



Rhythmic Gymnastics Manitoba Inc.



**Hello – just a quick follow-up on RG’s first attempt at being Parade Ambassadors.**

Thank-you to Zdravka for recruiting Emil, Kristie and Danielle and supplying the majority of hoops. These 3 young women were cheerful, enthusiastic and of course wonderful at engaging the kids before the parade and showing them various hoop skills . They did have to leave by about 4:30 however, leaving the Sport MB volunteers and myself to interact with the kids on hand as they just played happily with the 7 hoops I had brought from home.

Organized games and demonstrations were not practical or required – kids just enjoyed being free to do their thing on the street. I did give out about 40 stickers or so to the kids that worked with the coaches. At 5 the parade started and we volunteers were asked to stand along the curb and keep the crowds from encroaching the street. Kind of an odd role, but we sure had a good view. After the parade left, we were asked to pick-up the obvious garbage left behind before the City street-sweepers came by.

All-in-all, kind of fun. We all wore bright red Sport Manitoba t-shirts over our coats and were given a sporty yellow toque (which we got to keep ☺). I think it was good PR for Sport Manitoba and whether the kids will actually remember that they were participating in an RG activity is hard to say.

Ask me after I thaw-out whether RGM should consider doing this again. (Just kidding – I was warmer and better dressed than most of the parade watchers)

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