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APATA is finally coming down from the excitement of hosting the Canada Winter Games this past February. The games couldn't have been better! Halifax once again showed Canada what a great little city we are. Hats off to Chad Newhook CAT(C) our chief therapist who took the reins in a calm and cool manner and organized everything so well. Also, many thanks to our therapists who helped out at the games (my apologies to anyone I've left off the list): Colin King, Ann Booth, Natalie Randal, Al MacFarlane, Jackie Vandertuin, and Kurt Stevenson! The event couldn't have been as great of a success without your help! All the best to Sherbrooke for the 2013 Canada Summer Games!

Exciting things are happening in the Atlantic Provinces. APATA is pleased to launch its new and revised website. Kurt Stevenson has been working hard to get the site up and running and up to date with information for our members and the public. The website is hoping to raise the awareness of Athletic Therapy and provide a forum for our members to communicate and advertise their clinics as well.

A huge shout out goes to Mary Lalancette CC who has been awarded a Canadian National Basketball Scholarship this for this upcoming summer. She will be working with the Junior and Senior National Teams at both domestic and international events. Congratulations Mary, it will be an exciting summer for you!

Many thanks to Stewart Munroe and Graham Black who were instrumental in welcoming Medavie Blue Cross on board to cover Athletic Therapy. This is exciting news and the beginning of great things for our members in the Atlantic Provinces. It provides an avenue for our therapists to bill for their services, with the ultimate goal of increasing our numbers!

APATA membership is continuing to grow in many ways. We would like to welcome Laura LeDrew CC and her new bundle of joy to Newfoundland. Welcome Laura and your baby!

Things are continuing to roll along for our therapists. Al MacFarlane CAT(C) was busy in March as Mount Allison hosted the CCAA badminton championships. Also, Heather MacLeod CAT(C) continues to work with the Canadian Amateur wrestling team and will be traveling to Romania and Turkey with the juniors. Big congratulations go out to Krista Mullay Dobbin CAT(C) after having completed her masters thesis at the University of Victoria.

As Emerson says, "The first wealth is Health!"

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