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BC Ambulance Service

### **PARAMEDIC GAMES – INTERIOR REGION TEAMS**

The following paramedic teams from ambulance stations in the B.C. Interior will be facing off against their colleagues at the 2008 BC Ambulance Service Paramedic Games and Education Symposium taking place in Delta from November 7-9.

#### **CL-ASH**

This team is comprised of Ron Bendzack who works at the **Ashcroft** ambulance station and Chris and Diana Guerin who are paramedics in **Clinton**. Ron is the junior member of the team having been with the BC Ambulance Service for two years while Chris and Diana have been paramedics for 19 and 17 years respectively. This will be Ron's first paramedic Games but the Guerin's have competed previously. All team members are paramedics because they want to make a difference in people's lives and help their communities. Diana is competing because she wants to do better than last year and all three are also expecting to have fun. *(Photo available)*

#### **Early Birds**

Three paramedics from the **Winfield** ambulance station are participating in the 2008 Paramedic Games and Education Symposium. Jason Fenrich, James Frei and Eric Enquist are looking forward to the opportunity to have some fun and learn and share skills with their paramedic colleagues. In their work as paramedics, the team members enjoy meeting and helping new people and interacting with patients and their coworkers. Each paramedic has previous experience competing at the Games. *(Photo available)*

#### **Sticky Gatch**

Team Sticky Gatch, comprised of team members Brad Fraser, Dave Sherman and Allise Snoek, is based at the **Westbank** ambulance station. Some team members have previous Games experience; helping people and the daily challenges involved with paramedic work are what they enjoy most about their jobs with the BC Ambulance Service. *(Photo available)*

#### **26A1**

Kathy Crandlemire, Richard Lee, Jodie Scott and George Andres (alternate) make up team 26A1. The members work in **Sicamous, Kamloops, Lions Bay** and **Winfield** and many have competed in the Games in previous years. Helping people in need, making a difference, meeting different people and a varied work environment are what they enjoy about being paramedics. They feel the Games are a chance to meet paramedics from across the province and a good learning opportunity. *(Photo available)*

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