, fundraising and organization criteria.

Jan asked Trista if Hay River will be in a position to host the Territorials next year. Trista stated at this time she was unable to answer that question. Hay River is in a regrowth, reorganizing phase. Trista did state that the Mixed Hay River tournament is tentatively scheduled for January 20-22/06 but will be confirmed and provide more details at a later date as they have to acquire the ice time.

An extensive marketing campaign has been ongoing with the purchase of mouse pads, drink coolies, advertising in the NewsNorth and on the CAT Channel of cable tv. A new website <http://www.nwtbroomball.com> is online. All Associations are encouraged to provide information, announcements, league info so it can be posted online. We've also distributed CBF posters & brochures to Hay River & Inuvik, in add to the posters created years ago by NWT Broomball.

New Rule Books have been ordered and will be distributed to each of the leagues once they arrive.

NWT Broomball is supporting & preparing documentation to have Lynn Fowler named to the Canadian Broomball Federation Hall of Fame. Jan will be submitting this prior to the deadline date.

If Lynn is in appointed to the Hall of Fame – funds from the contingency fund will be expensed for the trip. This is the 10% allocated to NWT Broomball via bingo's.

Jan asked for Community League Reports:

**Inuvik** – Darryl is looking forward to the arrival of the loaner kit of equipment. They currently have twenty names listed. They have past players, new players and are looking forward to starting on October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2005. Ryan and Darryl are seeking sponsors and/or donations to cover the costs of Ice Times. Darryl asked if Inuvik Broomball could use the NWT Broomball Association for licensing for Bingos/Dances etc. It was discussed that if Inuvik Broomball wanted to be able to fund raise they should consider registering as a society with Legal Registries. Jan stated that all other associations are registered and do their own fundraising. Val stated that YK Mixed broomball was not a registered association and do not fundraise as they are a user pay league. Darryl stated they would wait until Christmas to see exactly how many players are in fact still playing at that time.

**Hay River** – Trista stated that Hay River is having some financial problems right now. It was discovered that the Ice Time with the Town of Hay River had not been paid for 2003-2005. The town has agreed to a payment plan for the outstanding \$6,000 that is owed. The AGM will be this weekend and the first Ice Time is Wednesday Oct 5/05. Trista will be recommending a new treasurer for Hay River Broomball. She has obtained the books and they will be holding dances soon in order to fund raise.

**Yellowknife** – YK Mixed Broomball will be holding an open ice player development clinic on Oct 12/05 at 7:30pm. Any men & women interested in playing are welcome to come out and try the game. League games will begin on Oct 19/05. Confirmation of Four mixed teams to date with the possibility of a junior boys & girls team joining the mixed league once Pat can confirm numbers.

The Yellowknife ladies league is holding open ice times on Oct 9th & 13th. The league will start on Oct 20th. Games are on Thursday and Sunday nights. New players can sign up at the open ice times or contact Tina @ 669-0190.

The YK Womens league held their AGM on September 12/05 and the minutes are posted on the NWT Broomball Website.

The Yellowknife men's league will be having an open ice session on the 17th of October from 8-10pm. The league will then start October 20th. They are intending to have 4 teams this year. This will be determined by the 17th once interest is confirmed. The team reps will be as follows:

Ryfan Electric– Curtis Debogorski – 669-7967

No Names – Alex Debogorski – 920-2961

No Names 2 – Andrew Morton – 873-6606

UNW Junior Wolverines – Pat Fowler- 873-6735

**New Business** – Pat Fowler and Curtis Debogorski want to start a Junior Girls Program. Amelia Debogorski apparently has 13 girls that want to play. Pat wants to get a package together for these kids. Jan stated the contingency fund may be able to assist with funding. Tina stated that once the girls have had the opportunity to learn the basic skills and Pat feels they are ready they can join the YK Womens league as a team and play non contact broomball. Curtis asked if the ladies league would possibly supply a couple of women to assist in coaching of the girls. Curtis also mentioned that in Mullet, AB they have a program for Family Broomball that is being run by Dave Ramsey. The program is grassroots which encourages parents & kids to come out and play broomball.

Pat will check to see how many old jerseys he has in storage; if possible they can be sent to Inuvik so they have colors for their league.

Jan proposed that NWT Broomball purchase equipment for the junior girls. All were in favor.

Two Executive Positions are up for renewal this year – Ryan Smith & Trista Nault

Trista was asked if she would like to retain her position – She agreed  
Darryl was asked if Ryan was interested in retaining his position – Darryl stated that Ryan was in fact interested. All agreed - Both individuals have retained their positions

Jan & Sherry will be traveling in November – all bills will be paid except for the Insurance Policy. Jan will have the Canadian Broomball Federation send a copy to Curtis who will in turn send a copy to the City of Yellowknife, Town of Hay River & Town of Inuvik.

Yellowknife will be hosting the Territorial Championships and as such a committee will need to be setup in order to proceed. Karen volunteered to get a committee together and will start with last year's group.

Jan informed everyone that the NWT Broomball Association Logo is copyrighted by the NWT Broomball Assoc and is not for use by any unauthorized leagues/teams/groups. Any such group wanting to utilize the logo must request permission to do so.

Lynn Fowler stated that George Paleniak will be in Yellowknife on October 27/05 to work with the Elite Players.

Karen Tomasta made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Curtis Debogorski. All were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm