



Athletic Accomplishments Recognized

For Immediate Release

May 18, 2010- The Nanaimo Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission is pleased to recognize local athletes who won medals at the recent BC Senior's Games. These six athletes will receive engraved medallions and certificates of congratulations at the May 19th awards presentation, from 6-7pm in Activity Room 1 of Bowen Park.

Receiving awards at the presentation are Barry Sparkes, Bruce Busby, Rob Carruthers, Rob Strachan, Billy Chang, and Chris Frederickson. Their accomplishments came in various disciplines ranging from track and field events to road racing, badminton and golf. Combined, the group earned 9 gold medals while representing Nanaimo at the 2009 BC Senior's Games in Richmond.

The Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission aims to recognize all individuals, groups, teams, and clubs who, through their endeavours, have brought recognition on a provincial level to our City. To qualify for an award, recipients must live in Nanaimo, be an amateur participant (unpaid), and have achieved a "gold" or first-place finish in their event or festival at a provincial level. Recognizable achievements include not only sports and athletics, but also artistic and cultural endeavours.

The public is invited to attend the award ceremony, being held on Wednesday May 19th at Bowen Park from 6-7pm. For more information on the award ceremony, please contact Michele Duerksen, Recreation Coordinator at 250-756-5217 or Michele.Duerksen@nanaimo.ca . To notify the City of Nanaimo of your provincial, Western Canadian, national, or international recognition, please contact the Commission Secretary at 250-755-7511.

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