

2011 Western Canada Summer Games Athlete Information

The competition calendar for the summer of 2011 does not allow an athlete to compete at both the Legion Youth Canadian National Championships held in Ottawa in addition to the Western Canadian Summer Games held in Kamloops. The qualification trials meet for Team Manitoba for the WCSG provincial team opportunity will be held in Winnipeg, MB during the weekend of June 25th & 26th. This date also sees the Canadian Senior National Championships being held in Calgary, AB. Therefore, an athlete wishing to be entered into the selection pool for the WCSG Team Manitoba must declare their intentions before the commencement of the trials competition. The athlete declaration form is due to Athletics Manitoba no later than **Wednesday, June 15th**.

All athletes considering an attempt to represent Team Manitoba at the 2011 Western Canada Summer Games being held in Kamloops should be aware of the following;

- All athletes wanting to be considered for selection to the Team **MUST** attend a registration session on **JUNE 7th** at Sport MB (145 Pacific Ave). This is a required event for all athletes. Athletes may arrive anytime between 7pm-10pm and will only be required to stay for approximately 10mins.
- All athletes need to complete a Media Profile form and bring it with them to the registration session on **JUNE 7th**.
- All athletes wanting to be considered for selection to the Team **MUST** submit an athlete declaration form. This form is due at Athletics Manitoba no later than **Wednesday, June 15th**.
- Attendance at the **June 25th-26th** trials meet in Winnipeg is mandatory for all athletes except those who are attending the Canadian Senior National Championships held the same weekend in Calgary, AB. Athletes choosing to compete at the Senior National Championship competition must submit a declaration of intent for the WCSG team prior to the June 15th deadline. Competing at the 2011 Canadian Senior National Championships does not guarantee selection to the 2011 WCSG team; these athletes must still meet or exceed the approved 2011 WCSG Team Manitoba Selection Criteria. (Please refer to separate document for complete details of the Team Manitoba Selection Criteria).
- In order to allow athletes the best possible opportunity to qualify for the team, alternative selection dates have been established for the following events;
 - Men's and Women's Combined Events (Hept + Dec) – WCSG team selection will be based on performance achieved at the **May 28th-29th** Stride Ahead Tough Track Classic.
 - Men's and Women's 5000m – WCSG team selection will be based on performances achieved at the **June 15th** Grand Prix
- Once the team has been selected a \$500 team fee for all 2011 Western Canada Summer Games athletes will apply. This team fee covers:
 1. travel, accommodation, and entry fees to the WCSG Tri-Province competition **July 16th-17th**
 2. travel, accommodation and food costs for the WCSG competition in Kamloops **August 5th-9th**
 3. competition uniform and walk-out uniform for the Tri-Province and WCSG competitions
- There will be a full team practice on Tuesday, **July 12th**
- Attendance and representation of Team Manitoba at the 2011 WCSG Tri-Province preparatory competition being held in Regina, SK on **July 16th-17th** is mandatory.
- There will be a team intra-squad meet/practice **July 26 and 27th**.