# WOOD BUFFALO SPORT CONNECTION

A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER FOR OUR SPORTS COMMUNITY

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### **WE ARE BACK**

The WBSC is pleased to announce its return to regular programming and services including our:

- Events Calendar
- Sport Directory
- Sport Resources
- Sport Science Services
- Quarterly Newsletters
- Community Sport Highlights

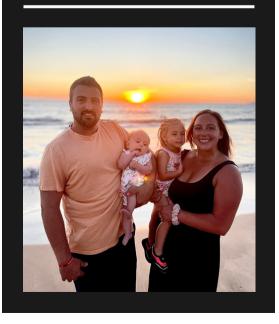
We are here to celebrate and support our sport community! This return signifies a renewed commitment to athletes, coaches, and sport organizations, as the WBSC continues to drive growth and excellence in our sport community.

# **HELP US STAY UP TO DATE!**

Do you have an event, resource, or organization that needs to be updated or added to our website? Send us your information!
Email communications@wbsportconnection.com

# WBSC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

We are thrilled to announce the return of our esteemed Executive Director, Karly Anderson, to lead our organization to again new heights. With over 10 years of experience in the sport and recreation field, we are excited for her to bring her passion for sport, recreation and active living to the Wood Buffalo Sport Connection.





## **CELEBRATING SPORT**



#### MAKING HISTORY

PHOTO BY ROBERT MURRAY

The Keyano College Huskies Men's Basketball team made history on Saturday, March 16th. The team brought home the very first CCAA National Championship Banner for Huskies Athletics.

Many community members watched the Huskies win the ACAC Gold Medal on our home court, the Canadian Natural Hardwood, which led them to Nationals. Thank you to the community for packing the Syncrude Sport and Wellness Centre with the most fans they've ever seen!

Meet the team for drop-in signatures and celebrations on Friday, April 5th from 3:00-5:00 pm at the SSWC.



#### CONGRATULATIONS

#### SPECIAL OLYMPICS WOOD BUFFALO

The amazing athletes from Team Wood Buffalo brought home 8 medals from the Special Olympics Canada Winter Games Calgary 2024 in February.

You each have truly made the Wood Buffalo region proud! Congratulations!

#### **MAT-SU 2024 ARCTIC WINTER GAMES**

#### **TEAM ALBERTA NORTH**

The 2024 Arctic Winter Games took place on March 10-16 in Alaska. Athletes from the Wood Buffalo Region competed for Team Alberta North and earned an outstanding 122 medals! Congratulations on all those who participated and made the games amazing!







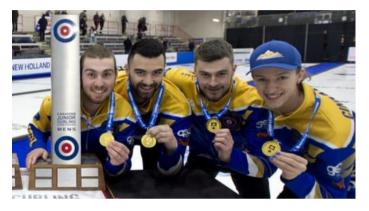
Photo: AWG 2024 John Rusyniak



# **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS & CELEBRATIONS**

#### DID YOU CATCH THE ACTION?

2024 New Holland Canadian U-21 Men's and Women's Curling Championships were hosted at the Suncor Community Leisure Centre at MacDonald Island Park! The Alberta #2 Women's team won bronze and Alberta #1 Men's Team won gold! Congratulations!



#### **REGISTRATION OPEN**

Join the McMurray Junior Ball Hockey League for Sping 2024!

Divisions offered are:

- U7U9
- UII
- . . . . . . . . . . . . .
- U13U16
- To register, <u>click here</u>.





The Fort McMurray Minor
Baseball Association is also
accepting registrations and
is a great way to spend May
and June for players born
2020 to 2006!
Register and find out more
information here!

#### **IN SESSION**

The Fort McMurray Flag Football League is up and running at the SSWC with youth and adult divisions! Click the image to the right to see how you can register for the next program!





#### 2024 KID SPORT FAM EXPO

An excerpt from the article by KidSport Wood Buffalo, linked here.

"Are you a Comicon lover? Wanna see the community in Cosplay? Or simply want a good time out with family and friends? You don't want to miss the Fam Expo 2024! Following an event of massive success in June of 2023, we are bringing back the Fam Expo on May 18, 2024! Expect an even bigger and better mini Comicon than ever!

This family friendly event will offer a **Kidzone** full of activities for the little ones, a large **Vendor Showcase** with locally made and sourced merchandise, an **ESport Station** to learn a new skill, specially selected **Panelists**, a **Cosplay Show** on the Red Carpet, **Food Trucks**, etc."

Date: May 18, 2024 Time: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Location: Mac Donald Island Park

#### **GOOD LUCK NORTHERN CHEER**

The Northern Cheerleading All Stars are going to the All Star World Championships in Orlando on April 18 - 21. Good luck!

