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John Klaver named Team Canada Beach Volleyball Team Manager

His knowledge in the field of Deaf sports is sure to be a great asset to the CDSA

Montréal, January 6, 2023 – The Canadian Deaf Sports Association (CDSA) is pleased to announce the appointment of John Klaver to the position of Manager of Canada’s Men’s Beach Volleyball Team. Mr. Klaver, who is from Ontario and resides in Montréal, was appointed by the Executive Director and a selection committee.

He will manage the Men’s Beach Volleyball Team for the 2025 Summer Deaflympics in Japan.

Mr. Klaver, whose native language is ASL, was a student in the 1990s, earning a Bachelor’s in Physical Education and Health from Gallaudet University in Washington, DC. He has extensive experience as a Canadian volleyball athlete, manager, and volunteer at Deaf sports events. His progression in sports is impressive, as evidenced by his track record:

- ✓ Women’s Team Manager for Team Canada in 2007 in Valencia, Venezuela, with his team winning the gold medal
- ✓ Computer technician in 2011 in Mont-Tremblant, Québec, for the organizing committee of the World Deaf Cycling Championships
- ✓ Supervisor of the organizing committee at the World Deaf Athletic Championships in Toronto, Ontario, in 2012
- ✓ Volunteer in various administrative capacities for the Ontario Deaf Sport Association from 2012 to 2018
- ✓ Volunteer on the ASSQ (Québec Deaf Sports Association) organizing committee for the 2022 Canada Deaf Games in Laval, Québec

“Mr. Klaver is an enthusiastic volunteer with years of service in outreach activities in the community. He has helped multiple organizations and organizing committees with their daily tasks and requirements. He is a tremendous asset for the CDSA, and I am sure he will take Team Canada to very high-performance levels in forthcoming competitions,” says Alain Turpin, CDSA Executive Director.

About the CDSA: The Canadian Deaf Sports Association is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to the development of high-performance Deaf and hard-of-hearing athletes. Through direct financial support, the CDSA enables athletes to take part in international sports events sanctioned by the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf and the Pan American Sports Committee for the Deaf.

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