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SHERBROOKE TO HOST FOOTBALL CANADA CUP FROM JULY 6TH TO 15TH

Bishop's University, Sherbrooke University and du Phare High School to host games featuring Canada's top U17 and U19 players

Sherbrooke, May 14th, 2007 – Football Canada and Football Quebec are proud to announce that the city of Sherbrooke will host the upcoming Football Canada Cup. The event will take place from July 6th-15th and games will be held at Bishop's University, Sherbrooke University and du Phare High School. Sherbrooke will also host the 2008 edition of the Canada Football Cup.

The tournament will feature over 550 all-star players playing for 11 different teams.

Six teams will be competing in the U17 (under 17) category; Northern Alberta, Southern Alberta, Manitoba, Eastern Ontario, Western Ontario and Quebec. In the U19 category, five teams will participate; Alberta, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Ontario and Quebec.

The games will take place at three separate venues: Bishop's Coulter Field, Sherbrooke University's outdoor stadium and the du Phare High School field.

"Bishop's University is very pleased to be the host of the 2007 and 2008 Football Canada Cup," said Bishop's Athletic Director Tony Addona who is also acting as Event Co-Director along with Alain Lapointe from the Université de Sherbrooke.



University of Sherbrooke



Bishop's Coulter Field

"This is an outstanding opportunity for Bishop's to showcase our facilities and to promote the region. The collaboration of Bishop's and Université de Sherbrooke will help in the development of grass roots football in the Estrie."

"It's a tremendous honour to be able to host the top young players in the country," said Lapointe, "this event will help promote our region and serves as an excellent opportunity to contacts with young players. This event should certainly help the development of football in the Estrie region."

Championship Schedule:

Saturday July 7th (U17)

- #01 – 10:00 – Manitoba vs. Western Ontario (Le Triolet High School)
- #02 – 13:00 – Northern of Alberta vs. East Ontario (du Phare High School)
- #03 – 17:00 – Southern Alberta vs. Quebec (Bishop's Coulter Field)

Sunday July 8th (U19)

#04 – 13:00 – Ontario vs. Quebec (Bishop's Coulter Field)
#05 – 17:00 – Manitoba vs. Alberta (du Phare High School)

Tuesday July 10th (U17)

#06 – 10:00 – Loser #02 vs. Loser #03 (du Phare High School)
#07 – 13:00 – Manitoba vs. Winner #02 (Bishop's Coulter Field)
#08 – 17:00 – Western Ontario vs. Winner #03 (Université de Sherbrooke)

Wednesday July 11th (U19)

#09 – 13:00 – Saskatchewan vs. Winner #05 (Bishop's Coulter Field)
#10 – 17:00 – Loser #05 vs. Loser #04 (Université de Sherbrooke)

Friday July 13th (U17)

#11 – 10:00 – Loser #07 vs. Loser #03 (du Phare High School)
#12 – 13:00 – Loser #02 vs. Loser #08 (Bishop's Coulter Field)
#13 – 17:00 – (Gold Medal Game) Winner #07 vs. Winner #08 (Université de Sherbrooke)
NB. Medal ceremony will be held at Université de Sherbrooke after the U17 Final Game

Saturday July 14th (U19)

#14 – 13:00 – (Bronze Medal Game) Mini-tournoi à 3 équipes (Université de Sherbrooke)
#15 – 17:00 – (Gold Medal Game) Winner #09 vs. Winner #04 (Bishop's Coulter Field)
NB. Medal ceremony will be held at Bishop's University after the U19 Final Game

For all tournament news, please see: www.footballcanada.com/tackle_competitions_final.asp

FOOTBALL OFFICIALS' CONFERENCE

A Football Officials' Conference was jointly hosted by the CFL and Football Canada in Winnipeg, Manitoba, May 4th to 6th to deal with recruitment and retention, and training of amateur football officials. Participating provinces were represented by officials, local FOA and CFOA executives, or PSO members.

All the participants had an opportunity to summarize the issues and success stories in their respective areas. The brainstorming session then continued with ways to address and improve the recruitment, retention and training of amateur officials. The weekend was a great success, with the participants developing a concrete action plan for the short, mid and long-term. Once again, thanks to all the participants for their time and efforts – George Black, Barry Gunther, Dennis Abbott, Cliff Bartsch, John Brenton, Rick Carter, Steve Chisholm, Danny Comeau, Hugo Dallaire, Dan Fearon, Ron Hallock, Ed Greenburg, Mike Groleau, Peter Morris, Jamie Patterson, Brian Small, Brett Strong, Bill Szigeti, Bob Swan and Tamara Medwidsky from the National Office.

NFL-CFL FLAG LEAGUE

The National U-15 NFL-CFL Flag League Tournament will be held on July 4-6th in Winnipeg. The tournament will involve one provincial team from PEI, Nova Scotia, Quebec, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and Ontario.

Tournament games will be held at the North Winnipeg Nomads Football Club at 581 McPhillips Avenue in Winnipeg on July 5th.

Provincial teams are selected through league champions and through provincial qualifier tournaments. Dates for provincial championships follow and will be updated regularly at www.footballcanada.com.

June 13, Eliot River School, Charlottetown, PEI
June 15, 16, Montebello Field, Dartmouth, NS
June 16, Ivor Wynn Stadium, Hamilton, ON
June 16, Calgary, Alberta

OFSAA COACHING SYMPOSIUM

The 2007 OFSAA Coaching Symposium was held May 3-4, 2007 at Brock University. The conference focused on the technical side of coaching to provide sport specific skills, drills and strategies through on-field and classroom sessions. The program had introductory and advanced sessions to benefit both new and seasoned Coaches.

Rick Sowieta facilitated an Advanced Coaches Clinic for Tackle coaches on Thursday, May 3rd. Cara Lynch facilitated a Novice Coaches Clinic for Flag on Friday, May 4th. Both clinics were well attended, reaching classroom capacity.

Football Canada also sponsored a table at the tradeshow in which Tackle, Touch and Flag football information was available. It was great to have the opportunity to show equipment and video of specialized football such as 6 A Side Tackle and Flag for people with disabilities.



NATIONAL OFFICE UPDATE

Football Canada is pleased to welcome intern Paul Stoddart to the National Office. Paul is currently working on his Masters Degree in Sport Administration at the University of Ottawa and will be tasked with LTAD research during his placement.

Please contact Paul at (613) 564-2707 or special@footballcanada.com.

PHOTO OF THE MONTH



Girls' Tackle Football
Photo: Football Alberta

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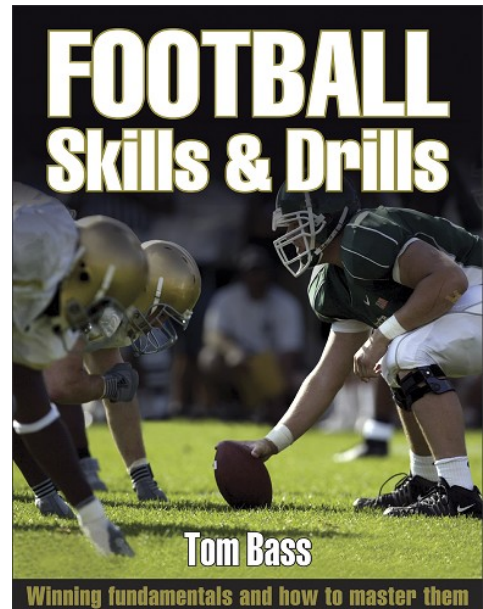
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