



NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR WTF TAEKWONDO ASSOCIATION

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Dear NL Taekwondo Community,

I trust this letter finds you well and I hope you had a great summer vacation.

As we get ready for a new Taekwondo year, I would like to take the opportunity to connect with you and keep you abreast of what's going on in the NL TKD world and the actions of your Board of Directors.

Free Uniforms: Last year, the Association offered free uniforms to all new members. We will continue this offer for the fall of 2011. All new (white belts) joining the Association from Sept 1- Dec 31 will receive a FREE uniform and Crest.

Revised Constitution and Bylaws: On 21 August, the Board of Directors took part in an 8 hour meeting to review our constitution and bylaws. I am very proud to announce that a revised, less restrictive constitution has been approved and will be distributed for membership review very soon.

Individual and Club Membership: As per our current constitution, all clubs and individual members must register by 30 September to attend the AGM and Provincials. Taekwondo Canada is initiating a National registration Program. Soon registrations may be completed online.

AGM and Provincials: The 2011 AGM and Provincials will be scheduled for early November. We are in the process of organizing this and details will be distributed to the membership as soon as they become available.

Electronic Body Pads: The Association received money from government to purchase EBP's. We are in process of obtaining these and needless to say, it will change the way TKD tournaments are run.

Team NL: In July, I attended the Canadian National Team Trials. During the same weekend, Master Nippard attended the 6th World Poomsae Championships in Russia. The sport of Taekwondo is advancing at an alarming rate. In order to keep pace, NL needs to develop a strong team of athletes, referees and coaches. It is our goal to assemble and select Team NL and focus on National and International competitions. Imagine our children competing across the country at major events or at the US and Korean Open...and winning!!!! We have the skill and expertise...we lack experience.

Website: All notices and events as well as membership database will be posted on the Association website, www.nltkd.ca. If you are planning a tournament and would like to add it, please submit your request to the Secretary. In addition, if you have any suggestions, updates, black belt exam results etc, please let us know and we will post and promote your success.

Committees: As you can imagine, there is a lot of work ahead of us and the BOD cannot do it alone. We need your time, your energy and your expertise to develop a model Association. If you would like to be a member of a committee or would like to volunteer, please contact myself or one of our BOD members. We would love to hear from you. It is important to remember, this is **YOUR** Association!

I would like to personally thank all Masters, Instructors, Athletes, Students, Parents and Volunteers who partake in this wonderful martial art and sport. The future is very bright and we have the opportunity to put Taekwondo on the forefront of sports in Newfoundland and Labrador.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss any aspect of the Association, please feel free to contact me.

Yours in Taekwondo,

Master Jens Hosel
President
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