



# FOOTBALL CANADA

## MARCH 2007 REPORT

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### FOOTBALL CANADA CUP 2007

We are please to announce the following participants for Football Canada Cup 2007. In the Under 19 division, teams will be represented by Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario and host province Quebec. In the Under 17 division we will have 6 participating teams from Northern and Southern Alberta, Manitoba, Western and Eastern Ontario and host province Quebec.

The tournament will be hosted by Football Quebec in Sherbrooke, QC from July 6<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>, 2007. More information to follow.

### FLAG FOOTBALL COMMUNITY SPORT – INITIATION PROGRAM

#### Thank you Coaches!

Flag Football Canada has trained over 20 new Learning Facilitators in the last six weeks, giving provinces the platform to schedule and facilitate Coaching Clinics independently. Rick Sowieta and Cara Lynch started in the Maritimes in February and traveled to Saskatoon, Winnipeg and Toronto in March to present the NCCP Community Sport Initiation Coaches Training.



*Women's Coaching Clinic - Manitoba*

Football Manitoba hosted a strong women's coaching clinic, with over 20 participants for a 9-5 Sunday clinic on the day following the Learning Facilitators training. Now, with the highest number of registrants to date in Flag leagues, Winnipeg has scheduled additional Coach Clinics on April 1 and April 15.

developmental training ideas. The eight participants all had coached non-contact football in the past and were in-tune with strategies unique to the game.

The most recent clinic facilitated by Football Canada was hosted by the Boys and Girls Club of Ontario. The clinic was part of a weekend event promoting Flag Football as a fun, co-educational sport. The Coach Clinic was attended by 20 staff members on March 18, the day following a 16-team Flag Football tournament. Club staffs from the Greater Toronto Area are incorporating Flag Football in to programs for 10-14 year old members.



*Boys & Girls Club Coaching Clinic*

The national Flag program progresses with every volunteer that puts time into coaching, whether it be taking the extra time for kids trying to improve skills or taking time to improve coaching skills. Football

Canada appreciates all the hours that go into making the sport stand-out as safe, enjoyable and accessible.

### **Boys and Girls Club of Ontario Tournament**

The Boys and Girls Club of Ontario hosted a 16-team tournament as part of the season kick-off on March 17<sup>th</sup>. Children in the 10-13 age bracket had the opportunity to play on turf fields at the Hangar at Downsview Park in Toronto.

All the players had a great time and illustrated many clever moves, striving to advance to the final rounds. At the end of the day, the Jane-Finch Club took home the first place trophy.

Cara Lynch and Rick Sowieta attended the tournament as observers.

### **Aboriginal Coaches Information Session**

Cara Lynch and Rick Sowieta attended the Aboriginal Coach information session, hosted by Rod Jacobs, Manager of High Performance Programs for the Aboriginal Sport Circle on March 28.

The information session is awareness tool that the ASC developed to supplement the NCCP's certification process for Coaches in all sports. Modules that were introduced encompassed coaching principles important to all populations and especially for aboriginal populations, including: A Holistic Approach to Coaching; Dealing with Racism in Sport and Lifestyle, Health and Nutrition.

Football Canada wants to ensure that Flag Football grows as an accessible sport, open to all populations with no prejudice. The Aboriginal Coaching Manual is a great resource as programs are developed for players, coaches, officials and league volunteers.

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## **INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF AMERICAN FOOTBALL**

### **IFAF World Cup 2007 – Tournament Schedule**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> IFAF World Cup Tournament Committee has announced the official tournament schedule for World Cup 2007, being held in Kawasaki, Japan.



Day 1 - July 5<sup>th</sup> - Arrival of teams (FRA, GER, SWE, USA)

Day 2 - July 6<sup>th</sup> - Arrival of teams (KOR)

Day 3 - July 7<sup>th</sup> - Game Day 1: Pool A: Japan (A1) vs. France (A3)

Day 4 - July 8<sup>th</sup> - Game Day 2: Pool B: Germany (B1) vs. Korea (B3)

Day 5 - July 9<sup>th</sup> - Rest and Practice Day

Day 6 - July 10<sup>th</sup> - Game Day 3: Pool A: France (A3) vs. Sweden (A2); Pool B: Korea (B3) vs. USA (B2)

Day 7 - July 11<sup>th</sup> - Rest and Practice Day

Day 8 - July 12<sup>th</sup> - Game Day 4: Pool A: Sweden (A2) vs. Japan (A1); Pool B: USA (B2) vs. Germany (B1)

Day 9 - July 13<sup>th</sup> - Rest and Practice Day

Day 10 - July 14<sup>th</sup> - Game Place 5, Bronze Medal Game

Day 11 - July 15<sup>th</sup> - World Championships Game

Day 12 - July 16<sup>th</sup> - Departure of all teams

### **PAFAF Update – Silver Bowl III**

The Pan-American Federation of American Football (PAFAF) is pleased to announce the third edition of the Silver Bowl (Uruguay vs. Argentina) that will be played on October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2007 in Montevideo, capital of Uruguay. To further add to the excitement, Uruguay will host Brazil one week later (October 13<sup>th</sup>).

This is an historic event with Brazil playing internationally for the first time. The rivalry between the three countries has already generated great interest among the public and will provide the event with the necessary media exposure.

For more information on PAFAF and IFAF, please visit: [www.ifaf.info](http://www.ifaf.info)

## PHOTO OF THE MONTH



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## HUMAN KINETICS – BOOK OF THE MONTH

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