



March 2012 Report – Provincial Program

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Comments & Updates:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Women in Coaching Apprenticeship Program. Coaching Manitoba has approved our application for the Women in Coaching Apprenticeship Program for Lindsay Argue to attend the 2013 Canada Summer Games as an apprentice coach. MCA will be receiving \$4000 that must be used to support Lindsay Argue's coaching development. 2) PP Committee Meeting. Provincial Program Committee met on March 1, 2012. Next meeting is May 2012 3) Spring Training Camp. Okanagan Valley Training Camp takes place March 22 – 31, 2012, and will be a joint project with the Manitoba Triathlon Youth Team. 19 athletes attending this year (13 cycling, 6 triathlon), losing 1 triathlete due to getting Mono. 4) Provincial Team clothing has arrived. 5) Van Service. ~\$1600 service done to van to prepare for travel to Penticton – tires, water pump replacement, cooling system flush, transmission flush, trailer wiring, oil change 6) Trailer Construction. Trailer internal construction is almost finished since started in Oct 2011. Outside bars on side door added, spare tire mounted, shelves, fork mounts for 19 bikes, storage space for athlete bags. Outstanding for next month to complete is rubber flooring to reduce slipping in bike shoes. 7) Program numbers. Numbers continue to increase. We are now are 31 athletes actively participating in the program, up from 23 last month. Estimate 36 by mid-April and 40 athletes by early May. 8) Chris Prendergast has been nominated as one of Sport Manitoba's Junior Male Athlete of the year for 2011. 9) Leah Kirchmann won a silver Medal at the Pan American Championships in Argentina. This has guaranteed her a spot in the Olympic pool from which the Olympic team will be selected in June.
Issues/Concerns/Recommendations:	<p>Provincial Program numbers continue to grow rapidly. As of March 2012, we are now at 31 athletes actively in the program (19 – Devo, 8 – Performance, 4 – High Performance) and estimate that numbers will be around 40 athletes this summer (~27 – Devo, 8 – Performance, 5 – High Performance). The large number and wide range of abilities is too much for one coach to look after, especially covering two disciplines. The Provincial program needs to hire a summer assistant coach to support the program to allow numbers to continue to grow, but also ensure all the athletes are getting full support with their own development. Additional funding is needed to help cover the estimated \$12,000 expense. Several applications (Green Team, Canada Summer Jobs) have been made, and waiting for a response. Also waiting for funding amounts from Women in Coaching Apprenticeship program received and Canada Games funding. Approximately \$7,000 of needed funding is now secured - \$4000 WIC, \$3000+ Canada Games.</p>