**2018/2019 Speed Skate New Brunswick Annual General Meeting Report:**

*P-CEP / SSNB High Performance Training Group (HPTG) Coach*

Hello Speed Skate New Brunswick Membership and Directors,

Another busy season is complete for New Brunswick Speed Skaters.

This season was eventful with skaters competing provincially , Nationally, Internationally and at the Canada Games level .

Our High-Performance training group ended the season with nine members originating from six provincial clubs hitting standards. We also had five alumni members continuing to train at National Centers in Montreal and Calgary . It is great to see athletes continuing to work towards success at both Regional , National and Inter-national competitions.

Some other highlights this season from our Current and past Training Group members:

* We had National Team Athlete and 2018 Olympian Jamie MacDonald join our group for a season as she took a hiatus from training at the National Team Centre in Montreal. Jamie was able to do exceptional well at both National Senior Trials & retained her National Team Status. Jamie has decided to retire from skating, and we wish her the very best in future endeavors
* The Canada Games Male and Female teams had excellent success at the CWG in Red Deer. All had numerous personal best performances and the boys team brought home a Bronze for the province continuing the medal streak that dates to 1983.
* We had athletes competing at the National Senior, National Junior, Canada Cup, and Canada East level this season along with competitors at the FPVQ EST level.
* Alumni Danielle Dumouchel smashed all New Brunswick Provincial Long Track records as she trains and studies at the University of Calgary.
* Alumni Rikki Doak has continued to improve Nationally and will be named to the National Development team in 2019-2020
* Alumni Courtney Sarault picked up her first International Senior Medal in the 1500M at her World Cup Debut. Sarault also picked up a Bronze at the World Junior championships to finish off her Junior career
* Brendan Corey was named the 2018 New Brunswick Male athlete or the year as well having a clean sweep of the SSC National Qualifier.
* Best of luck to High Performance Alyssa Rusk and Tyler Magee as they announced their retirement at the end of the season to focus on future endeavours
* Current High Performance Team members can be found at HighPerformanceNewBrunswick.com or you can follow us throughout the season on our HPTG Facebook page

As we progress into another season, we will be working on incorporating another stage into our provincial program with the recently adding Provincial team. It is our hope that this becomes a building block between club training and High Performance Training group as young athletes work upwards throughout the system.

Notice : Coaching retreat, summer camp, Intro to comp

Have a great summer and keep active !

Thank You ,

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