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2019 Labrador Winter Games set for March 17-23

The Board of Directors of the 2019 Labrador Winter Games is pleased to announce the event will open at Happy Valley-Goose Bay on Sunday, March 17, 2019 and close on Saturday, March 23, 2019.

“One of the first orders of business for the newly-appointed Board of Directors was setting the dates for the 2019 Labrador Winter Games,” said Ernie McLean, Chairperson. “This serves notice to communities, athletes, volunteers, supporters and other officials that the Games will take place during the third week in March.”

The Labrador Winter Games celebrates the rich, diverse culture of Labrador while promoting the benefits of competitive sport and healthy active living. The week-long event is held every three years in Central Labrador and more than 300 participants from communities across Labrador are invited to participate. The Labrador Winter Games is supported with an allocation of \$500,000 from the Provincial Government.

The Board of Directors is also pleased to announce the hiring of Paul Motty as Games Director. The selection was made by the Board following a review of candidates who applied for the position. The appointment is effective Sept. 5, 2018.

“With the appointment of a Games Director, the Board of Directors is moving forward with the planning process for the 2019 Labrador Winter Games,” said Mr. McLean. “Based on Paul’s work and volunteer experience, and his close association over the years with the Labrador Winter Games, the Board has every confidence in his abilities to work collectively with staff, volunteers, communities, and the Board to make the Games a great success.”

Mr. Motty, a resident of Happy Valley-Goose Bay since 1982, has extensive experience as an educator and administrator, primarily with College of the North Atlantic. Most recently, he was employed by the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay as the Director of Human Resources. He previously served as the Director of the 2006 Labrador Winter Games and held the position of Technical Chair for the Games’ mandatory sports from 1995 to 2003 and 2010 to 2016. His volunteer involvement in the community includes work with the local soccer association, the swim team, and the gymnastics club.

Members of the [Board of Directors of the 2019 Labrador Winter Games](#) were named on June 26, 2018 by the Honourable Premier Dwight Ball and the Honourable Lisa Dempster, Minister of Children, Seniors and Social Development. Since its formation, the Board of Directors has held a series of planning meetings to lay the groundwork for the 2019 Labrador Winter Games. As part of the preparations, the Board is presently considering recommendations from the Games’ Technical Committee aimed at improving competition and participation in some sports.

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