

A message from Athletics & Recreation

Recreation and sport programs and services are a vital component of the Queen's experience. Currently, as a graduate and professional student, you pay \$81.90 per year (or 24 cents a day) to enjoy a wide range of on-campus services, including:

- Cardio and weight rooms, racquet courts, gyms and fields
- Drop-in recreational activities (basketball, volleyball, badminton, soccer and swimming)
- Instructional programs and fitness classes
- Intramurals and competitive sport opportunities
- Access to regular season inter-university games

An increase in the undergraduate and graduate athletics and recreation fee is now required to avoid significant cuts in these programs. The last increase was in 1997. We anticipate that this increase will be phased in over a four-year period.

Athletics & Recreation is asking for your feedback to help us determine the amount of the increase, based on the programs and services that are important to you. Undergraduate students recently provided this feedback through a survey and two plebiscite questions in the AMS Winter Referendum.

Please read the flyer attached to this newsletter, and fill out our survey **prior to Monday, February 9, 2009** at:

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=WqK9QsBE5r9ysmPrhOEJNg_3d_3d

Your input will help guide us in determining the amount of the proposed fee increase, which will be presented for your vote on February 25/26.

Thank you for your support – and please feel free to contact us with any questions at: athletic@queensu.ca.