

2018-19

ANNUAL REPORT





A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As we reflect on 2018–2019, the importance of sound fundamentals emerges as the defining theme. Whether this be on the ice, the boardroom, or in the delivery of programming and services.

Ringette Canada’s vision is to be the world leader in growing ringette. Our mission is that Ringette Canada is the national sport organization that governs, promotes, and leads the development of ringette. We are guided by our shared values that continue to be our beacon while enhancing our work and strengthening our relationships. These values (Innovation, Collaboration, Accountability, Respect, Excellence) along with our adherence to the True Sport principles, reflect our passion for, and our shared commitment to the sport of ringette.

We believe the strength of our ringette culture and the power of sport to be a vehicle to provide a positive and rewarding experience for all involved. From grassroots through to the pinnacle of elite international competition, Ringette Canada along with the ringette community and the wider sport community, work together to champion the role ringette and sport can play in the lives of all its participants by inspiring and activating people regardless of age, race, gender, cultural background and physical ability. Ringette matters.

This annual report highlights many key accomplishments of Ringette Canada and the ringette community throughout 2018–2019 that we should all be proud of.

The past year has been both challenging and exciting as the organization faced unprecedented changes to programming and some necessary restructuring. These challenges presented frustration for many of those involved, and in particular our partners. We thank you for your continued support, patience and understanding. Through this, we have become stronger and better positioned to work together, side by side to deliver quality ringette programming for this country. These changes have positioned Ringette Canada for a successful future as we prepare ourselves to deliver on a revamped Strategic Plan for 2019–2022.

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Notable are positive program changes within the National Ringette League (NRL) to which we achieved successful outcomes through driving change based on strong commitment to collaboration and stakeholder engagement. Through various forms of stakeholder engagement, we now have a common understanding of the NRL as a high-performance training and competition program conducted and administered by Ringette Canada for athletes in the Train to Compete and Train to Win stages of Long Term Athlete Development. Ringette Canada has also reaffirmed its commitment to the NRL. We recognize that the NRL is the showcase league for ringette in Canada which strives to be the premiere women's sports league in the country.

As we look ahead, we will work to strengthen ringette's standpoint on integrity in sport. We have established internal capacity that will focus on the delivery of three key areas; a ringette environment free of abuse, discrimination, harassment and maltreatment, concussion return to ringette protocol, and gender equity representation. We will continue to work to strengthen relationships in partnership with our Members, stakeholders, and with the corporate sector through collective initiatives. Further, we will explore new ways to ensure ringette continues to thrive, prosper and grow through effective governance, innovation and alignment.

Thank you to the Ringette Canada Board of Directors who provide outstanding leadership to the organization and set a strong governance example. The guidance and support of all Board members is critical to the organization achieving our very ambitious plans. Thank you to the Ringette Canada staff who are the bedrock of the organization in their collective pursuit of achieving excellence in everything that they do.

To you our Members - we thank you. To be the world leader in growing ringette while continuously responding to adapt to diverse pressures within ringette and within the broader sport sector is an undertaking requiring strong commitment of all stakeholders working towards this common vision. We look forward to continuing to work with all of you in 2019-2020.



NATASHA JOHNSTON



ANGIE MILBURY



ABOUT US

MISSION

Ringette Canada is the national sport organization that governs, promotes, and leads the development of ringette.

VISION

To be the world leader in growing ringette.

OUR VALUES

Ringette Canada has defined a core set of business values to enhance our work and strengthen our relationships. The following business values, along with our adherence to the True Sport principles, reflect our passion for, and our shared commitment to the sport of ringette.

CORE VALUES

Innovation
Collaboration
Accountability
Respect
Excellence

TRUE SPORT PRINCIPLES

Go for It
Play Fair
Respect Others
Keep it Fun
Stay Healthy
Include Everyone
Give Back

WHO WE ARE

NATIONAL OFFICE STAFF

NATASHA JOHNSTON

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

KELSEY MCINTOSH

TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

STEPHANIE LAURIN

MANAGER OF HIGH PERFORMANCE &
ATHLETE SERVICES

JENNIFER LEAK

MANAGER OF EVENTS, MARKETING &
SPONSORSHIP

ANIK DESJARDINS

OFFICE MANAGER

KENDA MCDONALD

OFFICE COORDINATOR

ERIN VAN GULIK

SPORT DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

ALAYNE MARTELL

MEDIA AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

FRANCES LOSIER

DIRECTOR OF HIGH PERFORMANCE &
EVENTS (MATERNITY LEAVE)

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DIRECTOR

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DIRECTOR

DEREK HUGHES

DIRECTOR

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DIRECTOR

MARCIA MORRIS

DIRECTOR

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DIRECTOR

MIKE TAYLOR

DIRECTOR

SARAH BERNARD-LACAILLE

ATHLETE DIRECTOR

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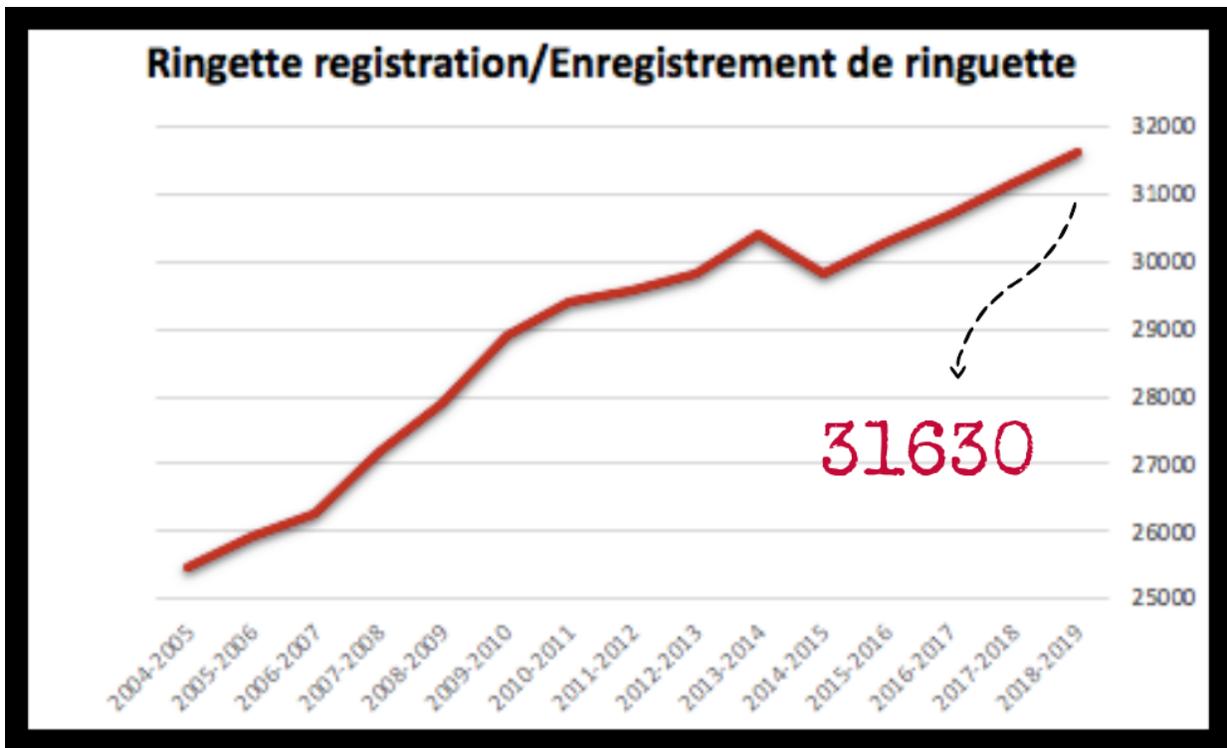
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PLAYER REGISTRATION



1.48%
REGISTRATION
GROWTH

SPORT DEVELOPMENT

218

CTR EVENTS IN
2018-19



4010

PARTICIPANTS
INTRODUCED
TO RINGETTE

COME TRY RINGETTE

Come Try Ringette continues to be an effective tool to recruit new participants to the game for local ringette associations across Canada.

1584

PARTICIPANTS
JOINED
RINGETTE



SPORT DEVELOPMENT

200+

**GYM RINGETTE
MANUAL
DOWNLOADS
SINCE JUNE
2018 LAUNCH**



GYM RINGETTE

Over the past season we have seen an increase in provincial program implementation and the emergence of a number of recurring community Gym Ringette programs.

OUTREACH

Our outreach team attended four major events this year in Gatineau, Charlottetown/Summerside, Calgary and Blainville. Alongside these events, the team visited eight different schools to introduce the students to Gym Ringette and leave them with a brand new set of equipment.



SPORT DEVELOPMENT

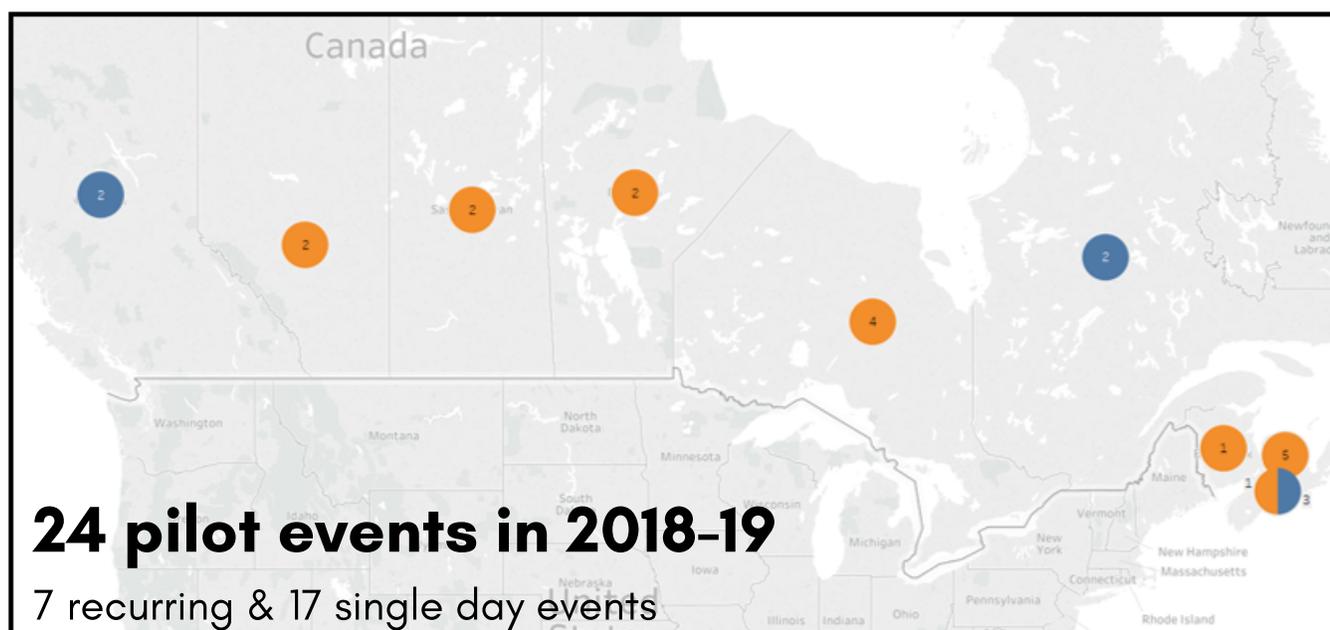
CHILDREN'S RINGETTE

Small-area games were piloted across the country as the Children's Ringette initiative reached the program development phase. Program feedback was collected via surveys from 503 players, 63 coaches & 230 parents. Children's Ringette continues to grow with national implementation of small-area games at the U8 level & below for the 2019-20 season.

"The smaller surface allowed each player to be more involved in the play and encouraged more battles for the ring." - Coach



"I loved the half-ice format. There was more action and some of the girls that usually don't touch the ring finally had the opportunity." - Parent





HIGH PERFORMANCE

CHALLENGE CUPS

July 2018 - Blainville, QC

November 2018 - Gatineau, QC

High Performance Challenge Cups bring together the top Senior National Team prospects to train, compete and learn about Ringette Canada's HP programs and philosophies with the goal of increasing the number of High Performance athletes involved within Canada's National Team Program.

55

ATHLETES TOOK
PART IN ONE OR
MORE CHALLENGE
CUPS IN 2018-19



HIGH PERFORMANCE



LA RELÈVE

July 2018 - Blainville, QC

Ringette Canada's La Relève event serves as an entry point into the high performance pathway for athletes, coaches and officials. This annual event allows graduating U16 athletes the opportunity to take part in a high performance environment which will include practice sessions, games, classroom sessions and fitness testing.



57

ATHLETES

2

ATHLETE MENTORS

10

DEVELOPMENT COACHES

2

COACH MENTORS

4

DEVELOPMENT OFFICIALS

2

OFFICIALS SUPERVISORS



ANNUAL AWARD WINNERS

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR.....MADDIE MACLEAN (WATERLOO WILDFIRE)
 MOST VALUABLE PLAYER.....KELSEY YOULDON (WATERLOO WILDFIRE)
 TOP CENTRE.....KAITLYN YOULDON (GATINEAU FUSION)
 TOP FORWARD.....MARTINE CASSIE (ATLANTIC ATTACK)
 TOP DEFENSE.....ERICA VOSS (RICHMOND HILL LIGHTNING)
 TOP GOALKEEPER.....BREA BECK (CALGARY RATH)
 COACHING STAFF OF THE YEAR.....WATERLOO WILDFIRE

NRL TOP SCORER 124 POINTS

JULIE BLANCHETTE (MONTREAL MISSION)

NRL SCORING CHAMPION 66 GOALS

CHANTAL ST-LAURENT (GATINEAU FUSION)

2019 LEAGUE CHAMPIONS - CALGARY RATH



COACHING

COMMUNITY SPORT INITIATION



COMPETITION INTRODUCTION



COMPETITION DEVELOPMENT



COACHING

WOMEN IN COACHING CANADA GAMES APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

Mel Brockman (SK) & Kirsti Mason (NS) participated in this coach development opportunity during the 2019 Canada Winter Games in Red Deer, Alberta.



FEMALE-ONLY COMPETITION DEVELOPMENT CLINIC

Eight coaches traveled to Calgary, Alberta to take part in this clinic in January 2019.



COMMUNITY NCCP COACH DEVELOPER AWARD

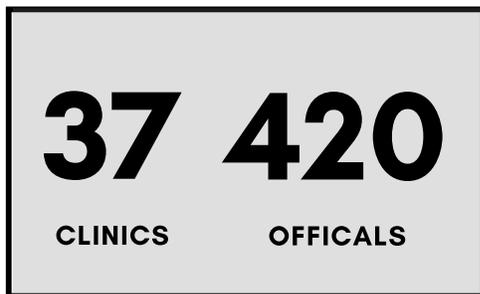
Phyllis Sadoway (AB) was presented with this award during Women in Sport Day at the 2019 Canada Winter Games.



OFFICIATING



LEVEL 1



LEVEL 2/3



OFFICIATING

CANADA WINTER GAMES

DIRECTOR OF OFFICIALS

CHAD WEATHERALL (AB)

SUPERVISOR

IRIS TODD (AB)

ON-ICE OFFICIALS

BRENT BUNTING (ON)

JAIMIE NELSON (AB)

KAREN MEEK (ON)

ROBERT DRURY (ON)

JACKI LECKMAN (BC)

CHRISTOPHER FAULDS (ON)

SHOT CLOCK OPERATORS

SHARON SMIT (BC)

MICHAEL MURPHY (NB)



CANADIAN RINGETTE CHAMPIONSHIPS

DIRECTOR OF MAJOR OFFICIALS

CHAD WEATHERALL (AB)

OFFICIAL SUPERVISORS

MYLES BLAHUT (MB)

JEFF ETHIER (QC)

NATALIE FORTIN (ON)

LORIE GRANT (ON)

JANYCE GUNN (ON)

MELODY HARDER (BC)

BLAIR MCGREGOR (AB)

IRIS TODD (AB)

ON-ICE OFFICIALS

AARON ARMSTRONG (SK)

STEVE BAKER (ON)

EMMANUELLE BOURBEAU (QC)

MARC BRISSON (ON)

BRENT BUNTING (ON)

STACY DAFOE (ON)

RICHARD DESFONDS (QC)

ROBERT DRURY (ON)

SYLVIE DUBOIS (AB)

BENOIT DUCHARME (QC)

CHRISTOPHER FAULDS (ON)

ALEXANDER HANES (ON)

DAVID JONES (NS)

LORI KINDOPP (AB)

GERI LAMERS (ON)

MATHIEU LEDUC (QC)

MARCO MALLET (NB)

PATRICK MCKEE (ON)

KAREN MEEK (ON)

LUC MELANSON (NB)

BRANDON MILLER (ON)

MARGARETH PERESUTTI (ON)

MARIO PÉRIARD (ON)

COURTNEY PETTITT (ON)

AMANDA PUKALO (ON)

STEPHANIE RENDA (ON)

NICOLE ROBB (BC)

EVAN SHARP (BC)

DAVID SINGH (QC)

MELANIE STEWART (BC)

MARC ST-HILAIRE (QC)

SHOT CLOCK OPERATORS

KEVIN BRAITHWAITE (BC)

NANCY DESFONDS (QC)

JAMIE DOERBECKER (ON)

KAREN FREUND (MB)

AMY HANES (ON)

BRENDA KING (SK)

MARJORIE LEGROS (QC)

MICHAEL MURPHY (NB)

BREANNA NEMBHARD (ON)

DAVID SAUNDERS (PEI)

SHARON SMIT (BC)



CANADA WINTER GAMES

February 2019 - Red Deer, AB

Team Québec claimed its first ever Canada Winter Games gold with a 4-3 overtime win over Team Ontario, while Team Manitoba claimed the bronze medal. Ringette fans continually packed the stands and tuned into the webcast to support our athletes with the gold medal game ending up with the highest live webcast viewership of any sport at the 2019 Games with 8000 viewers.

Team	Placement
 QC	Gold
 ON	Silver
 MB	Bronze

9
PROVINCES PARTICIPATED

29
GAMES PLAYED

625
IN ATTENDANCE FOR THE ALBERTA/NEW BRUNSWICK POOL GAME

1125
IN ATTENDANCE FOR THE GOLD MEDAL FINAL

EVENTS



CANADIAN RINGETTE CHAMPIONSHIPS

APRIL 7-13 2019 - CHARLOTTETOWN & SUMMERSIDE, PEI

U16

GOLD

CALGARY CORE

SILVER

TEAM PEI (WAVE)

BRONZE

TEAM NEW BRUNSWICK

AGNES JACKS TRUE SPORT

TEAM PEI (WAVE)

U19

GOLD

GUELPH PREDATORS

SILVER

LAURENTIDES

BRONZE

CALGARY RUSH

AGNES JACKS TRUE SPORT

TEAM NOVA SCOTIA

NRL

GOLD

CALGARY RATH

SILVER

ATLANTIC ATTACK

BRONZE

CAMBRIDGE TURBOS

AGNES JACKS TRUE SPORT

MANITOBA INTACT



EVENTS

CANADIAN RINGETTE CHAMPIONSHIPS AWARDS

U16

FIRST ALL-STAR TEAM

JALENA MARELIC (ON)
SOPHIA JEFFERY (PEI)
COURTNEY CARTER (NB)
CAYLEIGH HASELL (AB)
CAMERON MCDONNELL (ON)
FLORENCE POULIN (QC)

SECOND ALL-STAR TEAM

KENNEDY RICE (AB)
MADELYN CAMM (ON)
ALLYSON SAVOIE (QC)
GENEVIÈVE BELLIVEAU (NB)
MIA MARTELL (PEI)
RACHEL MCKERRACHER (AB)

TOUGHEST COMPETITOR

ERIN UNG (CALGARY CREW)

U19

FIRST ALL-STAR TEAM

CLAIRE WYVILLE (ON)
MÉGANE FORTIN (QC)
EMMA KELLY (ON)
ABBY HAHN (ON)
JAMIE MCGRATH (QC)
KENNEDY KRYVENCHUK (AB)

SECOND ALL-STAR TEAM

ANN SAUVÉ (AB)
CLOÉ LEBLANC (NB)
JENNA WOLSEY (AB)
KAT EAMON (AB)
JORDY VOYKIN (SK)
MARIE-ÈVE DUBÉ (QC)

TOUGHEST COMPETITOR

MÉGANE FORTIN
(LAURENTIDES)

NRL

FIRST ALL-STAR TEAM

SHAUNDRA BRUVALL (AB)
JENNY SNOWDON (NB)
KELSEY YOULDON (ON)
PAIGE NOSAL (ON)
CHRISTIANNE VARTY (AB)
KARINE DOIRON (NB)

SECOND ALL-STAR TEAM

JULIE BLANCHETTE (QC)
JACQUELINE GAUDET (ON)
MARTINE CAISSIE (NB)
LINDSAY VINK (AB)
RACHEL UNG (AB)
BREANNA BECK (AB)

TOUGHEST COMPETITOR

KELSEY YOULDON
(WATERLOO WILDFIRE)

MEDIA

TRADITIONAL MEDIA

6830

**RINGETTE
MENTIONS IN
PRINT, RADIO
& TELEVISION
MEDIA**

Through our media monitoring service, we determined these mentions have a reach of 770 million with an equivalent advertising value of \$7.1 million.



WEBCASTS

107,620

**VIEWS DURING
THE 2019
CANADA
WINTER GAMES**

84,501

**VIEWS DURING
THE 2019 CREDIT
UNION CANADIAN
RINGETTE
CHAMPIONSHIPS**



Ringette Canada successfully webcast both the 2019 Winter Games and the 2019 Credit Union Canadian Ringette Championships, offering increased exposure for our sport and our athletes.

MEDIA

SOCIAL MEDIA



10,132
LIKES



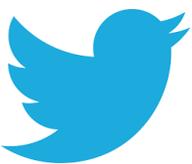
1586
SINCE 2017-18



5949
FOLLOWERS



1591
SINCE 2017-18



6359
FOLLOWERS



158
SINCE 2017-18

22,418
SOCIAL MEDIA
FOLLOWERS
ON 3 MAIN
PLATFORMS

36,700
RINGETTE
MENTIONS ON
SOCIAL MEDIA



Ringette Canada continued to implement a proactive & organized social media campaign during the 2018-19 season & has realized a significant increase in awareness on social media. These social media networks have helped raise awareness of our events and initiatives, and have been a useful tool in connecting with athletes, ringette volunteers and like-minded sport organizations.

2017 JUNIOR NATIONAL TEAM

Ringette Canada inducted the 2017 junior national team into its Hall of Fame. The team won gold after defeating Finland 9-6 in game two of the best two out of three game series at the 2017 World Ringette Championships held in Mississauga, Ontario. The Ringette Canada Hall of Fame recognizes outstanding contributions to the development of the sport of ringette and the outstanding achievements of ringette athletes, coaches, officials, volunteers and administrators across Canada.



HALL OF FAME

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

5-COUNT GOALIE AWARDS

ALYSSA (LISA) SILLIKER (KANATA, ON)
KENDRA NESBITT (AYLMER, ON)

CARA BROWN RINGETTE SCHOLARSHIP

JUSTINE PELLETIER (MONTREAL, QC)
MICHELLE WILLIAMSON (CALLANDER)

AGNES JACKS SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

ISABELLE SAUNDERS (CHARLOTTETOWN, PEI)
JENNIFER KELLER (REGINA, SK)
SAVANNAH BAKER (TILLSONBURG, ON)
NICOLE WRIGHT (DARTMOUTH, NS)
KATRINA MERKOSKY (EDMONTON, AB)



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