

MEDIA RELEASE

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Coach Appreciation Night to be held at Brandon University

This year, Coaching Manitoba's annual Coach Appreciation Night, will be held in conjunction with a Brandon Bobcats Volleyball evening. The Brandon Bobcats take on Trinity Western University in exciting CIS Volleyball action on Saturday January 31st, 2009.

Coaching Manitoba is inviting all Manitoba coaches and their families to come out and enjoy the games. The night out includes a pre-game reception that includes food and refreshments, and free admission to both the Men's and Women's Volleyball matches. Between games, Coaching Manitoba will honour all 2008 Global Coach of the Month recipients.

President and CEO of Sport Manitoba, Jeff Hnatiuk, explains why the event is hosted every year, "Development of our athletes is directly connected to the time, expertise and commitment of Manitoba's coaches. They are pillars in our sport system. It's important to take time to thank them for their time and dedication to sport".

Director of Coaching Manitoba, Greg Guenther says, "Coaches are always giving their time and it is often time spent away from their families. This is an event where Coaches can bring their families."

Kirk De Fazio, Athletic Director for Brandon University says, "Brandon University is proud to host Manitoba's coaches; and celebrate their successes by cheering on our nationally ranked Volleyball Bobcat teams".

Coaches are asked to RSVP for event tickets at www.coachingmanitoba.ca or call 925-5913.

A list of previous Global Coach of the Month recipients to be honoured between the men's and women's matches, can be found at:

http://www.coachingmanitoba.ca/recognition/recognition_coach_of_the_month.php

Coaching Manitoba is the unit of Sport Manitoba responsible for the training, education and development of coaches in the province. Sport Manitoba is a not for profit organization and the lead planning, programming and funding agency for the development of amateur sport in Manitoba. Sport Manitoba partners with over 100 organizations to deliver sport in our province and is responsible for programs including the Power Smart Manitoba Games, Coaching Manitoba, Team Manitoba and KidSport.

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