



Sport, Physical Activity and Recreation Branch – SPAR –

October 2024 Newsletter

2024 National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) Updates

The NCCP Multi-Sport Calendar has been updated to December 31, 2024. We recommend registering in advance as the modules fill up quickly!

Additional information on all NCCP courses can be found on the [SPAR coaching website](#).

2024 Alberta Sport Recognition Awards – Nominations now Open

It is that time of the year! Do you know an athlete, coach, team, volunteer or official with outstanding results in your organization. Nominations are now open for the 2024 Alberta Sport Recognition Awards.

The Alberta Sport Recognition Awards program was established in 1987 to acknowledge the outstanding achievements and commitment of coaches, officials, and volunteers in the province.

The 2024 Alberta Sport Recognition Awards will be provided in the following categories:

- Junior Female and Male Athlete of the Year,
- Junior Team of the Year,
- Open Female and Male Athlete of the Year,
- Open Team of the Year,
- Coach and Technical Officials Recognition Award,
- Sport Volunteer Recognition Award, and
- Don Watts – Coach Developer.

Nominations Deadline is January 15. For more information and nomination forms, please visit the [Alberta Sport Recognition Awards webpage](#). For more inquiry, please to contact us at sparawards@gov.ab.ca.

Major Sport Event Grant – Application Deadline – October 15, 2024

The MSE program provides financial assistance to enhance the capacity of organizations in their pursuit of, planning for, and hosting of national and international and sport events that support the social and economic well-being of Albertans and the host communities.

Please visit the [MSE webpage](#) for the program guidelines and application. Application deadline is **October 15, 2024, at 4:30 p.m. (MST)**.

Alberta based women in coaching, sport leadership, and officiating survey

[InMotion Network](#) has started a three-year project looking to increase the number of diverse women in coaching, sport leadership and officiating positions at all levels of Alberta's sporting system. This project will also help to grow a network of sporting professionals in Alberta.

If you would like to participate please use this [survey](#) link. The survey will take approximately 15-30 minutes to complete. Everyone who participates in the survey can enter to win one of five \$100 gift cards. The survey closes on **October 31, 2024**.

If you have any questions about the survey or the project in general, please email info@inmotionnetwork.org.

Alberta Recreation and Parks Association (ARPA) Conference and Energize Workshop

The 2024 ARPA Conference & Energize Workshop will be at the Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise from October 24-26, 2024.

Please see the [conference website](#) for more information on registration and the final event program.

2024 Petro-Canada Sport Leadership Conference: November 14-15, 2024, in Regina, Saskatchewan

Join sport leaders from across the country at Canada's largest sport conference for two days of learning, professional development, and networking with the top minds and leaders of the sport, business, and education communities in Canada.

The theme of the 2024 Petro-Canada Sport Leadership conference is: **Amplifying Voices**.

Registration is now open. For more details, please visit the [conference website](#).

Concussion Awareness

The #Headstrong Canada campaign is based on the Government of Canada's Concussion Framework and the



[Concussion Awareness toolkit](#), is designed to give every sport organization the resources they need to show they are concussion smart and to learn the key points in Concussion Awareness



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