

Announcement of Draft List of Ontario Card Nominations and Appeal Procedures

2019-2020 Quest for Gold – Ontario Athlete Assistance Program

Draft List of Ontario Card Nominations Announced!

Cross Country Ski Ontario is pleased to announce a draft list of athletes and alternates who have been nominated for Ontario Cards under the 2019-2020 Quest for Gold - Ontario Athlete Assistance Program (OAAP). The athletes nominated were selected using the sport specific selection criteria developed by Cross Country Ski Ontario and applied by (the) Selection Committee.

Nominated Athletes		
Jasmine	Lyons	Nakkertok
Heidi	Stewart	Big Thunder/NTDC
Shaylynn	Loewen	Georgian Nordic/NTDC
Annika	Richardson	Lappe Nordic/AWCA
Sophie	Tremblay	Nakkertok
Max	Hollmann	Big Thunder
Guillaume	Pelchat	Pembroke Cross Country
Bob	Thompson	Team Hardwood
Ryan	Jackson	Barrie XC
Evan	Palmer-Charrette	Lappe Nordic
Christina	Picton	Laurentian Nordic (PN)
Kyle	Barber	Laurentian Nordic (PN)
Alternates		
Jack	Carlyle	Soo Finnish/AWCA
Aidan	Kirkham	Nakkertok
Kai	Meekis	Big Thunder/NTDC
Shilo	Rousseau	Barrie XC

Please note that this list is unofficial and is subject to change pending the outcome of any appeals and/or any re-selection decisions made by the PSO/MSO Selection Committee or the Quest for Gold Appeals Committee. As a consequence, this list should not be seen as final.

Athletes who have not been nominated and who wish to appeal this decision can do so by following the process below. Issues related to the specific content or selection requirements contained in the **CROSS COUNTRY SKI ONTARIO** Selection Criteria are not grounds for an appeal and should therefore be discussed directly with the leadership of **CROSS COUNTRY SKI ONTARIO**.

1. Before an athlete can file a Notice of Appeal, they must ask **CROSS COUNTRY SKI ONTARIO** for reasons explaining why they were not nominated for an Ontario Card. Deadline: **April 14, 2020**
2. **CROSS COUNTRY SKI ONTARIO** will respond to the athlete in writing by **April 16, 2020**

If the athlete is not satisfied with the **CROSS COUNTRY SKI ONTARIO** response, the athlete may submit a **Notice of Appeal**, found below. A Notice of Appeal will only be accepted from the athlete or their parent/guardian on the MHSTCI-provided template (typed or hand-printed, no hand-written entries).
NEW: Due to COVID-19, all staff are working remotely, and Appeal submissions will only be accepted via email at questforgold@ontario.ca

One appeal cannot be written on behalf of multiple athletes. The Notice of Appeal email must be received by MHSTCI by noon on the deadline day.

The Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries has scheduled the Appeals process to conclude and a final list of QFG recipients to be posted here by May 25, 2020. Given the current challenges with COVID-19, every attempt will be made to meet those deadlines however dates are subject to change. We appreciate your understanding.

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Athlete’s Notice of Appeal Template**

Appeals will only be accepted on the MHSTCI-provided Notice of Appeal template. **Please refer to the appeals section of your PSO/MSO’s Athlete Selection Criteria document prior to completing this form.**

Deadline: 12 noon on April 20, 2020

Return form to:
Email: questforgold@ontario.ca

Full Name _____
Address _____ City _____
Postal Code _____ Phone _____ Email _____
Sport / PSO _____

Reason for Appeal (Check all that apply):

- Whether or not the PSO/MSO has completed the selection process in accordance with its own published selection criteria and related procedures;
- Whether or not the PSO/MSO applied the section criteria in a manner that was free from bias, discrimination and/or conflict of interest.

Provide a two-line summary of the reason for the appeal:

In the space below, (continue on to next page as needed) provide the reasons communicated to you by your PSO/MSO as to why you were not nominated for an Ontario Card, and the date the information was provided. (Note: This Appeal will not be accepted unless it contains a response from your PSO/MSO.)

Date of PSO response: _____

In the space below (continue on to next page as needed), provide a detailed account of the situation to allow the Appeals Committee to understand the basis of the appeal (please submit additional pages/supporting documentation as necessary):

PLEASE NOTE that all decisions of the Appeals Committee are final.

Print Name of Appellant

Signature of Appellant

Date

All information provided to the Appeals Committee will be shared with both the Appellant and the PSO/MSO.