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Registration is now open for the 2015 Subway Commonwealth Games of Virginia. Two upcoming events are being held in the Richmond area including:

- High School Club Lacrosse May 30<sup>th</sup> at the RiverCity Sportsplex in Midlothian
- Figure Skating June 6-7 at the Richmond Icezone

. This marks the 26<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for the Subway Commonwealth Games and Virginia Amateur Sports. Over 55+ sports are being offered this summer including basketball, softball, sand volleyball, swimming, paddle boarding, pickle ball, 5K race, karate, baseball and more.

Since its inception in 1990, more than 220,000 athletes have competed in the Games making it one of the most attended sporting events in the state. In 2014, over 1,000 athletes from the Richmond area competed in the Games, adding to the nearly 10,000 registered to compete last year.

Main Games Weekend is July 17-19, which kicks off with Athlete Tailgate Party and Opening Ceremonies on Friday July 19<sup>th</sup> starting at 4:00 at the Salem Red Sox Stadium. The evening includes free food provided by Subway, interactive games, music, parade of athletes, fireworks, lighting of the Olympic Cauldron and appearances by a USA Olympic medal winner and Miss Virginia.

In partnership with the Richmond Kroger stores, the Subway Commonwealth Games will be collecting canned food items to benefit the FeedMore Program, Central Virginia's hunger-relief leader, at the High School Club Lacrosse tournament on May 30th. "We're proud to partner with the Commonwealth Games to support FeedMore. Kroger is committed to fighting hunger, and food drives are a great way to help those who are going without," states Kroger.

For more information on the Games or to register, visit: www.CommonwealthGames.org.