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Canadian National Team to Hold Open Tryouts in August

Tryouts scheduled for Aug. 1-3 at Harvard University

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (June 30, 2008) – The Canadian National Team will hold open tryouts beginning on Friday, Aug. 1 and concluding on Sunday, Aug. 3 at Harvard University's Jordan Field in Cambridge, Mass., head coach Lisa Miller announced today. Athletes must have a Canadian affiliation to try out for the team, which will compete at the International Federation of Women's Lacrosse Associations (IFWLA) World Cup in Prague, Czech Republic in June 2009.

The first session will begin on Friday at 4 p.m. and the tryouts will continue through Sunday afternoon. Those interested in trying out can register on the official Web site of the Canadian Women's Lacrosse National Team Program at www.teamcanadawomenslacrosse.com.

Joining Miller, who also serves as the head coach at Harvard University, on the coaching staff of the Canadian National Team will be Amy Bokker, the head coach at Stanford University, and Patty Kloidt, the head coach at Hamilton College, the Division III National Champions this past season. Miller has previous experience with the Canadian National Team, serving as an assistant coach for Canada's 2001 World Cup team.

Currently, 15 member nations comprise the IFWLA. The IFWLA World Cup competitions have been held every fourth year since 1982 in a different host country. Canada has participated in every World Cup in the 27-year history of the event, winning the bronze medal once. At the most recent World Cup, held in 2005 in Annapolis, Md., Canada placed fourth.