



SASK SPORT

2020-2021

ANNUAL REPORT

ENRICHING SASKATCHEWAN COMMUNITIES

Sask Sport is a volunteer-driven, non-profit organization founded in the early 1970's that serves the amateur sport community and operates Sask Lotteries - the main fundraiser for sport, culture and recreation.

FEDERATION FOR AMATEUR SPORT IN SASKATCHEWAN

Sask Sport's membership includes 79 provincial sport and multi-sport organizations and districts. Sask Sport supports these members with programs and services that help a vast network of volunteers deliver sport opportunities to more than 325,000 participants.

FUNDRAISER FOR SPORT, CULTURE AND RECREATION

Sask Sport operates Sask Lotteries through a licensing agreement with the Government of Saskatchewan. Lottery proceeds are allocated to eligible sport, culture and recreation groups through the Sask Lotteries Trust Fund for Sport, Culture and Recreation. Volunteer committees of Sask Sport, SaskCulture and the Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association oversee the fund and ensure accountability and transparency.

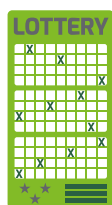
SUPPORTING VOLUNTEERS

Lottery proceeds support more than 330,000 volunteers who provide sport, culture and recreation opportunities to communities in every part of the province. Saskatchewan's volunteer-driven system enriches communities and the quality of life by giving all people opportunities to grow, learn and play.

HOW THE LOTTERY SYSTEM WORKS



WHEN YOU BUY A
LOTTERY TICKET



HONEST
CHANCE OF WINNING



GUARANTEED
TO HELP YOUR COMMUNITY

For more on Sask Sport and Sask Lotteries, visit sasksport.ca and sasklotteries.ca.

CHAIR MESSAGE

In sport we often say that adversity can bring out the best in people. In the last year we've seen volunteers throughout the province step up in some very difficult times to give Saskatchewan youth healthy, safe and fun sport experiences.

For much of the year, gyms, playing fields and pools went unused due to the COVID-19 pandemic. When sport was allowed, it was very limited with numerous rules and restrictions in place. Saskatchewan's volunteers, coaches, administrators and organizers rose to the challenge and provided much needed opportunities for physical and mental health, while taking on extra responsibilities to keep everyone safe.

Coaches planned physically-distanced practices. Organizers arranged innovative virtual training sessions and on-line competitions. Volunteers tracked attendance and sanitized equipment before, during and after practice.

It's not surprising that Saskatchewan's sport community would take on these challenges. Volunteers have been stepping up for decades to ensure there are

sport opportunities for people of all ages and abilities, no matter where they live. It's why our lottery-funded, volunteer-driven sport system is unique in Canada.

On behalf of the Sask Sport volunteer board, I want to thank and congratulate everyone who worked to make sport healthy, safe and fun this year. Thanks to you, the sport community made it through a tough year and is in great shape for the brighter days ahead.

Angella Pinay



Board Members

Angella Pinay - Board Chair
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Kim Wudrick - Vice Chair Trust
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*Images used throughout were taken while following public health requirements or at events prior to the COVID-19 pandemic

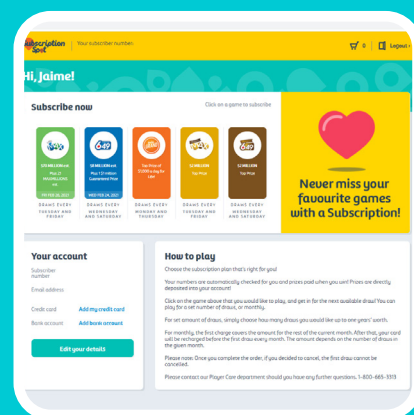
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SASK LOTTERIES

In 2020-21, the Sask Lotteries fundraiser continued to resonate with people across Saskatchewan. This is thanks to the incredible commitment of Sask Lotteries' retailers who continued to safely serve their communities.

While supporting its retail network throughout this unusual year, Sask Lotteries kicked off several initiatives that engage players in new ways. This includes the introduction of new interactive play tables at retail locations and the launch of Subscription Spot – a self-serve tool for purchasing and managing lottery subscriptions online. Combined with a strong retail network, these initiatives – and others – position the fundraiser and its beneficiaries for continued success.



2020-2021 HIGHLIGHTS

\$235.3M

In lottery ticket sales

960

Lotto Spot! retailers



THE BIGGER SPIN launched in Saskatchewan, following the success of the THE BIG SPIN

50

Interactive play tables installed at Lotto Spot! locations

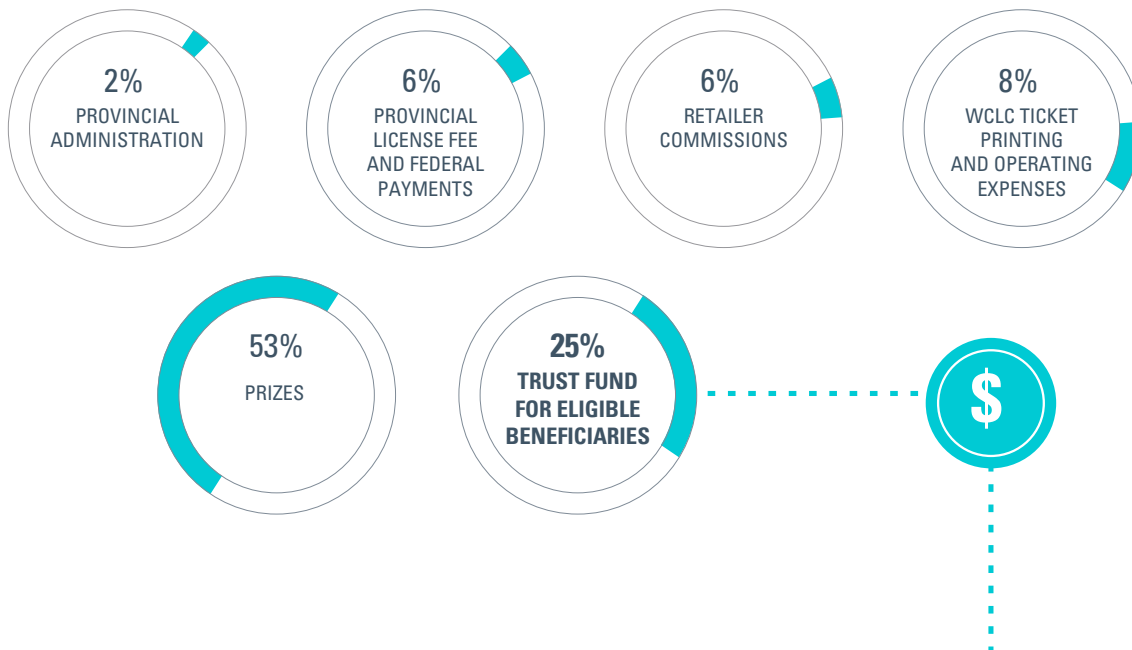
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Winners of \$100,000 or more in Saskatchewan

\$3M

ZING winner from Neilburg, Saskatchewan

18+
Please play responsibly.



As a non-profit organization, Sask Lotteries operates effectively and efficiently to maximize the proceeds available for funding.



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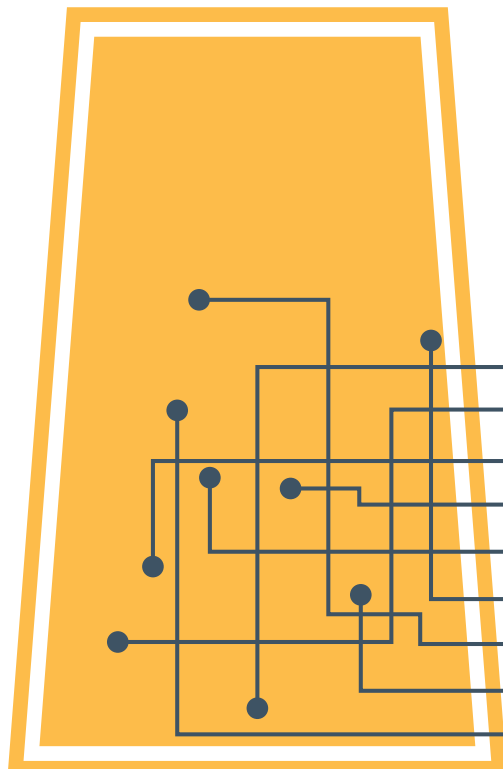
COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM

The Sask Lotteries Community Grant Program continues to benefit volunteer-led community groups by directly funding innovative and impactful programs that enhance the quality of life in communities across Saskatchewan.

This initiative complements the other funding and grant programming delivered by Sask Sport, SaskCulture, the Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association and their members. By providing funding at the community level, these grants ensure that local priorities are supported and that every corner of the province benefits from lottery proceeds. With this direct funding, community-based organizations are creating opportunities, eliminating barriers and increasing participation.



\$5.7 MILLION
GRANTED IN 2020-2021
TO **987** COMMUNITIES
INCLUDING



- Assiniboia - **Communities in Bloom**
- Swift Current - **Sledge Hockey**
- Milden - **Go-Pher a Walk Trail**
- Humboldt - **Prairie Patchwork Quilt Guild**
- Shellbrook - **Bear Paw Archers**
- Creighton - **North Sask Seniors**
- Pinehouse Lake - **Culture Week**
- Standing Buffalo First Nation - **Minor Lacrosse Program**
- Whitecap Dakota First Nation - **Moccasin Making Workshop**

SPORT

A different year. A different type of sport delivery. A virtual way to participate.

In 2020-21, Sask Sport, along with its members and partners, worked together to overcome the challenges and disappointments brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic. Adapting quickly to ensure sport could still be available, Sask Sport and its active and affiliate members continued to foster collaboration, build capacity and provide sport opportunities.

With a more virtual pathway to deliver sport, the amateur sport community facilitated and promoted dozens of programs, services and resources that benefited thousands of provincial and community-based



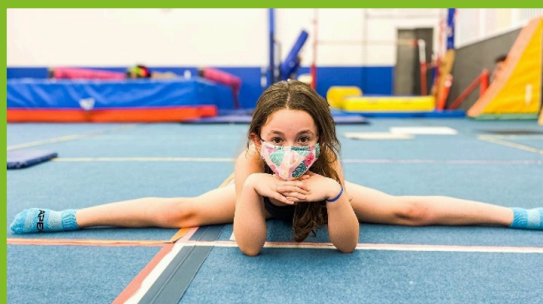
organizations and participants across the province. From educational and professional development workshops to virtual training and competition to creative practices and games within allowed public health recommendations, **organizations ensured sport was accessible, available and as safe as possible for participants.**

Several of these creative, inclusive, virtual and educational stories are highlighted in the upcoming pages.

EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND

Sask Sport helped facilitate distribution of the Federal Emergency Support Funds throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. The funds helped clubs remain operational and available as a sport choice for families in the province.

In the first round of allocations, **41 provincial sport organizations accessed the funds** with 32 requesting the need for additional funds in the second round of allocations.



Gymnastics Saskatchewan – How the funds were used?

Looking to help the 25 gymnastics clubs across the province, Gym Sask received funds to support expenses such as facility rentals, mortgage payments, personal protective equipment and marketing. Gym Sask also provided support to member clubs throughout the year.

COVID-19: SASK SPORT SUPPORTS ITS MEMBERSHIP WITH RETURN TO SPORT PLANNING

Following the March 2020 shutdown due to COVID-19 in Saskatchewan – including sport programs, events and facilities – the sport community proactively created comprehensive return-to-sport plans. The plans guided clubs and teams so that, when sport resumed, they were able to practice and play within the provincial guidelines safely and effectively. Working together, the process included:

- Researching and compiling examples of return to sport protocols from across Canada and from around the world. Examples from Own the Podium, Canadian Olympic Committee and National Sport Organizations, as well as sport organizations from Australia, New Zealand and the U.S.A became the frameworks that Saskatchewan return to sport plans were built on.
- A website portal was created for members to find examples or templates to reference when working on plans. Members were also able to post and share their own research and plans for all to use and benefit.
- In Spring 2020, Sask Sport created return to sport templates for members to use when developing their own, sport-specific plans. The templates were based on the Government of Saskatchewan Public Health Orders and Reopen Saskatchewan restrictions and guidelines.
- Extensive work with insurance providers and the Government of Saskatchewan to clarify liability concerns surrounding return to sport activities.
- Serving as a communications conduit with the Government of Saskatchewan's Ministry of Parks, Culture and Sport and Business Response Team to ensure that sport's needs and challenges are heard as decisions are made to reopen economic and social activities in the province.
- Sask Sport moved to an online annual general meeting for active and affiliate members and meets bi-weekly with those members to connect on COVID-19 protocols, discuss funding and ways to improve sport.

SASKATCHEWAN SPORT AWARDS



The 2020 Saskatchewan Sport Awards celebrated six long-serving volunteers and four dedicated and decorated coaches. The annual awards program honours the hard work and dedication of those in the province's amateur sport community.



BASEBALL SASK – RETURN TO PLAY ACTION PLAN

"We are extremely proud of how our members executed Baseball Sask's Return to Play plan in 2020. We feel that baseball was a bit of a pilot project as one of the first sports to return after the shutdown. Once we received approval from the Business Response Team, our members across the province did a tremendous job of maintaining social distancing, providing a safe and sanitized environment that allowed members to once again play the game that they love."

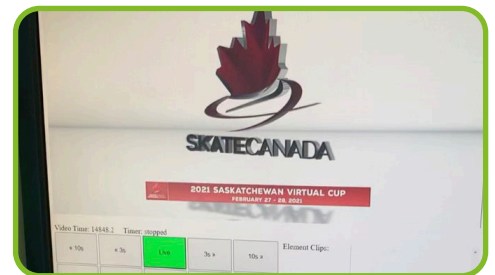
- Mike Ramage, Executive Director, Baseball Sask

Sport throughout 2020 and into 2021 may have looked different. Work done together with the 70+ provincial and multi-sport organizations, districts and the Indigenous community to represent more than 325,000 registered participants, continued to improve, develop and shape organized sporting activities for Saskatchewan communities.

VIRTUAL COMPETITION

Multiple Provincial Sport Organizations still found a way to connect athletes to competitions through virtual events provincially and nationally!

Utilizing the Virtual Racing Platform developed by clubs in Saskatchewan, Cycling Canada sanctioned the Canadian Junior Race Series and had athletes racing from their homes across the country. It recreated the course for the Niagara Canada Summer Games. Figure skaters uploaded videos that were judged live from the officials' homes. And weightlifters submitted videos for provincial championships.



WORKING TOGETHER FOR SPORT OPPORTUNITIES

The seven Sport, Culture and Recreation Districts worked together to host workshops to reach all parts of the province and piloted different times during the day and evenings to target different groups.



**WOMEN & LEADERSHIP
FREE VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS**

EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION Tuesday, March 30	LEADING THE WAY Tuesday, May 4
EFFECTIVE NETWORKING Tuesday, April 6	INFLUENCING CHANGE Tuesday, May 11
WOMEN ON BOARDS Tuesday, April 13	LIFE BALANCE Tuesday, May 18
LEADING WITH CONFIDENCE Tuesday, April 20	RETENTION WORKSHOP Tuesday, May 25
CONFLICT MANAGEMENT Tuesday, April 27	

ALL WORKSHOPS BEGIN AT 1:15 P.M. (CST)
QUESTIONS CONTACT:
COMMUNICATION@SASKSPORT.CA

PRESENTED BY

SUPPORTED BY

The Team Saskatchewan Steering Committee, a partnership between Sask Sport, Federation of Sovereign Indigenous Nations, Metis Nation - Saskatchewan and community members at large, worked together to provide North American Indigenous Games athletes with opportunities during the pandemic including access to training materials, resources and equipment. A virtual training program was also developed to support athletes while they trained at home.



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CREATIVE PROGRAMMING

Training in all aspects of sport didn't stop! Webinar series for volunteers, coaches and athletes were ran by members ranging in topics from specific group and one-on-one sport training to coaching topics on and off the playing surface like nutrition, sleeping and mental performance.

Special Olympics kept families and athletes active by creating the Stay Healthy at Home website that focuses on keeping everyone healthy, having fun, connected and informed!



The Northern Community & Schools Recreation Coordinator Program – part of Give Kids a Chance Charity Inc. – ensured members of northern Saskatchewan communities stayed active with online programming that encouraged creativity, learning and fun.

Dream Brokers created activity kits to keep participants active and engaged.



KidSport found unique and special ways to celebrate during the 25th anniversary of the program including Co-op Fuel Day.

Organized basketball, typically indoor, was moved to outdoor courts for a Summer Series program by Basketball Saskatchewan



SASKATCHEWAN TRIO MAKING WAVES IN PARA SWIMMING WORLD

With dedication, record-breaking performances and podium finishes, Krystal Shaw, Shelby Newkirk and Nikita Ens are not only putting Saskatchewan on the Para swimming map but inspiring the next generation.

In 2019, Shaw earned three silvers and one bronze medal at the Parapan Am Games, while Newkirk won a silver medal in the S7 100-metre backstroke at the World Para Swimming Championships - helping her to earn her Paralympic nomination - and Ens twice finished in the top eight at those same championships.

Reaching those heights together has allowed the group to form a strong relationship that has assisted them not only by providing a little bit of home while traveling and competing, but through offering support during the COVID-19 pandemic.

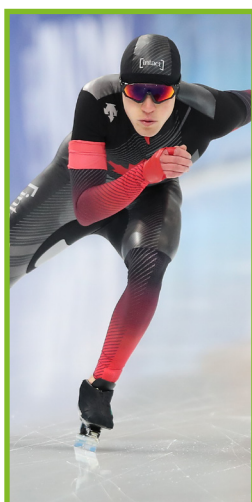
“We’re all going for the same goal and definitely the plan has changed, but we’re still working together and looking forward to being back as a team,” explained Newkirk. “For now, though, we’re supporting each other virtually as best we can.”



Adding to their friendship is a shared love for their sport and the personal experience swimming offers them. All three tried a number of parasport activities, including track and field, wheelchair basketball and sitting volleyball, but the freedom of being in the water, unrestricted by gravity, is what drew them all to Para swimming.

“It’s the only place where I can leave my mobility devices behind,” said Newkirk. “I can get out of my chair, jump in the water and just swim away. It’s just me.”

Read more on cheeronsask.ca



MOOSE JAVIANS HITTING IT BIG ON INTERNATIONAL STAGE

In the early months of 2020, speedskater Graeme Fish and bobsledder Ben Coakwell were making headlines with their international results.

With a time of 12:33.86, **Fish claimed the gold medal and set a new world record in the men’s 10,000-metre race**

at the 2020 World Single Distances Championships in Salt Lake City. He also picked up a bronze medal in the 5,000m race.

Teaming up to compete in two-man and four-man bobsleigh races, Coakwell finished in the Top 10 in multiple events of the 2020 IBSF World Cup circuit, **earning one gold medal and two bronze medals** along the way.

GROWTH IN EDUCATION

Many of Saskatchewan's more than 27,000 coaches took the opportunity to expand their knowledge and learning through online National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) workshops and professional development webinars offered through the Coaches Association of Saskatchewan. In 2020, 662 Saskatchewan coaches took part in 194 NCCP modules.

Additionally, Sport Medicine and Science Council of Saskatchewan worked with members to target educational initiatives including sport nutrition and concussion protocols.



MAKING HER NAME KNOWN: PRITCHARD AN UP-AND-COMING FIGURE IN SASK. BOXING

Confidently, Abigail Pritchard strode into Hub City Boxing in Saskatoon with a proposal for owner Lynn Seguin.

After listing off her boxing resume, Pritchard was hired.

"As a mother, having a job that I love - where my daughter is always welcomed - is a dream job," said Pritchard. "It's a secure feeling because I'm able to do what I need to do, and at the same time I'm a mother. It shows a good example to my child of what I do for work."

Seguin takes pride in knowing she has established a safe space for Abigail's daughter to come and hang out while she is at work.

"Times are changing and we have to adapt,"

said Seguin of the support of female coaches.

"Sometimes she can't get the daycare that she needs for six o'clock. It's okay that her daughter is in the gym and it's okay that she's a working mom."

Pritchard has been completing National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) modules through the Saskatchewan Coaching Academy offered by the Coaches Association of Saskatchewan. Module topics range from managing sport programs to prevention and rehabilitation of injuries, practice planning and more.

The fees for the modules and Academy are covered for Pritchard by the Indigenous Coaches and Officials Program.

"Being able to implement the learning that she's received into the club is something that is extremely motivating for her," said Seguin. "I am more than willing to give her that opportunity to implement that new knowledge."

For more on this story, visit sasksport.ca



ADMIN CENTRE

Sask Sport's Admin Centre serves as a business hub for sport, culture and recreation groups in Saskatchewan. Providing clients with a comprehensive range of business solutions allows these volunteer-led groups to focus on quality programming for their members and delivering sport, culture and recreation opportunities for Saskatchewan people. This year, 225 non-profit organizations accessed business solutions such as payroll, accounting, office space rental and print services.

BALANCING THE BOOKS

When the pandemic caused restrictions for sport, culture and recreation activities the impact went beyond playing fields, events and community activities. Organizations lost revenue from canceled events and activities while the need for PPE and cleaning supplies increased costs.

Many groups qualified for federal support programs, such as wage and rent subsidies. CURLSASK qualified for four different programs and, as a client of Admin Centre bookkeeping services since 2019, received expert help with the application and accounting processes along with their bookkeeping needs throughout the year.

"We are thrilled with our partnership with the Admin Centre accounting team; in fact, I wish we moved our books to them sooner,"

CURLSASK Executive Director Ashley Howard said. "As subject matter experts, the team has guided several decisions relating to GST, audit, grants and investments. Their professionalism, preparedness and expertise has led to a reduction in our audit fees and streamlined approach to our financials."



OFFICE SPACE

More than **51,000 square feet** of combined office and storage space in five buildings in Regina and Saskatoon



BOOKKEEPING

3,500+ hours of bookkeeping and audit preparation services provided to **54 organizations**



PAYROLL

Serving **142 organizations**, providing **600+ employees** access to a pension and benefits program



PRINT SHOP

A **full range of printing services** including business cards, posters, manuals and more



RECEPTION SERVICES

Supporting **72 organizations** and more than **200 employees**



MAIL SERVICES

Saves clients money through group rates for processing mail and shipping parcels.
Processed over **40,000 pieces of mail** and over **5,600 parcels** during the year

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES

Year Ended
March 31, 2021

Lottery ticket sales	\$235,330,412
Other lottery revenue	425,916
	<hr/> 235,756,328 <hr/>
Prizes & retail commissions	138,466,383
Government payments	1,628,205
Operating costs	22,956,486
	<hr/> 163,051,074 <hr/>
Net Profits Transferred to the Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund	72,705,254
Rent & Service Income	1,817,083
Interest	819,661
Grant and contract revenue	13,158,831
Other income	68,327
	<hr/> 15,863,902 <hr/>
Operating costs	4,429,395
Programs & transfers	11,363,039
	<hr/> 15,792,434 <hr/>
Net operating income	71,468
Unrealized gain on market value of investments	3,325,654
Net income after unrealized gain	<hr/> \$3,397,122 <hr/>

*Select financial information is derived from the annual audited financial statements of the following entities

- Western Canada Lottery - Saskatchewan Division Inc.
- Sask Sport Distributors Inc.
- Sask Sport
- Administration Centres for Sport, Culture and Recreation (1989) Inc.

The independent external auditors of the organization have, as part of their responsibilities, reviewed this information to ensure its consistency with the audited financial statements.

MEMBERSHIP

Sask Sport members are non-profit, volunteer-led organizations. Combined with a network of passionate and skilled professionals and volunteers, they form the sport delivery system in Saskatchewan.

ACTIVE MEMBERS

Saskatchewan Archery Association Inc.
Saskatchewan Artistic Swimming
Saskatchewan Athletics
Saskatchewan Badminton Association Inc.
Baseball Sask
Basketball Saskatchewan Inc.
Saskatchewan Baton Twirling Association Inc.
Saskatchewan Blind Sports Association
Bowling Federation of Saskatchewan
Bowls Saskatchewan Inc.
Boxing Saskatchewan Inc.
Saskatchewan Broomball Association
Canoe Kayak Saskatchewan Inc.
Saskatchewan Cheerleading Association Inc.
Coaches Association of Saskatchewan Inc.
CurlSask
Saskatchewan Cycling Association Inc.
Saskatchewan Darts Association Inc.
Saskatchewan Deaf Sports Association
Dive Sask Inc.
Saskatchewan Fencing Association
Football Saskatchewan
Saskatchewan Games Council Inc.
Golf Saskatchewan
Gymnastics Saskatchewan Inc.
Saskatchewan High Schools Athletic Association
Saskatchewan Hockey Association Inc.
Saskatchewan Horse Federation Inc.
Horseshoe Saskatchewan Inc.
Judo Saskatchewan
Saskatchewan Karate Association
Saskatchewan Lacrosse Association Inc.
Saskatchewan Martial Arts Association Corp.
Saskatchewan Racquetball Association Inc.
Ringette Association of Saskatchewan Inc.
Saskatchewan Rowing Association Inc.
Saskatchewan Rugby Union Inc.
Saskatchewan Sailing Clubs Association
Skate Canada-Saskatchewan Inc.
Saskatchewan Skeet Shooting Corp.
Saskatchewan Ski Association
Soaring Association of Saskatchewan
Saskatchewan Soccer Association Inc.

Softball Saskatchewan
Special Olympics Saskatchewan Inc.
Saskatchewan Amateur Speed Skating Association
Sport Medicine and Science Council of Saskatchewan Inc.
Sport Parachute Association of Saskatchewan Inc.
Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame and Museum Inc.
Saskatchewan Squash Inc.
Swim Saskatchewan Inc.
Saskatchewan Table Tennis Association Inc.
Saskatchewan Tae-Kwon-Do Inc.
Saskatchewan Target Shooting Association
Saskatchewan Team Handball Federation Inc.
Tennis Saskatchewan
Saskatchewan Amateur Trapshooting Association Inc.
Saskatchewan Triathlon Association Corp.
Saskatchewan Ultimate Players Association Inc.
University of Regina, Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies
University of Saskatchewan, College of Kinesiology
Saskatchewan Volleyball Association
Water Polo Saskatchewan Inc.
Water Ski and Wakeboard Saskatchewan Inc.
Saskatchewan Weightlifting Association Inc.
Saskatchewan Wheelchair Sports Association
Saskatchewan Amateur Wrestling Association

AFFILIATE MEMBERS

Lakeland District for Sport, Culture and Recreation
Northern Sport, Culture and Recreation District
Parkland Valley Sport, Culture and Recreation District
Prairie Central District for Sport, Culture and Recreation
Rivers West District for Sport, Culture and Recreation
South West District for Culture, Recreation and Sport
South East Sport, Culture and Recreation District

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Academy of Sport Medicine
Lifesaving Society Saskatchewan Branch
Pickleball Saskatchewan Inc.
Sask Association of Recreation Professionals
Saskatchewan Provincial Rifle Association

