



# CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS

## Volunteer at the 2013 Ontario Lacrosse Festival

In 2012 the Festival hosted 557 teams and approximately 11,028 athletes and featured competition for forty-four provincial and national lacrosse championships for 6 -21 year-olds. Approximately 1,000 games were played. The event takes place on 13 arena pads as well as outdoor fields. The Festival relies largely on volunteers to provide the manpower to make it a success. The 2013 event dates are Friday, August 2nd to Sunday, August 11th.

### **Commitment**

Because the arenas operate from 8am to 10pm each day, it is ideal to have 3 shifts of volunteers. This means that the optimum minimum volunteer time on any day is 4-5 hours. For those volunteers who come from outside Durham Region, and who can volunteer for longer than one day, accommodation is provided upon request at Durham College. The Volunteer Coordinator will schedule you at the venue of your choice if you have family members competing.

### **Volunteer in a Single or Double Pad Arena**

*There will always be an experienced volunteer at each arena to train and guide you and make sure you are comfortable with the duties you are assigned.*

- Check registration cards and completed game sheets prior to each game
- Liaise with Officials (referees, timekeepers etc.)- provide support for same
- Communicate needs to facility staff
- Communicate any needs, concerns etc. to the tournament convenor and/or RIC
- Record and report scores
- Supervise on pads where concerns have been identified
- Deliver and collect game sheets
- Pay minor officials

### **Volunteer at Iroquois Park**

*The Iroquois Park Facility is the Tournament Headquarters. This means that duties are more numerous and varied than in other facilities. Provincial and National Tournaments are running simultaneously. Your involvement with the National Tournament will be marginal (as noted below) unless you are assigned to specific duties related to Nationals.*

In addition to the above duties you may be asked to perform the following:

- Package and distribute hats, programs etc. to teams
- Assist in handing out medals, trophies, banners
- Sell tickets to National Finals
- Assist at National Opening and Closing Ceremonies
- Assist in the National 'Welcome' event
- Crowd control, admission and security at National Medal Games
- Physical labour (if able) – the elevator to Whitney Hall has made this much easier
- Delivery to other arenas

### **Benefits**

As well as being a part of the biggest amateur sporting event in Canada, giving lacrosse players of all ages a fantastic experience, networking with OLA Volunteers and Staff and experiencing the Festival from the inside you will receive accommodations, some meals and a Festival T-Shirt

*You will never be asked to perform a duty you are uncomfortable with, nor will you be placed in any conflict of interest situation. **Remember** that you are representing the OLA as an ambassador of lacrosse while volunteering. It is expected that you will dress appropriately (including no home club/zone/team wear) and will immediately remove yourself from any situations/decisions that would be perceived by those involved as a conflict of interest.*

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