



MOHAWKS OF THE BAY OF QUINTE

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Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte Well Represented at 2023 North American Indigenous Games

July 13, 2023 – As athletes and coaches are beginning their journey to Kijipuktuk (Halifax), Nova Scotia for the 2023 North American Indigenous Games (NAIG), the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte will be well represented with 23 athletes and seven coaches.

NAIG is held every four years and brings together 756 Indigenous Nations from across North America with the goal of helping Indigenous athletes realize the collective potential of our bodies, minds, spirit and of our people – our hopes and dreams – the spirit strong, brave and true.

From July 15-23 athletes between the ages of 13 and 19 will compete in 16 sports. Athletes representing MBQ will be competing in seven different sports. Tyendinaga Mohawk Council would like to congratulate each of our athletes for working hard to make Team Ontario, and wish them, along with all coaches and managers, the best of luck in competition, and know they will represent our community well.

Please join us in cheering on and congratulating:

Gage Barberstock – Basketball
Tala Brant-Berry – Soccer
Molly Cook-Martin – Basketball
Cameron Dejonge – Lacrosse
Carter George – Soccer
Hannah George – Basketball
Jaeden Hill – Lacrosse
Marissa Hill – Basketball
Bailey Jobson – Basketball
Quintin Layfield – Basketball
Hayden Lloyd – Basketball
Brooklyn Maracle – Basketball
Kooper Maracle – Basketball
Marlee Maracle – Basketball
Rodney Maracle – Athletics
Valorie Maracle – Basketball
Carolyn Markland – Lacrosse
Jonas McCourt – Athletics

Victoria McCourt – Basketball
Jorja McMullen – Basketball
Evelyn Shakell – Basketball
Tess Shakell – Basketball
Graydon Taylor – Softball
Susan Barberstock – Coach/Manager
Denise George – Coach/Manager
Sara MacNeil – Coach/Manager
Camden Maracle – Coach/Manager
James McCourt – Coach/Manager
Matt Somerville – Coach/Manager
Jennifer Westgate – Coach/Manager

Please help us send our athletes and coaches with a memorable send off. They will be boarding at bus at noon tomorrow (Saturday, July 15) from the Karonhiaktakie *Sports Complex (1935 York Road)* to head to the airport. Consider joining the send off from the parking lot, or cheer as they drive through the territory towards the 401 on ramp in Shannonville.

To learn more about the games and to tune in to competition, please visit:

<https://naig2023.com/>

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