

Reference Materials

1. District of North Vancouver Sports Field Needs Assessment – November 2009
2. City of North Vancouver Parks Master Plan – 2010
3. 2007 Indoor Facility PERC Report – (Refreshed in 2015)
4. 2014 City of North Vancouver Official Community Plan (OCP)
5. True Sport, What Sport Can do.
6. Discussions with North Vancouver Sports Organizations
7. Sport Council Survey conducted in 2013 and updated in 2016.

Sport Council Goals

Promote sport , fitness . health and life skills

1. Community recreational level
2. School leagues
3. High Performance Level

Advocate for events and sport tourism

1. Canada Games/BC Summer & Winter Games
2. Regional, Provincial and National Competitions

Sport Council is an advisory group to both North Vancouver Councils, Recreation Commission and School Board

North Shore Future Challenges

Population 143,000

(2016 census-combined City & District)

1. Available Land is becoming less
2. Facilities must be better utilized
3. Facilities must be multi sport
4. Facilities built for both present and future
5. Plan for 20 to 50 year life span
6. Meet both training & tournament needs

Facility Selection/Planning Criteria

All sports have needs and their own requirements

1. Need to create a comprehensive facility development plan to meet future needs of both recreational and competitive sport activities
2. All groups need to respect each others facility needs and support each other
 - Training venues
 - Tournament venues to meet sport regulations
3. Must enable residents to participate in sport/fitness here on the North Shore
4. A cooperative approach to facility planning is necessary

Field Sports

Soccer, Baseball, Football, Field Hockey, Rugby, Cricket, Lacrosse

Present field replacement and development is predicated on:

1. City of North Vancouver Parks Master Plan published in 2010
2. District of North Vancouver Sports Field Needs Assessment published in 2009



Soccer

Largest organized Field Sport by participation numbers

Approx. 10,000

Field Capacity meets present needs.

Future needs

1. 4 Artificial Turf Fields are planned (Argyle, Handsworth, Kirkstone and Inter River.)
2. Plan to phase out all weather gravel
3. Public access to fields is required as more and more fields are converted to artificial turf.

- **Field Hockey**



Participant Numbers:

3000 members total all ages (2000 reside in North Vancouver)

High School Program - 20 teams -Approx. 400 athletes

Present Facilities

Only one regulation Field Hockey Pitch (Rutledge in West Vancouver)

Future Requirements

One Regulation Field Hockey Pitch in North Vancouver (5% growth annually)

Football & Rugby

Football



A resurgence in the high schools

Training fields have become a problem – particularly grass fields

Rugby



High school programs are having difficulty finding training and game field access.

Grass fields access is becoming more difficult especially at the school level

Soft Ball and Hard Ball

Participant Numbers 3000

Present Facilities

Inter River, McCartney, Kinsmen North

Meets present needs

Future needs

Predicted growth of 5% in the next 10 to 15 years

Inter River 7 & 8 would accommodate a wonderful sports complex for Softball, Soccer, Cricket.

Court Sports Tennis, Pickle ball, Floor ball. Badminton

Tennis



Participants

Approximately 3100 regular players
(10-15% growth over next 15 years)

Facilities

Outdoor courts – 64 courts in 27 locations
Indoor courts

Needs

Present outdoor courts are sufficient
Add night lights for future increased utilization and
possibly covers to some outdoor courts

Pickle Ball

1. A relatively new and growing sport
2. Presently working with the Tennis folks and using some surplus outdoor tennis courts
3. An indoor facility is required due to the North Vancouver weather.



Floor Ball

1. Another relatively new indoor sport to the North Shore
2. Adequate gym space not available.
3. No facilities to allow growth
4. Popular with youth



Rink Sports — Hockey, Figure Skating, Speed Skating, Recreational Skating and Curling

Facilities

5 ice rinks total in City and District

No Curling Rink.

Future Needs

Curling Facility

3 indoor rinks one of which is an international size ice rink

Athletics – Track & Field

Sprints and Distance Running, Jumps, Throws, Race Walking, Cross Country and Road Racing.

Over 4000 school and club athletes in North Vancouver cannot host any regulation competitive events.

Present Facilities

1. Handsworth track – in poor shape
2. Fenn Burdett – recreational walking and jogging
3. Sutherland and Windsor Tracks – not suitable for training or competition
4. No Javelin, hammer throw, Discus throw or Pole Vault training facilities in North Vancouver

Immediate Future Needs

8 lane Track and Field facility which meets regulation requirements for all track and field disciplines.

Would be multi purpose with other grass field users

Aquatics: Recreational Swimming, Aqua-fit, Diving, Competitive Swimming, Synchronized Swimming, Water Polo

Participants

1. NV Recreation Programs: Approx 15,200 (2016)
2. Public Swim participation : Approx: 208,000 (2016)
3. Sport User Groups - Approx : 1500 swimmers

Stats Canada indicates the average Canadian participates in some sort of Aquatic activity between 6 to 8 times a year

Present Facilities

1. 2– 6 lane 25 meter pools
2. 1 – 6 lane 37 meter pool (Ron Andrews 1974)
3. 1 – 25 meter Wave Pool (Karen Magnussen 1990)

Future Needs

One 52 meter 8 lane multi purpose pool to meet present and future needs

Summary

Needs Assessment – 10years

Immediate Future (Within 2 to 5 years)

1. 8 lane 52 meter multi-purpose Aquatic Center
2. 8 Lane Competition Track and Field Facility (Multi Sport)
3. Lights for Outdoor Tennis Courts
4. Facility for Curling
5. New Field Assessments and Plans for 2020 – 2030
6. New Indoor Facility Report to replace existing PERC Report

Long Term (6 to 10 years)

1. Replace 2 all weather fields with artificial fields – 1 being a Field Hockey Pitch
2. 4 Sheet Curling Rink
3. 3 Indoor Rinks- One which is International Size for Hockey, and Figure Skating
4. 200m Indoor Track facility that can be used for indoor track and field training in winter or bad weather.



Plan for Success

For a plan to be successful, there needs to be a continual update and reassessment.

A goal of Sport Council is to provide an annual update to Councils, Recreational Council and School Boards.

Thank You