



# News Release

## High Performance Athletes to Visit NWT Schools

**Yellowknife, NT** (April 20, 2009)—Sport North is pleased to announce that it is coordinating the visit of three elite athletes. Cross-country skier, Sarah Daitch, will make presentations in Fort Smith to both schools and to students at Aurora College, as well as J.H. Sissons School in Yellowknife. Snowboard Cross athlete, Michelle Brodeur, and biathlete, Jaime Robb, will make presentations at Range Lake School, K’alemi Dene School, St Joseph School and Ecole Allain St Cyr, as well as visiting Hay River schools. Michelle and Jaime will be in the NWT between April 22<sup>nd</sup> and April 29<sup>th</sup>, while Sarah’s tour will occur between April 17<sup>th</sup> and April 28<sup>th</sup>. All the athletes will make appearances at the Junior Super Soccer tournament this weekend.

Michelle is a competitor in snowboard cross. She competed at the 2009 World Championships. Sarah, who grew up in Fort Smith, has competed internationally at the 2007 World Championships and the 2008 spring World Cup Tour. Jaime competed at the 2007 Biathlon World Championships and in World Cup races. Both Jaime and Michelle have family in Hay River.

Sarah, whose tour has already begun, said, “We are all really excited by the opportunity to visit NWT schools. Jaime initiated the idea and arranged the initial sponsorships, and the Sport North Federation stepped in with excellent organizational support and made the idea a reality. We are grateful to Sport North and our other sponsors and are delighted to have the opportunity to connect with school students and their teachers and soccer players and their coaches.”

-30-

For further information, contact:  
Bill Othmer, Sport Manager  
(867) 669-8336