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Fort St. James Speedskater wins TELUS “The Future is Friendly” Athlete Bursary at the 2008 BC Winter Games

Fort St. James Speedskater, Jamie Lousie Macdonald, won the \$2000 TELUS “The Future is Friendly” Athlete Bursary at the Kimberley Cranbrook 2008 BC Winter Games.

Jamie is already making her mark in the world of speedskating. She is a provincial, national and north american age class champion and a multiple medal winner at the 2008 BC Winter Games. She is also a straight A student who hopes to pursue a degree in Kinesiology while also training to qualify for the National Team.

TELUS is a proud Corporate Partner of the BC Games Society and as part of that relationship provides a \$2000 bursary to one athlete at the BC Winter and BC Summer Games. The recipient of the 2008 BC Winter Games bursary was nominated by Speedskating BC and chosen by a BC Games Society selection panel.

TELUS District Manager, Frank Mungiello, made the announcement at the Closing Ceremony of the 2008 BC Winter Games in Cranbrook in front of a crowd of over 4000 people. Mungiello said, “TELUS is proud to support the development of young athletes in the communities where we live and work. Jamie is a shining example of an athlete pursuing her dreams of success.”

Kelly Mann, President and CEO of the BC Games Society said, “The TELUS athlete bursary is designed to support the ongoing development of young athletes. We hope that Jamie’s experience at the BC Winter Games combined with this financial support will assist in her pursuit of her Olympic dreams.”

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