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Regina selected to host 2014 Canadian Ringette Championships

Regina, SK – June 20, 2011 – Ringette Canada today announced it has selected Regina, Saskatchewan as the host for the 2014 Canadian Ringette Championships. The decision to award the event to Regina was made at the Ringette Canada Annual General Meeting that was held June 12th in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Bids to host the national event were presented by Regina and Sault Ste Marie, Ontario.

“Regina presented a very strong bid package and we are confident that our athletes and fans will be treated to a memorable experience during the Canadian Ringette Championships in 2014,” said Jane Casson, Ringette Canada president. “We would like to congratulate Regina on their winning bid and we would also like to thank Sault Ste Marie for their well-organized bid.”

The event will be held April 6-12, 2014 and will see approximately 48 teams from across the country competing in three divisions – U16, U19 and the National Ringette League (NRL) division (19+). The 2014 championship will be held at the new Co-operators Centre at Evraz Place, which contains six ice surfaces. The event is expected to bring in approximately 3000 or more visitors to the region, resulting in an estimated total economic impact of \$2.2 million for the city of Regina and \$3 million to the province of Saskatchewan.

“Regina is honored to have the opportunity to host the 2014 Canadian Ringette Championships,” said Denise Treslan, host committee chairperson. “With our fantastic facilities and volunteers, I know that the event will be a tremendous success.”

“We are thrilled to be the host city for Ringette Canada’s 2014 Canadian Championships. This event will be one of the largest single sporting events Regina has hosted and will bring benefits to the city far beyond the economic impact,” says Larry Hiles, CEO of The Regina Regional Opportunities Commission. “For residents and visitors alike it will provide a great opportunity to experience the high caliber of competition and raise awareness for the sport of ringette. We also know that it will be highly successful and a memorable experience for the athletes and everyone involved.”

The 2012 championships will be held in Burnaby, British Columbia and the 2013 event will be held in Fredericton, New Brunswick.

About Ringette

Ringette is a Canadian sport that was invented in 1963 in North Bay, Ontario by the late Sam Jacks. There are currently over 29,000 players on more than 2,000 teams across Canada with over 2,400 officials and 5,000 coaches. Internationally, it is played in half a dozen other countries around the world. Ringette has been designated a Heritage Sport by Sport Canada and as part of the Sport for Life movement, ringette is well advanced at adapting Sport Canada’s Long Term Athlete Development model. For more information, please refer to the Ringette Canada Web site at www.ringette.ca.

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