

HOCKEY NL

NEWSLETTER



2ND ANNUAL CONNOR BUTT
MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

FOREVER A GROWLER



NOV 8TH-10. 2024



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH

Connor Butt Memorial Tournament

- The 2nd Annual Connor Butt Memorial Tournament recently took place in Stephenville, honoring Connor's life, legacy, and love for hockey.
- The event brought together players, families, and friends, highlighting the incredible support of the community and the Stephenville Minor Hockey Association.

Bay Arena Rovers

- Rovers Nation introduced the Junior Coaching Program for U7-U13 leagues, elite skating programs, and the First Shift Co-ed initiative, alongside 9 Minor Rep Teams, the U18 Female Rep Team (CTP Devils), and a U7-U11 Female Development Program.
- Excitement for 2024: Rover the Mascot returns, bringing energy and unity to Rovers Nation as we continue building a stronger hockey community.

Mt Pearl Blades celebrate 50th anniversary

- Mount Pearl Minor Hockey celebrates its 50th anniversary season, marking five decades of hockey, fun, and friendship.
- Celebrations kicked off with an "old school" Blades Bingo night, with more festivities planned for players, families, and visiting associations throughout the year.

COACHES SPOTLIGHT: HOPE TETFORD AND GREG GILL NAMED FEMALE AND MALE COACHES OF THE MONTH FOR NOVEMBER

Celebrating Outstanding Coaches: Hope Tetford and Greg Gill
Hockey NL proudly recognizes Coach Hope Tetford and Coach Greg Gill for their exceptional contributions to our hockey community.

Hope Tetford – Champion of Female Hockey

Coach Hope's passion and advocacy for female hockey have created an inclusive and empowering environment. Her dedication to raising awareness, volunteering tirelessly, and fostering trust and inspiration among players has made female hockey a space where young athletes thrive.

Greg Gill – Coach of the Month

Coach Greg's leadership, strategic mindset, and positive energy have propelled his team to success. His focus on personal player growth, respect, and teamwork has built a strong team culture that extends beyond the rink, inspiring players to excel both on and off the ice. We thank Coaches Hope and Greg for their unwavering commitment to developing players and strengthening our hockey community.



Greg Gill

Hope Tetford



World Junior 50/50

Get ready to win big while supporting grassroots hockey across Canada with the World Juniors 50/50! 🇨🇦 With three exciting draws running from December 4 to January 5, fans have the chance to take home life-changing jackpots while cheering on Team Canada. Proceeds from this initiative will directly benefit hockey programs, including women's and girls' hockey, growth and retention efforts, and making the game safer for all. Don't miss your shot to support hockey dreams and potentially score big—buy your tickets now

[BUY HERE!](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

December schedule Mr. Lube+Tire St Johns Junior Hockey League

If you're in the St. John's or Avalon area, don't miss out on the chance to enjoy fast-paced, exciting Junior hockey. Come out and witness high-level competition—you won't be disappointed!

Female U18 Camp

- Date- Dec 28,29- Paradise NL
- 30 players and 4 goalies are invited and the players come from all over the island and will be 2008 & 2009 birth years.
- Coaching staff
 - HC- Tony Goobie
 - AC- Brittany Dumaesque
 - AC- Emily Parsons
 - GC- Kelsey Shute
 - Trainer- Jill Holden
 - DOP- Maria Rotondi
- Camp will consist of 1 practice, 3 games, a goalie session, player interviews and a team builder.
- 20 Players will be selected from this camp to represent Hockey NL at the 2025 FU18 ACC in Dartmouth, NS from May 1-4th.

Hockey NL accepting bids venues to host provincial camps

Hockey NL is now accepting bids from venues to host the High-Performance Program (HPP) Provincial Summer Hockey Camps for 2025-2027. These prestigious camps highlight the top 12- to 15-year-old female and 13- to 15-year-old male hockey players in Newfoundland and Labrador and play a key role in identifying talent for our provincial teams.

Why Host?

- Showcase your community and facilities.
- Boost local engagement during low-demand seasons.
- Support a program that prepares players for opportunities like the World Juniors and the Olympics.

Event Details:

- Annual participation: ~194 players and their families.
- Duration: 4 days of elite programming.
- Budget: \$200,000 annually.

Download Bid Guidelines:

For full details and bid requirements, [Hockey NL- HPP Bid Package 2025-2027](#) (1).

Submit Your Bid:

Proposals are due by 4:00 pm, December 20, 2024. Send submissions to mpower@hockeynl.ca or the Hockey NL branch office.

Renegades @ Stars	66	2024-12-06	07:30PM	Bay Arena
Eagles @ Breakers	67	2024-12-06	07:45PM	Ken Williams Southern Shore Arena
Blades @ Celtics	68	2024-12-06	08:30PM	DF Barnes Arena
Stars @ Blades	69	2024-12-08	07:10PM	Glacier (1)
Stars @ Breakers	70	2024-12-13	07:45PM	Ken Williams Southern Shore Arena
Celtics @ Eagles	72	2024-12-14	07:00PM	Jack Byrne Regional
Blades @ Renegades	71	2024-12-14	07:00PM	CBS Arena
Caps @ Warriors	73	2024-12-14	08:10PM	Paradise Double Ice Complex (A)

Hockey NL establishes an elite hockey review committee to advance excellence in AA and AAA programs,

Hockey NL is pleased to announce the establishment of the Elite Hockey Review Committee, an ad hoc commission tasked with reviewing and enhancing the operations, finances, policies, and procedures of the Elite Hockey Program. This program encompasses AA and AAA programming within Hockey NL's Minor and Women and Girls Divisions. The committee, composed of a distinguished group of hockey leaders, will be chaired by Trevor Murphy of Hockey Canada and includes the following members: ● Cherie Piper – Hockey Canada ● Stephanie Poirier – Hockey Quebec ● Brian Casey – Hockey NL ● Jocelyn Thibault – Hockey Quebec/Hockey Canada ● Karen Burse – Hockey NL (Secretary, non-voting) The committee's mandate is to provide guidance and expertise in developing a best-practice-based Elite Hockey Program to support Hockey NL's goals. The final report, which will be presented to the President and Executive Director by March 1, 2025, will include recommendations for improving the program and addressing key areas such as structure, staffing, and financial management.