

# WOMEN AND SPORTS CHAMPIONS FOREVER!

## WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH 2002 GAMES

This year, the theme for Women's History Month is *Women and Sports – Champions Forever!* Here are two games for you to find out how much you know about Canadian women and sports in history.

### WHAT'S OUR SPORT? (Scramble Game)

UNSCRAMBLE THE LETTERS TO DISCOVER WHAT SPORT EACH GROUP OF THE FOLLOWING CANADIAN FEMALE ATHLETES PRACTICED OR IS PRACTICING.

1. Judith Moss (1930s), Lynda Adams (late 1930s and 1940s), Irene MacDonald (1950s), Beverly "Bev" Boys (late 1960s and 1970s), Linda Cuthbert (1970s), Sylvie Bernier (late 1970s and early 1980s), Annie Pelletier (1990s), Anne Montminy (1990s and 2000s) and Émilie Heymans (late 1990s and 2000s)

**d g i i n v** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

2. Dorothy Prior (1920s), Phyllis Dewar (1930s), Marilyn Bell (1950s), Elaine Tanner (1960s), Leslie Cliff (1970s), Nancy Garapick (1970s), Cindy Nicholas (1970s), Vicky Keith (1980s), Anne Ottenbrite (1980s) and Marianne Limpert (1990s and 2000s)

**g i i m m n s w** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

3. Hilda Ranscombe (1930s), Abby Hoffman (1950s), Shirley Cameron (1970s, 1980s and early 1990s), Justine Blainey (1980s), Manon Rhéaume (1990s), Nancy Drolet (1990s and 2000s), Danielle Goyette (1990s and 2000s), Hayley Wickenheiser (1990s and 2000s) and Kim St-Pierre (late 1990s and 2000s)

**c e h k o y** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

4. Lucile Wheeler (1950s), Anne Heggtveit (late 1950s and 1960s), Nancy Greene (1960s), Betsy Clifford (late 1960s and mid-1970s), Kathy Kreiner (1970s), Laurie Graham (1980s), Karen Percy (1980s), Gerry Sorensen (1980s), Kerrin Lee-Gartner (late 1980s and early 1990s) and Mélanie Turgeon (1990s and 2000s)

**d g h i i k l l n n o s w** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

5. Edmonton Grads (1915 until 1940), Noel MacDonald (1930s), Bev Smith (1980s), Chantal Benoit (1980s, 1990s and 2000s), Kelly Boucher (1990s and 2000s), Carolin "Cal" Bouchard (late 1990s and 2000s) and Tammy Sutton-Brown (late 1990s and 2000s)

**a a b b e k l l s t** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

6. Cecil Smith (1920s), Barbara Ann Scott (1940s), Suzanne Morrow (1940s), Barbara Wagner (1950s), Petra Burka (1960s), Karen Magnussen (1970s), Elizabeth Manley (late 1970s and 1980s), Tracey Wilson (1980s), Isabelle Brasseur (late 1980s and 1990s) and Jamie Salé (mid-1990s and 2000s)

**a e f g g i i k n r s t u** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

7. Hilda May Torok Binns (1960s and 1970s), Christine Harder (1990s) and Chantal Petitclerc (1990s and 2000s)

**a a c c e e g h h i i l n r r w** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

8. Lela Brooks (1920s and 1930s), Sylvia Burka (1970s), Nathalie Lambert (1980s and 1990s), Sylvie Daigle (1980s and 1990s), Susan Auch (late 1980s, 1990s and 2000s), Catriona Le May Doan (1990s and 2000s) and Clara Hughes (1990s and 2000s)

**a d e e g i k n p s s t** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

9. Peggy "Peg" Seller (1920s), Helen Vanderburg (1970s), Sylvie Fortier (1970s), Carolyn Waldo (1980s), Michelle Cameron (1980s), Sylvie Fréchette (1990s), Penny and Vicky Vilagos (1990s), Fanny Létourneau (1990s and 2000s) and Claire Carver-Dias (late 1990s and 2000s)

**c d e g h i i m m n n n o r s s w y z**  
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10. Florence Bell (1920s), Ethel Catherwood (1920s), Myrtle Cook (1920s), Fanny "Bobbie" Rosenfeld (1920s), Ethel Smith (1920s), Jean Thompson (1920s), Abby Hoffman (1960s and 1970s), Debbie Brill (1970s and mid-1980s), Angela Bailey (1980s), Molly Killingbeck (1980s), Marita Payne (1980s), Angela Taylor-Issajenko (1980s), Angela Chalmers (1980s and 1990s) and Charmaine Crooks (1980s and 1990s)

**a a c d d e f i k l n r t** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

## WHAT DO WE HAVE IN COMMON? (Secret Code Game)

USE THE SECRET CODE TO DISCOVER WHAT EACH GROUP OF THE FOLLOWING CANADIAN WOMEN HAVE IN COMMON!

1=a 2=b 3=c 4=d 5=e 6=f 7=g 8=h 9=i 10=j 11=k 12=l 13=m 14=n 15=o  
16=p 17=q 18=r 19=s 20=t 21=u 22=v 23=w 24=x 25=y 26=z

1. Cross-country skier Roseann Allen, runner Angela Chalmers, cross-country skiers Sharon and Shirley Firth, and water polo player Waneek Horn-Miller

**They are all famous** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_  
1 2 15 18 9 7 9 14 1 12 1 20 8 12 5 20 5 19

2. Downhill skier Nancy Greene, figure skater Karen Magnussen, runner Abby Hoffman, synchronized swimmer Carolyn Waldo, speed skater Sylvie Daigle, runner Charmaine Crooks, kayaker Caroline Brunet and speed skater Catriona Le May Doan

**They have all been** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_  
6 12 1 7 - 2 5 1 18 5 18 19

3. Betty Baxter, Ellen Burka, Debbie Muir, Molly Killingbeck, Bev Smith and Danièle Sauvageau

**They were all** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_  
3 15 1 3 8 5 19

4. Alexandrine Gibb, Phyllis Griffiths, Myrtle Cook, Terry Leibel, Nancy Lee, Marie-José Turcotte and Carolyn Waldo

**They were/are all** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_  
19 16 15 18 20 19 10 15 21 18 14 1 12 9 19 20 19

## Answers (WHM 2002 Games)

### Scramble Game

1. diving
2. swimming
3. hockey
4. downhill skiing
5. basketball
6. figure skating
7. wheelchair racing
8. speed skating
9. synchronized swimming
10. track-and-field

### Secret Code Game

1. They are all **Aboriginal athletes** • In 1972, along with team-mate **Roseann Allen**, cross-country skiers **Sharon** and **Shirley Firth** became the first Canadian aboriginal women to ever compete at the Olympics. In 1984, they also became the first Canadian women to compete in four straight Winter Olympics (1972, 1976, 1980 and 1984) • In 1990, runner **Angela Chalmers** was the first woman in Commonwealth Games history to win the 1500m and 3000m races. She won two consecutive Commonwealth gold medals in 1990 and 1994 at 3000m. In 1994, she became the Canadian record holder in 3000m • One of Canada's top water polo players, **Waneek Horn-Miller** was part of the All-Star Canadian water polo teams for both Junior and Senior Women from 1991 to 1999. She was the first Mohawk woman from Canada to take part in the Olympics when she participated at the 2000 Summer Olympics in Sydney.

2. They have all been Canadian **Flag-bearers** for the opening ceremonies at the Olympics • Starting with **Nancy Greene** who carried the Canadian flag for the opening ceremonies at the 1968 Winter Olympic Games in Grenoble, France, followed by **Karen Magnusson** at the 1972 Winter Olympic Games in Sapporo, Japan, **Abby Hoffman** at the 1976 Summer Olympic Games in Montreal, Canada, **Carolyn Waldo** at the 1988 Summer Olympic Games in Seoul, Korea, **Sylvie Daigle** at the 1992 Winter Olympic Games in Albertville, France, **Charmaine Crooks** at the 1996 Summer Olympic Games in Atlanta, USA, **Caroline Brunet** at the 2000 Summer Olympic Games in Sydney, Australia, and **Catriona Le May Doan** at the 2002 Winter Olympic Games in Salt Lake City, USA. Kayaker **Sue Holloway** was also selected to be the Canadian flag-bearer during the opening ceremonies at the 1980 Summer Olympic Games in Moscow but Canada boycotted those games.

3. They were/are all **coaches** • Former captain of the Canadian Olympic volleyball team in 1976, **Betty Baxter** was the first female Head coach of the national volleyball program, from 1979 until 1982 • **Eileen Burka** coached figure skating. Since her debut in the 1950s, she has produced 26 Canadian Olympic and World Champions and medalists – including Elvis Stojko • **Debbie Muir** was the Head coach of the National synchronized swimming team from 1981 to 1991 and was a major reason that Canada dominated the world in synchronized swimming during the 1980s • Former Olympian **Molly Killingbeck** started up as a university assistant coach in 1989 and went to the coveted post of coach of Canada's 1996 men's sprint relay team • **Bev Smith** became Head coach of the Canadian women's basketball team in 1997. She made her third Olympic appearance at the 2000 Summer Olympic Games in Sydney, coaching the team to a 10th-place finish • **Danièle Sauvageau** was Head coach of Canada's National women's hockey team, leading the team to a gold medal at the 2002 Winter Olympic Games in Salt Lake City.

4. They were/are all **sports journalists** • In 1928, pioneer women's sports leader **Alexandrine Gibb** began writing a daily sports column for the Toronto Star, the first of its kind in Canada. Her column was entitled, "No Man's Land of Sports", and ran until 1940 • **Phyllis Griffiths** was a pioneer female sportswriter. She had her column "The Girl and the Game" from May 1928 until 1942 • Former athlete **Myrtle Cook** became a sportswriter with the Montreal Star in 1929 and had her column "In the Women's Sportlight" for over 40 years • **Terry Lebell** became the first woman to host a national sports program, when she was named host of TVN's Sportsdesk. In 1984, she also broke new ground in sports journalism, when she became the first woman to do play-by-play for the Olympics, covering cycling, equestrian and white-water events for NBC during the Summer Games in Barcelona in 1992. She also became the first female to co-host CBC Sports' Olympic coverage, at the 1996 Summer Games in Atlanta • **Nancy Lee** joined CBC Radio's national news department in 1987, moving into sports soon after as a reporter and then as the producer of "The Inside Track" radio show. She became head of radio sports and then, after the 1996 Olympics, was named Deputy Head of television sports. With her appointment as Executive Director of CBC TV Sports in January 2000, she became the first woman to run the most important sports production and broadcasting operation in Canada • Since her debut with Radio-Canada's sports team in 1985, **Marie-José Turcotte** has been an anchor-woman during the coverage of several provincial, national and international competitions, including the Commonwealth Games, Les Jeux de la Francophonie and five Olympic Games. She also hosted "L'Univers des sports" from 1988 until 1994 and "L'Aventure Olympique" since 1999 • Former synchronized swimmer **Carolyn Waldo** has been with CJOH Sports in Ottawa since 1990.

For more information on women's history and sport, feel free to visit the Web sites of Status of Women Canada (SWC) at <http://www.swc-cfc.gc.ca/whm/> or that of the Canadian Association for the Advancement of Women and Physical Activity (CAAWS) at <http://www.caaws.ca>

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