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EDMONTON (April 11, 2022) - The North Glenora Blues History Project and students from NAIT's Digital Cinema film program are proud to announce the production of the documentary film "**A Ball and a Stick**". Digital Cinema student, Noelle Spaulding, is directing the documentary and has assembled a team of aspiring filmmakers from the NAIT program. The film tells the story of a grassroots lacrosse team established in Edmonton in 1966 that went on to represent Alberta at the Canada Summer Games just three years later.

Taking place between 1966 and 1969, the story tells of the significant impact the game of lacrosse had on the players themselves and on subsequent generations of players who followed them.

Formed in 1966, the North Glenora Blues were one of Alberta's first box lacrosse clubs. Now in their 70s, the original Blues players look back and reflect on the game that shaped their lives and those around them including the two North Glenora teams which again represented Alberta at the Canada Summer Games in 1973 and 1977.

Jim Tayler is serving as the Executive Producer of the documentary on behalf of the North Glenora Blues History Project. Tayler's father was the founder and visionary of the Blues when the game was reintroduced to Edmonton youth in the mid 1960's. Tayler says: "We are very happy to partner with Noelle and her team in a unique collaboration that will tell a story we hope will educate, inspire, and celebrate the game of lacrosse".

Filming of the documentary takes place in Edmonton in mid-June.

The film will be released in the fall of 2022.

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