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Week of March 4th, 2005

1 **Canada defeats Wales**

Congratulations to the Canada Under 19 Women's team that has defeated Wales twice, as follows:

February 19	Canada 18	Wales 0	in Cowichan, British Columbia
February 22	Canada 27	Wales 12	in Shawnigan, British Columbia

A good harbinger for the summer, perhaps?

The Wales senior men's team, apparently the best team in the Six Nations championship currently, will visit the USA and Canada this summer, with the following fixtures:

June 4	versus	USA	in Hartford
June 11	versus	Canada	in Toronto

2 **Game Analysis Centre**

The IRB's Game Analysis Centre provides an ongoing and remarkable supply of statistics, facts and figures. These guide the IRB's technical committees, experts and initiatives.

At its November 2004 Interim Meeting, the IRB received a report from Corris Thomas, the head of the Centre.

I include herewith the PowerPoint presentation that supported his presentation. Whereas you won't have the benefit of his spoken word, nevertheless the document provides some excellent insights.

Thanks to Corris for his excellent work.

3 **IRB Trainers of Officials in the USA**

I am delighted to announce that the following have attained the status of IRB Trainer, having successfully completed the "Train the Trainer" course held in San Francisco, February 24th – 27th:

Jonathan Andrews, Matthew Eason, George Gloeckner, Peter Hansford, Timothy Hochschild, Doug Kendall, Mark McInroy, Patrick McNally, Cap Pelletier, Josh Tameifuna, Ronald Weatherill.

4 Guyana Rugby Football Union

The GRFU held its Annual General Meeting on 27th February. Best wishes to the Officers for 2005:

Kit Nascimento	President
Noel Adonis	Senior Vice President
Col. John Lewis	Junior Vice President
Terrence Grant	Honorary Secretary
Leonardo Butcher	Honorary Treasurer
Roxanne Thomas-Alleyne	Assistant Secretary/Treasurer
Robin Roberts	Public Relations Officer
Conrad Arjoon	Committee Member
Clinton Clarke	Committee Member
Colin Sultan	Committee Member

5 Fox Sports World

Many friends have been circulating emails concerning Fox Sports Worlds' reported cancellation or reduction of Rugby programming. I am unaware of the details, but it seems that Fox needs to be reassured on how important televised Rugby is. You can provide your opinion direct to <http://msn.foxsports.com/feedback>

Best wishes to all,



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