



**2024 - 25
BC HOCKEY
ANNUAL REPORT**



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CHAIR OF THE BOARD REPORT

Stephanie White, Chair of the Board

I respectfully acknowledge that we are gathered on the unceded and traditional territories of Indigenous Peoples across British Columbia and Yukon. On behalf of BC Hockey, I express our sincere gratitude to all Indigenous communities who allow us to play and grow the game of hockey on their lands. We continue to honour the First Nations, Inuit, and Métis peoples whose histories, cultures, and contributions shape our communities.

As we reflect on the 2024-25 season, it is clear that hockey in our region continues to evolve. This past year, I have been inspired by the commitment of our community to foster a system that is not only safe, but also inclusive and welcoming to all. Thank you to the players, coaches, officials, volunteers, and families who are making meaningful change at every level of the game. Together, we are helping shape a future where hockey is more than just a game—it's a community built on respect and connection.

This season has also brought continued pressure and transformation in the hockey landscape. The trend toward choice and customization in sport remains strong, with families seeking experiences that align with their values and lifestyles. BC Hockey remains committed to providing an exceptional, participant-centered hockey pathway. Our focus is on strengthening the sanctioned hockey environment—through innovation, accessibility, and excellence—to ensure that all participants find a meaningful and rewarding experience within our programs.

From a governance perspective, our Board has continued to prioritize transparency, good stewardship, and sound policy. The Governance Committee has helped guide ongoing enhancements to our structures, regulations, and decision-making processes. I'd like to thank the Nominating Committee, chaired once again by Jen Loewen, for their diligence in building a skilled slate of Board candidates. The contributions of both outgoing and incoming Board members have positioned us well for the future.

Importantly, BC Hockey remains in a strong financial position. Thanks to careful planning and responsible fiscal management, we have continued to operate with stability and accountability. This positive financial footing allows us to invest confidently in our programs, infrastructure, and people—ensuring our ability to serve participants today and in the years ahead. I want to recognize our Finance Committee, staff, and leadership for their diligent oversight and commitment to sustainable growth.

On the ice, it was another outstanding year. From learn-to-play programs to elite competition, BC Hockey programs continue to foster growth, confidence, and achievement for participants of all ages and backgrounds. I extend congratulations to all athletes, coaches, and officials who took part in the 2025 BC Hockey Championships. These events not only celebrate competitive excellence but also highlight the extraordinary community spirit of our host locations, volunteers, and families.



BC Hockey's high-performance athletes, officials, and coaches have continued to represent our branch proudly on national and international stages. Their achievements are a testament to the strength of our grassroots programs and the dedication of our minor hockey associations. Our officials also continue to earn prominent assignments at major events, showcasing the depth of talent and professionalism in our officiating program.

To all of you—our volunteers, administrators, office staff, coaches, Board members, and especially our players—thank you. Your passion and dedication are the lifeblood of our game. It is your energy, care, and commitment that keep hockey strong across B.C. and Yukon.

As I complete my third year as Chair of the Board, I remain optimistic and motivated by the work we are doing together. Let us continue to prioritize community, belonging, and development at every level of the game. Together, we are building something truly special. Let us continue to co-create the best hockey experience in Canada—one that reflects who we are and who we strive to be.

With gratitude,

Stephanie White
Chair of the Board, BC Hockey

OPERATIONAL REPORT

Cameron Hope, BC Hockey Chief Executive Officer

We have a purpose as an organization that's simple to articulate: It is to deliver happiness through our game. That is, we want to engage, enrich and empower our members so that we can, all together, deliver hockey in a way that delights every participating person and family. Sounds easy, right?

Well, to be honest, it can be, if we all pull in the same direction. Even with such a big family of members – local associations, leagues, and teams – the volunteers, players, coaches, and officials all share a winning approach, and success follows. At our best, we work hard, listen, and adopt sensible processes and solutions for even the most complex problems. It might sound old-fashioned, but the Board and staff at BC Hockey are true believers in how 'common sense' and a 'member-first' stance in everything that we do is the foundation we should embrace. We lean heavily on an operational infrastructure that prioritizes relationships, common-sense accountability, and communication. I'm proud of the way we operate, and I am gratified to see the results.



What kind of results? Well, the number of BC Hockey participants in the 2024-25 season was the highest in history. Yes, you read that right. In this era of maximum choice for families on how to spend recreational time, and where entrepreneurs operate hockey programs and leagues outside of our membership, our member participant numbers are soaring. For the third year in a row (since COVID) we again welcomed more coaches, officials and players into membership than ever before, across nearly all demographics.

Success like this brings other challenges, of course. For instance, if some of you have noticed that it's harder to find and keep good ice slots for games and practices, you're not imagining things. That issue is growing. So we turn attention and resources to it (and to other emerging trends), as we review and tweak our priorities.

Our role is, as always, to steward and help our members. It is to watch, listen, and act prudently, using our values as a guide. We come to work every day to take care of business in a way that keeps our non-profit organization, our ecosystem, and our game healthy and vital.

So, who should take the credit for the success we're enjoying? You - because if you're reading this, you're probably contributing in some way. Yes, we all owe a debt of gratitude to our elected BC Hockey Board, and the countless hours selflessly given to our game by these Directors along with dozens of Committee, Work Group, and Task Team members. We also owe thanks to Hockey Canada, ViaSport, SportBC, and dozens of other stakeholders who work with and support us so that we can deliver on our mission.

Most of all though, our game is healthy and strong because of the people who make up our member organizations. It's amazing what thousands of like-minded people, mostly volunteers, can do. From local Board members and staffers of our MHAs, District Associations, and Accredited Schools, to every coach, official, organizer, and other critical volunteer... this is where the puck hits the ice.

In a world that seems more stressful and difficult than ever for many of us, it is a daily privilege to work with everyone involved in our hockey ecosystem, keeping our game great and putting smiles on sweaty faces.

See you at the rink,

Cameron Hope



FINANCE

Haleigh Callison, Finance Committee Chair

During the 2024–25 fiscal year, the Finance Committee reviewed quarterly financial statements, the proposed 2025–26 budget, the audit report, and the annual financial statements. Following thorough evaluation, the Committee recommended these materials for approval by the Board of Directors. In addition, the Committee submitted recommendations for an Investment Policy and Reserve Fund Policy for the Board’s consideration during the year.

BC Hockey extends its sincere appreciation to the independent members of this year’s Finance Committee: Doug Arnett, Gene Blishen, and George Bawden. Each contributed their time and financial expertise generously and with great dedication. Appreciation is also extended to Board member Calvin Swustus, who also served on the Committee. BC Hockey is fortunate to benefit from the knowledge, experience, and commitment of this exceptional group.

MINOR COMMITTEE

Stephanie White, Chair of the Board

Curtis Klashinsky, Vice Chair

The Minor Committee is comprised of the BC Hockey District Presidents and a representative from the Board of Directors. Our mandate is to advise and update the Board of Directors on recommendations, issues or opportunities affecting minor hockey in British Columbia and Yukon, in accordance with key duties outlined in the Minor Committee Terms of Reference.

This past season the Minor Committee has met eight times via video conference since June of 2024. The Minor Committee took a proactive role in discussing pertinent topics to support the improvement of the game at the minor level as well as providing feedback to the Board.

The Minor Committee discussed and provided input on the following topic areas:

- Championships
- Non-Sanctioned League Policy
- U15 / U18 Pathways
- Pilot programs
- Parent Meeting Policy



- Nominating Committee Feedback and Updates
- Female Model
- Tiering Review Committee
- U13 / U15 Pathway
- Hockey Canada Updates
- Resolutions - Bylaws and Regulations
- Best Practices

Thank you to all committee members for your productive, collaborative engagement and the innovative ideas shared to enhance minor hockey. Your dedication to minor hockey throughout British Columbia and Yukon is truly appreciated.

ADULT MALE

Trevor Bast, Adult Male Coordinator

British Columbia Intercollegiate Hockey League (BCIHL)

The BCIHL entered the season with the same five teams as last year: Vancouver Island University (VIU), University of Victoria (UVIC), Simon Fraser University (SFU), Logan Lake Miners, and Okanagan Lakers. The league followed a 20-game schedule. UVIC hosted the championship weekend, facing VIU in a rematch of the 2024 finals. This time, UVIC came out on top, winning the League Championship in front of a home crowd at the Q Centre. At this time, there are no known plans to add or remove teams for the 2025–26 season.

Senior AA

The CIHL (Central Interior Hockey League) operated with eight teams this season. Four independent teams—Rossland, Nanaimo, Lake Cowichan, and Powell River—participated, while Lumby and Penticton did not return for the 2024–25 season. Dawson Creek and Fort St. John competed in their Alberta league, with Dawson Creek winning their season series to earn a berth in the Coy Cup. There were multiple bids to host the Coy Cup, and Prince Rupert was ultimately selected as the host city.

Terrace captured the CIHL title to secure their spot in the Coy Cup. Rossland defeated Powell River to join Prince Rupert, Terrace, and Dawson Creek in the tournament. The Coy Cup was well-run and well-attended, with Terrace edging out Rossland 5–4 in a thrilling final to repeat as Coy Cup Champions.



JUNIOR

Keegan Goodrich, Junior Coordinator

This past season, junior hockey in B.C. continued to be a year of change.

Many junior teams across British Columbia entered an independent evaluation process for the purpose of re-classification. Each of the member leagues, Kootenay International Junior Hockey League (KIJHL) and Pacific Junior Hockey League (PJHL) have developed steps forward on how their leagues will be tiered in 2025-26 and beyond following the independent evaluation process done by Blackfin Sports.

The KIJHL and PJHL also partnered with the other junior leagues in Western Canada and developed the Western Canadian Development Model which aligns with the Western Hockey League (WHL) to develop playing rule adjustments to align closer with the WHL rulebook.

The Grand Forks Border Bruins of the KIJHL won the 2025 Mowat Cup as Junior A Champions defeating the PJHL's Ridge Meadows Flames in a 3-1 series victory in the best of five final.

BC Hockey has two member teams in the Alberta North West Junior League (NWJHL), the Dawson Creek Kodiaks and the Fort St. John Huskies. The Huskies won the NWJHL title.

NOMINATIONS

Jennifer Loewen, Nominating Chair

For the third consecutive year, the board approved Jennifer Loewen as the Nominating Chair and asked that the work from the previous year be continued. The feedback from the 2023-24 year included comments on the total amount of candidates selected for nomination. The membership asked if there should always be a set number of applicants to go through. While this query was heard, it was not agreed that a certain number of nominations should go through. A set number was not used as a selection criteria this year.

In November, the Nominating Committee was approved. The group included Harold Bloomenthal, Mike Rispin, Andy Oakes, Shirlyn Baskette, Megan MacKellar and Jennifer Loewen. Megan was unable to continue and removed herself from the committee in January. The committee did not fill the vacancy and continued with one less member. As in previous years, the BC Hockey Communications team assisted with social media roll-



outs which included comprehensive posts (including FAQ's about the roles) as well as shorter posts which highlighted skills that the Board may be looking for. The Committee met to discuss goals, strategies and selection criteria. This year the committee focused on the skills-matrix deficits to formulate their decision in applicant selection. The current Board completed the skills-matrix questionnaire and a numerical value was assigned to each competency. If the competency was low overall, the committee focus was to recruit and select applicants who exhibited those qualities. Various scenarios were considered based on the skills of those whose terms were up.

A total of 14 applications were received by the March 27th deadline including three of the four current directors who were up for re-election. Each applicant received pre-screening questions as well as a skills-matrix questionnaire that was required to be completed prior to interview. Applicants who did not complete the skills-matrix were reminded that this was a requirement. If they did not complete the matrix they were not considered. The breakdown of applicants was as follows:

- The three Directors were pushed forward for nomination without interview
- Five applicants were selected for interview
- One withdrew
- One was interviewed and not selected
- Three were selected after interview

A total of six people were brought forward through the Nominating Committee process.

Applicants who were not successful in either their interview or in the selection process were emailed and advised of Regulation 10.9 which allows nominations to be brought forward from a member (MHA/CSSHL/Junior Team) and outside of the Nominating Committee process.

The committee discussed the following items and brought them forward for the membership to consider:

- Should BC Hockey consider hiring a recruiting firm to target and head hunt more applicants, including those with a wider breadth of experience or should the current process continue?
- Should the Nominating Committee present a 'slate' to the membership? To clarify, a slate would mean there is no opportunity to vote. The slate is the new Board of Directors (reflecting the Hockey Canada Process).
- Should there be a minimum level of board experience requirement for candidates to be considered for nomination?



- Should there be a formal accountability process within the board structure that holds directors accountable for performance and attendance?

If the membership feels these are areas of importance, policies would need to change to support this. The Nominating Committee collectively is silent on recommendations on these items but feels it is important for the membership to consider the process overall.

Overall, the Nominating Committee did a fantastic job with the processes in place. We continue to have challenges recruiting applicants from the northern half of B.C. and Yukon. We also continue to see applicants with a lack of understanding of what a governance board is. The nominations presented to the membership have exhibited a clear understanding of the work of a governance board. It is important that future committees carefully select and recruit applicants who do understand the difference between governance and operational boards.

We thank the Board for the opportunity to continue in this role and wish future committees the best.

MINOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sherry Wakelin, Championships Coordinator

The 2024-25 minor hockey season has come to a conclusion with the 2025 BC Hockey Championships that were held in various communities throughout B.C.. To all the associations who stepped forward to host one of the championship events, thank you very much. It is always a huge undertaking but also rewarding in being able to showcase each community and what opportunities lie within. Thank you very much to all the Committee Chairs along with their many volunteers for all their commitment, dedication and huge effort that was put forth by everyone for the various events to make sure the games and activities created special memories for all the players, coaching staff and parents/supporters. A huge thank you to the BC Hockey reps and officiating coaches who stepped up to oversee the events to make sure they all ran smoothly and were enjoyed by all. Congratulations to all the on-ice officials who were selected to officiate the games. Everyone's time, commitment and dedication are greatly appreciated. Hiccups of one sort or another might happen, but congratulations to everyone on a job well done.

I would also like to thank Keegan Goodrich, Gena Bannerman and Lee Holland for their assistance, support and guidance in getting the events organized. We all worked together with the host association answering questions, finding supervisors for each event and providing support wherever it was needed. As we got closer to each event, the BC Hockey supervisors that were overseeing each event were included in the discussions and any specific issues were recognized and finalized. Having the electronic scorekeeping module



has made the process of updating results and having game information available so quickly, we are able to react to any issues.

As with any event, there were challenges and hurdles, but with everyone working together we worked through them one at a time. We appreciate everyone's patience as these were reviewed and worked through.

For all the participating teams at each event, congratulations on having advanced to the BC Hockey Championships and having represented your respective District and Association. Everyone had a great opportunity to view some great games along with a few that went into overtime to make it all more exciting. All teams represented their District and host Association very well.

The following is a list of the winners of the Gold Medal Games:

| Division | Host Association | Gold Medal Winning Team |
|----------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|
| U21 | | North Delta Sun Devils |
| U18 – Tier 1 | Coquitlam | Victoria Admirals |
| U18 – Tier 2 | Port Moody | Oceanside Generals |
| U18 – Tier 3 | Smithers | Mission Stars |
| U18 – Tier 4 | Prince Rupert | Prince Rupert Seawolves |
| U18 – Female A | Tri Port | Kelowna Rockets |
| U15 – Tier 1 | Kamloops | North Shore Winter Club Winterhawks |
| U15 – Tier 2 | Nanaimo | South Delta Storm |
| U15 – Tier 3 | Cranbrook | Powell River Kings |
| U15 – Tier 4 | Kitimat | Whistler Winterhawks |
| U15 – Female | Richmond Ravens | Kelowna Rockets |
| U13 – Tier 1 | Campbell River | Burnaby Winter Club Bruins |
| U13 – Tier 2 | Kelowna | Kelowna Rockets |
| U13 – Tier 3 | Dawson Creek | Arbutus Club Avalanche |
| U13 – Tier 4 | South Okanagan | Kelowna Rockets |
| U13 – Female | Prince George | Surrey Falcons |

A great job was done by all those involved in the events.

Thank you as well to all the timekeepers and scorekeepers who may be behind the scenes but are a vital part of each event. Another huge thank you to all those who helped in any way to make each 2025 BC Hockey Championship such a huge success. Your commitment, dedication and support is greatly appreciated. We look forward to the 2025-26 season and the opportunities that await all players in B.C. and Yukon.

Before you know it, the next season will be upon us.

Good luck to everyone and enjoy any break time you have.



DISCIPLINE

Byron Rice, Minor Discipline Coordinator

Minor Discipline Coordinator:

- Byron Rice

Task Group Members:

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| • East Kootenay | Leann Smith |
| • West Kootenay | Curtis Klashinsky |
| • Okanagan | Sherry Wakelin |
| • North East / Yukon | Byron Rice |
| • North West | Byron Rice |
| • North Central | Mike Rispin |
| • Vancouver Island | Dave Beatty |
| • Lower Mainland (U18 / U21) | Daryl Bissett |
| • Lower Mainland (U15) | Julie Fitzgerald |
| • Lower Mainland (U13 and below) | Wonda Warren |
| • Staff Resource | Sean Raphael |

The BC Hockey Discipline Task Group's responsibility was to administrate the documentation of suspensions within the Hockey Canada Registry for participants that were penalized with match, gross or refusing to start play infractions at the minor hockey level. They were to complete any applicable investigations and notify the participant of their corresponding suspension. This is the seventh season for Byron Rice as coordinator. Small adjustments to the Minimum Suspension guidelines provided necessary clarifications and administrative discretion regarding application of suspensions.

| | VI - U13, U14 & U9 | VI - U15 | VI - U18 & U21 | OK - U13, U14 & U9 | OK - U15 | OK - U18 | NC - U13, U14 & U9 | NC - U15 | NC - U18 | NE & Y - U13, U14 & U9 | NE & Y - U15 | NE & Y - U18 | NW - U13, U14 & U9 | NW - U15 | NW - U18 | EK - U13, U14 & U9 | EK - U15 | EK - U18 | WK - U13, U14 & U9 | WK - U15 | WK - U18 | LML - U13, U14 & U9 | LML - U15 | LML - U18 & U21 | Total |
|--|--------------------|----------|----------------|--------------------|----------|----------|--------------------|----------|----------|------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------|----------|----------|--------------------|----------|----------|--------------------|----------|----------|---------------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|
| 11.3 (c) - Spitting (Match) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| 11.5 (c) - Physical Harassment of Officials (Match) | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 8 | 27 |
| 7.1 (c) - Attempt to Injure or Deliberate Injury (Match) | 3 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 6 | 15 | 54 |
| 7.10 (c) - Fighting (Match) | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 7 |
| 7.2 (c) - Boarding (Match) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 7.3 (c) - Body Checking (Match) | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| 7.4 (c) - Charging (Match) | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 7.5 (c) - Checking from Behind (Match) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 12 |
| 7.6 (c) - Head Contact (Match) | 2 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 9 | 21 | 72 |
| 7.8 (c) - Kneeling (Match) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 8.3 (c) - Interference (Match) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 8.8 (c) - Slew Footing (Match) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 9.2 (c) - Cross Checking (Match) | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 6 |
| 9.3 (c) - Slashing (Match) | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 9 | 9 |
| 9.4 (c) - Spearing (Match) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 6 |
| 10.4 (f) - Leaving the Players or Penalty Bench (Gross Misconduct) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 11.2 (f) - Disrespectful and Abusive Behaviour (Gross Misconduct) | 1 | 3 | 12 | 3 | 4 | 9 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 35 | 94 |
| 11.4 - Discrimination (Gross Misconduct) | 3 | 6 | 7 | 0 | 3 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 12 | 28 | 81 | 81 |
| 11.4 - Allegation | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 0 | 5 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 10 | 21 | 75 | 75 |
| | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 3 |



MINOR HOCKEY OPERATIONS

June McKenzie, Minor Hockey Operations Coordinator

Task Group Members:

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| • June McKenzie | Branch Coordinator |
| • Leann Smith | East & West Kootenay |
| • Carol McGregor | Lower Mainland – U7, U9, U11, and Female |
| • Daryl Bissett | Lower Mainland – U13, U15, U18, and U21 |
| • Cody Dillabaugh | North Central |
| • Stacey Carefoot | North East/Yukon |
| • Lee Holland | North West |
| • Marjaana Glass | Okanagan |
| • Charlotte Johnson | Vancouver Island |
| • Brianna Davey | Staff Resource |

We had two new task group members this season, Stacey and Marjaana. The other members have been on the task group for several years. This past year we had three video conferences – one early in the season, one about midway and one after the season was completed. We discussed any issues the members were dealing with, possible policy changes, and updates to forms on the website. A few forms will be updated for the upcoming season and a few suggestions for policy updates were submitted for further review.

Early in the season, we assist MHAs (as necessary) and review goaltender transfer requests and residential waivers. As the season progresses, we deal more with Emergency Goaltender, Tournament Team, Recreational Player Relief, Exhibition Team requests and out of Province Travel requests. We also try to help the MHAs with any issues they may run into throughout the season.

Tournament Team (BCH Policy 09.06) and Recreational Player Replacement/Relief (BCH Policy C09.05) both increased this year. This season we approved 280 Recreational Player Replacement/Relief requests, up about 12% from last season and 168 Tournament Teams, up 35% from last season. Many Tournament Team requests were to form women and girl's teams to allow girls rostered to integrated teams to attend women and girl's tournaments, sometimes combining players from a few Minor Hockey Associations. Two Tournament Teams were denied due to the number of overage players requested. One Recreational Player Replacement/Relief request was denied. Several of the Recreational Player Replacement requests were for U7/U9 teams that required more players for cross-ice tournaments and several were for goaltenders. Many of these relief requests were received with very short notice, a few when the tournament was starting. Affiliating players to recreational teams would cut down on the number of these player relief requests.



Once again, a lack of goaltenders was the major issue noted by the task group members. As in previous seasons, we dealt with many requests for goaltender replacement. A few teams didn't have a goaltender, so were sharing with other teams, filling in with skaters in some instances, using affiliate goaltenders or requesting Goaltender Relief (BCH Policy C01). We had over 160 requests for goaltender relief. Thanks to teams who affiliated goaltenders as if they hadn't, this number would have been much higher.

Another issue noted by task group members was incomplete Tournament Team and Recreational Player Relief requests or requests being submitted on outdated forms. Forms will be updated on the website over the next few months, so please ensure current forms are being used and all required information is included to avoid delays in processing requests.

The Northwest, East Kootenay and West Kootenay Districts piloted a program with travel requests being done through the HCR (Hockey Canada Registry) instead of submitting forms. Both Task Group members involved found this system easy to deal with and noted requests were processed more quickly. This will be expanded to more districts for the upcoming season. Information will be sent from the BC Hockey office as it becomes available.

Thanks to the members of the Minor Operations Task Group, MHA and District Presidents, MHA and District members for their work over the past season. Also, thanks to Brianna Davey and the staff at the BC Hockey Office who deal with and respond to our requests so quickly. Please feel free to contact me with questions or concerns.

COACHING, PLAYER DEVELOPMENT, SCHOOL PROGRAMMING

Dave Cuning, Manager, Athletic Development

Coaching

The 2024-25 season was another very busy and productive year in the Coaching department that further evolved how we deliver coach education. Our dedicated and synergistic group of clinic facilitators, coach evaluators, and regional coordinators within the Coaching Program Delivery Group worked tremendously hard to complete another clinic season and provide meaningful development and mentorship opportunities to our BC Hockey coaches.

Clinics



Coach Stream clinics were delivered in both virtual and in-person formats during the 2024-25 clinic season. For the first time, Coach 1, Coach 2, and Checking were delivered through the Hockey Canada Learning Lab in an online, on-demand format, which led to two significant procedural changes:

1. Coaches were no longer required to complete Hockey University (HU) Online Coach 1/Coach 2 as a prerequisite to Coach 1 and/or Coach 2.
2. Coaches completing Coach 2 were no longer required to submit their completed workbook to their MHA to verify completion.

Again, Development 1 featured an online Part 1 and an in-person Part 2. High Performance 1 (HP1) was hosted in a hybrid format - Hockey Canada delivered the virtual component to delegate coaches across the country to compliment each province's delivery of the seminar. The in-person portion of BC Hockey's HP1 Seminar took place at University of British Columbia Okanagan in Kelowna.

From 2023-24, clinic participation increases were seen in Coach Stream clinics at Coach 1 (+51%), Coach 2 (+44%) and also in Instructional Stream Specialty Clinics (+14%). A decrease was seen in Development 1 (-9%) clinics.

| Clinic / Season | Total Delegates | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
| Coach 1 | 696 | 551 | 502 | 770 | 957 | 1447 |
| Coach 2 | 791 | 691 | 778 | 926 | 1070 | 1541 |
| Dev 1 | 490 | 507 | 467 | 510 | 541 | 489 |
| HP1 | 31 | 0 | 47 | 46 | 46 | 47 |
| IS | n/a | 23 | 17 | 148 | 97 | 111 |

Female Coach Development

The 2024-25 season opened up brand new coach education pathways for competitive-level women and girl coaches. For the first time, BC Hockey hosted a We Are Coaches (WAC) Female-Only Development 1 clinic, a natural evolution from the Coach 1 and



Coach 2 WAC clinics we have run in previous seasons (also a necessary adaptation as Coach 1 and Coach 2 are now exclusively delivered through the Hockey Canada Learning Lab). In the summer of 2025, Hockey Canada will host its first ever We Are Coaches High Performance 1 seminar, which will be attended by multiple B.C. and Yukon coaches.

BC Hockey also hosted a women and girls-only Small Area Games Instructional Stream Specialty Clinic this season.

Delegates of all the We Are Coaches clinics had their registration fees reimbursed as part of the program's initiative to remove barriers of engagement.

Mentorship

Specialty Clinics

BC Hockey hosted nine NCCP Instructional Stream Specialty Clinics in the 2024-25 season, delivered at the request of BC Hockey members. There were three delivered virtually (all Goaltending-1 clinics), while six ran in-person (four Goaltending-2, one Checking, one Developing Defencemen) across various locations in the Lower Mainland, Okanagan, and on Vancouver Island. In total, 111 coaches took advantage of these professional development opportunities.

Graduates from the Hockey Canada Skills Coach and Hockey Canada Goaltending Coach national certification programs were utilized as facilitators for these clinics - tangible mentorship for BC coaches. To date, B.C. is home to 20 Hockey Canada Certified Skills Coaches and nine Hockey Canada Certified Goaltending Coaches.

Coaches certified at the Development 1 and HP1 levels who attended additional coach stream or instructional stream specialty clinics earned professional development points towards the renewal of their certification (both have a five-year renewal window). BC Hockey hosted 53 clinics in total during the 2024-25 season – all opportunities to accrue.

Coach Assessments/Observations

To date, our field evaluation team has performed 256 Development 1 observations and 22 for High Performance 1 coaches this season, while markers assessed 387 Dev 1 written assignments and 30 for HP1 coaches. The written and in-person assessment components of the coach certification process are both tremendous mentorship opportunities that pair candidate coaches directly with BC Hockey's coach mentors to confirm their competency prior to awarding certification.

FEMALE HOCKEY DEVELOPMENT

Jennifer Loewen, Female Hockey Development Coordinator



The 2024-25 Female Hockey report looks a little bit different this year. This is the first year without Zone Leads and it's my last report as Female Hockey Coordinator. It is also the last year for the Female Hockey Coordinator role. There is no replacement for this position. I write this report with mixed emotions. It has been quite an experience serving in this role and I leave it with gratitude and appreciation for the volunteers and people who work to put kids on the ice.

The goal of the Female Model was to increase women and girl's interest and participation in hockey. These are different and every area needs a bit of flexibility on how they deliver women and girl's hockey. The Female Model did that for so many associations. B.C. was showcased by Hockey Canada on several occasions due to the work done in the province. Other provinces have caught on and women and girl's hockey is growing in areas that have not historically seen growth. The same is true in B.C. Unfortunately, the reverse is also true. Where we would expect to see strong and consistent numbers is not necessarily the case and in some areas, women and girl's hockey is regressing. Districts will need to think globally in order to maintain numbers and teams within their districts to maximize playing opportunities for women and girls.

With the ending of this role, I caution Minor Hockey Associations and Districts to not accept mediocrity when considering women and girl's programming. Women and girl's hockey is not the same as integrated hockey. There will be support at the BC Hockey office for women and girl's hockey however, it is imperative that champions in every district be allowed leeway to make the women and girl's game work.

A few things to note from this season:

- Hockey Canada held their second women and girl's Summit where work continued to put proper policies and procedures in place to move the women and girl's game forward. BC Hockey sent two delegates. It is critical that we continue to have a voice in these meetings and funding must be preserved for in-person attendance. So much is lost with online sessions but online sessions have also allowed for the conversation to continue beyond one summit weekend.
- Female Funding for grassroots hockey was completely exhausted. The volume of work done around B.C. and Yukon is admirable and did not go unnoticed. Many opportunities were presented to grassroots hockey opportunities for women and girl players. This is an area that deserves applause. We also saw a few unique requests this year from MHA's that had not sought funding in previous years.
- Esso Fun Day opportunities with Hockey Canada were completely exhausted within the first month of release. B.C. applicants will need to be on it this year in order to be considered.



- Women and girl's coach training funding was offered and under-utilized. A total of 40 out of 100 spots were filled for Coach 1 & 2 and 20 out of 40 spots for Development 1 were filled. This was a huge miss for MHA's where both funding and coaching staff are limited.
- The Female Coach Mentor role continued to provide learning sessions for women and girl's coaches. These are recorded and available for future use.

It will be interesting to see if the work of the previous Zone Leads and Female Model in general can be sustained without the structure in place. It is recognized that the program had run its course and change was needed. However, as key volunteers age out or move on, knowledge is lost. Districts will need to ensure they are well prepared to handle the complexities of women and girl's hockey and be willing to provide flexible options to keep girls on the ice.

Going forward, women and girl's related questions can be sent to femalehockey@bchockey.net. There are dedicated staff who can answer your questions. Be sure to check in with your MHA and District first!

Thank you for the many years of hockey!

FEMALE AAA AND INTERGRATED AAA PROGRAMS

Fred Zweep, Commissioner, BCEHL

The 2024–25 season saw the British Columbia Elite Hockey League (BCEHL) operate a full schedule. We hosted eight showcase events (two per age category), awarded four provincial championships, and had teams travel across the continent to compete in tournaments, showcases, and regional championships!

In April 2025, Chilliwack, B.C. played host to the U18 National Club Championship, the TELUS Cup, where the Fraser Valley Thunderbirds and Okanagan Rockets competed against the four other top teams from across the country.

Female U18 AAA

In 2024-25, the Female U18 AAA league completed its 18th season and saw the Greater Vancouver Comets have a dominating performance finishing the season with a 28-2-2 record. The playoffs saw many close games and ended with the Greater Vancouver Comets hoisting the Female U18 AAA Championship.

The Comets played host to the Edmonton Jr. Oilers for the Pacific Regional Championship. The teams had a fast-paced series that ultimately saw the Oilers come out victorious.

Visit bcehl.net for all Female U18 AAA stats, scores, and standings.



U18 AAA

In 2024-25, the U18 AAA league completed its 21st season. It was a tremendous year that saw the Cariboo Cougars coming out on top of the regular season. The playoffs saw many close games and ended with the Okanagan Rockets hoisting the U18 AAA Championship.

The Rockets traveled to Calgary to face the Calgary North West Flames in the Pacific Regional Championship. After a hard-fought series, the Rockets came out on top and earned their place at the TELUS Cup.

In April, both the Fraser Valley Thunderbirds (host representative) and Okanagan Rockets (Pacific representative) made B.C. proud with their performances at the TELUS Cup in Chilliwack, B.C. Event results can be found [HERE](#).

Visit bcehl.net for all U18 AAA stats, scores, and standings.

U17 AAA

In 2024-25, the U17 AAA league completed its seventh season that saw the Okanagan Rockets coming out on top of the regular season.

Okanagan had a dominating regular season (32-4-0) and that continued in the playoffs where they only lost two games on route to capturing the U17 AAA Championship.

Visit bcehl.net for all U17 AAA stats, scores, and standings.

U15 AAA

In 2024-25, the U15 AAA league completed its sixth season. The Okanagan Rockets led the pack all season long and secured top spot in the regular season standings.

The U15 AAA championship is in a tournament format, which saw all eight teams competing over four days. The Okanagan Rockets came out victorious, capturing the U15 AAA Championship.

Visit bcehl.net for all U15 AAA stats, scores, and standings.

The BCEHL continues to work hard to focus on the things that make high performance hockey great. This includes member engagement and developing stronger relationships with all minor hockey stakeholders, on and off the ice. We have continued to have teams participate in minor hockey mentorship initiatives, providing development opportunities to



players, coaches, and other volunteers. The success of the BCEHL is based on the quality of personnel involved. The volunteers implement an exceptional development program, providing the players with a first-class experience. We look forward to the continued collaboration and growth that comes from all these partnerships.

FEMALE PROGRAM OF EXCELLENCE (POE)

Fred Zweep, Commissioner, Program of Excellence

Brianna Davey, Vice President, Member Services – Minor & Female

Female U12/U14 Program

BC Hockey hosted one U12/U14 camp this year in Delta, with approximately 150 athletes taking part. The camp focused on skill development and jamboree-style games, and featured older athletes on the ice as mentors and role models. Alongside the POE camp, we also held a women and girl's goalie clinic, which welcomed around 30 participants. All goalie sessions were led by Kendra Woodland.

Female U16/U18

2024-25 Female Team BC Coaching Staff

Head Coach – Megan Price

Assistant Coaches – Kelsey Firkus & Kira Makuk

Video Coach – Allan Russell

Strength and Conditioning Coach – Travis Martell

Athletic Therapist – SJ Sanghera

Equipment Manager – Jennifer Collins

Coach Mentor – Patrick Thibeault

Director of Operations – Olivia Sullivan

For the 2024–25 season, the Female POE program kicked off with two regional camps in Salmon Arm and Langley, where we saw over 300 athletes register. Participants took part in on-ice sessions and games over the course of the camp weekend.

From these camps, the top 76 athletes were selected to attend the Female Provincial Camp in Chilliwack in July 2024. At this stage, athletes underwent fitness testing, team-building activities, on-ice practices, combine testing, and intersquad games. Following this camp, the top 26 athletes were chosen to move on to the September Camp in



Langley. There, the team played two exhibition games against the BCEHL's U17 Valley West Giants and Ridge Meadows' U18 Tier 1 team.

In November 2024, Team BC traveled across the country to New Brunswick for the U18 Women's National Championship. Competing in a pool with Ontario Blue, Quebec, and Manitoba, Team BC finished the round-robin with a 1-1-1 record. The team advanced to face Alberta in the quarterfinals and then played Ontario Red in the semifinals, where they came up short. Team BC finished strong, defeating Saskatchewan in the Bronze Medal game and bringing home a medal.

Looking ahead, the process for the 2025–26 season is already underway with our Identification Camps, where over 300 players have registered. This marks the beginning of the selection journey for the team that will represent BC at the U18 Women's National Championship in November 2025 in Newfoundland!

MALE PROGRAM OF EXCELLENCE (POE)

Fred Zweep, Commissioner, Program of Excellence

Brianna Davey, Vice President, Member Services – Minor & Female

Male U15 Program of Excellence

The U15 Program of Excellence was operated at capacity for the 2024-25 season. We held five regional camps that took place across the province in Prince George, Kelowna, Nanaimo, Delta and Vancouver.

There were 160 athletes that went on to compete in the U15 Provincial Tournament in Penticton. They participated on ice and off ice combine testing, team building activities and game play.



Male U16 Program of Excellence

Male Team BC Coaching Staff 2024-2025

Head Coach – Riley Emmerson

Assistant Coaches – James Pollock & Dan Cioffi

Video Coach – Julian Feijo

Strength and Conditioning Coach – Bailey Dhaliwal

Equipment Manager – Glen Klassen

Athletic Therapist – Bob Pond

POE Commissioner – Fred Zweep

Lead Evaluator – Jamie Jackson

Coach Mentor – Jason Becker

Director of Operations – Brianna Davey

The U16 Program of Excellence operated at full capacity all stages leading up to the 2024 WHL Cup.

We held five open Identification Camps that took place across the province in Prince George, Kelowna, Nanaimo, Delta and Vancouver that saw over 400 athletes participate for their opportunity to play for Team BC.

BC Cup had 160 athletes make their way to Salmon Arm to compete and look for their opportunity to be invited to the next stage. Provincial Camp took place in Chilliwack where 80 athletes brought their best and make it difficult for the staff to choose the 26 athletes shortlisted and then 20 went on to be named to Team BC to compete at the 2024 WHL Cup in Red Deer in October 2024.

In the round-robin stage, Team BC finished with a perfect 3-0 record. They advanced to the knockout stage, and fell to Team Manitoba in the semifinals. In the Bronze Medal game, Team BC fell to Team Saskatchewan 8-5.

The process has begun for the 2025-26 season with team selection for the 2025 WHL Cup squad who will play in Red Deer in October 2025!



OFFICIATING

Sean Raphael, Referee-in-Chief

Officiating Delivery Group:

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| Referee in Chief (staff) | Sean Raphael |
| Officiating Program Coordinator (staff) | Trevor Nolan |
| High Performance Officiating Coach - Female | Vanessa Stratton |
| Minor Development Facilitator | Larry Krause |
| High Performance Officiating Lead – Vancouver Island | Kirk Van Helvoirt |
| High Performance Officiating Lead – Lower Mainland | Mike Campbell |
| High Performance Officiating Lead – Interior | Jason Rende |
| Minor Officiating Lead – Vancouver Island South | Jason Syrotuck |
| Minor Officiating Lead – Vancouver Island North | Jacqui Harrison |
| Minor Officiating Lead – Lower Mainland Female | Alexandra Cole |
| Minor Officiating Lead – Lower Mainland West | Darren Mahaffy |
| Minor Officiating Lead – Lower Mainland Central | Owen Barry |
| Minor Officiating Lead – Lower Mainland East | Drew Hatch |
| Minor Officiating Lead – West Kootenay | Ross Lautard |
| Minor Officiating Lead – East Kootenay | Gerald Hofferd |
| Minor Officiating Lead – Okanagan South | Larry Lenarduzzi |
| Minor Officiating Lead – Okanagan North | Kelly McKenzie |
| Minor Officiating Lead – North West | Bob Storey |
| Minor Officiating Lead – North East | Brett McLean |
| Minor Officiating Lead – North Central | Ross Campbell |
| Minor Officiating Lead – Yukon | Will Schenn |

| Hockey Canada Certification Level | 2024-25 | 2023-24 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| <i>Hockey University</i> | \$25.00 | \$25.00 |
| <i>USA Hockey Cross Over</i> | \$10.00 | \$10.00 |
| <i>Entry Level 1 (U9)</i> | \$20.00 | \$20.00 |
| <i>Level 1- New official</i> | \$30.00 | \$30.00 |
| <i>Level 2- New official</i> | \$40.00 | \$40.00 |
| <i>Level 1</i> | \$55.00 | \$55.00 |
| <i>Level 2</i> | \$65.00 | \$65.00 |
| <i>Level 3</i> | \$66.00 | \$66.00 |
| <i>High Performance Member</i> | \$130.00 | \$130.00 |
| <i>High Performance National</i> | \$150.00 | \$150.00 |



Clinics & Registration

| 2024-25 | Women and Girl's | Male | Prefer | Total | 2022-23 | 2022-23 | 2021-22 |
|----------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| US Officials | 9 (+5) | 75 (+40) | 2 (+1) | 86 (+46) | 40 | n/a | n/a |
| Entry Level 1 | 44 (-9) | 314 (+46) | 1 (-2) | 359 (+35) | 324 | n/a | n/a |
| Level 1 | 461 (+33) | 2,782 (+346) | 26 (-13) | 3,269 (+366) | 2,903 | 2,769 | 2,027 |
| Level 2 | 199 (+54) | 1,532 (+261) | 8 (+3) | 1,739 (+318) | 1421 | 1,260 | 909 |
| Level 3 | 44 (+12) | 443 (+19) | 1 (0) | 488 (+31) | 457 | 476 | 454 |
| Member High Performance | 13 (-4) | 66 (-14) | 0 (0) | 79 (-18) | 97 | 107 | 152 |
| National High Performance | 3 (-1) | 13 (0) | 0 (0) | 16 (-1) | 16 | 10 | 10 |
| Total | 773 (+90) | 5,225 (+698) | 38 (-11) | 6,036 (+777) | 5,258 | 4,622 | 3,552 |

Mentorship & Coaching

BC Hockey officiating mentorship program visited 40 individual Minor Hockey Associations for mentorship weekends (multi-day visits). There was added focus on U17 and U18 development to prepare for BC Hockey's hosting of the 2025 TELUS Cup (National U18 Male Championship), as well as significant increases within Junior hockey to assist with transition to the four-official system and integration of the Western Development Model / adoption of the WHL playing rules. Below reflects the number of Hockey Canada database documented supervisions that were part of the mentorship and development program during the 2024-25 season.

| U9 | U11 | U13 | U15 | U17 | U18 | Junior | Senior | Total |
|----------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------|-----------|---------------------|
| 26 (+12) | 246 (-99) | 383 (-117) | 344 (-85) | 239 (+52) | 486 (+96) | 1,043 (+476) | 109 (-11) | 2,872 (+316) |



| 2024 BC Hockey OPoE (U16 Male) | | 2024 BC Hockey OPoE (U18 Female) | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|---|-------------------|
| Ethan McLean | Cranbrook | Dana Edamura | Kelowna |
| Zach Denis | Kamloops | Gabriella Campbell | Grand Forks |
| Jagjit Cheema | Abbotsford | Dyllan Nelson | Aldergrove |
| Maninder Cheema | Abbotsford | Erika Denis | Kamloops |
| Connor Bradley | Ridge Meadows | Gracie McAllister | Cloverdale |
| Brady Stocks | Nelson | Grace Barlow | BC Hockey – Coach |
| Brett Holloway | Kelowna | Mel Pateman | BC Hockey - Coach |
| Justin Salmons | Prince George | Julianne Desjardins | BC Hockey - Coach |
| Mike Campbell | BC Hockey - Coach | | |
| Mitchell Gibbs | BC Hockey - Coach | | |

| 2024 BC Cup (U16 Male) | | | |
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| Abbott Scheffel | Aldergrove | Ethan McLean | Cranbrook |
| Linden Chow | North Delta | William Conradie | Trail |
| Amrick Garcha | Burnaby | Andrew Smid | Williams Lake |
| Wyatt Brand | Nanaimo | Kaleb Systma | Williams Lake |
| Leif Jensen | Victoria | Noah Liddicoat | Fort St. John |
| Austin Beckingham | Penticton | Ryder Fabian | Vernon |
| Ross Campbell | BC Hockey - Coach | Larry Krause | BC Hockey - Coach |

| REGIONAL ASSIGNMENTS | | | |
|-----------------------------|------------|---------|----------------------|
| Colby Georgsen | Vancouver | Referee | Mowat Cup – Junior A |
| Brandon Koop | Vancouver | Referee | Mowat Cup – Junior A |
| Connor McCracken | Chilliwack | Referee | Mowat Cup – Junior A |
| Brayden Stewart | Abbotsford | Referee | Mowat Cup – Junior A |



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| Matthew Hicketts | Kamloops | Referee | Mowat Cup – Junior A |
| Ian Walker | Kelowna | Referee | Mowat Cup – Junior A |
| Derek Hatch | Kamloops | Referee | Mowat Cup – Junior A |
| Dustin Minty | Summerland | Referee | Mowat Cup – Junior A |
| Taylor Baron | Coquitlam | Linesperson | Mowat Cup – Junior A |
| Owen Middleton | Abbotsford | Linesperson | Mowat Cup – Junior A |
| Brayden Cameron | Langley | Linesperson | Mowat Cup – Junior A |
| Chris Van Deventer | Vancouver | Linesperson | Mowat Cup – Junior A |
| Zachary Andersen | Kamloops | Linesperson | Mowat Cup – Junior A |
| Ethan Crawford | Kamloops | Linesperson | Mowat Cup – Junior A |
| Maninder Cheema | Abbotsford | Linesperson | Mowat Cup – Junior A |
| Cody Wanner | Kelowna | Linesperson | Mowat Cup – Junior A |
| Ryan Fury | Quesnel | Referee | Coy Cup – Senior AA |
| Tyber Sharples | Terrace | Referee | Coy Cup – Senior AA |
| Gary Meerdink | Smithers | Referee | Coy Cup – Senior AA |
| Tyler Noble | Terrace | Referee | Coy Cup – Senior AA |
| Michael Mehr | Smithers | Linesperson | Coy Cup – Senior AA |
| Chris Meyer | Kitimat | Linesperson | Coy Cup – Senior AA |
| Jaden Craig | Prince George | Linesperson | Coy Cup – Senior AA |
| Mike Matthies | Prince George | Linesperson | Coy Cup – Senior AA |
| Brad Ford | Victoria | Referee | BCIHL Championship – Intercollegiate |
| Jarrold Lucoe | Victoria | Referee | BCIHL Championship – Intercollegiate |
| Jake Podann | Victoria | Referee | BCIHL Championship – Intercollegiate |
| Kai Walsh | Victoria | Referee | BCIHL Championship – Intercollegiate |
| Schyer Kooner | Langley | Referee | BCIHL Championship – Intercollegiate |
| Rupert Xu | Vancouver | Referee | BCIHL Championship – Intercollegiate |
| Jack McNabb | Victoria | Linesperson | BCIHL Championship – Intercollegiate |
| Ryan Sirk | Victoria | Linesperson | BCIHL Championship – Intercollegiate |
| Jeffrey Dayton | Victoria | Linesperson | BCIHL Championship – Intercollegiate |
| Ryan Hebert | Victoria | Linesperson | BCIHL Championship – Intercollegiate |



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| Isaac La Roy | Kerry Park | Linesperson | BCIHL Championship – Intercollegiate |
| Braeden Liversidge | Ridge Meadows | Linesperson | BCIHL Championship – Intercollegiate |
| Darren Mahaffy | South Surrey | Official | Senior AA Female Championship |
| Lauralee Gagnon | Burnaby | Official | Senior AA Female Championship |
| Hardev Virk | Surrey | Official | Senior AA Female Championship |
| Owen Barry | Surrey | Official | Senior AA Female Championship |
| Jim Anness | Surrey | Official | Senior AA Female Championship |
| Zachary Mahaffy | South Surrey | Official | Senior AA Female Championship |
| Jeff Bandura | Aldergrove | Official | Senior AA Female Championship |
| Dan Clarke | Port Coquitlam | Official | Senior AA Female Championship |
| Shannon Shigeoka | Burnaby | Official | Senior AA Female Championship |
| Georgina Krishan | Surrey | Official | Senior AA Female Championship |
| Emme Dragon | Burnaby | Referee | U18 AAA Female Regional – BC vs Alberta |
| Rupert Xu | Richmond | Referee | U18 AAA Female Regional – BC vs Alberta |
| Jagjit Cheema | Abbotsford | Referee | U18 AAA Female Regional – BC vs Alberta |
| Julianne Desjardins | Vancouver | Referee | U18 AAA Female Regional – BC vs Alberta |
| Luca Huynh | Vancouver | Referee | U18 AAA Female Regional – BC vs Alberta |
| Jodi Anderson | Vancouver | Linesperson | U18 AAA Female Regional – BC vs Alberta |



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| Hazel Barthel | Richmond | Linesperson | U18 AAA Female Regional – BC vs Alberta |
| Savannah Stops | Surrey | Linesperson | U18 AAA Female Regional – BC vs Alberta |
| Taylor Pearson | Langley | Linesperson | U18 AAA Female Regional – BC vs Alberta |
| Amanda Phillips | Burnaby | Linesperson | U18 AAA Female Regional – BC vs Alberta |
| Bryan Bourdon | Cloverdale | Referee | Ed Chynoweth Cup – WHL Championship |
| Jeff Ingram | Cloverdale | Referee | Ed Chynoweth Cup – WHL Championship |
| Corey Koop | Whistler | Referee | Ed Chynoweth Cup – WHL Championship |
| Bobby Jo Love | Smithers | Referee | Ed Chynoweth Cup – WHL Championship |
| Ward Pateman | Kelowna | Referee | Ed Chynoweth Cup – WHL Championship |
| Mark Pearce | North Vancouver | Referee | Ed Chynoweth Cup – WHL Championship |
| Mitchell Gibbs | Coquitlam | Linesperson | Ed Chynoweth Cup – WHL Championship |
| Michael McGowan | Mission | Linesperson | Ed Chynoweth Cup – WHL Championship |
| Dustin Minty | Summerland | Linesperson | Ed Chynoweth Cup – WHL Championship |
| Nathan Van Oosten | Nanaimo | Linesperson | Ed Chynoweth Cup – WHL Championship |
| Brennan Walker | Chilliwack | Linesperson | Ed Chynoweth Cup – WHL Championship |
| NATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS | | | |
| Grace Barlow | Prince George | Referee | Hockey Canada Womens Elite Development Camp |
| Mel Pateman | Kelowna | Linesperson | Hockey Canada Womens Elite Development Camp |



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| Amy Laroche | Vancouver | Linesperson | Hockey Canada Womens Elite Development Camp |
| Brayden Stewart | Abbotsford | Referee | Hockey Canada Mens Summer OPoE |
| Taylor Pearson | Langley | Linesperson | Hockey Canada Female Regional OPoE |
| Marissa Stocker | Summerland | Linesperson | Hockey Canada Female Regional OPoE |
| Jack McNabb | Victoria | Linesperson | Hockey Canada Male Regional OPoE |
| Nick Gillam | Langley | Linesperson | Hockey Canada Male Regional OPoE |
| Emme Dragon | Burnaby | Referee | National Womens U18 Championships |
| Meaghan Ross | Kelowna | Linesperson | National Womens U18 Championships - GOLD |
| Jodi Andersen | Vancouver | Linesperson | National Womens U18 Championships - GOLD |
| Hazel Barthel | Richmond | Linesperson | National Womens U18 Championships – BRONZE |
| Taylor Pearson | Langley | Linesperson | National Championship – Womens ESSO Cup |
| Mitchell Gibbs | Coquitlam | Linesperson | USport Men's Championships |
| Grace Barlow | Prince George | Referee | USport Women's Championships |
| Amy Laroche | Vancouver | Linesperson | USport Women's Championships |
| Dustin Minty | Summerland | Linesperson | Memorial Cup, Saginaw, Michigan - FINAL |

| INTERNATIONAL & OTHER ASSIGNMENTS OR ACHIEVEMENTS | | | |
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| Mike Langin | Kelowna | Referee | Allen Paradise Award – WHL Official of the Year |
| Jarrold Lucoe | Victoria | Referee | Hlinka / Gretzky Cup, Edmonton Alberta |



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| Mitchell Gibbs | Coquitlam | Linesperson | Hlinka / Gretzky Cup, Edmonton Alberta |
| Brennan Walker | Chilliwack | Linesperson | Hlinka / Gretzky Cup, Edmonton Alberta |
| Amy Laroche | Vancouver | Linesperson | U18 Womens' World Championship D1-B, Katowice, Poland |
| Nick Albinati | Prince George | Linesperson | U18 Mens' World Championship, Frisco Texas USA |
| Grace Barlow | Prince George | Referee | Womens World Div 1-B, Dumfries Scotland |
| Mitchell Gibbs | Coquitlam | Linesperson | U18 Mens' World Championship D1-B, Kaunas Lithuania |
| Mel Pateman | Kelowna | Linesperson | Womens World Div 2-B, Dunedin New Zealand |
| Mark Pearce | North Vancouver | Referee | Mens' World Champ. D2-A, Sfantu Gheorgehe Romania |
| Brennan Walker | Chilliwack | Linesperson | World University Games Torino, Italy - BRONZE |
| Mike Langin | Kelowna | Referee | Mens' Olympic Qualification Riga Latvia |
| Michael Campbell | Cloverdale | Referee | Mens' Olympic Qualification Bratislava Slovakia |
| Mike Langin | Kelowna | Referee | World Junior Championship Ottawa - BRONZE |
| Michael Campbell | Cloverdale | Referee | World Junior Championship Ottawa - GOLD |
| Mike Langin | Kelowna | Referee | Mens' World Championship Stockholm / Herning |
| Michael Campbell | Cloverdale | Referee | Mens' World Championship Stockholm / Herning |



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| Kiel Murchison* | Cloverdale | Linesperson | NHL Four Nations Face-off Tournament |
| Steve Kozari* | Penticton | Referee | Stanley Cup Final (5 th appearance) |
| Tom Kowal* | Vernon | Referee | BC Hockey Hall of Fame Inductee - Officiating |
| *Notes officials that are alumni of BC Hockey Officiating program at the time of their listed event. | | | |

PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

Dave Cunning, Manager, Athlete Development

Player Pathways

Hockey Canada's Player Pathways have been integrated into BC Hockey's U7, U9, U11, U13, and U15 levels of play. These nationally developed pathways outline an optimal seasonal structure, skills teaching curriculum for coaches to deliver, age-applicable development guidelines and guiding principles, and key recommendations, all focused on an age-appropriate development approach for each age category of player they serve. The Pathways aim to deliver a positive experience during tryouts by providing pre-tryout ice sessions and avoiding formalized evaluations during the first week of school – a time of heightened stress for players and families as they transition into new classrooms, friends, teachers, and sometimes even new cities. This pre-season plan is all about setting players up for success by providing them with the best possible opportunity for them to present their best selves in an evaluation environment. Furthermore, recommending guardrails for practice and game maximums helps defend our players against overtraining and burnout.

SCHOOL PROGRAMMING

Dave Cunning, Manager, Athlete Development

Hockey Canada Skills Academy (HCSA)

A total of 429 participants took part in one of the 12 BC HCSA programs operational in 2024-25 across B.C. and Yukon.

Hockey Canada Accredited Schools (HCAS)

BC Hockey delivered an in-person Sport Quality Observation (SQO) at North Shore Warriors in the fall of 2024. SQOs are a requirement for all HCAS programs in their



renewal cycle to ensure ongoing program quality and compliance with national policy. This observation resulted in a full three-year renewal and operational approval for the program.

In total, B.C.'s nine CSSHL operators (Burnaby Winter Club, Delta Hockey Academy, St. George's School, Yale Hockey Academy, Okanagan Hockey Academy, Pacific Coast Hockey Academy, RINK Hockey Academy Kelowna, Shawnigan Lake School & North Shore Warriors) fielded 49 teams stocked with 1,017 players across five divisions (U18 Female Prep, U18 Prep, U17, U15 Prep, U15) in 2024-25, a six percent increase in participation from the previous season.

High School Hockey

The B.C. High School Hockey program hit the ice once again in 2024. There were 15 returning schools joined five brand new programs, and two others that came back from previous years to populate 22 teams (four more than 2023) across three tiers in pursuit of championships at each level in May. Enthusiasm ran high amongst the 428 players (11% more than 2023), as well as the program's coaches and school staff for the 13th season of this Lower Mainland-based program. When the dust settled, Steveston-London was declared Tier 3 Champions, Mission took home the Tier 2 title, and Centennial Secondary repeated as Tier 1 victor.

External Sports Credits

BC Hockey issued 682 external sports credits to our athletes in the 2024-25 season. There were 651 were issued to participants of the Program of Excellence and the BCEHL, while 31 were sent to players who participated at other qualifying levels of play. For more detailed information on External Sports Credits, [please visit our website](#).



APPENDICES:

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