

## **SATA News November 2008**

As the fall is fast approaching it hockey and high school and junior football is kicking into high gear. In order to accommodate the busy schedule of a CAT(C) we hosted a continuing education course in August. From surveying the membership it was the most convenient time to for members to attend. On August 9 and 10th the SATA was very proud to host a Soft Tissue Release course instructed by Certified Athletic Therapist Jim Bilotta. The course which took place in Saskatoon at Pro Sports Rehab was run at full capacity. The 30 participants included Athletic Therapists, Physical Therapists and Registered Massage Therapists from within the province. Thanks to Curt Cummings for organizing the course and Blaine Whyte for providing the location. I encourage the membership to contact me with course ideas for the future as the SATA would like to provide continuing education opportunities that are within the province and representative of our needs.

In member news, congratulations go out to Lisa Swallow for becoming a partner at Stapleford Physiotherapy and Rehab Clinic in Regina, Trevor Len for being named assistant AT at the University of Regina and to Courtney Schell (CC) of Tisdale, SK who had a great summer with a school placement and summer job with the Hamilton Tiger Cats. Although they are a rival to the Roughriders we will keep Courtney as a member as she did admit that she will always bleed green! If I haven't done this already in the past couple months I would like to welcome new members to the association: Nicole Renneberg (CC) and Krista Peterson, CAT(C). Each month, as President, I field emails from Athletic Therapists in other parts of the country who are looking at returning home to Saskatchewan to practice. I think this bodes well for the SATA and increasing our presence in the Saskatchewan population.

Although it will have past by the time this newsletter is received I want to remind our members that the Saskatchewan Sports Medicine and Science Council hosts a biannual Sport Medicine Saturday conference. The fall conference is held in Saskatoon with this years date being October 18, 2008. If you were unable to attend this conference please keep in mind that the spring conference, dates TBA, will be in Regina.

In final news I would like to encourage everyone to take a look at our new website at <http://www.saskathletictherapy.ca>.

Sincerely,

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SATA President