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Agenda

9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Presentation of Delegates Credentials

Roll Call

Additions to Agenda / Adoption of Agenda

Appointment of Resolutions Officer

Appointment of Scrutineers

Reading of the Minutes

Business Arising out of Minutes

President's Report

Vice President's Report

Secretary / Treasurer's Report

Policy Director's Report

Past President's Report

Coaching Development Director's Report

Senior Tournament Director's Report

Youth Development Director's Report (Minor Report)

Athlete Development Director's Report

Regional Directors/Affiliated League Reports (NABO) (WSANL)

Staff Reports

New Business

Minor Rules Update (Jerry Rice)

Being Our Best 2019 (Doug Partridge)
 St. John's Edge (Bill Murphy)
 NABO contract (Bill Murphy)
 Provincial Team Updates (Judy Byrne)
 Club Committee (Gerry Puddister)

Jr. NBA/Steve Nash YouthFIBA World Cup Qualifiers(Judy Byrne)

2018 – 2019 Coaching Selection (Judy Byrne)
 Hall of Fame Induction Committee (Karen Adams)

> NLBA Awards (Roger Head)

➤ Election of Officers (Judy Byrne)

Resolutions

Installment of Officers

Next AGM - June 22, 2019

Adjournment



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Swilers Ruby Club, Crosbie Road, St. John's June 24th, 2017; 9:00AM



Tom Warren NLBA – President Roger Head NLBA – Vice President

Jesse DeVilla NLBA – Secretary / Treasurer

Karen Adams NLBA – Policy Development Director
Matt Bruce NLBA – Coaching Development Director
Bob White NLBA – Senior Tournament Director

Bill Murphy NLBA – Executive Director

Judy Byrne NLBA – Technical Director

Laura Chatman NLBA – Administrative Assistant

Brian Cooke NLBA – Central Regional Director, GFW SNYBL, and GFW Donnini's Basketball

Travis Ford NLBA – Labrador Regional Director

Jerry Rice NLBA – Mount Pearl South Regional Director and MPMB
Tom Stewart NLBA – Western Regional Director and Grenfell Warriors

Chris Snyders Mount Pearl Minor Basketball – President Mark English MUN Sea~Hawks – Women's Head Coach

Fred Wakeham NABO – President

Bill Hurley Spectator Mark Rice Spectator

Jon Pye St. Anthony Basketball – Representative Rod Budgell St. John's Metro Men's League - President

Glenn Normore Swilers Basketball

Gerry Puddister Swilers Basketball – President

Christian Alicpala Basketball Development – NBA Canada / Junior NBA – Arrived 10:15am

Meeting commenced: 9:04am

TW: Thanked everyone for coming and for their hard work over the past year. Spoke to Hall of Fame induction banquet that took place on Jun 23rd. Inductees were: Anne Browne (Athlete / Builder); Jim Walsh (Official) and Terry Burton (Builder).

BM: Went over some housekeeping items.

Deletion of Agenda Item:

TW: 2017 – 2018 Provincial Coaching Selection: Coaches have not yet been notified. No other addition or deletions.

Motion to accept the Agenda: TW

Moved – KA

Second – JD Carried

Appointment of Resolution Officer – Judy Byrne Appointment of Scrutinizers – Judy Byrne & Laura Chatman

Reading of Minutes:

No Business Arising from Minutes

Motion to accept the Minutes: TW

Moved – BC

Second – RH

Carried

Financial Statement - Jesse DeVilla

JD: Short term and long-term investments have changed over the past year. The \$19,000 for shooting machines were placed on our books to be depreciated over the next few years. Notes. Two GIC to go into investment portfolio. Kent Nash from Ash Tree Financial Inc. has come onboard the finance committee and helping out with the NLBA investments portfolio. Quadrus Investment Services is the investment company. Revenue is down – this is due to the cancellation of the Sweet 16 tournament in December, the office move, and other tournaments cancelled in the minor and senior levels due to bad weather.

Motion to accept Financial Statement: JD

Moved - RH

Second – JR Carried

NABO - Fred Wakeham

FW: Noted: Roger Head participated in the Novice officials' clinic last fall.

- SJABO Senior clinic, fall Two nights, 35 attendees: Rule changes / Mechanics / Floor positioning.
- CNABO Clinics were conducted in the Gander, Grand Falls –Windsor and Lewisporte
 - Gander: Novice officials from Glenwood and Gander Rules / Mechanics / Floor
 Positioning / Game Action; Grand Falls Windsor: Five ninety-minute sessions on line
 with Senior CNABO officials within CNABO; Lewisporte: Novice officials -Rules /
 Mechanics / Floor Positioning Game Action
- **WNABO** Corner Brook on November 25 26, 2016, 5 persons attend in which 4 were new members. WNABO offered a clinic in Stephenville but could not get the commitment.
- Edmonton: National Basketball Officials' Clinic, May 2017, NABO sponsored three officials (\$1,000.00), Work with Canada's best basketball officials, three NABO Officials attended Karen Lasuik's three-day camp in Edmonton. Karen is one of Canada's pre-eminent female officials. The camp also featured retired NBA official Violet Palmer, who is now the NBA's Manager of the Referee Operations Department.
- Retention of new officials is an ongoing issue, and we, NABO, must play an important role in encouraging new members to stay involved. The NABO executive will continue to work with the NLBA and grow officiating in this province.
- Alicia Bird-Smith is the first NL Women to officiate at the Men's AUS championships.

The basketball community was saddened this year with the passing of two of our officials, Wayne (Peter) Abbott (SJABO) and Eric Mouland (SJABO).

Motion to accept NABO Report: FW

Moved – TS Second – MB

Carried

GoFundMe requests – Bill Murphy

BM: GoFundMe requests – The office has gotten several requests over the past couple of years from parents who want to set up GoFundMe pages. The Executive Board has stated that the NLBA will not allow / support GoFundMe fundraiser. BM has checked with other PSO's across the province and country, and they do not support this type of activity for their provincial teams.

GN: GoFundMe type requests are a slippery slope, people will think less of our sport.

JR: Who are they aiming at? Who's contributing?

BM: Unsure - Alumni.

2018 NL Winter Games – Bill Murphy

BM: The NLBA has switched the NL Winter Games from school based to club based at the NLBA AGM in 2016. The office had developed a page and is on NLBA website @ http://www.nlba.nf.ca/Winter-Games.php.

- ✓ Games in Deer Lake March 10 18, 2018
- ✓ Host application deadline October 10th, 2017
- ✓ Regional play downs Male-Nov 17th, 2017: Female Nov 24th, 2017
- ✓ Deadline to enter play downs November 5th, 2017.
- The policy for the games is not the same has our club championships; for the winter games a team can create a club, recruit best players in their region and go to the games.
- The NLBA has developed NL Winter Games webpage and have put it on the NLBA website @ http://www.nlba.nf.ca/Winter-Games.php.
- Need help from the regional directors to get word out and to get teams from their regions.

TS: Can the host team take player from all over the region or just from town? Two or three clubs being created for the games.

RH: Playdown – Two clubs apply to host who decides?

BM: NLBA – just like our provincial championships.

BC: Does the winner of the play-downs have to have certification?

BM: Yes

BC: So NLBA will come out to do coaching clinics,

JB: Yes, or they can come into St. John's.

BM: If you have 10 coaches, we can come out anyway.

Minor Rules Update – Bill Murphy

TW: Jason Thompson is not present today and stepping down from his position.

BM: Gave brief overview.

- Foul rule: defense, different views from different coaches.
- Earrings: There was also an issue regarding the wearing of earrings and studs it is a FIBA rule that they have to be removed; we are going to enforce it. Rule to be placed in the booklet and officials have been asked to enforce the rule at all levels. More than anything we want consistency across the province.

- Medal shortages: The NLBA is to send more medals for the grade 5 and 6 tournaments only. Total of 5 additional medals.
- 3 on 3: Events are great. Event still appears to be confusing for new entries into the sport. JB to do a video for the web so coaches can view the event in operation
- 6 Periods of play: Michelle Healy's request equal play for all athletes. The NLBA used to run our tournaments with 6 periods in the past. Discussion about eliminating the power shift and having all play equally. It is more in line with the LTAD. Concerns are: decrease in teams; coaches can still leave athletes off team or at home; difficult for the commissionaires to identify a child can play when the coach says they cannot. Who monitors equal play for all; MH do has a pilot, to see what challenges we would run into. Some felt it was a coach's education issue as some coaches do play equal time.

BH: gave example of kids not being on the floor for more than 20 sec.

Commissioners: Very successful and feedback extremely positive. The costs will limit it to grade 5 – 6 provincials. Starting to show some benefits. We need to increase the number of commissioners for our tournaments. The grade 6's tournament was on the same weekend as the Hall of Fame Cup tournament and a lot of our commissioners were tired up in the E8, whether by coaching or just helping out. Expensive program as it could cost \$400 – 500 per weekend.

No major rule changes.

Being our Best (BOB) - Judy Byrne

JB: The BOB program consists of the Development program, which is skilled based and the High Performance program which is competition based. The tryout for these programs will be in October. NLBA has to tweak the program. Friday / Saturday weekends did not work – there wasn't great attendance. Go back to the old system of training twice a week, with some Saturday sessions in the fall to use as competition for the pods. Look at the U14 age group. Figure out how to keep more athletes playing. We are eliminating 75 athletes at provincial tryouts at the U14 age group. The NLBA to hold a competition to get new name for the BOB program. The west coast BOB programs are thriving. Losing Frank Foo on the west coach now that he has retired. Want to look at starting a BOB program in central.

Strategic Plan – Jesse DeVilla

JD: Thanked everyone who helped create the new strategic plan. Thanked TW for booking the RNC Annex for the meetings in October and February. Went over the "Core Values" and "Principals and Goals" in the plan.

- Mile stone markers
- Game charts
- Time frame for strategic plan

BM: Extremely helpful. First time we had timelines.

JD: Master Facilitator only one, DC. Growing sport in rural areas of NL. Champions outside the other regions where there is no one. Evaluation tools. Judy and the office has been active in getting this up and running.

- Succession plan for the next few years. Fill vacant positions over time.
- Performance evaluation tools are very important
- Held committee accountable and to get goals done.

Regional Plan: Grassroots camps

- Need to have regional directors provide tentative dates and sites for coaching/players camps for fall of the year. Getting key person(s) out across the province.

- Promotion of NLBA and programming such as: 2018 Winter Games, school championships, coaching certifications, curriculum, clubs, SNYBL and Jr. NBA.
- Need face to face interaction with office staff and rural NL. Need to invest in the future now.

BM: Getting out to do coaching courses and player camps. Need regional directors' help. Connecting to new coaches. Jr. NBA program, SNYBL, club provincial, BOB programs, right up to the end of their basketball career. Regional directors set up and we will come to let people know who we are. Mid-October and November. Have dates set in September, so we can visit in late fall.

Summer Provincial Teams - Bill Murphy

BM: Gave breakdown of teams, coaches and where they are travelling this summer.

- U14 Boys Steve Ryan Summerfest July 14-16
- U14 Girls Doreen Pond Summerfest July 14-16
- U15 Boys Dave Banfield Blue Nose July 7-9 and nationals (SK) July 24-30
- U15 Boys Geoff Moore Blue Nose July 7-9 and nationals (SK) July 24-30
- U16 Boys Glen Sooley Blue Nose July 7-9
- U16 Girls Doug Partridge Montreal Slam- and Sk. June 23-July 3
- LCG Wayne Bartlett Montreal Slam and Sk. June 23-July 3; Winnipeg July21-27; Can Games
- MCG Blair White Germany-April; SK and Bluenose June 28-July 9. Can Games July 28-Aug 4

GN: Junior development athletes. Stay up late, sleep in, and go to practice. Encourage kids to be active outside of basketball practices. Get across – not just basketball players.

BM: We encourage kids to play other sports in the early grades. 4-7

GN: Is there going to be exit interview for the Canada Games coaches?

JB: Yes.

GN: Time frame is good.

Minor Club Committee – Gerry Puddister

GP: Spoke to setting up a club committee in the fall. CHYBL's house league is the way to go in the future. Travel teams – work together for travel teams.

GN: Being concerned with coaching expertise at the grades 4-7. Meet with schoolboard, having kids play all positions. Hire 15-19-year olds. School board not on board..... don't want responsibility of the programs... why in this school and not that school.

GP: School board is in favour of the concept but doesn't want to take responsibility.

JD: Provincial club committee not just a St. John's club committee. As part of Strategic plan and LTAD. Involve regional directors and clubs outside of St. John's metro.

Junior NBA – Christian Alicpala presentation. Coordinator, basketball development Jr. NBA Canada

- Gave his basketball background. From the Philippines, worked in India
- Losing kids under 7 to other team sports such as soccer, swimming and hockey.
- Average starting age of Canadians per sports swimming 3.8; hockey and soccer 5.7; baseball 6.4; basketball 8.6.
- Cost to play Hockey = \$1,500.00; Basketball = \$300.00
- Jr. NBA Rookie Division Age 5 7 boys' and girls' 12 weeks; 45 minutes practices, sport 4 life driven. Aligned with Canada Basketball's Development Pathway. Feeder system for SNYBL.
- Program growth & Research 2014-15 = 50; 2015-16 = 100; 2016-217 = 200. Looking to future 2017-18 = 250; 2018-19 = 300; 2019-20 = 325
- Our dream team: Kathy Brook, Chris Clunie, Troy Justice, Ted Johnston
- Role of our Ambassadors:
 - Recruit clubs

- Train coaches
- Collect waivers
- Main point of contact that is CA for NL
- Our program
 - Fundamental movement skills Throwing, Catching, Running, Jumping, Basketball Skills
 - Practice schedule
 - 1 10 coach / player per practice
 - Introduction / goals
 - Warm up
 - Basketball specific actives
 - Cool down / closing
 - Guiding principals
 - Fun
 - Basketball authentic
 - Maximum basketball touches
 - Curriculum
 - Can be accessed on line with Member's Login
 - Update years
 - One principal sheet that coaches are able to print out and have for every practice.
 - Parental involvement
 - Bilingual
 - Interactive PDF
 - 12 Week Program
 - Simple, Easy-to-Read
 - Diagrams
 - Video tutorials
- Importance of coaching:
 - O Have fun and keep them involved. From the study "Effects of Enhancing Coach-Athlete Relationships on Youth Sport Attribution" (Barnett, Smoil, and Smith, University of Washington); 8 Little League coaches attended a workshop to facilitate desirable coachathlete interactions; 10 coaches did not; Trained coaches were encouraged to focus on EFFORT AND ENJOYMENT with their players. Players with the trained coaches evaluated their coaches, teammates, and baseball MORE POSITIVELY. These children exhibited a significant INCREASE IN SELF-ESTEEM over the course of the season. 95% of players playing for trained coaches returned to play the following year. #1 reason the non-trained coached players did not return was "not having fun". Coaching education has a FAVOURABLE IMPACT on children's sport experiences and increases the likelihood they will CONTINUE THEIR INVOLVEMENT IN SPORT.
- NBA Authentic Equipment Smaller net; adjustable height 4.5 6.5 ft. Modify equipment so they can shoot; Small basketball; smaller t's, multiple team logos
- Digital & Broadcast Marketing Disney Jr., Teletoon, TreeHouse, Sportsnet, TSN, NBA TV
- Cost per player = \$85 in 2016 2017 per player; 2017 2018 = \$54.00 includes NLBA \$14.00 fee.

From 11:00 - 11:30 group went to The NLSC PowerPlex where CA gave a demonstration of the Jr. NBA program to NLBA members.

New Staff Approval – Bill Murphy

BM: Assistant Technical director, advertise first week of July, end date July 28th, have in place to start in September or October. Needs to be implemented ASAP in order to have a trained individual to assist with exit strategy and strategic plan.

NABO Contract Committee - Bill Murphy

BM: Need two or three people to volunteer for the committee. Meet in the fall. Old contract ends Dec 2017.

FW: Dave Wilding and FW will be NABO representatives at the meeting.

BM: NLBA committee – To be determined.

Increase in Fees – Jesse DeVilla

JD: Need to have an increase in \$20,000.00 for the next fiscal year. Funds already secured in GIC's. But this is a deficit we are facing.

- FC recommended \$5.00 per / hour on NLSC Gym times for Thursdays and Sundays. First increase in 10 years.
- Increase minor and senior registration tournament fees by \$25.00 per team to deal with upcoming contract with NABO.

Club code of conduct – Bill Murphy

BM: Friendly reminder for all clubs to make sure their coaches have codes of conducts from the RNC / RCMP.

NL Sports Centre – Bill Murphy

BM: New additions to complex. Renewed contract early.

- Executive has signed a new contract for 10 years for the same time slots.
- The contract was valued at \$100,000.00 which was paid out right by executive.
- This will provide court time for programming and leagues up to 2028.
- Unable to purchase additional time.

Hall of Fame 2019 Inductions — Bill Murphy

BM: The Hall of Fame Induction committee will meet Sep / Oct 2018, to decide inductees for 2019. NLBA requesting to get nominations in by 2018.

NLBA Awards – Roger Head

RH: The awards were presented on Jun 23rd at the NLBA Hall of Fame Banquet or sent out to be presented to the individuals in a suitable setting.

BM: Gave out list of who received the awards.

President's Award
 Elite Coach of the Year
 David Chafe, St. John's

- Minor Coach of the Year (Male) - Jim Keating, Portugal Cove – St. Philips

Minor Coach of the Year (Female)
 Achievement Award
 Achievement Award
 Achievement Award
 Achievement Award
 Achievement Award
 Achievement Award
 Don Keefe, Pasadena

Election of Officers – Judy Byrne

CURRENT 2016-2017 BOARD CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS

Executive BoardPresidentTom Warren (up for election in 2018)Vice PresidentRoger Head (up for election in 2017)Past PresidentVacant (not an elected position)Secretary / TreasurerJesse DeVilla (up for election in 2018)Policy Development DirectorKaren Adams (up for election in 2017)

Executive Committee

Senior Tournament Director

Youth Development Director

Coaching Development Director

Athlete's Representative Director

Sob White (up for election in 2017)

Jason Thompson (up for election in 2018)

Matthew Bruce (up for election in 2017)

Kelia Pond (up for election in 2018)

Regional Directors

Avalon Director

Central Director

Eastern Director

Labrador Directors

Mount Pearl South Director

St. John's North Director

Wacant (up for election in 2017)

Vacant (up for election in 2017)

Travis Ford (up for election in 2017)

Jerry Rice (up for election in 2017)

Vacant (up for election in 2017)

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Tom Stewart (up for election in 2017)

JB: According to the NLBA Constitution, the positions up for Election in 2017 include: Vice President, Policy Development Director, Senior Tournament Director, Coaching Development Director and All Regional Director's Positions. Due to work commitments we also have up for election the role as Youth Development Director and Athlete's Representative Director.

<u>Vice President</u> – Roger Head still standing for NLBA Vice President's position; a call to the floor was made and no other nominations came forth.

<u>Policy Development Director</u> – Karen Adams nominated for NLBA Policy Development Director's position; a call to the floor was made and no other nominations came forth.

<u>Senior Tournament Director</u> – Bob White still standing for NLBA Senior Tournament Director's position; a call to the floor was made and no other nominations came forth.

<u>Youth Development Director</u> – Jason Thompson stepped down. Jerry Rice nominated for NLBA Youth Development Director's position; a call to the floor was made and no other nominations came forth.

<u>Coaching Development Director</u> – Matt Bruce still standing for NLBA Coaching Development position; a call to the floor was made and no other nominations came forth.

<u>Athlete Representative Director</u> – Kelia Pond stepped down. Jacob Hynes nominated for NLBA Athlete Representative Director's position; a call to the floor was made and no other nominations came forth.

<u>Avalon Region Director</u> – Shane Lambert stepped down. Lyndon Pike nominated for the NLBA Avalon Regional Director's position; a call to the floor was made and no other nominations came forward.

<u>Central Director</u> – Brian Cooke still standing for the NLBA's Central Regional Director's position; a call to the floor was made and no other nominations came forward.

Eastern Director – No Nominees. The Board to appoint.

<u>Labrador Director</u> – Travis Ford still standing for the NLBA's Labrador Regional Director's position; a call to the floor was made and no other nominations came forward.

<u>Mount Pearl South Region</u> – Jerry Rice moved to Youth Development Director's Role. Mark Rice was nominated for the NLBA's Mount Pearl South Regional Director's position; a call to the floor was made and no other nominations came forward.

<u>St. John North Director</u> – Bill Hurley was nominated for the NLBA's St. John's North Regional Director's position; a call to the floor was made and no other nominations came forward.

<u>Western Director</u> – Tom Stewart still standing for the NLBA's Western Regional Director's position; a call to the floor was made and no other nominations came forward.

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Jerry Rice (up for election in 2018)

Matthew Bruce (up for election in 2019)

Jacob Hynes (up for election in 2018)

Regional Directors

Avalon Director Lyndon Pike (up for election in 2018)
Central Director Brian Cooke (up for election in 2018)

Eastern Director Vacant – Board to Appoint (up for election in 2018)

Labrador Directors

Mount Pearl South Director

St. John's North Director

Western Director

Travis Ford (up for election in 2018)

Mark Rice (up for election in 2018)

Bill Hurley (up for election in 2018)

Tom Stewart (up for election in 2018)

Motion to Install Elected Officers:

Moved by: JD

Second by: TW Carried

Resolution / Motions - Judy Byrne

Whereas: Club basketball is slowly growing in the province of NL. More clubs are needed to grow the sport of basketball in NL through club house leagues and NLBA club rep teams' competitions. A forum is needed to meet the objectives of growing the basketball community in NL.

Resolved: A NLBA club basketball committee be formed for club basketball in NL. This committee will include a representative from each club from any part of NL, as well as NLBA regional directors.

Motion to Accept creation of a Minor Club Committee.

Moved By: GP

Second By: JR Carried

Whereas: A motion to increase gym facility fees by \$5.00.

Resolved: To increase gym facility fees by \$5.00. **Motion to Accept increase in gym rental fees by \$5.00.**

Moved By: JD

Second By: RH Carried

Whereas: A motion to increase both minor and senior tournament fees by \$25.00 per event.

Resolved: To increase minor and senior tournament registration fees by \$25.00 per event

Motion to Accept increase all NLBA tournament fees by \$25.00.

Moved By: JD Second By: RH

Carried

MUN Ladies Sea~Hawks Program – Mark English

ME spoke to MUN's Ladies Sea~Hawks program. Start on Thursday – throwback Thursday. Extremely interested in the NL athletes coming up through system. Tournament information: Teams coming: Alberta, Winnipeg and Ryerson.

Schedule:

Thursday, October 12th (games played in Old Gym): 6pm Winnipeg vs Ryerson; 8pm Alberta vs MUN Friday, October 13th (games played in the Field House): 6pm Winnipeg vs Alberta; 8pm Ryerson vs MUN Saturday, October 14th (Field House): 4pm Alberta vs Ryerson; 6pm Winnipeg vs MUN

Committee appointments:

The committee chairs appointment:

- Alumni Committee President, Tom Warren
- Awards Committee Vice President Chair, Roger Head
- Hall of Fame Cup Appointed by Executive, Roger Head
- Minor Development Minor / Youth Development Director Chair, Jerry Rice
- Coaching Development Coaching Development Director Chair, Matt Bruce
- Senior Provincials Senior Tournament Director Chair, Bob White
- Policy Committee Policy Development Director Chair, Karen Adams
- Hall of Fame Induction Appointed by Executive, Chair, Karen Adams
- Finance Committee Secretary / Treasurer, Jesse DeVilla

TW: Would like to encourage members to come forward for the various committees. Committees can do telephone calls / teleconferencing for meetings.

Next NLBA AGM: June 23rd, 2018

TW: Thanked everyone for coming.

Motion to adjourn meeting

Moved - KA

Second – BW Carried

Meeting Adjourned: 1:00pm

NLBA EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS

NLBA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

First of all I would like to thank everybody for attending the 2018 NLBA Annual General meeting. The position of president is up for election at this year's AGM. I will be seeking your support as I will be seeking this position for the next two years. I wish all the candidates running for positions this year the best of luck. Thank you to the volunteers who have assisted in the operations of the NLBA over the past year.

I would once again also like to thank Bill Murphy, Judy Byrne, Doug Partridge and Laura Chatman for the assistance and support they have provided me during my tenure as president. As I'm sure most of you are aware Bill will be retiring at the end of the year therefore making this his last AGM as the Executive Director. Bill, I wish you all the best in your retirement, you will be greatly missed.

I look forward to hearing from the chairs of the various committees that represent the NLBA during your respective presentations at the AGM.

Alumni Fund

The NLBA executive have made significant progress in building the Alumni fund which will offset the financial burden of provincial athletes in attending national competitions. This will be the first year that we will be awarding financial support to a number of athletes.

Provincial Programs

The NLBA will be running thirteen provincial teams this year. All of these teams will be competing in tournaments being held outside the province. I wish all teams the best of luck in these tournaments, specifically in their respective national championships.

NLBA Positions

Over the past year the NLBA has hired Doug Partridge as an assistant technical director and Judy Byrne as the Executive Director who will be replacing Bill upon his retirement. We have advertised for a new technical director position to replace Judy and have signed a 4-year contract with Laura.

Strategic Plan

We have made significant strides in implementing aspects of our strategic plan, specifically developing grassroots basketball outside the North East Avalon. The hiring of an assistant technical director has greatly assisted in this process.

Tom Warren President- NLBA

VICE-PRESIDENT NLBA REPORT

Another great basketball year in Newfoundland is complete. I tried to get to as much as I could. Attending a number of tryouts and practice of provincial teams gives me a lot of respect for the coaches for their work and dedication. Hopefully, with the addition of staff there will be more athletes from outside of the metro area.

There were no issues on the different committees that I served on. The hall of fame cup was successful again this year. I would like to have more completive teams trying to qualify for the tournament. I think this is because the number of high schools got smaller and our sport is not as big as we want it off the

Avalon Peninsula. There are a few spots around the province, our job is to identify it and get out there to encourage it.

I was very excited this year when wheel chair became a part of the NLBA. This allows more exposure to wheelchair basketball. I took on the role of the team manager of the wheelchair basketball Canada games team. Who has been together about a year now and played our first tournament in Nova Scotia last month. Our team gain a lot of experience from this and we all found that we are competitive. I would like to remind you the you don't have to have a disability to play this sport. Anyone can sit it a chair and play.

Finally, it's hard to believe that this is the last AGM for Bill. I want to thank him for being that back bone of Newfoundland Basketball for years, and wish Judy, Doug and Laura good luck.

Roger Head Vice-President

NLBA POLICY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

This past year as Policy Director has been a busy but enjoyable one. Reviewing and revising policies can be tedious and challenging, but I believe the changes we are making are positive for making Newfoundland Basketball the best it can be.

The Board has implemented the recommendations from the past AGM and have worked steadily on improving our policies to better meet the needs of our membership and programs we offer athletes in our Province.

This year, we reviewed the Fundraising policy to keep in line with government policies. We created on a policy dealing with confidentiality. In anticipation of the proposed changes to the elite program and the minor ball pilots, we reviewed potential changes in these areas to ensure a smooth transition should they be accepted.

I would like to thank the Board and especially Tom, Jesse, and Roger. It is always a pleasure to work with people who are committed to achieving common goals. Laura, Judy and Doug thank you for everything you do to keep the office running as smoothly as it does.

Finally, to Bill Murphy — You have always been at the center of Basketball in this province. You have been the face of the NLBA. Your knowledge of everything basketball and ability to run the office will certainly be a hard act to follow. Enjoy your freedom and unlimited weekends. Spend your time doing what you love. You will always be remembered for your accomplishments. Thank you for your years of work and dedication to the NLBA and congratulations on your upcoming retirement. You will be greatly missed.

Karen Adams Policy Director

NLBA SECRETARY / TREASURER'S REPORT

Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Association Financial Statements March 31, 2018



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Coombs & Associates

Independent Auditors' Report

Chartered Professional Accountants

Roger Coombs & Associates Professional Corporation Roger K. Coombs, CPA, CA

To the Board of Directors

Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Association

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Association, which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2018 and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not for profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Basis for Qualified Audit Opinion

In common with many not for profit organizations, revenues are derived, and some expenses incurred, from fundraising activities, which by their nature are not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these activities was limited to the amounts recorded in the records and we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to cash, revenues or expenditures.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

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Independent Auditors' Report

Qualified Audit Opinion

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the basis for qualified audit opinion paragraph, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Association as at March 31, 2018 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not for profit organizations.

Chartered Professional Accountants

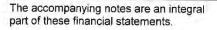
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Statement of Financial Position March 31, 2018

	2018	2017
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash	\$ 163,968 \$	116,027
Short term investments (Note 2)	-	42,879
Accounts receivable (Note 3)	28,298	30,177
Inventory	42,823	31,538
Prepaid expenses	19,776	10,776
	254,865	231,397
Investments (Note 2)	70,834	70,285
Gym equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$8,387 (2017 - \$5,032)	8,387	11,742
Prepaid expense (Note 4)	92,500	101,750
	\$ 426,586 \$	415,174
Liabilities		
Current		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 142,209 \$	86,472
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	284,377	328,702
	\$ 426,586 \$	415,174

Approved on Behalf of t	he Board:
	, President
	, Secretary/Treasurer





Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Association Statement of Operations

Statement of Operations
For the Year Ended March 31, 2018

	2018	2017
Revenue (Page 10)	\$ 904,938 \$	907,275
Expenditures		
Provincial and Canada Games Teams	443,836	494,535
Wages and benefits	230,163	187,973
Tournaments	121,849	86,820
Clinics	41,711	42,045
Office	35,307	33,994
Gym rentals	16,372	14,985
SNYBL	15,965	5,440
Meetings	10,734	8,810
Affiliation and membership fees	7,898	10,812
Hall of Fame	7,813	
Insurance	5,851	5,817
Professional fees	5,750	6,400
Depreciation	3,355	3,355
Telephone	1,727	1,558
Interest and bank charges	932	664
	949,263	903,208
xcess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures	\$ (44,325)\$	4,067



Statement of Changes in Net Assets For the Year Ended March 31, 2018

	2018	2017
Net assets, beginning of year	\$ 328,702 \$	324,635
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures	 (44,325)	4,067
Net assets, end of year	\$ 284,377 \$	328,702

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Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended March 31, 2018

	2018	2017
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures	\$ (44,325) \$	4,067
Depreciation	3,355	3,355
	(40,970)	7,422
Other non-cash working capital items		
Accounts receivable	1,879	(4,948)
Inventory	(11,285)	3,170
Prepaid expenses	(9,000)	3,117
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	55,737	29,099
Deferred grants	4	(12,535)
	(3,639)	25,325
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Decrease in long term prepaid expense	9,250	(93,000)
Increase in investments	42,330	(20,262)
	51,580	(113,262)
Net increase (decrease) in cash	47,941	(87,937)
Cash, beginning of year	116,027	203,964
Cash, end of year	\$ 163,968 \$	116,027

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended March 31, 2018

1. Significant Accounting Policies

Nature of business

Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Association (the "Association") was incorporated in 1964 under the Corporations Act, Chapter 12 of the Revised Statutes of Newfoundland and Labrador and is a not for profit organization. The "Association" is the provincial sport governing body for amateur basketball in Newfoundland and Labrador. Its mission is to develop the sport of basketball domestically and contribute to the development of basketball internationally.

The organization is covered under Section 149(1)(L) of the Income Tax Act and is not subject to income taxes.

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting standards for not for profit organizations.

Fund accounting

The Association follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Under the deferral method contributions are recognized as revenue in the period in which the related expenses are incurred.

Funding

The Association is dependant on government funding to provide sufficient funds to continue operations. Membership fees are charged to affiliated basketball leagues and players.

Severance pay

Under an employment agreement with the Executive Director, the Association agreed to pay severance of one weeks salary for each year of service to a maximum of twenty weeks. Because these funds have to be paid regardless of the situation, the Executive Director may take all or part of the funds at anytime. The maximum severance allowable has been paid out.

Investments

Investments are carried at market value. Unrealized gains (losses) are recorded as investment income (expense). Other income on investments is recrded as earned).

Inventory

Inventory is stated at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Cost is determined on a first-in, first-out basis.

Gym equipment

Depreciation is provided for using the straight line method over the estimated useful life of five years.



Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended March 31, 2018

1. Significant Accounting Policies

Financial instruments

The Association considers any contract creating a financial asset, liability or equity instrument as a financial instrument, except in certain limited circumstances. The Association accounts for the following as financial instruments.

- cash
- accounts receivable
- accounts payable and accrued liabilities
- investments

Measurement

Financial assets or liabilities obtained in arm's length translations are initially measured at their fair value. In the case of a financial asset or liability not being subsequently measured at fair value, the initial fair value will be adjusted for financing fees and transaction costs that are directly attributable to its origination, acquisition, issuance or assumption.

The Association subsequently measures all financial assets and financial liabilities at cost or amortized cost, less any reduction for impairment, except for investments in equity instruments that are quoted in an active market, which are measured at fair value; investments in equity instruments that are not quoted in an active market, which are measured at fair value;

Financial assets measured at amortized cost include cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash and accounts receivable.

Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost include accounts payable and accrued liabilities, and long term debt.

Financial instruments measured at fair value include investments.

The Company removes financial liabilities, or a portion of, when the obligation is discharged, cancelled or expires.

Impairment

Financial assets measured at cost are tested for impairment whenever there are indicators of impairment. Previously recognized impairment losses are reversed to the extent of the improvement provided the asset is not carried at an amount, at the date of reversal, greater than the amount that would have been the carrying amount had no impairment loss been recognized previously. The amounts of any write-downs on reversals are recognized in net income. The Association has determined that the estimated fair value of the financial assets and liabilities do not differ considerably from their book value.



Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended March 31, 2018

1. Significant Accounting Policies

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles for not for profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Estimates are used in the determination of the useful lives of the gym equipment as well as in determining any allowance for doubtful accounts. Actual results could differ from those estimates and may have impact on future periods.

2. Investments

	2018	2017
Mutual Funds (cost \$70,357)	\$ 70,834 \$	70,285
GIC		21,979
GIC maturing December 2017, interest at 0.60%		20,900
	70,834	113,164
Shorterm investments maturing within one year		42,879
	\$ 70,834 \$	70,285

3. Accounts receivable

	2018	2017
Accounts receivable	\$ 28,473 \$	30,352
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(175)	(175)
	\$ 28,298 \$	30,177

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended March 31, 2018

4. Prepaid expense

		2018	2017	
Balance, beginning of year	\$	101,750 \$	8,750	
Units purchased during the year		4	100,000	
Current portion	tion	(9,250)	(7,000)	
	\$	92,500 \$	101,750	

Under agreements with the Newfoundland and Labrador Sports Centre Inc. the Association has pre-purchased units of facility rental hours. The organization holds 1.25 units of usage under the original agreement expiring June 30, 2018. In 2017, the Association purchased an additional 10 units at \$10,000 per unit under an agreement effective July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2028.

5. Sales of merchandise

	2018	2017
Sales of merchandise	\$ 54,529 \$	57,464
Cost of sales	(19,985)	(20,715)
	\$ 34,544 \$	36,749

For the Year Ended March 31, 2018

Schedule I - Revenue

	2018	2017
Provincial and Canada Games Teams	\$ 423,459 \$	495,648
Tournaments, registration and affiliation fees	228,695	191,772
Clinics	59,286	45,404
Sales of merchandise (Note 5)	34,544	36,749
Gym rentals	22,691	19,955
Government of Canada - Challenge Program	21,939	18,172
SNYBL	15,567	5,862
Administration fees	14,343	10,241
Sponsorships	1,600	73
Hall of Fame	818	
Miscellaneous	446	1,592
Grants - Newfoundland and Labrador		
Annual	45,250	45,307
Canada Games	29,500	27,500
Travel subsidy	6,800	7,000
Hosting	*	2,000
	\$ 904,938 \$	907,275

NLBA COACHING DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

This was my 2nd year as Coaching Development Director, after being re-elected for the position. I thoroughly enjoyed becoming involved at the executive level with the NLBA after being involved as a regional director. The ability to have educated coaches in positions at all levels of the game will help the organization to continue to grow the sport within Newfoundland and Labrador.

To have an increase in educated coaches within the province, there has to be a push to get information to coaches about the corresponding courses, as well as to have the facilitators to present these courses.

We have some great feedback from clinics for athletes and coaches that have been provided around the province. I believe this has to be something that continues. Having the ability to get out to various areas and educate can be a difficult task but since we have reached out there has been some real positive feedback.

One of the main obstacles we have as a province is the number of certified female coaches. Moving forward I believe this should be a focus of the NLBA, to have young female coaches trained and involved with our provincial program.

The following are a list of objectives/goals for 2018-2019

- 1. Training of female coaches
- 2. Continue to provide opportunities for Coach Education.
- 3. Encourage/require coaches to become "certified" or begin process.
- 4. Disseminate Coaching information via weekly Hoops email.
- 5. Encourage coaches to become members of Canada Basketball's Game Plan
- 6. Continue to be involved with the curriculum development.

Sincerely,
Matt Bruce
NLBA Coaching Development Director

NLBA SENIOR TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Highlighting senior competition this year was the great job by St. John's Amateur Basketball Association as they hosted Ladies Division 2 and Men's Divisions 2, 3 and 4.

This was a great weekend of competition and SJABA ran a smooth operation.

Unfortunately, both the Division One women's tournament, and the Division One men's event were ultimately cancelled due to lack of teams.

The four-team Ed Browne Masters men's tournament was hosted in Stephenville, with the home team winning the championship.

Moving forward, the senior committee will continue to work with regional directors and affiliated leagues to get as many hosts from outside the metro region to express an interest in hosting. This

remains as one of the toughest challenges to ensure a quality competition is available for senior teams throughout the province.

Yours in basketball, Bob White

NLBA YOUTH DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Minor Committee for their continued hard work and dedication to the development of basketball in our province.

This past year has once again seen growth in our wonderful game. We had an in events for Club Basketball ranging in ages from under eleven to under four-teen boys and girls. On the West Coast the under 14 provincials were hosted and well attended. The events on the East Coast saw a total of 315 teams compete in grades four to eleven in thirty-five different tournaments. Over our province we have been lucky enough to host sixty tournaments at the minor level, comprised of 441 teams and if we consider each team to have twelve players we had over 5,200 kids playing basketball this season.

After reading all summaries from the hosts of each tournament unfortunately there was an increase in the number of spectator documented issues, however there seems to be a decrease in the negative interaction with the minor officials again this year. However, there was an issue that was noted in a number of reports and different age levels that has to be addressed. A number of hosts made reference to the availability of officials at the events on the East Coast during the Club Championships and School Events. We are brining forward recommendations to the AGM that hopefully provide a solution that works for all involved and allows us to continue the growth of the game.

It has been another great year with growth and development at the grass roots of our sport. None of which would not be possible with the hard work and long hours of the amazing office staff. I would like to personally that Bill, Judy, Doug and Laura for their continued service, your continued dedication has not gone unnoticed.

Thank-you
Jerry Rice
Youth Development Director

NLBA ATHLETE REPRESENTATIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

I truly learned and fell in love with the game of basketball by being brought up through all of the NLBA's programs since a young age. By being on the other side of these programs and this organization I learned just how much time and effort all members of the board put into the development of Newfoundland basketball and our athletes' individual development as players and as people. I really appreciate and want to recognize how supportive and helpful all members of the board are towards one another and their opinions and ideas when dealing with tryouts, practices, volunteering at tournaments, team trips, and much more.

Being involved mainly with the U14 boy's teams it was great to see that the board is very focused on creating ways to develop all of the players who showed up to try out and not just the top twelve players.

Creating multiple smaller teams and developmental teams is a great way to grow Newfoundland basketball and our players. This will benefit the growth of our programs and interest in Newfoundland basketball which will continue to help Newfoundland compete and win at Nationals and other tournaments throughout Canada.

I am very thankful for having the role of Athletic Representative Director, and I would like to thank all members of the board for giving me this opportunity to help our Newfoundland athletes and coaches.

Athletic Representative Director Jacob Hynes

NLBA REGIONAL DIRECTORS' REPORTS

NLBA AVALON REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Avalon region has seen substantial growth over the past year. Basketball is definitely gaining popularity again in a multi-sport area.

Senior Men's Basketball

Carbonear is home to a four team highly competitive men's league. They have a 25-game season, plus play-offs and hand out season awards in a variety of categories. The league's executive has been more committed to the development of youth players this year. High school boys from both Carbonear Collegiate and Ascension Collegiate were competitive players this season. We hope to increase high school participation next season with Baccalieu Collegiate and Crescent Collegiate working on developing programs. Boys from the Carbonear program also took responsibility for all minor scorekeeping.

Crescent Collegiate in Blaketown also hosted a two team men's league with games being played once a week. They also took membership from local high school students in hopes of increasing development and popularity of the sport.

A number of members from both leagues combined to make up a Masters team which travelled to Stephenville to compete in the Ed Browne Tournament. A good time was had by all and the host team did an awesome job organizing the weekend.

High School Basketball

Carbonear Collegiate had four boys' teams this year - the Senior team, a grade 11 team who competed at the NLBA grade 11B provincials and had a semi-final finish, a Grade 10 team who won Gold at the NLBA grade 10 C provincials and a Grade 9 team who hosted the NLBA 9B provincials and had a semi-final finish. Carbonear Collegiate hosted various exhibition games and tournaments this season, including the NLBA grade 9b East Coast tournament and the SSNL 3A Regional qualifier. The program played a total of 50 games and travelled to 7 tournaments besides those hosted. Sadly, Carbonear Collegiate did not have a girls' program this year.

Baccalieu Collegiate (boys and girls) and Crescent Collegiate(boys) are in the development stages for their respective schools. Ascension is undergoing a rebuild stage. Ascension has seen some tournament action this season. Between the three schools they have played some exhibition games but are committed to development of the junior players.

Junior Basketball

Again, this year, 6 local schools took part in a boys and girls exhibition league. Amalgamated hosted the NLBA grade 9c girls' provincials, which some of the local teams took part in. From speaking with some coaches, it was a very well executed event. However, some coaches expressed concern about the ranking for the event.

Carbonear Academy started development with grade 4's this year with great success and commitment. St. Francis also started development with grade 2-4 with the same results. This is very encouraging as development from the feeder schools has always been an issue at the senior level. It is great news that children will learn a love for the game at such an early age.

General

In speaking with various coaches, referees, and players from across our region, there was only one true concern. This would be the status of referees in our area, ranging from availability to costs. This continued issue is wide spread at all age levels.

The development of programs being offered to children at younger ages and the building of new programs at existing local high schools Is very encouraging for the future of the sport in our region. The popularity of the sport seems to be increasing as each season goes by. Encouraging this continued focus, hosting local referee clinics and focusing on the importance of a girls' program at the senior high level will be some of the primary objectives moving forward.

Thank-you to the many coaches, organizers, and the NLBA for a great year!

NLBA CENTRAL REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Basketball continues to be played and grow in Central Newfoundland for all ages.

Minor Basketball

This Year Central Newfoundland hosted 7 NLBA West Coast Minor Provincial Tournaments. These Tournaments were held in GFW, Gander, Glenwood, Summerford, Baie Verte and Twillingate. GFW (U14 Boys) hosted the 2018 NL Winter Games Regional Play downs and represented Central NL at the 2018 Winter Games in Deer Lake NL. This was great event and provided the boys with some great memories. A "Big Thank You" is extended to all the organizers, coaches, official's, parents and players in Central Newfoundland that made this another successful Basketball season in Central. We hope that we can continue to host these NLBA tournaments and continue to give our kids an opportunity to play the game of Basketball.

Senior Basketball

There were Men's Leagues in GFW, Gander, and Baie Verte this year. There was no Senior Tournaments hosted in Central this year. GFW will be applying to Host the NLBA Masters Tournament in 2019.

Steve Nash Youth Basketball

Central Newfoundland still only has one community offering the Steve Nash Youth Basketball Program. This is Grand Falls Windsor's eighth year. This grass roots program is now offered to children ranging from Kindergarten to Grade 6. Our Gr 456 Boys Group had two skill development sessions with NLBA Assistant Technical Director Doug Partridge this season. A special Thank You is extended to the NLBA, coaches, parents and sponsors that made this another successful year. As Central Director, I have had conversations with Coaches in Gander and Springdale that may be interested in starting a Steve Nash Youth Basketball Program in their Community next year. I have offered to assist them with getting started and provided them with NLBA Technical Directors Judy Byrne and Doug Partridges contact information.

This was my eighth year as Central Regional Director. I have really enjoyed my role and have been very active in the Central Basketball Community as a Director, Coach, Official, Player, League President and a Basketball Parent that is offering to continue to be a member of the NLBA Executive as Central Regional Director if elected again for the 2018-2019 Season.

Thanks to Bill, Laura, Judy, Doug and the entire NLBA Executive on another successful Basketball Year.

Sincerely,

Brian Cooke (NLBA Central Regional Director)

NLBA LABRADOR REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

School Sports NL

Mealy Mountain Hawks Female team won the regional play-downs at Menihek High School. They went to Laval for the 3A provincials, it was a great experience, with them winning the sportsmanship banner for the tournament.

Menihek High School won the 3A regional Qualifier and represented Labrador well in Gander for the Males 3A provincial Championships

Bayside Academy Females (Port Hope Simpson) & St. Mary's All Grade Male's (Mary's Harbour) both played in the A Provincial Championships, both coming in 4th place in their respective tournaments.

Referee's Clinic

It's been the first time in many years that we had a Referees clinic held in Labrador. Kieran Roach has been living here this year and he offered a Refereeing clinic in November, 2017. It had 3 participants and all have went through the Level 1 certification process and waiting on results. Having 4 referees in this area has been very helpful, certainly with the amount of games happening at all different levels. Each game that is played in the Goose Bay area now has at least one trained referee, which helps to the structure of each game and correct development of the game. Kieran has been a big advocate for refereeing here in this region, he's been a valuable addition to Labrador.

Senior Ball

The Labrador Basketball League had a very successful season, with 4 teams. The season runs from October to March with each team playing 2 games each week. Participation numbers have been growing each year and people are more willing to contribute in different ways. The league has been continuously evolving over the past few years and it looks to continue its growth this upcoming year.

Assistant Technical Director Tour

Doug Partridge came to visit Happy Valley-Goose Bay to teach an NCCP Coaching Course for NL Winter Games Coaches. The class had 4 participants. Also, while he was in he had done a practice with High school Varsity Males and Females teams, as well as the females and males Winter Games teams. It was great to have such a high level of expertise in Labrador, looking forward to having him back again in the future.

2018 NL Winter Games

This year both female and males were represented in the NL Winter Games in Deer Lake this year. Both teams were represented with a mix of players from Labrador West and Happy Valley-Goose Bay. We were able to get funding to provide a practice weekend for both groups, which helped the groups going into the tournament. Both Coaches Kieran Roach (female) & David Rumbolt (male) spoke very highly of the performance of their respective groups on and off the court. Looking Forward

This past year showed me the most promise when it comes to basketball in Labrador. Each try-out for any age group that was developed had 25 or more people trying out each session, regardless if it were male or females. Those numbers would stay consistent until cuts had to be made, even then we made arrangements to keep everyone playing. I think this is a great opportunity to try to develop a youth basketball group this coming fall. We also have people willing to commit to coaching and volunteering at different levels. I look forward to see what the future of basketball has here in Labrador.

Travis Ford Labrador Regional Director-NLBA

NLBA MOUNT PEARL SOUTH REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Mount Pearl South Region had a very active year. From a club perspective, the Gould's Hoopsters and the Mount Pearl Minor Basketball Association were very active. A number of schools had additional teams this year due to increased player interest this year. The St. John's Edge and the Toronto Raptors having a big influence on interest in the sport in Newfoundland this year.

Many invitational tournaments were hosted within the region this past year. The region also hosted several provincial tournaments with great success. Participation in these tournaments were well attended and at this time I would like to thank all coaches, players, parents, and spectators for their efforts to ensure these events were run smoothly and effectively.

Mount Pearl Minor Basketball had a boys and girls team attend NL Winter Games with the Boys team winning Gold at the event. The MPMBA Boys team also won Club Provincials and traveled to Nova Scotia to represent the province in the Jr. NBA World Championship Canada Regionals in Halifax. The Gould's Hoopsters won the Girls provincials and represented the province in the Jr. NBA World Championship Canada Regionals in Halifax.

As regional director, I have also made myself available to individuals and clubs so they can make effective representation to the overall organization. It is also an avenue to voice concerns or queries so adequately achieve solutions. This should be an on-going service as regional director.

Finally, I would like to thank the NLBA office, staff and executive, for your support this past year. I hope to continue these efforts into the next basketball season.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Rice
Regional Director – Mount Pearl South

NLBA St. John's North Regional Director's Report

This year has been a new beginning from my perspective as a member of NLBA.

Having been a member of the NLBA for the 2017-18, this is my first report.

I did not get a chance to attend many Tournaments in St. John's North as Director but I was at some of these tournaments as a referee.

This report will reflect what I saw in regard to the tournaments that I attended.

These tournaments were very well organized and ran smoothly. I did not have any occasions where I had to act in my capacity as St. John's North Regional Director.

Some of my observations:

- 1. The rule concerning 4 fouls for Grade 4, 5, 6 should be addressed again by the Minor Committee. I saw too many players really get upset and some to tears when they were told that they Fouled Out with 4 fouls. I did not see any difference in game time finishing.
- 2. I would like to see more emphasis but on having coaches attend a clinic with referee in attendance o explain the rules that are followed by NLBA, namely, FIBA

- 3. There was a lot of emphasis put on the teams and it members by coaches that wanted to make sure that they won that specific tournament. This is some cases was done to the detriment of those who carried more than 10 players. The "lower end" of the lineups did not get quantity time
- 4. Recommendation that coaches, especially new coaches should be asked to attend a clinic in re to minor workings on the court.
 - **a.** How to line up on the foul line for s foul shot
 - **b.** How a player is to determine how long they are in the 3 second zone.

I was asked by NLBA to organize the referees for the Winter Games.

Our contingent consisted of 10 referees

- a. Four from NABO Western Branch
- **b.** Three from NABO Central Branch
- c. Three from NABO Eastern Branch

The games were run very well and the team of officials did get many good complements from not only the organizers of the tournaments but from the many fans who attended the games both Girls and Boys.

I want to thank Judy Byrne and Patti Thorne for their work in helping with this tournament.

I look forward to serving again in 2018-19 if elected.

Sincerely yours, Bill Hurley, St. John's North Director

NLBA WESTERN REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

We were pleased to have been chosen to host the U-14 boys and girls club championships. The organizers were faced with unprecedented west coast weather that was responsible for the washing out of many roads (TCH included) and the declaration of Emergency in the Corner Brook region. Despite all the challenges, the tournament completed successfully at both venues in Pasadena and Corner Brook. A big thanks to all who traveled and those who organized to make this event possible.

The RNCA tournament continued at it new venue of East Side elementary after the closing of St. Gerard's. This tournament included boys/girls team from throughout the region lasting from Tuesday thru Sunday.

Other than the elementary tournaments, we have witnessed a loss of provincial tournaments being hosted in Corner Brook to the benefit of other regions as events moved to the towns of Meadows, Pasadena and Deer Lake as well as Central. The lack of hosting can be attributed to the amalgamation of junior highs in Corner Brook, with the 'black' teams choosing to travel East for competition and the 'silver' teams choosing to hold invitational. Having tournaments in other regions is seen as benefit to the game as participation is up. Allowing Corner Brook teams to participate in Eastern provincials also has served to increase participation in Western/Central tournaments.

It is our belief that there should be provincial tournaments for the grade 4-6 boys and girls in the central region and western region. This past year central hosted the girls grade 6 provincials. No teams from the west traveled to central to compete. Central had the numbers alone to host a very successful tournament. We feel NLBA is losing out on a revenue stream as well as not maximizing participation. It is a challenge

to travel with elementary teams and the time of year these provincials are held are not ideal for travel in the west and central regions. With the addition of Central grade 4-6 provincials, we believe NLBA can expand participation to the benefit of both regions.

NL West travel to Montreal and New Brunswick. Frank Foo again is training players from western and central regions with the NL West Program. Two teams will be traveling to Montreal to compete (our tenth year of participation here) and three teams will be traveling to St. John, NB to compete.

Additions – 'Regionals for the junior high level and call for moving of NLBA events further into the spring.' There has been much discussion on the need for 'regional' NLBA events at the junior high level, both at the club and school level. We feel regionals would encourage more participation within the region as schools and clubs have an opportunity to compete in and NLBA sanctioned event. The regionals would also serve to encourage teams to compete earlier in the season as well as serving as a platform to better rank teams for provincial 'A', 'B' and 'C' tournaments. Ideally, we would like to see regionals occur last winter and move the provincials to midspring. This would encourage invitations to be hosted regionally from December thru February (when travel is limited by weather) and see the regionals and provincials held later (March thru May), but when weather and daylight allows for easier travel.

Tom Stewart – Western Regional Director

NLBA STAFF REPORTS



NLBA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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As the 2017-18 season draws to a close it was gratifying to reflect on the many positive steps our association has continued to make to improve the game of basketball in our province. It is growth like this that keeps the board, staff and all our volunteers motivated to continue on this path. As we move through this report I will touch on several of these points and programs that led us to where we are today.

While the financial report is not what we are used to seeing at our AGM; the board did approve a significant deficit for this year for a variety of reasons discussed at last year's meeting. We did manage to reduce that number by a small margin but the deficit was a necessity due to our Strategic Plan, a new NABO contract and the exit strategy of the ED position.

NBL-St. John's EDGE: The city was taken by storm in the fall of 2017 when it floored its first professional basketball team. The season was a huge success and that expanded into the postseason as the EDGE made the playoffs but were eliminated in the quarter finals. The relationship established with the front office was significant and we look at expanding that in season two. It was also a great advantage to have the league's MVP born and bred in NL. We look forward to building on that relationship in 2018-19.

Wheelchair Basketball: The NLBA and the Provincial Wheelchair Basketball Association (WSANL) established a MOU this past season and it has been a win/win for both sides. The NLBA has provided access to facilities, incorporation into our programming to demonstrate their sport, web page space and some administration assistance. It has been a tremendous learning experience for all members of our board and office staff and it is great to have the wheelchair group associated with the NLBA.

NL Winter Games: This past year was the first-time clubs were participants in the NL Winter Games as opposed to schools. It was a huge success and the response was tremendous. While we did make the (Club vs School) announcement 2-years in advance, it did catch some schools by surprise. We need to continue this process as a means to promote clubs for the overall success of the games. The next Games are slated for 2022.

JR. NBA Worlds: This was one of the most surprising programs of the season. When NBA Canada released the details of this program at the ED meetings in BC, there was an instant buzz around our board room table. Because NL hosted the club provincials early in the season, we could not release any details of the program until a week or so before the events commenced. Once released the athletes and coaches were informed and they were ecstatic. Best of luck to Jonathan Chang and his group as they move into the Nationals and ultimately the worlds in Orlando.

Ron Harper Visit: One of the high lights of the year was a visit by Ron Harper (NBA) to our province in September. The visit was driven by NBA Canada in association with an Air Miles promotion at Memorial University. Jonathan Chang managed to have the NLBA involved and we immediately took advantage. Ron Harper spent a few hours speaking to our provincial athletes and parents and then the rest of the

day with the executive dining and sightseeing. Thanks Jonathan and Christian Alicpala for keeping the PSO in the loop. It means a lot.

NABO: This year the NLBA and NABO signed the largest fee increase contract in the past 30 years. There is now a formalized contract for both parties that include much more than just the monetary terms of the agreement. The contract includes the development of a strategic plan and the recruitment and retention of officials for the future along with other items that will improve the game. The NLBA are committed to supporting the pursuit and resolve of these issues in the next few years and we look forward to working with our partners in achieving these goals.

Strategic Plan: as mentioned in last year's report the implementation of the Strategic Plan and more specifically: developing the grassroots and coaching development programming across the province, was a priority this past fall and winter. With the additional staff on board (Doug Partridge) we managed to visit central, western and the Labrador regions of the province. This development needs to continue in the future and getting out to meet the coaches and athletes in the various regions is critical for future development of all NLBA programming.

BOB: This year numbers for the Being our Best (BOB) was extremely low and the boys program on the west coast did not happen. Doug and Judy met with the coaches and moving forward a new format is being proposed that is less expensive and concentrates on weekends as opposed to training twice a week. This will be discussed and hopefully approved at this year's AGM.

Club Committee: At last years AGM there was the establishment of a Club Committee chaired by Gerry Puddister. The committee met several times over the year and discussed several topics with the presidents of the affiliated clubs in attendance. There will be a variety of recommendations presented by the chair to be implemented for the clubs and the championships for 2018-19.

Minor/Senior Provincial Championships: The NLBA operated 85 provincial/regional championships at the school, club and senior level this year. A total of 440 teams registered and competed in these events. It was an excellent year weather-wise and only one event had to be cancelled. Unfortunately, it was our Sweet 16 event which has a significant impact on the association financially; as it is a major revenue generator for the association.

Provincial Teams: This year we will have 13 provincial teams travelling to competitions outside the province. Age groups consist of U17, 16, 15, 14 for both genders. Some age groups will have as many as 3 teams per gender travelling. This is almost double the normal number of provincial teams but with so many athletes attending our tryouts we are attempting to cater to many more potential provincial team athletes. I expect the office to be extremely busy summer.

Sports Savvy: One program the NLBA needs to move towards is access to the Sports Savvy platform for membership and registration with Canada Basketball. The platform is currently being developed but is not quite ready at this point. I believe this will provide the association with up to date web page and easy access registration for all affiliated members. It will also provide the members space to have their own page on the platform as well.

While this was an extremely busy year we were fortunate to have Doug in our office as that 4th staff person. A great deal of our time was utilized in educating Doug on the various office procedures and then the same for Judy in her preparation as the potential new Executive Director. I can now

congratulate Judy on her new role as that process was concluded a few weeks ago. I know she has the skills to do a great job in her new position.

Currently we are in the process of securing an individual for Judy's position as Technical Director. After working with Doug for the past 9 months I am openly endorsing him as the ideal candidate. He is a dedicated, knowledgeable individual who loves the game of basketball. He would make a great addition to the team moving into 2018-19 season and beyond.

As I sit here writing my final report I can't help but reflect on the 10 presidents I have served during the last 29 years. While some were only in their positions for a few months there were others who held the position for a number of years. I would like to mention each of those individuals who assisted with placing the NLBA in the successful position it finds itself in today. They include in order of year: Tony Wakeham, David Martin, Bernard Buckle, Glenn Normore, Terry Burton, George Power, Mark Jones, Basil Kavanagh, David Constantine and currently Tom Warren. I also want to thank the volunteers who served on these boards in the various positions and also the regional directors. Your contributions over the years have been greatly appreciated. I would like to thank each and every person for having the support and confidence in myself and our staff to allow us to manage the day to day operations of the provincial office. Your support has been greatly appreciated!

In closing I want to thank both Laura and Judy who have operated our office for 15 and 9 years respectively. Both have been professional, efficient, dedicated supportive co-workers who continue to work behind the scenes to ensure the sport of basketball is front and center at every opportunity. It is imperative for future boards to ensure we continue to employ people of high character as we have in the past.

All the best in 2018-19 and beyond.

Respectively Submitted

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Bill Murphy-Executive Director-NLBA

NLBA TECHNICAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

This has been my eighth season with the NLBA in the position as Technical Director. There have been some positive changes throughout my time at NLBA and I look forward to more changes to come!! We continue to take the right steps to continue to grow basketball throughout our province and look forward to continued growth in many of our program, especially our grass roots programs. Much of my time is dedicated to coach and program development, facilitating NCCP coaching clinics, assisting Provincial team athletes and coaches. In this brief report, I will give a general overview of my role and activities over the past year.

Commissioners Minor Tournaments: This year NLBA continued the use of Commissioners in our Grade 5 and 6 Provincials on both the East and West coast. The Commissioners were trained and then were on site at Provincials to assist conveners in areas of watching for zone play, spectator control, helping to implement new rule for our minor official table and to attend to any other technical issues that came

up. We believe having commissioners on site was a success and it makes a difference in behavior of both spectators and coaches. This year we trained and hired commissioners and they attended the six Grade 5 and eight Grade 6 Provincials tournaments.

3 on 3 Provincials: NLBA 3 on 3 program for our Grade 4 Provincials continues to GROW. It was a huge success again this year with 29 teams participating on the east and west coast. Great feedback all around!! Initially, there was some hesitancy not to have referees on the floor (coaches from each team are on the floor at each end, keeping the game flowing, etc.) but I think as the tournament progressed coaches became more comfortable with the set-up. We have added 3 x 3 videos for coaches that are new to the system, I think this really help coaches become familiar and better able to teach the 3 x 3 game to their athletes.

No score, no coaching, just kids being allowed to play. The 3 on 3 tournament was a fun, non-competitive environment for the kids to play basketball!! It allows for increased ball handling, batter spacing, more direct competition and focus on basketball skills and actions. This is something NLBA will continue.

LTAD FACT: At young ages, children are competing too often with over-zealous parents and coaches wanting to win, robbing them of the opportunity to have fun and develop skills that will enable them to be successful. Steve Norris PhD

Along with these projects I also contributed and dedicated my time to the following programs: **Provincial Teams**:

- Canada Games Women- Winnipeg, Manitoba finished 9th
- Canada Games Women- Winnipeg, Manitoba finished 10th
- U14 Girls coached by Doreen Pond -Summerfest Tournament Saint John, NB
- U14 Boys coached by Steve Ryan Summerfest Tournament Saint John, NB
- U15 Boys: coached by Glen Sooley Competed in the Bluenose Tournament in Nova Scotia and Nationals in Regina, Saskatchewan finishing 7th
- U15 Girls: coached by Geoff Moore. Competed in the Bluenose Tournament in Nova Scotia and Nationals in Regina, Saskatchewan finishing 7th.
- U16 Boys: coached by Dave Banfield competed in the Bluenose tournament in Nova Scotia
- U16 Girls: coached by Doug Partridge competed in Slam tournament in Montreal

Tryouts were held April 2017 for 2018 Provincial teams. We had 280 athletes present and trying out for 8 Developmental /Provincial teams (U14 Girls, U14 Boys, U15 Girls, U15 Boys, U16 Girls, U16 Boys, U17 Girls and U17 Boys). Team training started in May. I was responsible for booking gym time and completed practice schedules for the 13 teams. Finalizing apparel packages for a Provincial athletes and coaches, getting summer budgets done for all Provincial teams and summer training hours completed and booked. Assisting teams in making travel plans, booking flights, buses, etc.

Junior NBA/ Steve Nash Program: Junior NBA, is in its third year, program is continuing to grow with programs in Mount Pearl Minor, Goulds Hoopsters, Rising Stars and East Point Elementary. The Steve Nash Program in Grand Falls Winsor continues to thrive with over 100 participants this year. Pasadena continued this year with a program with 82 athletes and 16 coaches. Look forward to the exciting news of the Steve Nash and Jr. NBA joining forces. The programs will now run under the Jr. NBA and we will have a streamlined curriculum and pathway for athletes ages 5-12. More info to come on this new program.

NLBA Summer Camp: Our Annual Summer Hoops camps were held in August. Summer camp is always an exciting time. We had 120 kids register. Overall, I was pleased with the outcome - the kids had fun and learned some basketball in the process. I had a great group of coaches helping me. Most of these coaches were provincial team athletes. So, in addition to the campers who learned about the game, these provincial team athletes were exposed to coaching – it is never too early to begin recruiting future coaches.

BOB Program: Our Being Our Best Programs is ongoing but we did see a decrease in numbers this year. The program gives a pathway for athletes to follow through each stage of development, allows for increased participation at all levels and aids in the development of our elite athletes for our Provincial Team Programs. The West Coast only ran a girls' program this year. The girls program run by LiLana Bishop had 22 athletes participate, with 5 of those athletes making the U14 team this summer. We had 105 athletes on East Coast in total for our programs. Doug Partridge is on board with us now as Assistant Technical Director and he was hands on with the programs this year which is a tremendous resource for our athletes, coaches and organization. As mentioned earlier, this year's numbers for were extremely low and the boys program on the west coast did not get off the ground. Myself and Doug met with the BOB committee, as well as our current coaches and discussed options moving forward. Looking forward to a new format for BOB which will focus on weekend training and coach education. This will be discussed and hopefully approved at this year's AGM.

NCCP Coaching Clinics: NLBA held a Learn to Train NCCP course in January 2018. We held a L2T NCCP course in Gander, December 2017 and Happy Valley Goose Bay in February, Doug was lead facilitator for both courses.

As of 2015 all our Juvenile athletes will do the Community Coach Course. As of 2016 Club Coaches will have to be certified Learn to Train if they want to coach at NLBA Provincial Club Championships. NLBA initiative to recruit female coaches is ongoing and we still offer all our NCCP clinics free of charge. Coach Development is a huge part of my job and it is a very important part of developing our basketball community.

House of Hoops Club 3 on 3: November 17^{th-} 18th. NLBA host a 3 on 3 tournament for all our club programs for athlete's grades 4-6 (14 teams in total). Doug took control of the 3 on 3 tournament this year I was off getting my new knee He did a great job being thrown into the tournament!!!

House of Hoops is a chance for the kids to come together in a fun environment and play basketball....no scores taken, no coaches coaching, they just get to play!!!! Always a great event, can't wait for next year[©]

Evaluations NCCP: Evaluations are ongoing for NCCP Learn to Train and Train to Train coaches. NLBA currently has 5 registered Evaluators, me being one of them. Doug just received training and is a certified T2C evaluator for our province. Frank Foo and Doug will be traveling to Super Clinic this year to become evaluators for both L2T and T2T. Frank will then be able to service the West Coast as an evaluator.

NLBA Invitational 2017: Sadly, once again the Sweet 16 had to be cancelled because of stormy weather.

Minor/Senior Provincial Championships: The NLBA operated 85 provincial/regional championships at the school, club and senior level this year. A total of 440 teams registered and competed in these

events. Preparation of schedules, tournament boxes and the never ending last minute schedule changes keep us busy!! Thankfully no snowstorms this year to disrupt things too much!! Thanks mother nature (3)

Elite 8: Elite 8 was held February 16-18th at the NL Sports Centre. NLBA hosted 8 of the top male and female basketball teams across the country. Our champions were St. Kevin's High for the female division and Holy Heart of Mary for the male.

Ron Harper Visit: Exciting time for the NLBA!! Thanks to the NBA and Christian Alicpala and Jonathan Chang for spearheading the Ron Harper visit. Ronald "Ron" Harper is a retired professional basketball player and a five-time NBA champion. It was a privilege to have him meet with our Executive, provincial athletes and coaches on Sunday September 10th. Great day was had by all.

Sportsfest: Gander June 15-17: Sportsfest is always an exciting time. Great to be hands on with so many of the youth of our province. This year I got to travel to Gander to participate in Sportsfest. The students in the Gander area definitely had a great time. We shared the stage with Wheelchair Basketball and we had a great time promoting the game!!

Winter Games March 14-17, 2018: This past year was the first-time clubs were participants in the NL Winter Games as opposed to schools. It was a great success. We had 7 Regional Qualifiers in 5 Regions of the Province. 16 qualified to travel to the Winter Games in Deer Lake. Successful tournament, Deer Lake were great hosts. Thanks to Jim Feltham who was a huge help and help me run the male side of the tournament and to Bill Hurly who took charge of scheduling for the referees. Look forward to the next NL Games in 2022.

Gold medalist were: Goulds Hoopsters (female)

Mount Pearl Celtics (male)

Jr. NBA World Championships: Exciting year for youth basketball. NBA announced the Jr. NBA World Championships for U14 athletes across the world!! The Jr. NBA World Championship is a first-of-its-kind global youth basketball tournament for the top 14U teams from around the world. The tournament will feature boys and girl's divisions, each comprised of 16 regional champions (eight U.S. teams and eight international teams) that will compete in the inaugural championship in August 2018 at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at Walt Disney World® Resort near Orlando. Our top U14 NL teams traveled to Nova Scotia May 4th to compete in Jr. NBA World Championship Canada Atlantic Regional. Mount Pearl Celtics (male) and Killick coast Chargers (female) represented our province and had solid game against Nova Scotia and PEI but couldn't pull off the win to advance to the National Qualifiers in June. Looking forward to next year and the battle at U14 Club Provincials to see who will represent NL!

Other duties: Along with the items listed above I also work in the provincial office where I provide support to our Executive Director and Administrative Assistant (Bill and Laura). I attend Board meetings and sit on the Minor Committee, Awards Committee, Coach Developmental Committee, BOB Committee, Policy Committee, Club Committee and the Hall of Fame Committee. I will step in whenever and where ever I'm needed!!

Goals for 2017-18: I look forward to my new position as Executive Director of the NLBA. Becoming Executive Director has been a goal of mine for many years and I look forward to filling the role. I know I have some big shoes to fill and I'm both excited and nervous about the road ahead. I look forward to

leading our association and making the changes we need to continue to grow basketball throughout our Province at every level. We have a great team here at the NLBA and a very experienced board, looking forward to great things to come. I can't thank Bill enough for his mentoring and support in helping me attain my goal and for all he has done for basketball in our province and the NLBA. We will miss him dearly but I wish him all the happiness in his retirement.

Judy Byrne Technical Director NLBA

NLBA ASSISTANT TECHNICAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

I was hired by the NLBA as the new assistant technical director, starting in October 2017 as a contract employee. It has been an interesting, and exciting first 9 months in the position. I was given a mandate to travel and help foster the growth of grass roots basketball around Newfoundland and Labrador as well as oversee the BOB program and have a hand in coach development. I believe we have taken a lot of good steps forward in many of these areas. The AGM will be another stepping stone toward trying to implement some of this change and then we can see where we can go from there.

The first step was travelling around the province to deliver clinics and help enhance and create relationships in various areas. The first trip at the end of October was to the west coast. I did a player clinic in Deer lake, a Steve Nash clinic in Pasadena, took part in a west coast girls BOB training session in Corner Brook and ran a coach's clinic as well. All of these went well with good participation. Two important developments came from this trip. The coach's clinic in Corner Brook led to a good discussion about club basketball and a proposal from the area to host the U14 club championships. This led to the first time the clubs had a championship hosted outside the Avalon and a record number of teams taking part. Despite some weather challenges the championships went well. Secondly, our Steve Nash clinic in Pasadena led to some new coaches starting a discussion about starting school programs and the creation of a document we can use at the office to help first time coaches run better school programs and coach their teams better. In December I went on the road to central Newfoundland, running a player clinic in Grand Falls, Windsor and then running our first Learn to Train coaching clinic in Gander as well as a small player clinic. The NCCP clinic included 8 coaches and was very well received. Coaches are interested in moving forward in the program and the possibility exists to host future higher-level clinics as the coaches become evaluated. Finally, in February I went on a trip to Labrador, going to Happy Valley-Goose Bay to run player clinics and a Learn to Train coach's clinic there as well. This was an interesting trip as it was eye opening to see the challenges and solutions in Labrador. It allowed me to get an idea of what is going on and propose some steps to the board about how we might grow our footprint in Labrador. Over-all these trips were quite successful in their goal. I think the support we brought helped improve coaching in these areas, helped demonstrate to people outside the city that the NLBA cares about what is happening in the rest of the province and laid a foundation for future involvement and growth.

The initiative to get the club championships moving around I believe paid dividends as the successful championship allowed many to see that there is the possibility to grow club basketball everywhere. At our club committee meetings there was general agreement about having the championships travel around the province and try to create solutions that will allow this to happen. Ultimately time will tell how successful this will be, but I believe we are starting down a promising path so that smaller communities may be able to band together to create clubs that are more competitive and will have a chance to compete at higher levels and even create enough club teams to host tiered championships.

In terms of the BOB program I was a regular attendee at practices and events to oversee the programs and we engaged in a number of initiatives to see where and how we can best assist our elite athletes in their journeys. We created a provincial curriculum document that we have been sharing with our coaches and collecting feedback to help refine the document and give our provincial programs and coaches a cohesive vision that will allow our athletes to have an experience that is progressive, comprehensive and will allow them to monitor their progress and feel like they are learning and developing in a consistent manner. My involvement with the provincial programs also resulted in coaching education sessions and monitoring of the coaches practice and planning which allowed for feedback and saw dramatic improvements in the athlete evaluations from the first set before Christmas to the end of the year. I believe that the work we did to be a little more hands-on and make the athletes feel like they were being looked out for helped improve their perception of what was happening even if the reality only enjoyed slight changes. Going forward I would like to see this be a little more formal to allow for the ability to make sure coaches are following the curriculum document and are running drills and programs that fall in line with our over-all vision.

On another note I felt like the presence of a 4th person in the NLBA office allowed for the more efficient operation of the organization. There are still super busy times but the 4th person allows the office to get out ahead of these times and keep things rolling. It allows for people to be more focused on their roles and the extra work can be passed around to ensure that things stay on schedule. There was a consistent amount of work available to keep the 4th person engaged, especially with the site visits to oversee the provincial and BOB programs. With a possible shift coming in the BOB program there would also be a bigger planning and engagement role with provincial teams and overseeing their organization during the year.

In terms of changes that we worked on during the year and suggestions that have been put forward for the future we have discussed province wide championships to encourage travel, more teams and better competitive balance in the provincial tournaments. A more collaborative vision of provincial try-outs with a different view toward team composition and a wider base for try-outs. A new vision for the BOB, with skill academies and training that sees us working with a wider range of athletes on skill enhancement. The use of provincial teams and mentor coaches to enhance coach development, as well as a broadening of coach involvement in the academies to further spread our ideas and goals among youth and elite coaches in the province.

It has been a fantastic 9 months and I greatly appreciate the opportunity provided by the NLBA to engage in some meaningful program and player/coach development.

NLBA ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT REPORT

2017 – 2018 was again an increasingly busy years for the NLBA. Even with the new addition of staff, Doug Partridge, the office has continued to development the 'Being our Best' program, and with the regular NLBA activities there is no shortage of work to get done. I would like to thank everyone who volunteered in any way who helped out with the NLBA throughout the year. You did a great job, we couldn't have done it without you.

Part of my duties, as always, includes the administrative aspect of the 2018 Provincial Teams, who are traveling out of province to competitions. I maintain the database for all the athletes and coaches,

keeping track the finances for the teams, including payment and expenses. This year we have eight age groups for a total of 13 teams travelling to various off-island competitions.

Over this past winter, I continued in the creation and maintenance the database for the '2018 Minor and Senior Provincial Basketball Championships'. As with past years, I contacted coaches regarding rankings, schedules, rosters, and overdue registration fees. I have posted schedules to the NLBA website. I contacted all hosts regarding the weekend updates to the NL Scoreboard website and sent hosts referees schedules and contact information for all tournaments. I also kept record of who has returned host reports, banners, unsold t-shirts, and money for the t-shirts that were sold for each tournament. This has always can be very challenging at times.

I continue to maintain and update the NLBA website. I also carry on the NLBA practice of sending out the weekly "Hoops" emails; updating all the coaches on basketball information that comes through the NLBA office. I update this database regularly, adding to or deleting from the databank as requests come in the office. If anyone has any basketball related information or events they would like to have sent out, please email me the relevant information at lchatman@sportnl.ca. Another of my 'electronic' responsibilities is to update the NLBA Facebook and Twitter accounts.

I maintain the databases for our tryouts, coaching clinics, club championships, both the minor and senior provincial tournaments, NLBA Hoops Summer camp, Midget Developmental and High-Performance programs, the NLBA Invitational in December, the Hall of Fame Cup and summer provincial teams.

Along with Judy Byrne and Doug Partridge, I assist Bill in keeping track of the merchandise inventory; I help clients with the selection of the merchandise and create invoices for merchandise sold. I maintain the database for the invoices and contact the clients with overdue accounts.

I wish to thank Bill, Judy, Doug and the Executive for their support and assistance. Each year I have experienced new or different concepts of basketball in Newfoundland and Labrador as the sport continues to grow in the province, and I continue to look forward to the new challenges that the association will face in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted by, Laura Chatman Administrative Assistant, NLBA

NABO REPORT





Newfoundland Association of Basketball Officials

2018 Report to the NLBA

This past season was a busy one for all our Branches. The NABO Evaluation Panel conducted multiple evaluations throughout the province. NABO introduced some of our young officials at the Hall of Fame Cup tournament and they performed very well.

This year, NABO conducted a provincial clinic, for all officials and coaches, in St. John's. Nadine Crowley of CABO, a world class official and evaluator, conducted a three (3) day clinic covering rule changes, points of emphasis (POE), two (2) and three (3) person officiating. NABO executive received positive feedback. NABO also extended an invitation to other Associations of the Atlantic provinces, and New Brunswick sent a representative, Guy MacIsaac, a provincial Evaluator. Memorial University and Provincial coaches also attended the clinic.

NABO conducted our annual AUS crew meeting, co-chaired by Jamey Jennings and Jim Walsh, with the emphasis on three-person officiating.

SJABO Two (2) Novice Basketball officials course Fall 2017
Friday /Saturday Rules / Mechanics / Floor Positioning /
Game Action

SJABO CABO National Senior clinician (Nadine Crowley) Fall 2017

Three (3) days, Members from all branches / Coaches

Rule changes / Mechanics / Floor positioning

2 and 3-person officiating, Points of emphasis (POE)

CNABO Novice clinic in Grand Falls-Windsor during the months of November to January. Five (5)

sessions: Rules, Mechanics, Floor Twenty (20) officials

WNABO NABO conducted a rules/mechanics clinic for all WNABO

15 persons Two days. Rule changes / mechanics

Game experience.

Retention of new officials is an ongoing issue, and we, NABO, must play an important role in encouraging new members to stay involved. The NABO executive will continue to work with the NLBA and grow officiating in this province.

Congratulations to the Officials/Evaluators who represented, or will represent NABO, at the following championships.

2018

Alicia Bird Halifax AUS Women Playoffs

Regina CIS Women

Jamey Jennings Halifax AUS Women, Evaluator

Sackville CCAA Women, Evaluator

Fred Wakeham Halifax AUS Men Playoffs

Jim Walsh Halifax CIS Men, Evaluator

Ryan Langdon Fredericton Summer, U17 Girls

Brady Turner Fredericton Summer, U15 Girls

Congratulations to Scott Critch, the recipient of Sport NL Official of the Year Award. NABO congratulates Scott on this achievement! NABO and the NLBA signed a new four (4) year contract.

I would like to congratulate Judy Byrne, who is the new Executive Director of the NLBA.

Thank you to Bill Murphy, who rides off into the sunset, Laura Chatman and Judy for your continuing support of NABO, especially the distribution of NABO correspondence to the basketball community.

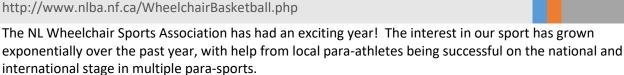
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WHEEL CHAIR BASKETBALL REPORT

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Our goal for this year, is to continue our education into the stand-up basketball world and to encourage athletes, coaches and builders in the NL basketball scene to try the wheelchair game. Fortunately, for our sport, athletes with or without a disability can participate in our fast and exciting game.

This year, we have two groups of athletes training. We have a Monday night group which consists of approximately 20 athletes. Our hope is to increase the numbers on Monday nights and start a league format. The second group of athletes' train on Wednesday nights and they are our Canada Games development Group. We currently have 12 athletes training on Wednesday nights ranging from ages 10 to 24. This group has recently begun a Strength and Conditioning program at the Provincial Training Centre two days a week. Our coaches have been put in place for this group with Todd Hickey being named Head Coach and Raeleen Baggs as assistant coach. Raeleen and Rebecca Greene (player) recently travelled to Nova Scotia to complete the first level of the NCCP Wheelchair Basketball training and Todd is in the process of completing the advanced training. Roger Head has been named as manager for this group and is also the liaison with the NLBA. This group is very lucky to have Mike Frogley, of Wheelchair Basketball Canada to run a camp for them in late May.

Having an affiliation with our PSO was very important to our group and this was achieved this year. We now are a non-voting member of the NLBA but are included in their discussions. We hope to grow this relationship and become an even more active member. This year we were invited to provide a demo to the Elite 8 which showcased our game to multiple teams, coaches, and officials. We have extended an offer to participate in our May camp to coaches and referees to again promote the game and increase awareness of the sport.

Our president, Gary Power has been active this year as well offering many demos to students, teachers and clubs. He recently travelled to Corner Brook where he presented to Recreation Personnel and physical education teachers in the area. He left six chairs out in the area to help promote the game. Four chairs will be used at the Community Centre in Corner Brook and two chairs will rotate between St. Georges, and Appalachia High School.

Our athletes were also involved with The Edge players during Mt. Pearl Frosty festival. Four players from the Edge, including Carl English, came to our gym and participated in a game of WC ball. We also had a Girls Grade 8 team, and two midget hockey teams come that evening to try the game. It was a great event with positive exposure.

Gary and Todd were instrumental in getting our athletes to Nova Scotia this year to participate in the Maritime Wheelchair Basketball Finals. Two teams from NL competed on an exhibition basis during the weekend. Our Canada Games development team faired very well against the other provinces, even capturing a win against Nova Scotia. This result was very promising to our provincial team. Having our young athletes attend the final game and see the game played at a high level was an eye-opening

experience for them. Todd, Gary, Raeleen and Roger attended the MWBA year end meeting and through the discussions, it was decided that NL would travel again this year for a tournament. It is a goal of the NL Wheelchair basketball association to get the MWBA teams to travel to NL for a tournament in 2018 or 2019.

We look forward to building a strong relationship with the NLBA and with the stand-up basketball community in Newfoundland.

Sincerely,

Gary Power President of Wheelchair Sports

MINOR CLUB REPORTS

ABOVE THE REST BASKETBALL

Above the Rest Basketball had a great 3rd season this year. ATR catered to boys' grade 4,5,6,7,8,9 and was once again based out of St. John Bosco School in Shea Heights. Our season consisted of Sunday evening league games, Thursday night drop in sessions and tournament participation. ATR is operated by Keith Norman, Eugene Walsh and Alex White.

Some accomplishments of the past season was capturing gold at the U12 club championships and winning U12, U13 and U15 invitational tournaments. Looking forward to getting back at it this upcoming fall.

Thanks, Keith

BELFOR BEASTS

This was the first year for our club program. We invited females, grades 6-8, from New World Island and Twillingate areas to join our program. We had about 15 girls initially, but only 12 girls chose to stay with the program. Over half of our team was made up of grade sixes. We practiced once a week for an hour and played a couple of games against junior school teams. Unfortunately, there are very few girls grade 8 teams in our area so we did not play many games. We did however travel to Deer Lake to represent Central for the Winter Games. Our team only won 1 game, but the girls played hard and had fun!

Submitted by Noreen Stewart

DEER LAKE LIGHTNING

We are the Deer Lake Lightning U14 boys club team, comprising of players who attend Xavier Junior High school in Deer Lake. We were comprised of 7 grade 8 and 5 grade 7 players. We were formed primarily to compete in the 2018 NL Winter Games as the host team in which we competed hard and came away with the Bronze medal, which was one of the highlights of the year, not only the medal but the whole experience of the Games atmosphere for our boys. Another highlight was competing in the 2018 club provincial championships in which we won Silver losing in the championship game by 1 point to a very good Mount Pearl Celtic squad. I think the club provincials were the highlight for us because it was the first time our players had a chance to see high caliber teams from the St. John's area and really opened their eyes up to the quality of basketball they need to play in order to compete against good teams. We certainly gained from the experience.

Thank you. Troy Coish

GOULDS HOOPSTERS BASKETBALL CLUB

2017 has been a terrific year for Goulds Hoopsters. Hoopsters is over 20 years old and still runs quite strong. Our program is open to boys and girls from grades K-9 and we are very grateful to our 3 community schools for the use of their gyms.

This year we participated in the House of Hoops which was well received by our club. Thanks goes out to the committee for the planning and to Judy for successfully organizing such an event.

This year, our U14 club team won the regionals for the NL Games. They went on to win gold at the Games in Deer Lake. This is an amazing accomplishment and we are extremely proud. Congratulations to the girls and their coaches, Shaina Adams and Robert Rideout. We would also like to acknowledge Shaina who was awarded the female Minor Coach of the Year at the past AGM. We are proud to have a great coach for our club.

I would like to thank Laura, Judy and Doug for all the work they do. I would also like to thank the Hoopsters Board. They are a great bunch to volunteer with. Congratulations to Bill on his upcoming retirement – well deserved and best wishes.

Karen Adams President Goulds Hoopsters Basketball Club

HUMBER VALLEY MOUNTAINEERS

The Humber Valley Basketball Club was co-founded by Sarah Purchase and Jonathan Snow, in the Spring of 2017. It was created to promote and provide basketball where participants can stimulate their health, development, and enjoyment in a safe environment, while working on skills, teamwork, fair play, and leadership opportunities.

In the Summer of 2017, the HVBC ran a six-week, 8-team summer recreational basketball league with both a male and a female division. It was very successful. Subway Restaurant sponsored the championship night.

In the fall, due to the new requirements for the 2018 Winter Games' teams, two U14 teams were established – one male and one female. Jonathan Snow and Glenn Gillard coached the boys' team, while Sarah Purchase and Jonathan Snow coached the girls' team. The U14 Girls team won the NL Winter Games Silver Medal; the u14 Boys finished 6th place at the NL Winter Games.

In January 2018, the HVBC hosted both the NLBA U14 Boys & U14 Girls Club Championships. The U14 Boys Club Championships were held in Pasadena, where six teams participated; while the U14 Girls Championships were held in Corner Brook, with 10 teams participating. Due to the unforeseen weather conditions, the tournaments had to deal with many challenges, however, they were overcome and both tournaments were a success. A huge thank you to all HVBC parents and volunteers.

In March 2018, a U12 Boys team was created. Glenn Gillard and Don Keefe coached the team who played in two U13/Grade 7 tournaments — one in Mount Pearl, and one in Corner Brook. The team won the Mount Pearl tournament, while finishing second in the Corner Brook Intermediate Grade 7 Invitational Tier 2.

The HVBC, held a two-day Easter Skills Camp in April. Under the guidance of Jonathan Snow and Sarah Purchase, and with the help of two high school players - Jacob Evoy and Holly MacKey – the camp was a great success.

The HVBC will be having its 2nd Summer Basketball League, starting July and running for six weeks. Currently holding registration for male (u13 division & u15 division) and female (u13 division & u15 division) participants. The goal is having 3-5 teams in each division.

Overall, the first year of the HVBC has been very successful.

KILLICK COAST CHARGERS

The Killick Coast Chargers just finished their third year of Club. We represent the area of Outer Cove, Torbay, Pouch Cove, Flat Rock, Portugal Cove and St. Philips; also known as the Killick Coast region. We also accepted any players that were interested in our program from any part of the city. This year our club included the following groups BU11, BU12, BU13, BU14 and GU14.

We had a very successful year with our teams in Club Provincials. We were well represented as we had 2 teams in the GU14 where our Chargers Red team won the championship. We had two BU11 teams compete, and our Killick Red team won the championship. As well as our two BU12, BU13 and BU14 played in their respective provincials and played competitively. Our club sent teams to many tournaments throughout the season and played many games against other clubs.

We were also honored to send our winning GU14 team to Halifax at the beginning of May to compete in the Regional tournament for the GU14 Jr. NBA Club World Championships. In this tournament our girls team gave it their all defeating PEI in the round Round Robin and were then faced with two games against Nova Scotia. In a tough championship game our team received silver. We are very proud of this teams' achievements this year. This would not have been possible without the strong efforts of commitment from the players as well as our coaches.

All skills sessions this year were ran under the direction of Olivia Powell and James Carpenter. Peter Moyse and Adam Powell were also huge contributors to our successful club program as well. We offer skills sessions on Saturday and Sunday for each age group and continue to run the Club out of Roncalli School gym.

Thanks
Jennifer Powell
President of Killick Coast Chargers Basketball Club

GRAND FALLS WINSOR STEVE NASH YOUTH BASKETBALL

This was the 8th year for this grass roots program in Grand Falls Windsor, NL. There were 30 children (K-1), 30 children (Grade 2-3) and 44 Boys (Grade 4, 5,6) registered to participate in the 12-week program which provided the children (Boys and Girls) with physical activity and the opportunity to play the game of basketball. 9 Coaches assisted with the sessions and delivery of the lesson plans. Each participate was provided with a player package which included a jersey, ball, wrist ban, and poster at the first session. There were 6 sessions before Christmas and 8 sessions in the New Year.

After a Christmas break the children returned to the court for 6 more sessions. They continued to play Fun games and develop their fundamental movements, basketball skills, fitness, self-esteem and listening skills. There was lots of positive feedback from the children, parents, grandparents and siblings

throughout this program. The program concluded with a Year End Pizza Party. Each child was given a Steve Nash Youth Basketball Certificate, trophy and a Group Photo.

Our GFW Steve Nash Youth Basketball Spring League for our Grade 4,5,6 Boys this year was a Hugh success again. We had 4 teams (Raptors, Warriors, Celtics & Cavs) playing for a Championship Trophy. All Boys played 8 games and receive a medal. They had lots of Fun!! We look forward to offering this program again next year and are hoping that Basketball continues to grow in our Community.













GFW Grade 4, 5, 6 Boys Spring League Champs



Special Thanks to NLBA, Canada Basketball, Sprucewood Academy(gym), Parents, Children, Coaches and Sponsors (Donnini's, Action Sports Shots, Whiffin's Engraving, Thruway, Grants, Billard Physiotherapy and Town of GFW) for another successful year for the GRAND FALLS WINDSOR STEVE NASH YOUTH BASKETBALL.

Submitted by Brian Cooke (GFW Steve Nash Youth Basketball Coach)

MOUNT PEARL MINOR BASKETBALL

MPMBA had another successful year with a full house league program that ran from October through April. Many of our former players who are now in high school and university have continued to be involved and are giving back to the program by coaching our younger athletes in our weekly house league program. This year was MPMBA's first partnering with Jr NBA, which was very well received by our youngest participants. As a result of its success, we are partnering with Canada Basketball and the Steve Nash program for our 2018/2019 season. As we did last year, we again ran a weekly 3 on 3 spring leagues from April – May. As in other years we had a number of male and female club teams at various age levels participate in the Provincial Championships and various invitational events. MPMBA were proud to represent Mount Pearl South in the NL Winter Games held in Deer Lake. Our male team captured Gold and the female team captured Bronze. The boys team also represented NL in the Jr NBA championships and travelled to Halifax to compete in the Eastern Region. Some of our club players were successfully chosen for NL provincial teams and will be participating in those programs this summer.

Chris Snyders

NKD BASKETBALL CLUB

For NKD basketball our second year of operation took us in a slightly different direction. Having been hired on a contract with the NLBA we decided to focus on getting some higher end club teams off the group. We operated a U14 and a senior club during the year. The U14 team had a successful year building familiarity, a great atmosphere and a competitive record. We made the semi's in both the U14 club championships and the winter games play-downs, and won the Brother Rice grade 9 girls tournament, a solid season for a club in its first year with players getting used to playing together. We did all this while sticking to our foundational principles of a high practice to game ratio and a commitment to skill development. We finished our season by hosting our own tournament featuring top club teams and some of the better grade 9 school teams on the island. Of our club regulars all but 1 player (provincial soccer athlete) tried out for the NLBA U14 program.

On the senior level we had 20 athletes sign up to play club, they represented a mix of athletes that did not have a school team (Mt Pearl, St Bon's), played in smaller school and wanted a taste of AAAA competition, played at high level AAAA schools but welcomed extra training and finally some grade 9's who wanted a jump on their high school careers. We played as one team as different players were available at different times depending on commitments to their school teams. We played in the Keith Keating tournament, the Holy Trinity tournament (made semi's) and the Gonzaga tournament. The team again stuck to the principles of high practice to competition ratios and earned a reputation as a group of players who competed hard and made the best AAAA schools earn their wins. All but 2 of our 19 athletes tried out for various NLBA summer programs so we were again pleased with our ability to motivate athletes to reach further. The success of our venture has led club programs to consider a U16 division going forward and provide an opportunity for Grade 10's who may not get a lot of time or need more development to play high school the opportunity to find those development chances somewhere.

With 35 athletes involved in or club program we considered this extension of what we run a success. We continued to offer skill programs during the year as well and many athletes from grades 6-12 took advantage of our training to help them improve their skills and become better basketball players. The sessions were reduced from the past year and ran on Tuesdays and Sundays. We also added a mini cagers program on Sunday morning for young athletes between 8-11 years old. We ran two 10-week programs, one before and one after Christmas. Valuable assistant coaches Jaime Stoyles and Ally Forsey

were extremely important in the success of our club programs and we were extremely pleased to see Ally Forsey take a big step in her coaching career being named the provincial U16 women's head coach. We will continue to be involved in player and coach development going forward with our club program continuing in the fall and we will review our skill building programs to see how they fit in the marketplace and the time we have to devote to continuing with them.

Douglas Partridge

PARADISE PANTHERS CLUB BASKETBALL

The Paradise Panther Club Basketball, Grade 8 Boys Team (2004), was formed based on demand from parents and more importantly, young players who wanted to learn, play, compete and have fun with their friends. Most of these players were introduced to basketball for the first time in grade 7 and had never even touched a basketball up and to that point. Many of these children knew each other through other sports within the community of Paradise and they were looking for an avenue to develop, play and compete more.

There are four k - 6 Schools in the community of Paradise and they feed into 2 Junior High Schools outside of the community, this is a difficult reality when trying to start and grow a community-based organization. With this said, at the end of the day we ended up with a team of players who came from different k - 6 schools and represented both junior high schools. Many of the players had existing friendships through other sports programs over the years.

The initial season for the club has been a great success with its first team participating in the NL Winter Games play-downs and the Provincial Club Championships in Deer Lake. The opportunity for these young players to develop relationships on and off the court with peers from across the province was an amazing experience and one that they will never forget. Together with the support of the NLBA, we have created long lasting memories that will only help to improve the growth of our provincial basketball community.

In support of the NLBA Strategy for 2021, we have increased participation, increased overall knowledge, skill and abilities with respect to the game supporting increased competition for BU15 and BU17 in the future, therefore improving the local level of competition and pool of players to represent Newfoundland and Labrador at National competitions and in 2021.

We look forward to providing a similar opportunity to other young players from the community of Paradise next season.

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ST. PAUL'S INTERMEDIATE CLUB BASKETBALL

We are based out of St. Paul's Intermediate School in Gander; our league has taken a different direction the last couple of years in regard to team selection. We have been doing a selection draft to keep teams competitive which has served us well over the last 2 years, and this year we actually had a Masters team

created. We also promote our league with Gander Collegiate High School and take students from that basketball program, I believe this provides a strong development opportunity for those students.

Regards, Robert Fleming

SWILERS BOYS' BASKETBALL REPORT FOR 2017/18 SEASON

Swilers U 14 boys participated in the St John's North training/tryout sessions in October and November of 2017 in preparation for the 2018 winter games. Four players from Swilers U 14 club played for St John's North in the winter games where they won a silver medal in March of 2018.

Swilers remaining players played in the St John's North play down hosted by NLBT. Swilers won all of their games in their division accept one game. The winners of each division went on to the final where SJ North defeated NLBT.

All U 14 players registered with Swilers played in various exhibition games against ATR and Mt Pearl Celtics. They also participated in the ATR invitational in May of 2018 and won the championship game against a U 15 team from Bonavista.

Swilers U 13 team participated in the NLBA club championship where they performed well in a very competitive tournament.

Swilers U 12 team participated in the NLBA club championship. They won every game in their division. They lost in their first game of the cross over in a well fought game.

Swilers did not have a U 11 team in 2017/18.

Swilers ran an open gym house league at East Point Elementary during the spring of 2018 for U 12 players.

Report submitted by:

Gerry Puddister (Director for Swilers Basketball club)

VILLANOVA JUNIOR HIGH

Villanova Jr. High entered NLBA as a club team in Fall 2017. We were a school team comprised of 12-13 years old female students (majority grade 8). We registered as a club, so we could enter the playdowns for Avalon Region, with a goal to take part in 2018 NL Winter Games. Luckily, we were the only team contesting for the via and therefore, were given the opportunity to have the experience of attending such an event. It was a great experience for them and one they can put in their book of 'Basketball Memories'.

Thanks

Regina Baggs (coach)

WESTERN CITY BASKETBALL: NLBA AGM REPORT 2017-2018

As a staff, we are all very proud of our first FULL Club Basketball year with the NLBA. Since 2017, we experienced our program grow from 0 kids to a large group of young athletes that are proud to represent our Club every week. This season, our programs consisted of fundamental training, leagues, and rep teams; ran out of Waterford Valley High School, Cowan Heights Elementary, Leary's Brook Junior High, and St. Matthews School.

Our first season of Western City Rep Teams brought us remarkable success as a club; learning/ winning/ and bringing our athletes together with a team culture. Our U13 Girls Club Team went through an undefeated season, winning their NLBA Club Championships, and tournaments at Brother Rice and St. John Bosco. Our U12 Girls Club Team, which consisted of athletes who have never played basketball before, finished their remarkable season with Silver at the NLBA Club Championships. Our U14 Girls finished a little short in the Cross-Overs at the NLBA Club Championships but had a great team bonding experience on a road trip to Corner Brook; they finished their season strong by winning bronze at a High School girls tournament. Our U10 Boys trained incredibly hard all season, to also go for an undefeated season, playing against mostly Grade 5 Boys School teams, and winning gold at the one tournament they played in at Brookside Intermediate.

We our incredibly proud of our first full season; together, we built a program for our athletes that promotes a *hard work/team first* culture.

We would like to give a huge thank you to all of our staff listed below (administrative and instructors): Danny Loveless, Paul Loveless, Ben Rogers, James Lam, Bonnie Loveless, Nathan Conway, Ty Yetman, Tim Hong, Mark Healy, and Jason Fancey.

We look forward to building our program next season!

Danny Loveless Western City Basketball

XAVIER X-WOMEN

The Xavier Girls Basketball Club operates in Deer Lake, NL. The club was formed in 2017 specifically focusing on females aged 12-14. The majority of the team also makes up the Grade 8 Girls Basketball Team (Xavier X-Girls). The girls have had a wonderful season and have seen tremendous growth as a team. They attended the NL Winter Games where they achieved a 4th place finish. They attended the club tournament in Corner Brook and captured the silver for Tier 2. They are a passionate and energetic group with a love for the game. They enjoy working together and meeting players and coaches across Newfoundland and Labrador.

Gordon Hancock

SENIOR CLUB REPORTS

BAIE VERTE MEN'S BASKETBALL LEAGUE

This year, as in the last number of years, we have operated more as a club than a league.

This year began on September 13,2017and ended May 20, 2018. We have had a core group of players which have registered with NLBA. We have also encouraged guys who are unable to commit to a regular night out, to drop by the gym and join us for a nominal fee to help offset cost of renting the gym. As well, we have encouraged high school players to join us at no cost to the student. Unfortunately, the guys from the King's Point/Springdale area that are in the same boat as we have not been able to put together enough to travel to Baie Verte this year.

Our guys were able to enter a team into the Masters Tournament in Stephenville where we were able to make it to the championship game. However, the Stephenville team came out on top. A great time was had by all. We would like to congratulate the organizers of this tournament as everything was done in a very efficient manner with everyone being able to enjoy a great weekend of basketball and camaraderie.

Submitted by: Carson Snelgrove

CBN Men's Basketball League

President-Lyndon Pike
Vice-President- Matthew Sparkes
Treasurer- Kenny Curlew
Secretary-Shannon Hiscock
Director-Michael Biffin
Director-Shane Lambert

We have a highly competitive four team league that plays Thursday and Sunday nights. Games take place at Carbonear Collegiate. This past regular season consisted of teams playing 25 games each (50 games total) plus two rounds of play-offs. League sponsors included Heart&Sole, Rock Fitness, McNallys Pool Hall, and Clarkes Furniture. All of which are local businesses. We kept stats for pts/gm, 3-pointers made, F/T made. At the end of every season, various awards are given out, which I have listed below. Boys from the Carbonear Collegiate Basketball program were responsible for clock/sheets for all games and did an awesome job! Our league made a commitment at the start of this season to use it to further the popularity of the sport and enhance the development of local younger players. In doing so, we opened registration to high school boys (must play on their respective high school team). We had players from both Carbonear Collegiate and Ascension Collegiate. Next season we hope to increase numbers with Baccalieu and Crescent Collegiate starting up programs again. Teams also played games vs the Carbonear Collegiate Senior team.

2017/18 season awards

Season MVP-Brad Doyle
Defensive Player of the year-Shannon Hiscock
Top Over-ager (35)-Lyndon Pike
Top Under-ager (high school)-Dylan Pike
Most Dedicated-Mike Biffin
Rookie of the Year- Mathew McCarthy
Most Sportsmanlike-Adam Janes

Most Improved-Noah Goulding
Top 3-point shooter-Lyndon Pike (83), Runner-up- Dylan Pike (41)
Top F/T-Brad Doyle (55), Runner up-Shannon Hiscock (49)
Leading Scorer-Brad Doyle(25.5/gm), Runner up-Jordan Barry(24.8/gm)
We also named all-offensive and all-defensive teams.

<u>Carbonear Collegiate Boys Basketball Program</u>

Head Coach-Lyndon Pike

Assistant Coaches-Jordan Barry, Dylan Pike (grade 10 team)

Statistician- Mathew Oates

Here are some quick points to help summarize this past season.

- We have three teams. Senior which plays most games, grade 10 and 11 teams for development and to compete in NLBA provincials.
- The program played a total of 46 games.
- Total of 75 practices.
- The program played in 9 tournaments with 2 Golds(banners), 1 silver, and 4 semi-final finishes.
- 5 Team meetings/gatherings for team building.
- 8 players played with the local CBN Men's League with one receiving two season awards, and various others named to all offensive and defensive teams.
- Members from all three teams shared responsibility of clock/sheets for the CBN Men's League.
- Various Fundraising events and parent meetings.
- We stat every game played, and therefor give awards for top scorer, rebounder, assists, blocks, steals, and F/T for each team.
- All three teams have a parents' vs players game at the end of the season.
- We have an All-Star Friday night skills event for all players at the end of the season.
- We also have an in-house tourney (called the "stinky sneaker cup) at the end of the season for fun to celebrate our season and bid farewell to our grade 12's.

There was also a grade 9 team, coached and ran by David Kennedy, which hosted 9B provincials. I believe they had approx. 8 practices.

This is a brief run through of basketball activity in our area. I could go much more in depth but I hope this will suffice. I am hoping to attend the AGM and will confirm before the deadline.

Lyndon Pike General Manager Clarkes Furniture 25-31 Cathedral Street Harbour Grace, NL 709-596-5484

Head Coach Boys Basketball Program Carbonear Collegiate Sentinels

GRAND FALLS WINDSOR DONNINI'S MEN'S BASKETBALL

It was another successful basketball season in Grand Falls Windsor. We had 3 teams this season play for the title; Powerade, Donnini's and Barneys.

Each team played 21 games this season in Grand Falls Windsor Donnini's Men's Basketball league followed by Semi Finals (2/3) and Finals (2/3)

Powerade defeated Donnini's 2 games to 1 to claim the 2017-2018 GFW Donnini's Men's Basketball

League Championship.



(Front Row (I/r): Matt Stagg & Brad Reid (Back Row (I/r): Brandon Pelley, Andrew Brown, Mark Lynch, Brian Cooke, Nick Keefe. Missing from photo: Chris Oram.

League awards were handed out to: Matt Stagg (Powerade) League MVP, Brian Cooke (Powerade) League Top Scorer, Brad Reid (Powerade) Rookie of the Year, Mike Strong (Donnini's) Most Sports minded, Brandon Pelley (Powerade) Most Improved and Steve Gosse (Barney's) Most Dedicated.

This year was another successful year and we hope to continue this in the future. We had team travel to the NLBA D3 Provincial Tournament in 2018. We would like to Thank NLBA, NABO/CNABO and the Team Sponsors for their assistance throughout the year. We would like to host NLBA Masters in GFW in 2019.

For further information about our league please feel free to contact me at 709 486-3136 or email bcookegfw@hotmail.com.

Submitted By: Brian Cooke (President)

INTER CITY MEN'S BASKETBALL CLUB/LEAGUE ANNUAL REPORT

Goals:

To Act as a bridge between high school and adult level of play. To try and give players a cheap game of basketball so all and afford to play.

This is our third season having a two-tier system. With having 4 teams in tier 1 and 10 teams in tier 2. We were down teams this year in Tier 1, some teams felt one team was to strong and wish not to come back. Some lost players after finished secondary school and moving away. We did not have this year as many players form out of town but still a few going to secondary school.

Due to the number of teams we changed the way our executive is done. With some taking over the website, and schedule for both tiers. This helped me out lots with being away at times. Each team played one game a week on Sunday, Wednesday, and Thursday with all games played at Rice and Power Plex. As we still work around the MUN exam schedule.

- Tier 1 Champion team this year is Pennecon, Tier 2 Champion team is Capital Subaru.
- Tier 1 wanted to have for awards just all-stars they are team MVP are Deng Ring, Liam Morrissey, Randy O Riley, and Mark McLaughlin. League MVP is Mark Mc Laughlin, Most Heart is Menyo Rebo.
- Tier 2 we still did the old way.
- Team MVP are Adam House, Chris O Keefe, Matthew Burke, Willie Combdon, Fahim Meral, C J Clowe, Jordan Howard, Andrew Martin. One team did not pick a team MVP.
- Most Heart Adam Escott, Team Rep Jacob Evans,
- Most Sportsmanship Mike Kielly, Most Gentleman Wayne Button, League MVP Trevor Ivany.

These awards are picked by the team reps. there are a few other awards that are picked by the Coordinator, these are players covering the scheduling, website and opening and closing the gym. They are Moe Smith, Alex Duff, Chris Cowan, Jordan Howard. Without their help I could not have this league running while I am out of town. This being our 18th season and it's good to see it still growing.

We got blinded sided when the Officials wanting a contract done after we had gotten the schedule out for games. This should have been done over the summer so this league could work out the added cost to each team.

The Provincials this year will be my last one as I have had one in for over 16 years but when one league has 7 votes on what division a team can be moved up to and other leagues only one vote I find it unfair.

It's great to have input from everyone but when time to vote only one person per league should do that.

Commendation and Thanks:

Bill Murphy for all his support and administration guidance that he has given this coordinator as well helping with much needed gym time.

Laura Chatman for all the things she has down for the club/league.

Brother Rice and NLSC for the use of the Gym time to run this league. Submitted this the June 1th 2018 by Club/League Coordinator Ben Strickland

LABRADOR BASKETBALL LEAGUE

This is the 3rd year of the Labrador Basketball League, and the first with NLBA Affiliation. It operates in Happy Valley-Goose Bay through 3 different gyms, depending on availability. (Mealy Mountain Collegiate, Queen of Peace Middle School and the Labrador Training Centre.

The league consists of 4 teams this year, with possibility of expansion next year. There is a vast age range from 16 upwards to 50 years old. The league is primarily male, but females are certainly welcome to play as well.

There was a lot of growth in the league this year, especially to the level of refereeing. Having a NABO Referee trainer in the area helped a great deal. It was a part of the game that is often negated, but I am grateful we now have 4 NABO certified referees in the area and will continue to develop more. We had played about 40 games each, including playoffs. It was our most successful year yet and I look forward to continuing the development of the Labrador Basketball League and its affiliation to the NLBA for years to come.

Travis Ford
President
Labrador Basketball League

MICHELOB ULTRA ST. JOHN'S DIVISION ONE LADIES BASKETBALL

The Michelob Ultra St. John's Division One Ladies Basketball League had a competitive and successful 2017-2018 basketball season. This year's executive was comprised of players from various teams in the league and included:

- President/Treasurer Robyn Constantine
- Vice President/Secretary Melissa Wheeler
- Scheduler Brittany Constantine

This year's basketball season commenced on October 19, 2017 and continued till March 22, 2018. Games were played on Thursday nights at the Newfoundland Sports Centre (Power Plex) and on Sunday afternoons at Waterford Valley High School. This season the Division One Ladies League registered approximately 70 players, spread throughout six teams. These teams included:

- The Bigs
- Dynamic Physio/Universal Corporate Wear
- Holliswealth Advisory Services
- Bay Ladies
- 3% Realty East Coast
- Shoppers Drug Mart

The 2017-2018 Michelob Ultra St. John's Division One Ladies Basketball champions were The Bigs. They competed against Dynamic Physio/Universal Corporate Wear in a best 2/3 championship series for the win. Furthermore based on input from all six registered teams, the league recognized a select few outstanding players.

Team All Stars

- The Bigs Amy Costello
- Dynamic Physio/Universal Corporate Wear Melissa Wheeler
- Holliswealth Advisory Service Geana George
- Bay Ladies Raya Parsons
- 3% Realty East Coast Samantha Kavanagh

• Shoppers Drug Mart – Shilah Griffiths

Play Off MVP

Ally Forsey (The Bigs)

League MVP

Jenine MacFadden (Bay Ladies)

Any further information regarding Michelob Ultra St. John's Division One Ladies Basketball League can be found on the league website and Facebook page or by emailing the executive through the league email address.

Website: www.sport.ca/div1ladiesbasketball/ Facebook: www.facebook.com/sjd1ladiesbball

Email: d1ladiesbasketball@gmail.com

NEW HARBOUR BASKETBALL

This year again we continued to run once a week. Our numbers were a little better this year. The highlight of our year was the Masters in Stephenville and spending some time with old friends made through the game. Hopefully we can do it again next year. Yours I'm basketball

Dean Williams New Harbour Basketball

ST. JOHN'S AMATEUR BASKETBALL

This season had 5 divisions with a total of 45 teams register for the SJABA which is was slightly higher than last year. Our season comprised of 500 regular season games and including 40 playoff games. We operated on every night except for Saturdays and ran out of 2 venues this year: Power Plex and Brother Rice. The league started in October and concluded early on March 26th. Our association runs out of St. John's and typically caters to adult males.

This year the league sponsored and hosted the Men's D2 D3 and D4 as well as the Ladies D2 Provincial NLBA Tournaments. As well we hosted am All-Star weekend for our players. Both events were considered a success and enjoyed by all that participated. We were successful on retaining Molson Coors back as a sponsor as well. There has been no change in the executive as part of this season.

Our 5rd Annual Summer League will begin on June 1th with 28 teams registered. There are 5 Male Divisions but no Women's Divisions. All of our games will be played at the Power Plex venue for the summer.

Paul Staeban

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RESOLUTION / MOTION

TO BE PRESENTED TO THE ANNUAL MEETING June 23, 2018

WHEREAS:		
RESOLVED:		
	MOVED BY:	
	SECONDED BY.	
DATE:		



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2018 TRAVEL EXPENSE CLAIM

Name:	Telephone:	(H)
Address:		(B)
	Postal Code:	
Particula	Total	
Air Fare:		
Travel	km @ .35 / km	
Meals:		
Breakfast @ \$8.00		
Lunch @ \$10.00		
Supper @ \$18.00		
Accommodations:		
	Total	
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Claimant's Signature:		
		Cheque
Date:	Approved	#
Note: Please attach any receipts for air	r / bus travel or taxi fare to a	and from airport / bus station to this form.
Affiliated Member		
Executive Member		

Travel Claim Reimbursement Instructions

The Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Association (NLBA) will cover 50% of the cost of travel for one member of each affiliated association to attend the Annual General Meeting. Any members of the provincial executive (i.e. Regional Directors) who attend the Annual General Meeting will be reimbursed for the total cost of travel.

If you are staying in a hotel, please pay all extras upon check out (i.e. phone calls, room services, etc.).

To obtain travel expenses, please fill out a travel claim, which you should already have, if not, there is one at the end of this booklet. If possible, fill out this form and pass it in to Bill Murphy prior to your departure.

Any further inquiries may be directed to Bill Murphy.



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2018 NLBA Executive Board / Regional Directors Nomination Form

Name:

2.	Address:						
3.	Contact Numbers:						
Home	(709)	Cell (709)	Email:				
4.	Position Seeking: (Please Circle)					
Execut	tive Committee Mer	mbers up for election in	<u> 2018</u>				
1. Pres	sident 2. Secreta	ry / treasurer					
		s up for election in 2018					
1. You	th Development Dire	ector 2. Athlete Represe	entative Director				
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1. Ava	lon Director 2.	Central Director 3.	Eastern Director	4. Labrador Director 5. Mount			
Pearl S	South Director 6.	St. John's North Directo	r 7. Western D	rector			
	(Must I	be in person's residence	outlined by the NL (Games Regions)			
Nomir the Bo	•	e by an Active Member ii	n which the nomine	e resides or by two members of			
5.	Nominated By:		Date:				
6.	Endorsed By:		Date:				
8.	I hereby agree to be nominated for the NLBA Basketball Board of Directors and consent to serve in that capacity if elected:						
	Nominee's Signatu	ıre:					
	Date:						
Compl	eted forms must be	presented at the AGM.	Nominations may b	e presented from the floor.			