# 2025 BC HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Host Information Package







Port McNeill March 20th to 23rd Welcome to the 2025 U18A Female BC Championships! Your host for the week is Triport Minor Hockey and the U18 North Island Impact.

We welcome your team, players and families to Port McNeill and look forward to hosting you.

In this Welcome Package, you will find information about the following:

- Championship Contacts
- General Championship Information
- Our Community
- Accommodations
- Chilton Regional Arena
- Restaurants
- Explore the North Island
- Skate Sharpening
- Transportation
- Medical Information & Emergency Planning

If you have any questions, please contact;

Natalie Stewart (Host Committee Chair) – <u>nataliestewart3@outlook.com</u> or (250)209-2454

Feel free to call or text during the Championships if you have any questions or concerns – good luck to all teams and players!

### **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

<u>HOST ASSOCIATION</u> Tri Port Minor Hockey Association PO Box 1751 Port McNeill, BC VON 2R0

### **GENERAL CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION:**

Host Association Championship Contact

Natalie Stewart – Tournament Representative nataliestewart3@outlook.com (250)209-2454

Tanya Spafford – Triport President <u>triportmhachampionships@gmail.com</u> (250) 209-2570

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 Jami Harris – BC hockey Representative jamiharris03@yahoo.ca

### DATES OF CHAMPIONSHIPS

Wednesday March 19 (travel day and welcome banquet) Thursday March 20-Sunday March 23, 2025

Registration/Tournament Packages will be distributed at the banquet.

**Tournament Apparel can be ordered <u>HERE</u>** – All orders placed before March 6 will be shipped to and available at the Chilton Arena in Port McNeill during the tournament.

- "Welcome" Banquet
  - The welcome banquet will be held at the Port McNeill Curling Club which is located directly beside the Arena. To make things a little more fun for the girls, we have included a theme this year – Masquerade – we will have masks available at the door for anyone wanting to participate. No pressure to dress up but please communicate with your teams that everyone can come as dressed up as they would like but this is not mandatory. There will be prizes for best dressed team and best dressed/most creative individual.
  - o 6:30 pm doors open
  - 7:00 pm dinner & Speeches
  - 8:00-9:00 social and costume contest. (not mandatory to stay for this portion of the event)
- Coaches Meeting
  - Will follow directly after the Banquet at 8:00 upstairs in the curling club. We will have someone direct you where to go.
- Opening Ceremonies
  - Thursday, March 20, 2025 at 7:00 pm Chilton Arena
    Please have your team in their jerseys and ready to line up no later than 6:45pm

### **COMMUNITY INFORMATION:**

### https://www.vancouverislandnorth.ca/port-mcneill

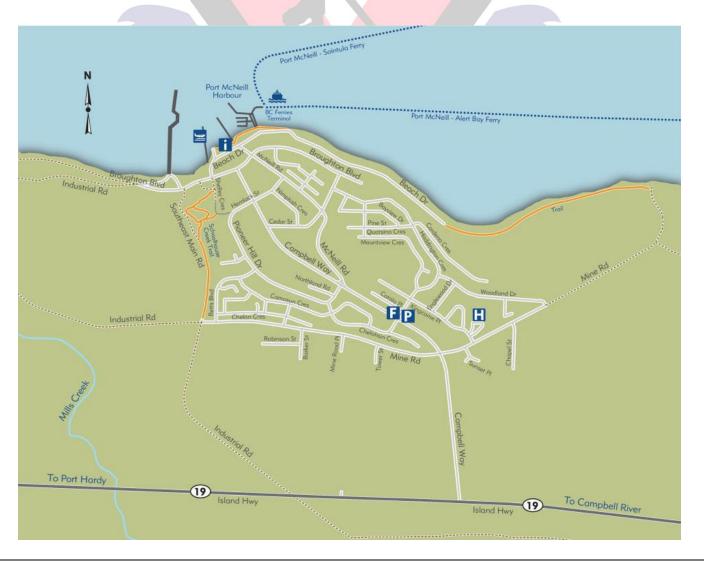
Port McNeill is the second largest community on Northern Vancouver Island. Here you will find instant access to picturesque wilderness and outdoor activities, including hiking, kayaking, mountain biking, wildlife viewing, fishing, and more.

A memorable Port McNeill visit would include time spent hiking the Schoolhouse Trail just steps from town and perhaps an eagle's eye sightseeing tour via seaplane or helicopter. The full service recreational and commercial harbour facility is within walking distance to all the necessities required by boaters. In town you will find

shops, galleries, accommodations, a museum housed in a beautiful log building, and a yearround Harbour Visitor Centre. Stroll the seawall for photo opportunities such as a 1938 steam donkey that was once used in a logging operation and is now located along the harbour. The world's largest burl (currently being re-fit after a fire), weighing 24 tons and estimated at over 525



years old, is next to the community hall, a heritage building used for many local events. A second big-league burl is located on Hwy 19 approximately five minutes north of town.



### **OUR FIRST NATIONS HISTORY:**

### Immerse yourself in culture

Embark on a remarkable trip to Vancouver Island North and the traditional territory of the Kwakwaka'wakw people as you immerse yourself in experiences that connect you further with the culture and traditions of this place. From wildlife viewing of the long-standing inhabitants of the island, cultural dining opportunities to experience local cuisine, and shared cultural knowledge best experienced through a cultural tour in this area- there are countless activities that offer travelers an opportunity to learn about this place, its people, and its deeply rooted culture.

The U'Mista, located in Alert Bay, just a short ferry ride from Port McNeill has worked towards fulfilling the mandate to ensure the survival of all aspects of cultural heritage of the Kwakwaka'wakw.

The historic and acclaimed U'mista Cultural Centre, located in Alert Bay, (ferry ride from Port McNeill) was incorporated in 1974. It's Canada's longest-running First Nations museum and cultural centre.

To learn more about their museum visit: www.umista.ca/pages/about-us



### **Chilton Regional Arena**

2205 Campbell Way Port McNeill BC VON 2R0

250-956-3522

### Staff:

Arena Services Coordinator: Shana Marshall Email: <u>smarshall@rdmw.bc.ca</u>

The Regional District operates one arena with an NHL size ice surface. The facility hosts activities such as adult recreational hockey, minor hockey, figure skating, learn-to-skate programs, public shinny and public skating from September – March.

### TEAMS:

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### SCHEDULE: 9 team format

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14	2:30	A3 vs A4			
15	5:00	B5 vs B1			
16	7:30	B4 vs B3			
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19	5:00 pm	Bronze Medal Game		(L- A1-B2 8	& L- B1-A2)
20	8:00 pm	Gold Medal Game		(W- A1-B2	& W- B1-A2)

## **ACCOMMODATIONS:**

For a full list of accommodations available – please visit www.vancouerislandnorth.ca/where-to-stay

- Black Bear Resort Pt. McNeill 1812 Campbell Way, <u>866-956-4900</u> port-mcneill-accommodation.com
- Humpback Inn Port McNeill 1528 Broughton Blvd. Pt. McNeill 1-888-956-3131 humpbackinn.com
- Dalewood Inn 1703 Broughton Blvd. Pt. McNeill 250-956-3304 dalewoodinn.ca
- Cluxewe Resort #1 Cluxewe Campgound, Pt. McNeill 250-949-0378 cluxeweresort.com
  - Sportsman Inn 1547Beach Drive, Port McNeill 250-956-4177 sportsmaninn.online
- Airport Inn 4030 Byng Road Port Hardy 250.277.4112 Porthardyairportinn.com









Beer & Wine

Restaurant

Meeting Rooms

- Kwa'lilas Hotel
  9040 Granville Street Port Hardy
  250-949-8525
  Kwalilashotel.ca
- Quarterdeck Inn & Marina 6555 Hardy Bay Road Port Hardy 250.902-0455 quarterdeckresort.net
- Glen Lyon Inn & Suites
  6435 Hardy Bay Road Port Hardy
  877-949-7115
  Glenlyoninn.com
- Port Hardy RV Resort & Cabins 8080 Godspeed Road, Port Hardy 250-949-8111 porthardyrvresort.com
- EcoScape Cabins
  6305 Jensen Cove Road Port Hardy
  250-949-1216
  ecoscapecabins.com

### **TRANSPORTATION:**

• Waivin' Flags Taxi & Bus Service 250.230-8294













### Port McNeill/Sointula/Alert Bay Ferry Schedule For a full schedule please check www.bcferries.com

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# PORT McNeill

Sportsman Steak & Pizza House
Subway
Devil's Bath (will take pre-orders and gametimes)
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Lata's Food Truck
M&Y Chinese Food
Bon Appetit
Harbour Lookout
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### PORT HARDY

Seto's Wok & Grill Karai Sushi & Grill Sporty Bar & Grill Moe's Restaurant 250-956-4113 250-956-3287 250-956-1616 250-956-6622 250-956-0483 250-956-0489 250-956-0489

250-949-8381 250-949-7744 250-949-7811 250-949-8303 Street Cafe Sandwiches from Mars A&W Port Hardy Subway Port Hardy McDonalds Tandori Junction Glen Lyon Restaurant Nax'id Pub Macy's Place Food Truck 250-949-8110 250-949-6789 250-949-2345 250-949-8889 250-902-2778 236-319-1777 250-949-7267 250-949-8886 250-949-1701

### SKATE SHARPENING & SPORTING GOODS:

- Port McNeill Arena 250-956-3522
- Steve Verbrugge 250-230-2555



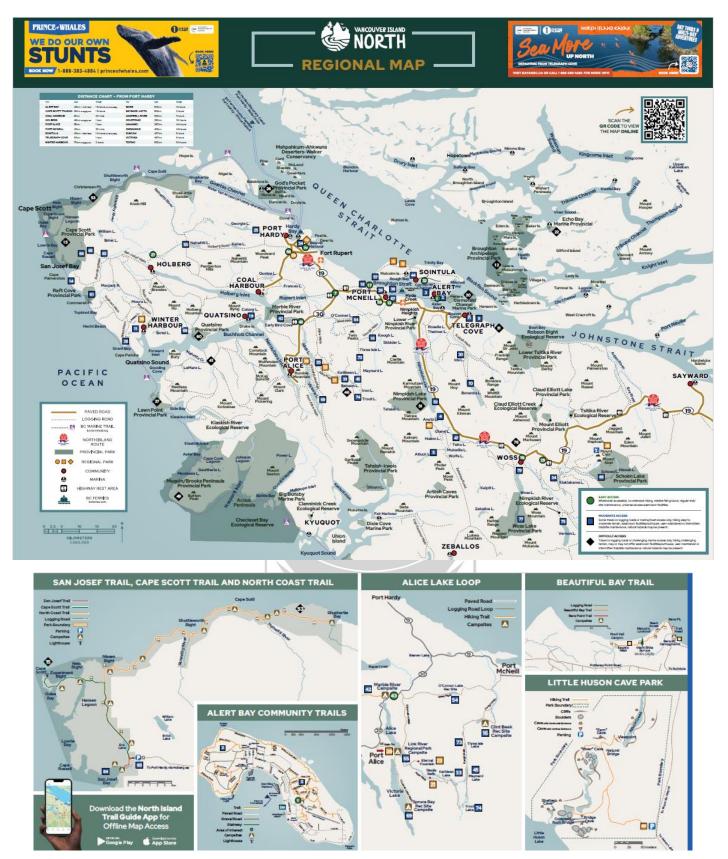
### TIMBERLAND SPORTS CENTRE

1705 Campbell Way #2 Port McNeill, BC VON 2R0 250-956-3544 WWW.TIMBERLANDSPORTS.CA



### Explore the North Island: www.vancouverislandnorth.ca

Download the Rec Map Here Download the Explorer Guide Here



#### Communities of Northern Vancouver Island

#### ALERT BAY

Connected by a 35-minute ferry from Port McNeill, Alert Bay is an important landmark of Indigenous culture and history, including the world's tallest Totem Pole, the U'mista Cultural Centre with its collection of sacred potiatch regalia reclaimed by the Kwakwaka'wakw people, posatch regata recarried by the kwakwaka wakw peop and the 'Namgis original burial grounds. Explore the marshiand boardwalk trails in the Ecological Park, with baid eagles and ravens soaring above, then stop and sayour an authentic salmon barbecue

#### COAL HARBOUR

Coal Harbour is the secret entrance to the many boating and charter fishing opportunities of Quatsino Sound. 20 minutes west of Port Hardy, this cute community delivers natural wonders and local history.

#### HOLBERG

Stop at the infamous Shoe Tree on your way to this quaint subject of minimum consider the only of a way to us quant pub before exploring Ronning's Garden, established in 1910 with seeds and cuttings from around the world.

#### PORT ALICE

Kavak, stand-up paddle board, or cance the waters of Neroutsos inlet, at this gateway to the Wild West Coast, then explore the unique karst formations – including the Eternal Fountain and Devil's Bath. Canada's only cenote. Enjoy the beautiful scenery and explore the community on the wheelchair-accessible Sea Walk.

#### PORT HARDY

The region's largest community offers easy access to offshore charter tours, BC Ferries sailings to Prince Rupert and Bella Coola, and a community rich with First Nations history. Experience the Quatse Saimon Stewardship Centre, meet the curator in the museum picnic and stroll at Storey's Beach, or go west to hike the Cape Scott Trail or the North Coast Trail.



#### INDIGENOUS CULTURE

Vancouver Island North is home to the 18 First Nations of the Kwakwaka'wakw. Their songs, stories and dances honour the animals, rivers, cedar trees, salmon and all that sustains their people physically and spiritually. Today, the First People here are celebrated for blazing the trails and pathways throughout the region you are about to experience.

Cultural centres around the North Island share the vibrant stories of the First Nations people, and offer interactive experiences to learn through cedar bark weaving, traditional dancing, story-telling, carvings, memorial poles and totem



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#### PORT MCNEILL

The perfect base camp for wildlife tours and adventures on the pristine waters of the Broughton Archipelago. Stop at the museum to learn of the town's connection to the logging industry, then visit Alert Bay and Sointula via BC Ferries. Slp and sayour the flayours of Vancouver Island North's first craft brewery, Devil's Bath Brewing.

#### QUATSINO

Arrive by floatplane, private boat, or water taxi to enjoy the sport fishing lodges of this west coast Shangri-La, then explore the sumy shoreline and art studios in this tiny west coast community.

#### SOINTIL A

Literally translated, this Finnish-settled community is a 'place of harmony', and features excellent hiking and easy strolling, fresh air and saltwater. Bring your car on the ferry from Port McNell, or borrow a bike from the Solntula Resource Centre to explore the Island.

#### TELEGRAPH COVE

This local landmark has served many functions over the decades: a one-man telegraph shack, a lumber mill, and a salmon saltery. With a resort, cabins, campgrounds, marinas, and the Whale Interpretive Centre and boardwalk, it's the perfect place for eco-adventures and wildlife tours.

#### WINTER HARBOUR

On the edge of Quatsino Sound, this historic fishing village offers easy access to sport fishermen seeking big trophies, as well as oceanfront hikes, kayaking adventures, and sandy beaches for everyone. An excellent spot to watch for sea otters, baid eagles, and intertidal life.

### WOSS

The heart of the Nimpkish Valley, this petite community The rebuilt for taken blogs and watersports. The rebuilt fine tower delivers incredible views of the valley, and nearby Nimpkish Lake and Woss Lake provi amazing windsurfing and kitesurfing conditions.



#### WILDLIFE ESCAPES

- Set off on a grizzly bear day tour from Telegraph Cove to Knight inlet on the mainland BC co
- Use the whale watching platform in Sointula to watch
- for orcas rubbing the rocks of Bere Point Take part in a wildlife tour from Alert Bay, Port Alio Sointula, Quatsino, Telegraph Cove, Port McNeill,
- or Port Hardy Visit the Quatse Estuary near Port Hardy to see
- eagles, herons, and other beautiful birds







e's Grizzly Bear Lodge



#### NATURE, NATURALLY

The pristine lakes and rivers, lush forests, rocky mountain ranges, and sandy shores encompassed by tidal waters that provide nourishment and protection, give Vancouver Island North an incredible ecosystem. Experience a hugely diverse selection of flora and fauna, lands and waters, and the ability to enjoy your passion, your way.

Traverse the land - an underground network of caves, kliometres of trails, rocky shores and sandy beaches - or erjoy the waters - fishing the secret coves and hidden streams, or diving beneath the waves to enjoy the spectacular undersea gardens, in waters described as some of the world's best temperate diving."



#### WILDLIFE ENCOUNTERS

Grizzlies and black bears, orcas and humpback whales; Vancouver Island North is an active member in the protection of these – and many other – incredible animals The Great Bear Rainforest, a quick flight or an easy cruise from Vancouver Island North, is home to substantial conservation efforts to protect the Great Bears, and the Robson Bight Ecological Reserve is designated Critical Habitat for Northern Resident Killer What

Take a guided tour – hiking the land or paddling through the kelp beds – to learn how the region's communities are working together to ensure the protection of all species.

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68	Spencer Cove Recreation Site	м	w		
69	Spruce Bay Recreation Site and Interpretive Trail	м	w	×	27
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74	Trout Lake Recreation Site	м			
75	Vernon Lake Recreation Site	м	w		
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77	Woss Lake Provincial Park*	м	w	×	
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### NATURAL ATTRACTIONS

- Visit Ronning's Garden near Holberg, an exotic pioneer garden in the middle of the coastal rainforest
- Experience the islands and inlets of Broughton Archipelago Provincial Park, BC's largest marine park
- Kayak, or cance the gentle waters of Port Alice, the Gateway to the Wild West Coast

Witness a variety of bird life that calls Vancouver Island North home. From a self-guided hip to the Salmon River and Quatse River Estuaries, to a once in a lifetime excursion to the Scott Islands off the northwest tip of Vancouver Island to see a breeding colony of fuffed puffins, there's ample opportunity to tick birds off of your list. Get involved with the local community by participating in the Solntula bi-annual bird count. Visit

BIRD LOVERS UNITE



#### VANCOUVER ISLAND NORTH IS HOME TO TRUE WILDERNESS

The Wild Pledge is a promise to practise re-Isolation and the second secon making a commitment to be a more sustainable traveller by doing the following:

#### PLEDGE TO:

- Leave no trace when exploring our beaches, forests, and land. Encourage the celebration of local cultures,
- traditions and heritages. Observe and not disturb our wildlife and
- natural habitats.
- Support local lives by eating, staying, and shopping locally.
- Prepare for any experience in our trails, mountains, and waters.
- Share the trails, roads, routes, and parking areas.





### UNIQUELY NORTH ISLAND

EXPERIENCE THE DEAUTY OF VANCOUVER ISLAND NORTH

Discover the curious karst formations on the Alice Lake Loop near Port Alice - especially the Eternal Fountain and Devil's Bath

Hike the Tex Lyon Trail from Storey's Beach near Port Hardy for a true coastal hiking experience

Climb the restored fire tower on the Lookout Trail in Woss to get a panoramic view of the Nimpkish Valley

Enjoy the water with a guided kayak trip out of Telegraph Cove, Alert Bay, or Quatsino

Find remnants and relics of early Danish settlements near Hansen Lagoon in Cape Scott Park

Explore the boardwalk and Ecological Park in Alert Bay on Cormorant Island

Take part in Malcolm Island's vibrant arts scene with local artists and musicians

Visit the world's largest burl in Port McNeill

#### WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

Vancouver Island North is proud to support the Marine Education and Research Society (MERS) and the North Island Marine

#### Mammal Stewardship Association (NIMMSA).

Find more information at mersociety.org and nimmsa.org



#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See the following websites for additional information on the parks and trails shown on this map.

vinmap.ca vancouverislandnorth.ca visitporthardy.com bcparks.ca rdmw.bc.ca sitesandtrailsbc.ca porthardy.ca

town.portmcnell.bc.ca portmeneil.net portalice.ca alertbay.ca



#### ACCESSIBILITY

The Vancouver Island Accessible Travel Guides are crafted by traveliers with disabilities (both visible and invisible) to provide recommendations and share trip considerations. The information provided is based on consultations with accessibility experts, as well as first hand experience at the time of our visit. The experiences will be different for each traveller and we hope this information will ease some of the trip planning. Learn more at vancouverislandnorth.ca/accessibletravel



#### ALE TRAIL

Sip your way through the Vancouver Island North Ale Trail. Devil's Bath Brewing, which was named after Canada's largest cenote located nearby is the first brewery to open on the North Island. The brewery has water views and a clant patio where you can linger while enjoying delicious food and drink. Support local at the Scarlet Ibis Pub located in Holberg, an hour and a half drive from Port McNelli on your way to Cape Scott Provincial Park. Try their North Coast Trail Ale, which gives a percentage of sales back to maintaining the North Coast Trail, or the Red Bird Logger.



#### LEAVE NO TRACE CAMPING

Take only pictures, leave only footprints. Respect the wildlife of Vancouver Island North by disposing of waste properly and packing out what you pack in. Hike designated trails only and be smart about campfires.

#### TRAVELLING LOGGING ROADS

Be safe. Buckle up and leave the headlights on. Yield to Industrial traffic, drive to road conditions, and ensure you're equipped for the trip. Forest Safety Council road information: bcforestsafe.org/forestry\_trucksafe/safe\_ driving\_info.html

#### MARINE NAVIGATION

Use Canadian Hydrographic Service (CHS) nautical charts and navigational products for safe navigation, and follow current official charts and publications. Vancouver Island North nautical charts available at charts.gc.ca

#### **BE AWARE ON THE WATER**

Pay attention to the weather and travel carefully. Dense fog isn't unusual during summer months. Winds can build suddenly and rough waters change quickly. Use VHF marine radios for weather updates. Bring safety equipment

#### MINIMIZE MARINE IMPACT

Use nautical charts and navigation equipment in water deeper than 10 metres. Do not motor where marine plants are abundant, and go ashore away from seagrass meadows and kelp beds.

#### CELLULAR PHONE SERVICE

There may be little to no cell coverage in the backcountry of Vancouver Island North. Don't rely on coverage outside of one of our communities. Grab the North Island Trail Guide app for offline trail info. Free download for Apple or Android.

### **Emergency Response Plan**

# Dial 911 in an Emergency

