

Dear Peter Julian,

I would like to bring to your attention a special event which is taking place in Burnaby this summer on July 19th: the International Quidditch Association's 2nd Biannual Quidditch Global Games. Team Canada will be competing against seven other international quidditch teams right here at home at Burnaby Lake Sports Complex West in less than a month's time.

Our national team is comprised of top-notch quidditch players and athletes from across the country, including myself and another Burnaby South graduate. We have been training hard to represent our sport and our country, but my team mates need some help travelling to Burnaby to compete. With less than a week to go in our fundraising campaign, we are working hard to get the word out. Please consider supporting Team Canada Quidditch by sharing or donating to our campaign, linked at the bottom of this letter. The event is also free and open to the public, and promises to be an extremely exciting day with programming for all ages. If you or any friends would like to attend, that would be fantastic.

What exactly is quidditch, you might ask... ? Quidditch is a sport that was adapted from J.K. Rowling's Harry Potter series in 2005 at Middlebury College. While it started as a fan sport — capes and all — it has since grown into an internationally competitive sport. A mixture of rugby, dodgeball, tag, and wrestling, quidditch continues to capture the magic of the children's series upon which it was based, with all the seriousness and dedication of a varsity sport.

The best part of the sport is the community. Quidditch can be played at many different levels, from pick up to recreational leagues to international tournaments. As a community we pride ourselves on being positive role models who promote healthy and active living. Everyone is encouraged to pick up a broom and join in, whether they are a varsity athlete or have never played a team sport before.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter. I realize you must be extremely pressed at this time with the announcement of the Northern Gateway Pipeline, and I applaud and support your party's efforts to stop the construction of the project. As an ex-constituent of your riding (I moved to Montreal for post-secondary studies), I have had the pleasure of hearing you speak and have always felt fortunate to have you as my MP. Keep up the great work, and I wish you all the best.

Sincerely,
Ema Shiroma-Chao, Member of Team Canada Quidditch



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