



SASK SPORT



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OUR PROMISE

To enrich Saskatchewan communities

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



HOW THE LOTTERY SYSTEM WORKS

WHEN YOU BUY A
**LOTTERY
TICKET**

**HONEST
CHANCE OF
WINNING**

**GUARANTEED
TO HELP YOUR
COMMUNITY**

What We Do

Federation for Amateur Sport in Saskatchewan

Sask Sport's membership includes 78 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.

Chair Message

Resiliency – it's something we've seen a lot of in recent years and it was on display again as people across Saskatchewan continued to respond to challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic.

I'm incredibly proud of the work of Sask Sport, its member organizations and the volunteer-driven amateur sport community in answering this call and continuing to ensure that all of us have opportunities to safely learn, grow and play.

In 2021-22, more and more amateur sport activities resumed and we were thrilled to see Saskatchewan athletes, coaches and officials competing, pursuing their dreams and advancing sport at home and abroad — in some cases all the way to the Olympic and Paralympic Games. Congratulations again to the more than 50 individuals with ties to Saskatchewan who participated in the recent summer and winter Games, which were held just six months apart.

While some provincial championships and multi-sport games were unable to proceed in 2021-22, there is reason for optimism as we look ahead and we eagerly await their return. The Tony Cote Summer Games are planned for July 2022 while the Saskatchewan Winter Games and the North American Indigenous Games are both scheduled for 2023. These important events are always a cause for excitement and provide hundreds of athletes, coaches and volunteers with opportunities to represent the province, grow as individuals and make friendships and memories, as well as celebrate heritage.

Today, the strength of Saskatchewan's amateur sport community remains its volunteers. It's their dedication that brings these high-quality opportunities to participants of all ages and abilities and we thank them for everything they have done and are doing. We look forward to supporting, celebrating and learning from these remarkable people in the upcoming year.

I'm also grateful for the Sask Lotteries fundraiser, which continues to provide opportunities for Saskatchewan residents. Another year of positive sales has contributed to the health of the Sask Lotteries Trust Fund for Sport, Culture and Recreation, ensuring the Sask Lotteries fundraiser will remain an important source of support for volunteer-led community groups into the future.

Lance Dudar, Chair

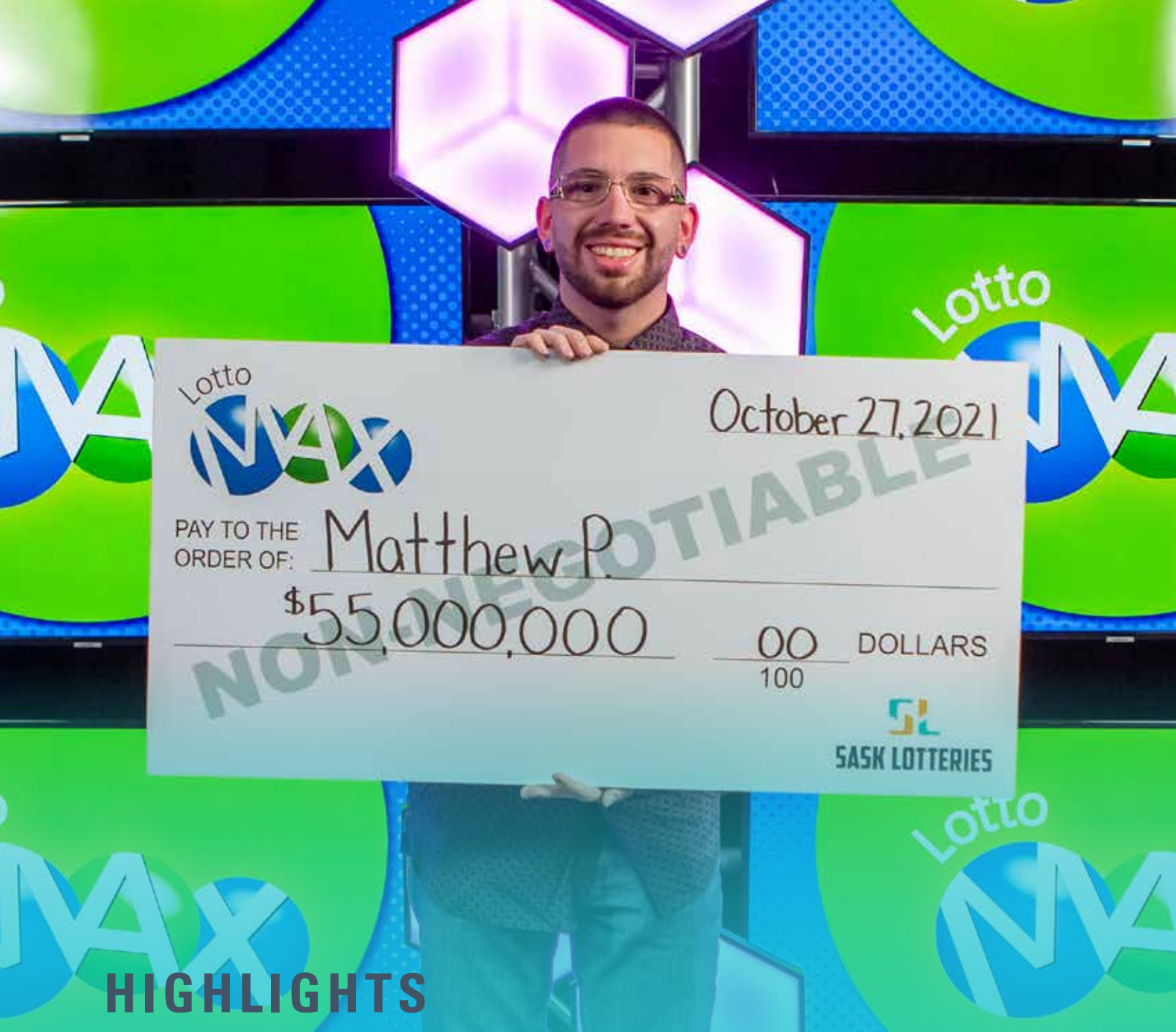


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HIGHLIGHTS

247.3M
in lottery
ticket sales

980
Lotto Spot!
retailers

61
winners of
\$100,000 or more
in Saskatchewan

Sask Lotteries

In its 2021-22 fiscal year, Sask Lotteries celebrated some of the largest lottery wins in the province’s history while also launching several important initiatives for the future.

LOTTO MAX jackpots of \$20 million, \$50 million and \$55 million were awarded to Saskatchewan players in the second half of the year.

Lottery sales increased in 2021-22 over the previous fiscal year — a result that is made possible through Sask Lotteries’ retail partners who play a critical role in supporting the Sask Lotteries fundraiser and its products. In the past year, the SPORT SELECT product line was refreshed and now features dynamic odds and new ways of playing.

In partnership with the Western Canada Lottery Corporation, Sask Lotteries also launched a significant update to the Lotto Spot! app that enables players in Saskatchewan to purchase tickets for LOTTO MAX, LOTTO 6/49 and other products using their mobile device.

Additional product enhancements are expected in the next year to further strengthen the Sask Lotteries fundraiser and the proceeds that are available to support sport, culture and recreation organizations.

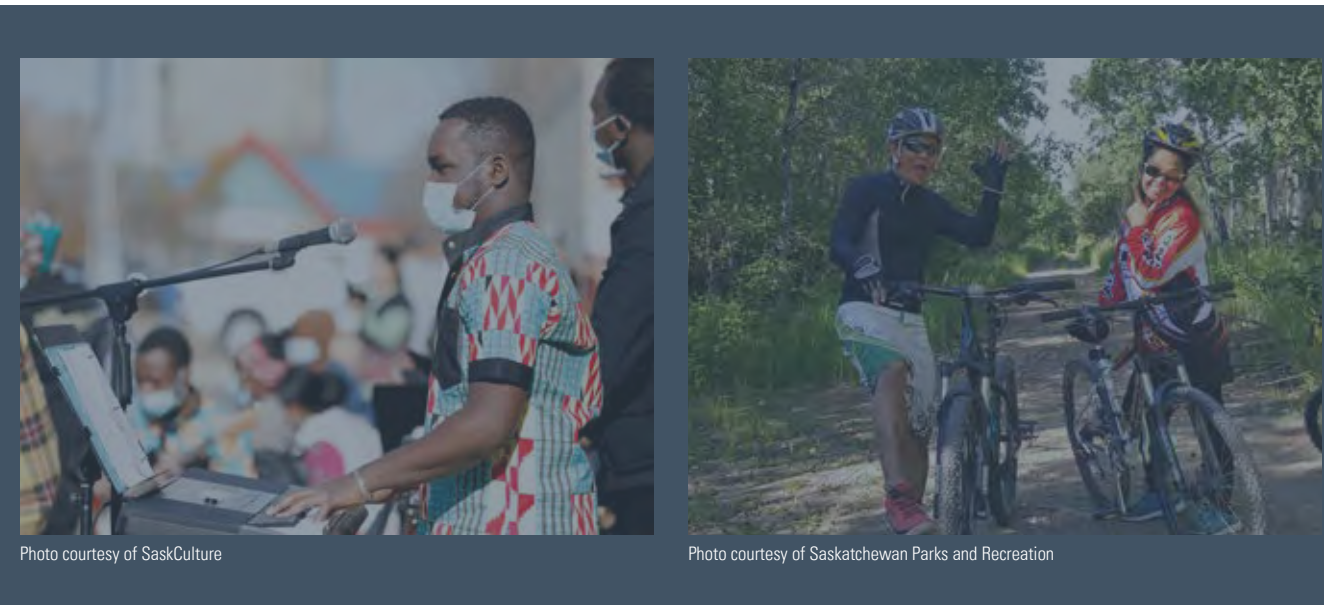


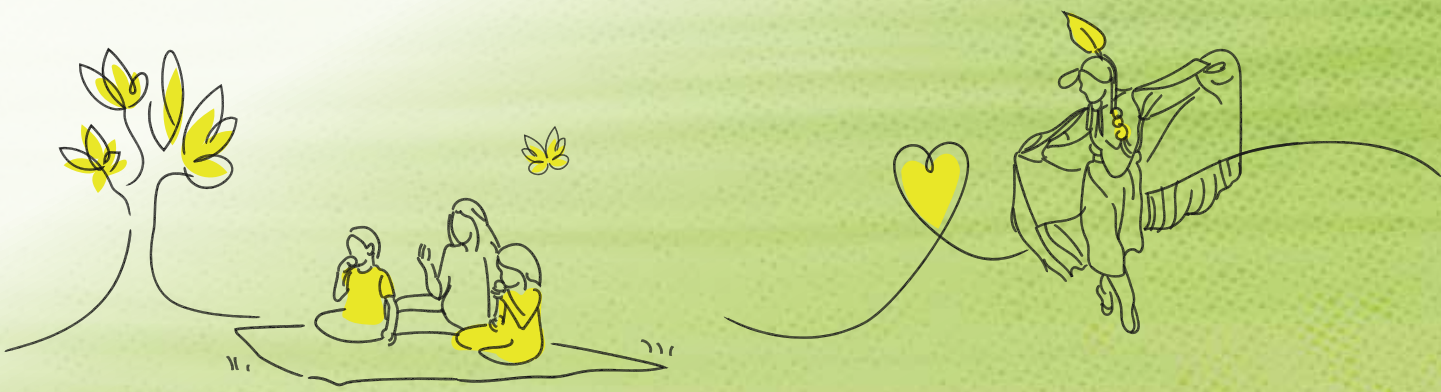
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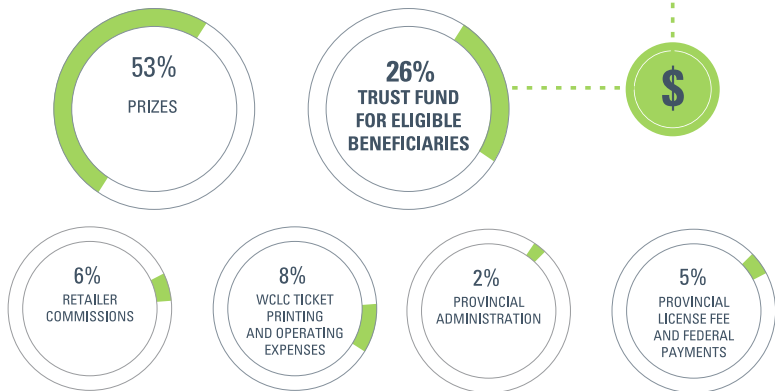
Sask Lotteries

In 2021-22, Sask Lotteries renewed its efforts to remind Saskatchewan residents of how lottery proceeds are distributed to volunteer-led groups.

To bring this message to new audiences, Sask Lotteries began sharing stories and messages from the lottery-supported sport, culture and recreation community on Facebook and Twitter. Sask Lotteries also extended its reach through radio and TV advertisements and public events, ensuring that hundreds of thousands of individuals were reminded of the positive impact of the Sask Lotteries fundraiser.



Sask Lotteries Trust Fund



As a non-profit organization, Sask Lotteries operates effectively and efficiently to maximize the proceeds available for funding. For more information on Sask Lotteries, its partners and how lottery proceeds are distributed through the Sask Lotteries Trust Fund for Sport, Culture and Recreation, see sasklotteries.ca.



Sask Lotteries Community Grant Program

The Sask Lotteries Community Grant Program continues to benefit volunteer-led community groups by directly funding 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 and the Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association and their members. By providing funding at the community level, these grants ensure 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.



Photo courtesy of SaskCulture

\$5.6 MILLION
GRANTED IN 2021-22
TO **986** COMMUNITIES,
INCLUDING



Sport

A new normal for sport and a continued commitment to adapting to ever-changing environments were front and centre in 2021-22.

As sport gradually returned, Sask Sport and its members continued to work together to ensure COVID-safe environments were available for participants.

While in-person events and activities became more common in 2021-22, member and community organizations continued to reach out and connect with athletes, coaches and volunteers using many of the virtual formats they have become familiar with.

Saskatchewan's seven Sport, Culture and Recreation Districts partnered to offer multiple virtual events, including a series of free Women & Leadership workshops. They also presented a series of sport-focused mental and physical health workshops produced in partnership with the Sport Medicine & Science Council of Saskatchewan.

Whether in person or virtual, sport can bring people together and help them to break boundaries and reach their greatest potential. Examples of these moments can be found throughout this report.



Sport. It's More Than A Game is an advocacy campaign to encourage the long-term growth and development of amateur sport in the province. Using Saskatchewan stories and people, the campaign aims to promote the benefits of sport.

The campaign was refreshed and launched in January 2022 with website and social media graphics to reintroduce the message back into the province, help people reconnect with sport and remind people why it's important to be involved.



Take the
shot. It's
always
worth it.





**SASK SPORT
RESOURCE LINE**

Concerned about bullying, abuse,
harassment or discrimination in sport?
Reach out

help@resourceline.ca
phone 1.888.329.4009
text 306.717.9636

Confidential • Anonymous • Professional • Bilingual • Free Support

Resource Line

The Sask Sport Resource Line (formerly known as the Respect Resource Line) continues to provide an important service to sport organizations and participants. It remains a confidential, anonymous and free service that provides professional and bilingual support, resources and referrals for sport in Saskatchewan regarding possible bullying, abuse, harassment, discrimination or hazing.

Six months. Four Olympic and Paralympic Games.

More than 50 athletes, coaches, officials and support and mission staff with ties to Saskatchewan represented the province and Canada on sport's grandest stage in 2021-22. Twenty of those individuals attended the Summer Paralympics — **the largest contingent in Saskatchewan history.**

Across both Games, eight individuals landed on the podium.

For a complete listing of Saskatchewan athletes, coaches, officials and support staff who attended the games, see cheeronsask.ca. There, you will find results from the Tokyo and Beijing Games and a history of past Games performances.



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Saskatchewan shines

Saskatchewan athletes delivered some standout performances in Tokyo and Beijing.

Competing at her second Olympic Games, Saskatoon's Emily Clark (above) upgraded from a silver to a gold in women's hockey.

Making her Paralympic debut in Tokyo, Midale's Keely Shaw (left) won Canada's first medal with a bronze in the women's Para cycling 3,000-m individual pursuit.



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Bronze in Beijing

Adding to her haul from the 2018 Games, Brittany Hudak (right) is now a three-time Paralympic medallist. In Beijing, the Prince Albert athlete won bronze in the women's standing 12.5-kilometre biathlon race and the 15-kilometre cross country race.

Regina snowboarder Mark McMorris (top left) returned to the Olympics, winning bronze in the men's slopestyle. The finish continues McMorris' medal streak. He previously won bronze at the 2014 Games in Sochi and the 2018 Games in PyeongChang.

Third time was also the charm for bobsleigh brakeman Ben Coakwell (left, receiving medal). Attending his third Olympic Games, the Moose Jaw athlete and his four-man sled won bronze in Beijing.



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Dave Holland/Canadian Paralympic Committee

Biggar Bags a Silver

Biggar's Lisa DeJong (below) made history in her Paralympic debut taking silver in the women's Para snowboard cross SB-LL2 final and earning Canada its first-ever Para snowboard medal at the Games.



Dave Holland/Canadian Paralympic Committee



Bronze on the diamond

Saskatoon's Jenny Gilbert and the Canadian softball team won a bronze medal in Tokyo — Canada's first in the sport at the Olympics.



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Angela Burger/Canadian Paralympic Committee

Coaching Team Canada

Ken Babey was behind the bench as the Canadian Para ice hockey team claimed a silver medal.

Saskatchewan Sport Awards



The Saskatchewan Sport Awards returned in 2021 with a virtual show and full slate of awards.

The event honoured 13 recipients, two of which received the brand new Inspire Through Sport Award.

The new award was one of several changes that were introduced to the program in 2021. Other updates included opening nominations to the general public and moving the award show from March to January.



Female Athlete of the Year		
Keely Shaw	Para cycling	Midale
Male Athlete of the Year		
Rylan Wiens	Diving	Pike Lake
Youth Female Athlete of the Year		
Teah Chavez	Tennis	Regina
Youth Male Athlete of the Year		
Chase Pochyllko	Golf	Saskatoon
Team of the Year		
Team Sask 15U Girls	Water polo	
Coach of the Year		
Mary Carroll	Diving	Saskatoon
Inspire Through Sport Award		
Jonathan Mudryk	Special Olympics	Saskatoon
Marj Walton	Swimming	Regina
Coach Dedication Award		
Astrid Baecker	Soccer	Regina
Erin McCormick	Para dressage	Osler
Volunteer Dedication Award		
Jocelyne Moe	Weightlifting	Humboldt
Megan Penno	Special Olympics	Regina
Jamie Schneider	Curling	Regina



Female Officials Breaking Glass Ceilings

Soccer referee Chantal Boudreau and hockey official Alex Blair (Clarke) reached professional highs when they officiated at the Tokyo Summer Olympics and Beijing Winter Olympics.

The pair is also making headlines as they break into officiating at other events.

Boudreau, from Regina, received her first call to referee Major League Soccer in 2020. In 2021, she transitioned into a full-time gig with the league and also officiated a men's World Cup qualifier. Currently, she's working toward a goal of being added to the officials list for the 2026 World Cup.

"The support that I've gotten throughout my international career from Saskatchewan has been nothing short of amazing, because without the support from Saskatchewan and Canada, I wouldn't have made it to where I am today," Boudreau said.

In addition to officiating at the IIHF Women's World Hockey Championship, Blair, from Weyburn, is the first woman to officiate a Western Hockey League game. She was also one of 10 females named to officiate games in the 2021-22 American Hockey League season.

"I'm so grateful to be opening doors and bringing down barriers that are going to allow other females opportunities in the future and allow them the opportunity to see it and know they can work toward it," said Blair.



North American Indigenous Games

The North American Indigenous Games, originally scheduled for July 2020, were rescheduled to July 2023 in its original location of Kijikpuk (Halifax).

Despite the postponement, Saskatchewan athletes, coaches and organizers have continued to find ways to adapt training opportunities with virtual meetings, workshops and more.

In preparation for the Games, Team Sask – NAIG is working on assembling its contingent of athletes in 14 different sport disciplines.



As sport returned in 2021, so too did Sask Sport's Athlete of the Month Award.

The 2021-22 recipients include Rosetta Cyr (September), Taylor Hebert (October), Amy Jorgensen (November), Ben Coakwell (December), Kareem Tarek Mohammed (January), Emily Clark (February) and Brittany Hudak (March).

New Grants Created

Through funding provided by the Sask Lotteries Trust Fund, two new grants were created to provide financial assistance to deaf and hard of hearing athletes and Provincial Sport Organizations.

The **Deaf and Hard of Hearing Athlete Assistance Grant** helps athletes to excel in a sport at their desired level of competition. The **Deaf and Hard of Hearing Sport Accessibility Grant** supports Provincial Sport Organizations in offering programming for Saskatchewan's deaf and hard of hearing community.



Aboriginal Apprentice Coach Program

In 2015, hockey coach Scott Musqua was one of two Saskatchewan coaches selected for the Aboriginal Apprentice Coach Program (AAPC) at the Canada Winter Games in Prince George.

The apprenticeship gave him exposure to elite-level coaches and the opportunity to work with them hands on, which helped him grow and add to his coaching toolbox.

On top of that, working with players and their parents, and the atmosphere of the Games, gave him the chance to “experience that high level of hockey and that next-level hockey player.”

His involvement in the program also assisted Musqua in taking the next step in his career. Soon after the Games, he became an assistant coach with the Saskatchewan Junior Hockey League’s Yorkton Terriers — a position he still holds today.



“It opened so many doors,” Musqua said of the AAPC. “This will be six years going on seven with the Terriers, so I attribute that to the program that I came from there. I was kind of grassroots at the age of 45 and it’s kind of taken off from there.”

The AAPC is a partnership between the Aboriginal Sport Circle, Canada’s Provincial/Territorial Aboriginal Sport Bodies, Provincial/Territorial Coaching Representatives, the Canada Games Council and the Coaching Association of Canada. Among many objectives, the AAPC is designed to build coaching capacity within Indigenous communities and expose Indigenous coaches to elite and high-performance coaches.

The newest coaches to take part in the AAPC are:

2022 Canada Summer Games

Mandy Herman (Wrestling)

Cory Gratton (Volleyball)

2023 Canada Winter Games

Rhys McAlpine (Figure skating)

Mike Dumais (Badminton)

Concussion Awareness Day

In recognition of Concussion Awareness Day on Sept. 29, the Government of Saskatchewan, Sask Sport and the Sport Medicine & Science Council of Saskatchewan offered a one-hour webinar.

A Concussion Story – Lessons for Concussion Management was moderated by Rhonda Shishkin, Sport Physiotherapist and Certified Athletic Therapist for Craven SPORT Services and Canada Basketball, and featured athlete and coach Katie Miyazaki, who shared her experience with concussions and their effects.

The pair was joined by panelists Dr. Martin Heroux, Head Physician of the Saskatchewan Roughriders and Cougar Athletics and Team Physician for the Regina Pats, Patrick Neary, professor and researcher with the University of Regina Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies, and Lisa Swallow, Certified Athletic Therapist with the Edmonton Elks, who lent their expertise and knowledge.

15-Year Celebration

Give Kids A Chance Charity Inc. celebrated 15 years of bringing sport, culture and recreation activities to children and youth across Saskatchewan in 2021.



In that time, **Give Kids A Chance Charity** has invested more than **\$23.7 million in activities and programs** that reduce barriers and create opportunities for youth. While many activities were still returning to a new normal in 2021, the charity and the programs it supports remained engaged in the community while **assisting more than 6,800 youth**.

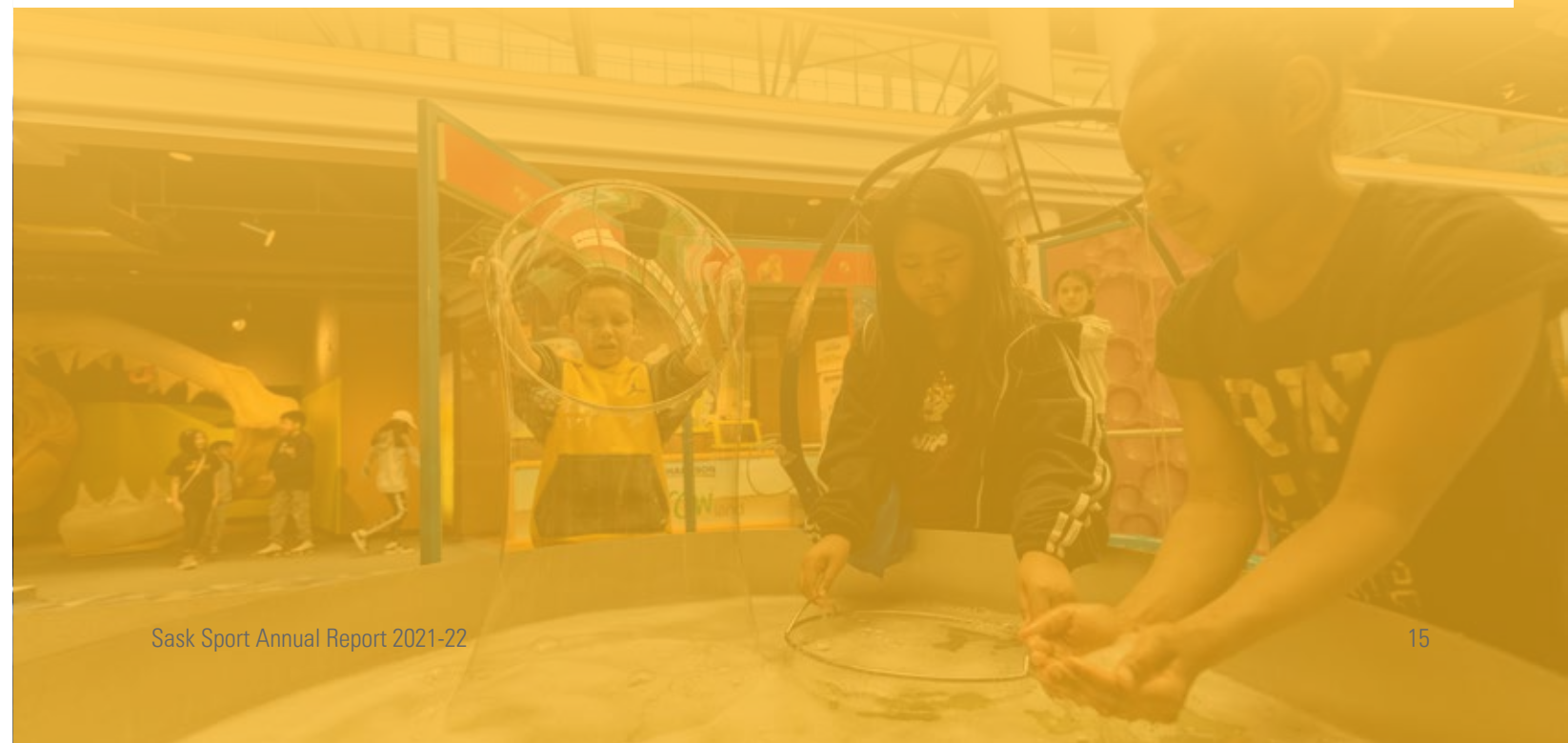
Youth Leadership

Young leaders in all areas of sport shined in 2021-22. That’s especially true for Kaia Thauberger.

At only 17 years old, she helped create a KidSport chapter in Lumsden. The new group is KidSport Saskatchewan’s 41st local chapter.

Through her own involvement in sport, Thauberger knows how important access to sport and the opportunity to participate are. She is looking forward to seeing the positive impact and helping ***So ALL Kids Can Play!***

Thauberger raised the initial funds for the chapter by hosting a golf-a-thon, called Rounds for Ralph, in honour of her late grandfather. The tournament raised \$12,700 to start the chapter.



Admin Centre

The Sask Sport Admin Centre serves as a business hub for sport, culture and recreation groups in Saskatchewan.

The comprehensive range of business solutions it provides allow these volunteer-led groups to focus on the high-quality programming they deliver to their members and the sport, culture and recreation opportunities they support.

One-stop shop for non-profits

In 2021, 220 non-profit organizations accessed business solutions through the Admin Centre.

Sask Rugby was among them. The Provincial Sport Organization and Sask Sport member accesses a complete suite of Admin Centre services — everything from office, storage and meeting space to accounting and printing services.



“By having all these services, it has really been a game changer for us to focus and put our time into our volunteers and our sport system. It supports our organization by providing an efficient and expert level of service,”

said Jordan Astrope, Executive Director of Saskatchewan Rugby.

“Admin Centre staff are friendly and always have our best interest in mind. Their support and advice during our year end and audit preparation really helps us complete our auditing requirements during that stressful time of year.”

Office Space

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

Bookkeeping

3,200+ hours of bookkeeping and audit preparation services provided to **59** organizations

Payroll

Serving **143** organizations, providing **650+** employees access to a pension and benefits program

Printing Services

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

Reception Services

Supporting **70** organizations and more than **200** employees

Mail Services

Saves clients money through group rates for processing mail and shipping parcels. Processed over **38,500** pieces of mail and over **5,000** parcels during the year

Financial Highlights

Consolidated statement of revenue and expenses Year ended March 31, 2022	Sask Lotteries	
	Lottery ticket sales	247,324,711
	Other lottery revenue	454,521
		247,779,232
	Prizes and retail commission	143,845,721
	Government payments	1,605,550
	Operating costs	25,184,945
		170,636,216
	Net profits transferred to the Sask Lotteries Trust Fund	77,143,016

Sask Sport Inc.	
Membership and rent revenue	227,141
Interest	810,508
Contract revenue	414,200
Grants	8,421,514
Other income	62,584
	9,935,947
Operating costs	2,438,563
Programs and sport system support	6,886,646
	9,325,209
Net operating income	610,738
Unrealized gain on market value of investments	2,515,656
Net income after unrealized gain	3,126,394



Admin Centre for Sport, Culture and Recreation

Rent and service income	1,840,964
Interest	8,182
Grants	1,115,673
	2,964,819
Operating costs	1,533,819
Building repairs	154,925
Rent and service expenses	1,372,479
	3,061,223
(Deficiency) of revenue over expenses	(96,404)

*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.
Dive Sask Inc.
Saskatchewan Fencing Association
Football Saskatchewan
Saskatchewan Games Council Inc.
Golf Saskatchewan
Gymnastics Saskatchewan Inc.
Saskatchewan High Schools Athletic Association
Hockey Saskatchewan
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

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



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