



SUMMERLAND SUPPORTS CANADA'S ATHLETES

The Mayor and Council of Summerland are pleased to support the Canadian Athletes Now Fund. CanFund gives substantial grants direct to National level athletes to help them be able to focus less on financial worries and more on their World Class sport aspirations.

The Fund was founded by Jane Roos, a promising track athlete whose career was ended by a tragic car accident. Upon healing, she turned her energies toward helping other athletes and started a non-profit foundation. The Canadian Athletes Now Fund manages an eight million dollar fund created from corporate sponsorships, fundraising and donations from the public. More information can be found at CanFund's website www.canadianathletesnow.ca

One of their fundraisers is having athletes that they have helped, such as Summerland's **Justin Kripps** (Canada Bobsleigh Team), do some networking. If you would like to support Canada's athletes you can follow the [website](#) and make a donation. You can have your name attached to Justin's page and he will see your support. Donations can be anything from a toonie up. (Please note the donations go into a general pool and are distributed according to need).

Knowing the limits of public funding for elite athletes, and that Summerland will surely have, within its residents, future winter and summer Olympians, the City is pleased to encourage residents to make a donation and support Canada's exceptional athletes.

Will we be represented at future Olympics? Who knows ...Summerland is thrilled to have 2 strong contenders for 2010 (**Kristi Richards and Justin Kripps**). Your contribution may help a future Summerland Olympian to reach his or her dream.

