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Three former Clan to compete at FIL World Championship

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Simon Fraser University Men's Lacrosse

BURNABY, BC (July 7, 2010) – Three former Simon Fraser University Clan men's lacrosse players will be competing at the Federation of International Lacrosse (FIL) World Championship in Manchester, England from July 15-24, 2010. Kevin Crowley (New Westminster, BC / New Westminster Secondary) and Curtis Manning (Surrey, BC / Fraser Heights Secondary) will suit up for the defending champion Team Canada, while Sean Tyson (Ottawa, ON) will play for Team Nederland.

Kevin Crowley played one season at Simon Fraser in 2007, scoring 28 goals and 16 assists en route to being named to the PNCLL All-Conference Second Team. Crowley, a midfielder, transferred to Stony Brook for the 2008 season where he has become one of the top players in NCAA Division I. In three seasons at Stony Brook, he has registered 101 goals and 75 assists to sit just 26 points shy of the all-time school record of 201. As a junior in 2010, Crowley posted an impressive 51 goals and 26 assists in 17 games for the Seawolves and was named the recipient of the Enners Award, given to the USILA's most outstanding Division I player, as well as being named the America East Player of the Year and a Tewaaron Award finalist. 2010 will be Crowley's second time representing Canada after leading Canada's U19 national team to a second place finish at the 2008 ILF U19 World Championship in Coquitlam, BC, where he was named to the tournament's All-World Team.

Curtis Manning played four seasons at Simon Fraser from 2006-2009 where he became one of the school's most accomplished lacrosse athletes while leading the Clan to back-to-back Conference Championships in 2008 and 2009. Manning was selected to the PNCLL All-Conference First Team in each of his four seasons, in addition to being named the PNCLL Most Valuable Player in 2008 and 2009. He was also a three-time MCLA All-American having been named a MCLA All-America Honorable Mention in 2006, to the MCLA All-America First Team in 2008 and to the MCLA All-America Second Team in 2009. In addition to his on-field success, Manning was four-time Academic All-American as a MCLA Scholar Athlete from 2006-2009. After his collegiate career, Manning was selected 6th overall in the 2009 National Lacrosse League (NLL) professional draft by the Calgary Roughneck's where he played his first professional season in 2010. This will be Manning's first time representing Canada at the World Championship where he will play defense and long stick midfield.

2010 FIL Men's World Championship Manchester, England - July 15-24, 2010



ABOVE L-R: Kevin Crowley (SFU 2007), Curtis Manning (SFU 2006-2009), Sean Tyson (SFU 2001-2002, 2004-2005)

Sean Tyson also played four seasons at Simon Fraser, suiting up for the Clan from 2001-2002 and from 2004-2005. A long stick midfield, Tyson helped guide the Clan to a PNCLL Conference Championship on 2001 and consecutive second place finishes in 2004 and 2005. This will be Tyson's second time representing Nederland at the World Championship after competing in the 2006 ILF Men's World Championship in London, Ontario. Tyson also played for the Dutch national team at the 2008 ELF European Championship in Lahti, Finland.

ABOUT FIL WORLD LACROSSE CHAMPIONSHIP

The FIL World Lacrosse Championship is the premier international men's lacrosse tournament. Held every four years, the 2010 Championship will take place July 15-24 in Manchester, England. A record 30 nations will compete at the event, nine more than the 2006 World Lacrosse Championships, which were held in London, Ontario, Canada.

From its inception in 1967 through the 2006 event, the World Lacrosse Championships were sanctioned by the International Lacrosse Federation (ILF). In 2008, the ILF merged with the former governing body for women's lacrosse, the International Federation of Women's Lacrosse Associations (IFWLA), to form the Federation of International Lacrosse (FIL). From the 2010 World Championship, all future World Championships will be sanctioned by FIL.

This will be the third time that the tournament has been hosted in Manchester, having hosted the 1978 and 1994 World Championships. Canada is the defending champion having defeated the United States 15-10 in the 2006 Final.

The events are being held at the Armitage Centre, Manchester University's sports grounds.

ABOUT SIMON FRASER MEN'S LACROSSE

Simon Fraser University men's lacrosse is entering its 16th season in 2011 and competes in the Men's Collegiate Lacrosse Association (MCLA). The Clan have captured eight PNCLL Conference Titles (1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2003, 2008 and 2009) and have earned nine National Championship appearances, placing 2nd in 1999 and most recently playing in the 2010 MCLA Semi-Finals after reaching the Quarterfinals in 2008 and 2009. The Clan are proudly sponsored by Harrow Sports and Onyx Lacrosse / Riddell Helmets.

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