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Cricket Canada AGM

Director's Report

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1. SENIOR OUTDOOR CRICKET 2017

- Cricket continues to grow in Manitoba. The increase in participation is growing as more immigrants from cricket playing countries have moved into the province. There was a jump to 27 teams registered for League cricket, one recreational team and 4 T/20 teams.
- Accomodating this many teams was a challenge with the limited facilities available to the MCA. There was only enough time to play league cricket from the middle of Spring to the beginning of Fall.
- The Premier division for the first time in many years had a playoff system (Page) for the top 4 teams. The playoff was exciting and spectators were treated to exciting cricket.
- Cosmos Cricket Club, Five Rivers and Cosmos Lancers were divisional champions last year. Cosmos will represent Manitoba at 2018 JRRT.
- With the limited availability of grounds during the weekends, the T/20 tournament was held during the evening. This allowed the MCA to continue offering this version of cricket to teams that are not registered for regular league cricket.

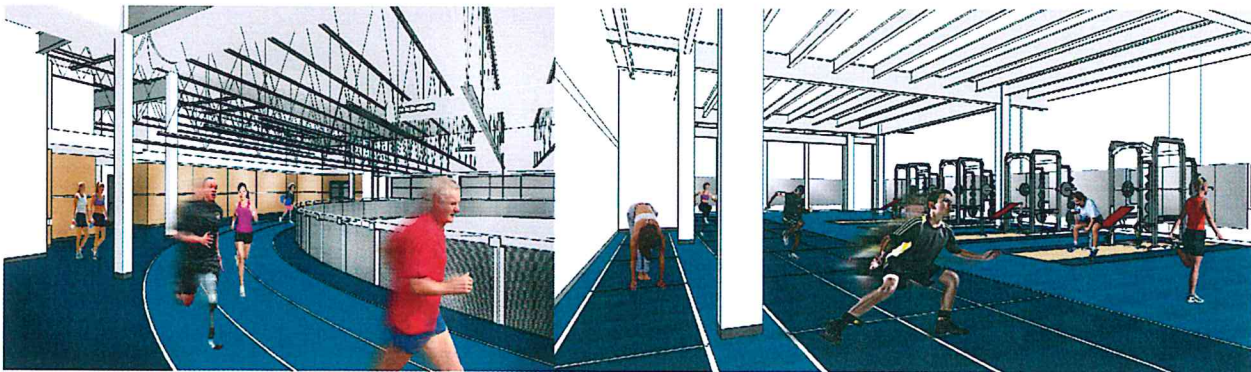
2. John Ross Robertson Tournament

The JRRT was held in Regina. Congratulations to Cosmos Sports Club who represented Manitoba well. The team from Saskatchewan won the tournament.

4 Sport Manitoba

With the new provincial government in place, funding for sports in Manitoba was reduced. All Provincial Sport Organizations(PSO) were involved with the new process and requirement for funding.

The new Qualico Training Center built for the Canada Summer Games will accommodate cricket high performance program. The strength and conditioning facility is available for cricket players and the sessions are conducted by qualified trainers from Sport Manitoba. This is a good opportunity for our athletes to improve both mentally and physically.



6 Other Activities

- The batting cages at Dakota Collegiate is now operational. This was an effort by the school, City of Winnipeg and Provincial Government to develop playing facilities in the area of South East St Vital to accommodate the growing number of participants.



- Manitoba continues to invest time and resources to help develop the High Performance program for all players with the ability and desire to move to the National level
- Support for schools and community club programs continued to be a top priority for the MCA at the junior level. A number of clinics were held in various schools and locations throughout the city.
- The Assiniboine Park Conservatory continued to be our facilities partner. A great emphasis is placed on maintaining cricket at Assiniboine Park. The natural turf pitches is still on their agenda for the next 2 years.
- A project Charter for a new practice facility in South Winnipeg area was started in the summer. The location will be based on the availability of a full field, resident access and required services. This project is financed through the City of Winnipeg and councillor Jnice Lukes. Many thanks to Paramjit Shahi of Royal Kings who was instrumental in getting this project started.
- The MCA is working with the city of Winnipeg to secure two more cricket grounds in the La Salle area. This will reduce the burden at Assiniboine Park and allow time for more competitions

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