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The Ontario Games for the Physically Disabled is a non-profit organization that was established in 1981 and incorporated in 1988. Since 1985, the Ontario Games for the Physically Disabled has been held annually in various locations across the province.

In 1993, The City of Thunder Bay with the support of the Parks and Recreation Department hosted the 1993 Ontario Games for the Physically Disabled from July 8-11. The 1993 Ontario Games for the Physically Disabled was a provincial competition that involved approximately 260 athletes and over 400 volunteers. The aim of the event was to provide high quality games for athletes across Ontario with physical disabilities. The athletes competed in a number of events, including track and field, weight lifting, swimming, bocce ball, and wheelchair slalom. Athletic categories included: Blind, Cerebral Palsy, Les Autres, Amputee, and Wheelchair. Athletes who competed in these games were eligible to qualify for national competition, or international competition - qualifying for a place on the Canadian team for the Paralympics. Ontario Games for the Physically Disabled is now called ParaSport Ontario Games. Parasport Ontario is a member of the Canadian Paralympic Committee and continues in their mission to support the development and promotion of the Paralympic movement in Ontario.

This series contains records related to the organization and planning of the 1993 Ontario Games for the Physically Disabled. The City of Thunder Bay hosted the event along with the work of ten committees. The committees were made up of city staff from the Parks and Recreation Department and enthusiastic volunteers from the community.

Some of the records in the series involve correspondence, meeting minutes, agendas, committee reports, and budgeting. Some of the correspondence includes letters from the Ontario Ministry of Tourism and Recreation regarding funding. Other correspondence involves sponsors, such as the event's Corporate Sponsor, Bell Canada. There are meeting minutes and agendas from several of the different committees that were involved in the event. Particularly, there is a large number of meeting minutes from the two most significant committees: the Games Organizing Committee, and the Executive Committee. There are reports from several different committees such as, the Fund Raising Committee, Media Relations/Promotions Committee, Hospitality Committee, Transportation Committee, and several other committees involved in the organization of the event.

Other records included are related to budgeting and the scheduling the events. The finalized version of the budget and the official schedule are present, along with the official magazine that was published for the event.

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