

SPORTS

Attention Old Sticks Players!!

The Old Sticks Lacrosse Organization is beginning player registration for the 1995 season. Player registration forms are available from the Old Sticks executive and will also be available at the following locations:

- Great Skate Store at the Peacetree Mall on Cornwall Island,
- RayCo Team Sports on Montreal Road in Cornwall,
- Sportec on 9th Street in Cornwall,
- Blanchard's Confectionery on 13th Street in Cornwall,
- Thompson's Store on St. Regis Road in Hogansburg.

The Deadline for Registration will be APRIL 20, 1995.

The Old Sticks will be

holding a final registration and information night for prospective Old Sticks players on **Thursday, April 20, 1995** at the Police Club (now known as the Rat's Nest - Cornwall Minor Baseball) located on Marlborough Street in Cornwall starting at 7:00 p.m. The Player Draft will take place at the Police Club (Rat's Nest) on **Tuesday, April 25, 1995.**

Due to increased costs of operating, the Player Registration Fee for 1995 will be \$60 which is payable in advance of the draft.

In addition to the regular league, the Old Sticks Lacrosse would like to offer a NON-CONTACT version for those players interested in participating in a more relaxed recreational level of Lacrosse.

The rules for the proposed Old Sticks Recreation Division would be based on the CLA's Masters Recreation Division which calls for restrictions on all body contact (allowing only stick-on-stick checking), a 5 second possession rule and prohibits players from running or shooting past more than one player. Should there be enough interest for this level of play, the Old Sticks would reorganize the league to offer the Recreation Division starting in 1995. Please indicate on the Registration Form if you are interested in this Division.

If you have any questions concerning the Old Sticks League and registrations, please contact Ernie Mitchell at 937-0611 or Lewis Morris at 933-8484.

Akwesasne Minor Lacrosse

Registration

The Akwesasne Minor Lacrosse Registration will take place on Tuesday, April 18, and Thursday, April 20, at the Akwesasne Mohawk School (A.M.S.) on Cornwall Island. You may register your child/ren between the hours of 4 pm to 8 pm. Registration fees are \$25.00 per child. If your child should make the travelling team, it will be an extra \$50.00. Please

bring your child's OHIP/QHIP card. All registration fees are non-refundable. This registration is for everyone, including the US side and Cornwall.

For more information please contact:

Ben Benedict (933-8901)

Leona Delormier (933-5717)

Laura Morris (933-8484)

Tim (Dooley)Thompson (575-1104)

The Newly formed 35 and over co-ed softball league will be holding a meeting on Monday, April 17th at the American Legion at 7:00 pm All team reps are required to attend. This meeting will be to finalize league rules. For more information you can contact: Marilyn & Tom Francis 937-4598 Johanne Jackson 575-2348 Alex Roundpoint 933-5885

Waneek: From Oka Activist to MVP in University Sport

Waneek Horn-Miller has finally learned how to control her anger.

The 19-year-old Carleton University student, who five years ago joined Mohawk Warriors behind the barricades at Oka, now transforms it into medal-winning performances in the swimming pool.

Horn-Miller, a first year psychology and political science student, has added two more awards to her already crowded trophy case. She was named the Carleton University women's water polo team's most valuable player, and she took home the Ruth Coe Memorial Award as the university's best female athlete of 1994-95.

Her achievements to date have been no less impressive. In swimming, Horn-Miller has won a combined 12 gold medals at the 1991 and 1993 North American Indigenous Games. As a water polo player, she was

on the 1992 Canadian National Juvenile All-Star Team, the 1994 Canadian Junior All-Star Team, the 1994 Canadian Junior National Team, and the silver medal-winning team at a 1994 World Cup qualifier in Cuba.

She has also been nominated in the youth category of the National Aboriginal Achievement Awards - a nomination, she later discovered that had been put forward by her nine-year-old sister.

In conversation, she displays a confidence that five years ago might not have existed. A 14-year old high school student behind the barricades, Horn-Miller witnessed first-hand the bitter 1990 standoff between Mohawk Warriors and the Canadian military. She has a scar, she says, from the bayonet of a Canadian soldier.

"I was really stressed out then," she says. Determined not to quit school, Horn-Miller left

Ottawa and moved back to her home reserve of Kahnawake. In 1992, she graduated from the Kahnawake survival school. "A lot of people might have started drinking or taking drugs," she says. "I trained like a maniac."

Although school and training take up much of her time, she has, since Oka, become increasingly involved in native affairs. In 1991 and 1992 she participated in two "Sacred Runs" to raise public awareness of native issues.

"One reason for my anger was that I didn't understand why (Oka) became what it did," she says. "Now I know what it means to be Indian."

She returns to Kahnawake two or three times a month. She has coached the reservation's junior girls' basketball team and has seen how her success has affected the reservation's youth.

Horn-Miller often asks what she can give back to the Mohawk people in return for their longstanding financial and spiritual support. "They just tell me to do my best."



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