



## 2013-2014 Annual Report



### **Our Motto:**

JRMCC: La Ronge's Premiere Sports, Fitness & Events Facility

### **Our Vision:**

We develop healthy individuals and promote an active community through sports, culture and recreation programs and services.

### **Our Mission:**

We organize, administer, promote and support sports, culture and recreation opportunities to the benefit of the community.

### **Our Values:**

Our staff and volunteers adhere to following set of values which are important to us:

- We are respectful and inclusive;
- We are capable and competent;
- We are committed and work as a team;
- We provide good service and hospitality;
- We are transparent and accountable; and
- We engage the community;

The JRMCC Recreation Program operates in four key areas:

- Administration
- Event Management
- Program and Service Delivery
- Fundraising/Marketing

### **Staffing**

Director of Sports & Recreation: Kevin Roberts

Operations Supervisor: Arnold Mirasty

Arena Operators: Clayton Ratt, John Charles, Moses Charles, Johnny Venne

Rec Workers: Rory Irving, Jade Roberts, Larry McKenzie (SR), Jack Ross (HL)

Youth Centre Worker: Julius Bird

Janitor: Travis Billette

### **Greetings from the Director of Sports & Recreation- Kevin Roberts**

Thank you for your interest in reading our 2013-2014 JRMCC Annual Report. I hope this report is helpful in informing the LLRIB membership about our programs, activities and events over the past year. Much of our focus has been on event management and marketing, two of our main sources of revenue (without revenue, our doors can't stay open). While we will continue on this course, we have also begun putting in time-consuming work in the areas of policy development and governance, which will consist of developing new or strengthening existing policies that will reflect our current reality. These are essential to improving the services and initiatives we provide to the public. As always we are looking to improve in what we do. If you have questions or comments, feel free to email me at [kr Roberts@llrib.ca](mailto:kr Roberts@llrib.ca)





## Budget/Financial

JRMCC Sports, Culture & Recreation Department is a non-government funded program nor do we receive funds through the FTA (Financial Transfer Agreement). The department rather is in funded 100% by Casino Funds. The annual budget was approved in the amount of \$1.1 million. In 2013-2014, JRMCC brought in approximately \$231,000.00 in revenue which went directly to operation costs as part of the budget requirements. The Director of Sports & Recreation sits with the Program Directors Working Group, which includes the Chief Financial Officer, along with La Ronge Internal Council, which meets monthly to review financial statements and ensure the budgets are on track.



## Communication

JRMCC utilizes two primary methods to promote our events and share information with to the public, our website ([www.jrmcc.ca](http://www.jrmcc.ca)) and our Facebook page (Jrmcc La Ronge) which has 2427 members. The JRMCC Calendar of Events listing, event posters and initiatives are always posted on the website.

## Fine Option Program

JRMCC is an official agency providing fine option coordination services. This arrangement is quite beneficial as it provides additional manpower primarily for labour and janitorial services.



## Arena

The arena runs a full daily schedule with ice times over the fall, winter and spring months from September to the end of April. All our minor hockey teams get ice time twice a week, for which we do not charge ice rental fees. We do however charge ice rental fees to La Ronge Minor Hockey Association and La Ronge Figure Skating Club and adult recreation hockey league (JHL, JRMCC Hockey League). As usual, there is time allotted to the schools for classes to bring their students for public skating.

## Fitness Centre

The JRMCC Fitness Centre is a semi-equipped, modern gym which is very well used, averaging about 30 paid monthly memberships. The key-swipe system is not only is convenient but ensures a safe and clean environment for gym users. We recently purchased \$25,000 in new equipment to enhance and improve the workout experience of paid users.



## Youth Centre

The JRMCC Youth Centre operates during non-school hours with exception of weekends and holidays. We close down for the summer months in consideration of the school year. The centre has a pool table, fooseball table, ping pong table, eight computer stations, kitchen, and a lounge area with cable television. We also provide the facility rental for birthday parties at a set hourly rate.

## Facility Rental

As approved by the board, JRMCC has revised its Rental Agreement for all hall bookings, mainly weddings and conferences. Where possible, JRMCC will provide in-kind or discounted rates to band departments and organizations.



## Arena Advertising

A marketing package was developed for local business and organizations to purchase advertising in the arena as a means to generate revenue. This has proven a very successful initiative. Businesses are eligible to purchase one or two-year advertisements in various forms and sizes.



### **2013 Saskatchewan First Nations Summer Games**

The Saskatchewan First Nations Summer Games hosted by Muskoday First Nation on July 15-19 were a success for Team Woodland, largely in part due to the coaches and chaperones; we came in 5<sup>th</sup> place overall, the same standing as the 2011 First Nations Summer Games. As usual, the La Ronge athletes represented us well in and out of competition.

### **2013 FSIN Adult Hockey Championships**

At the FSIN Adult Hockey Championships, the La Ronge Black Ice ladies hockey team lost in the championship game, placing second overall in the ladies divisions. The team played great despite a short bench of only 7 skaters. The La Ronge 89ers played in the senior contact division and KGB in the legends division, and although the teams played some excellent hockey over the weekend, both came up short in the end.

### **2013 FSIN Youth Hockey Championships**

JRMCC hosted the 2013 FSIN Youth Hockey Championships in Saskatoon on April 26-28, 2014. Overall, there were 83 teams participating in six divisions. LLRIB went "5 for 5", winning the Novice, Atom, Peewee, Bantam & Midget divisions, with all teams going undefeated throughout the tournament. All winning teams brought home championship trophies, jackets, banners and bragging rights! We undergo an identification and evaluation process for tryouts, where we bring in an outside, objective evaluator to assess the participants during tryouts. Financially, total expenses were \$72,004.32 with revenue coming in at \$81,069.00 for an overall surplus of \$9,064.68.

### **2013 FSIN Volleyball Championships**

At the FSIN Youth Volleyball Championships hosted by Kahkewistahaw First Nation in Yorkton, the LLRIB Trappers won gold in the Under-14 Boys, Under-14 Girls and Under -16 Boys divisions. The Under-18 Boys won bronze in their division. Here too we undergo an identification and evaluation process as part of team tryouts.

### **Night of Champions Sports Banquet**

The Night of Champions Sports Banquet was held in June to acknowledge and celebrate the achievements of our LLRIB athletes in their various chosen sports, including our teams who participated at FSIN Youth and Adult Hockey Championships. The banquet also serves as our JRMCC Minor Hockey awards night. Due to road washouts which limited travel at the time, our keynote speaker NHL draft pick Eric Roy of Beauval was unable to appear. Despite that though, the banquet was still a huge success.

### **JRMCC Leagues & Tournaments**

JRMCC is the title sponsor for the men's and Ladies slo-pitch leagues, recreation hockey league, floor hockey league and broomball league. Various adult tournaments in hockey, volleyball, broomball and slo-pitch help generate revenues, which, again, go directly towards covering operational expenses. Last summer, we completed our second year as title sponsors of the JRMCC Men's Slo-Pitch League and JRMCC Ladies Slo-Pitch League. Congratulation to both Dirty D & The Boys and Lethal Ladies as their respective 2013 league champions.

### **Boxing for Fitness**

Kyle Cameron-McLean initiated this program that started with an average of 25-30 participants for the twice-a-week sessions, with some sessions reaching over 40 participants. The program has been well received by the public with positive feedback. JRMCC is a sanction boxing club recognized by the Saskatchewan Amateur Boxing Association.





## Youth Summer Employment Program

The JRMCC Summer Student Employment Program hired two male and two female students for an 8 week period. Our summer students went through the typical band employment recruitment process, submitting resumes and going through the interview process. Students were also provided with S.P.R.A.'s Play Leadership Training & Certification, programs which teach students to become program leaders who have the knowledge and skills necessary to plan and coordinate safe, accessible and enjoyable play opportunities for children.

## JRMCC Events

JRMCC hosted, organized and coordinated numerous events throughout the past year including:

FSIN Youth Hockey Championships (April 2013, Saskatoon)  
27<sup>th</sup> Annual IANE Career Fair & Job Symposium (May 2013)  
JRMCC Ball Hockey Tournament (May 2013)  
*Night of Champions* Sports Banquet (June 2013)  
JRMCC Ladies Slo-Pitch League Playoff Tournament & Year-End Fall Ball Tournament Weekend (August 2013)  
4<sup>th</sup> Annual JRMCC Co-ed Slo-Pitch Tournament (September 2013)  
SHA Coaching Clinic (September 2013)  
Guardian Hockey Development Hockey Camp (October 2013)  
4-on-4 Ironman Hockey Challenge (October 2013)  
Ice Breaker Recreation Hockey Tournament (November 2013)  
Volleyball Bash Tournament (November 2013)  
SJHL Game- Ice Wolves Vs. Yorkton Terriers (November 2013)  
La Ronge 89ers IP Funday Tournament (November 2013)  
La Ronge 89ers Novice Tournament (February 2014)  
La Ronge 89ers Atom Tournament (February 2014)  
Lac La Ronge Trapper's Festival (February-March 2014)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Jimmy Roberts Memorial Hockey Tournament (March 2014)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Chrissy Charles Memorial Co-Ed Volleyball Tournament (March 2014)  
8<sup>th</sup> Annual Moochicheech Memorial Fish Derby (March 2014)

As well, several individuals and organizations organized and coordinated numerous events and activities within the facility throughout the past year:

PAGC High School Hockey Championships (April 2013)  
Unofficial Kickoff to Summer Featuring Barney Bentall (May 2013)  
Piwapan Woman's Centre's National Aboriginal Day Activities (June 2013)  
Summer Sizzler Featuring BIG SUGAR (July 2013)

## JRMCC Expansion

JRMCC began Phase 4 expansion planning with Prakash Consulting Ltd with a feasibility study that would explore the future development of the facility including plans for expanded arena seating, home dressing room, office space and more storage space. The expanded fitness centre would be able to accommodate more equipment along with an area for instructional cardio/aerobics/dance classes, change rooms and a training space for a fully-outfitted boxing/MMA club including a ring and mats.

## Recreation Board

The JRMCC Recreation Board meets periodically to discuss all-encompassing issues as they relate to the sports and recreation programming and events. Board members are Fran Ratt, Nolan McKay, Darrell Bird, Margaret Halkett and Adele Bell. La Ronge Internal Councillors sit as ex-officio members providing input and advice.

Yours in Sports & Recreation,

*Kevin Roberts*

