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Dear SAWA Members:

To begin, I would like to thank the SAWA executive for giving me the opportunity to represent the association in the role of Provincial Technical Coordinator.

The strength of wrestling in our province was highlighted by yet another strong Saskatchewan performance at the 2005 Canada Summer Games in Regina. However, many challenges exist. These challenges will be met with enthusiasm and effort on my behalf, to help wrestling grow in our province. As we enter the heart of the competitive season, I look forward to some excellent wrestling throughout the province.

My immediate objective is to make coaches aware of the transition that is currently underway in the National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP). Information about the new NCCP will soon be available on the SAWA website. Coaching development programs will be a priority in the near future, to ensure that our coaches stay current and strong throughout the province.

Another priority is the promotion of wrestling. This will include creating the best possible team for the North American Indigenous Games in Denver, Colorado this July. Male and female wrestlers from the ages of 13-20+ will be included. If you are interested, be sure to attend the trials in Prince Albert on February 18/19 2006. For additional information click the link on the SAWA web page. This is an excellent opportunity for competition and travel for all eligible athletes.

In closing, it is my long-term goal to help SAWA become a more useful resource for athletes, coaches, and parents involved in wrestling across the province. I look forward to working with all of you.

Thank You.

Lionel Strasky

