

ON THE BALL!!!

The Manitoba Ball Hockey Association Newsletter

MBHA SCORES!!! 2009 Nationals headed to Winnipeg - Jeff Dzikowicz

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The Manitoba Ball Hockey Association is please to announce that the 2009 Canadian National Ball Hockey Championships will be held in Winnipeg next August. With approximately 20-26 teams competing in both men's and women's tournament the city is in store for some great ball hockey action. The MBHA had set its sites on the 2010 event slated for Newfoundland, but Ontario has stepped up and allowed Manitoba to host the 2009 event based on the accelerated growth of the sport and the quality of our provincial team program.

"I am extremely happy that the CBHA is moving us up on the calen-

dar, as this is the best way to expose our sport as one of the best games on the planet." - Jeff Dzikowicz.

"Firstly this will be a great opportunity for all of our associations players to see the game played at a level that will change their view of the game forever, secondly the competition for spots on Team Manitoba will be unbelievable, and will boost our high performance program and launch it far into the future."

The association will be hard at work and looking for a lot of help in staging the event. We will need all sorts of volunteers from

merchandise sales to drivers to organizers. The MBHA intends to host the greatest nationals ever, and leave an impression on all of the participants, fans and volunteers that will stay with them for a lifetime. "We will need to organize a women's high performance program, really push our men's program, and put our organizational skills and our hosting abilities to the forefront." exclaims Jeff Dzikowicz. We will be looking at building a team of positive committed volunteers to stage a great event, send the MBHA an email if you would like to get involved.

Awards Banquet and Team MB Sendoff to be a HIT!!! – Kelly Huff

When the MBHA hosts the annual awards banquet and Team Manitoba Sendoff on July 31 at the Norvilla, there will be a lot of happy faces in the room. Firstly the association will recognize the best we have to offer in 2008 through the awards, and then send off the best we have to offer to Vancouver to get us a medal at the Nationals.

"There is some great competition out there for the awards and sure to be some excited people.

The Banquet will be limited to 250 people and will feature door prizes, a steak dinner and refreshment. As well the MBHA Raffle will take place for the trip for two to Vegas or a Canadian NHL game. If

you want information on the banquet or the raffle please email the or phone the Manitoba Ball Hockey Association. All proceeds from the raffle and the banquet will go to the Team Manitoba high performance program. For a list of nominees for the awards look inside this issue.

Special points of interest:

- Brant Cook Won the A Division Scoring Title
- When Manitoba hosted the Westerns in 2006, Manitoba won it all
- TrackitBack has been an excellent supporter of the MBHA
- CTO and Cereal Killers looking strong headed to the Westerns

Approximately 600 Ball Hockey players from across Canada will come to our City next August.

Most Outstanding Player of the Year

Male

Brant Cook- Mustangs
 Andrew Chartrand- Players
 Darren Lodge- CTO
 Kevin Marchuk- Hooligans
 Dustin Fredette- Wizards
 Kevin Blondeau- Hooligans
 Stephen George- Rip Em
 Chad Pinkos- Devils
 Adam Van aggelen- Devils
 Matt Manning- Decepticons
 Eric Pincin- Decepticons
 Dennis Desrosiers- Chiefs
 James Zyloway- Screaming Beavers
 Matt Einfeld- Blues
 Brad Cockerill- Stars

Most Outstanding Player of the Year

Female

Shelley Cockerill- Offlimits
 Chris Chene- Offlimits
 Amy Clarkson- Ring Skids
 Alina Harding- Yahbutts
 Riva Harrison- Wave
 Chantal Larocque- Eager Beavers
 Sarah Stebeleski- Eager Beavers
 Maeve Hawash- Warriors
 Kelly Franczyk- Ball Breakers

Best Run Team of the Year

This is based on organization, full bench, and Jerseys League fees paid in full before 1st game. As well as team sportsmanship.

CTO
 Hooligans
 Rip Em
 Gators
 Bulls
 Decepticons
 El Scorchos
 Chiefs
 Flat Rate Criminals
 Off Limits
 Eager Beavers
 Wave
 Screaming Beavers
 Bearded Clams
 Chaos

Division 1

Top Forward

James Zyloway- CTO
 Landon Duchon- A Team
 Brant Cook- Mustangs
 Jamie Vann- Cripplers
 Andrew Chartrand- Players
 Dustin Kelly- Saints

Top Defenseemen

Marc Derkach- CTO
 Dan Nowicki- A Team
 Derek Fedeshyn- Mustangs
 Derek Buors- Cripplers
 Jeff Desjarlais- Players
 Colin Turcotte- Saints

Top Goaltender

Darren Lodge- CTO
 Mike Granove- A Team
 Pat Ross- Mustangs
 Scott Cameron- Players
 Kevin Blondeau- Cripplers
 Jordan Sanche- Saints

Most Valuable Player to there Team

Shawn Derkach- CTO
 Kevin Marchuk- A Team
 Brant Cook- Mustangs
 Kevin Blondeau- Cripplers
 Scott Cameron- Players
 Dustin Kelly- Saints

Division 2

Top Forward

Dom Vann- Hosers
 Richard Park- Team Redemption
 Ryan Wood- Hooligans
 Patrick Zielinski- Heavy Hitterz
 Dustin Fredette- Wizards
 Jeff Thoroski- Killer Whales
 Darren Desrochers- Cereal Killers
 Trent Adams- Team REMR

Division 2 Cont'd Top Defenseemen

Cody Vann- Hosers
 Dan Kaye- Team Redemption
 Dan Nowicki- Hooligans
 Murray Beilby- Heany Hitterz
 Donald Beardy- Wizards
 Wayne Erstelle- Killer Whales
 Cory Moder- Cereal Killers
 Bud Mieyette- Team REMR

Top Goaltender

Darren Anderson- Hosers
 Charles Reid- Team Redemption
 Kevin Blondeau- Hooligans
 Darren Lodge- Heavy Hitterz
 Dolton Kennedy- Wizards
 Brett Roberts- Killer Whales
 Nelson Arruda- Cereal Killers
 Charlie Smith- Team REMR

Most Valuable Player to there Team

Jamie Vann- Hosers
 Charles Reid- Team Redemption
 Kevin Marchuk- Hooligans
 Darren Lodge- Heavy Hitterz
 Dustin Fredette- Wizards
 Brett Roberts- Killer Whales
 Nelson Arruda- Cereal Killers
 Charlie Smith- Team REMR

Division 3

Top Forward

Ryan Trapp- Sudden Death
 Anders Strome- Bulls
 Adam Rumsey- Rip Em
 Paul McCarton- Moose
 Chad Pinkos- Devils
 Brian Nymoen- Gators
 Ken Dixon- Ram Rod
 Trevor Oltsher Home Run Sports
 Ryan Dyck- Headingly
 Garnet Desjarlais- Brokenhead

Division 3 Cont'd Top Defenseemen

Clark Phillipson- Sudden Death
 Neil Dawson- Bulls
 Kelly McGonigal- Rip Em
 Jessie Murdock- Moose
 Jamie Schultz- Devils
 Stephan Morency- Gators
 Chad Stewart- Home Run Sports
 Kelly Van Demosselaer- Headingly
 Jeff Desjarlais- Brokenhead

Top Goaltender

Dave Tallieu- Sudden Death
 Troy Kirton- Bulls
 Kevin Landreville- Rip Em
 Elye Bushie- Moose
 Adam Van aggelen- Devils
 Todd Batt- Gators
 Dan Patenaude- Ram Rod
 Kevin Hughes- Home Run Sports
 Korey Hildebrand- Headingly
 JR Desjarlais- Brokenhead

Most Valuable Player to there Team

Ryan Trapp- Sudden Death
 Cole Akerstream- Bulls
 Stephen George- Rip Em
 Jamie Maytwayashing- Moose
 Adam Van aggelen- Devils
 Todd Batt- Gators
 Dan Patenaude- Ram Rod
 Trevor Oltsher Home Run Sports
 Ryan Dyck- Headingly
 Garnet Desjarlais- Brokenhead

Division 4

Top Forward

Cam Randall- Team Extreme
 Mark Cabral- Daddy Phat Sax
 Chris Watchorn- Rangers
 Anthony Klassen- Timberwolves
 Eric Pinchin- Decepticons
 David Futros- Flat Rate
 Kevin Vanderwater- El Scorchos
 Alvin Richard- Brigg Spurr
 David Chapman- Dead Rabbits
 Brad Cockerill- Insta Rent
 Ward Imrie- Rats
 Ryan Desharnais- Hellfish

Division 4 Cont'd Top Defensemen

Karl Wiegand- Team Extreme
Joe Wood- Daddy Phat Sax
Calin Wild- Rangers
Ryan Argyle- Timberwolves
Gord Chappell- Decepticons
Peter Buternowsky- Flat Rate
Nathan Yerex- El Scorchos
Matthew Chartrand- Brigg Spurr
Michael Purris- Dead Rabbits
Brad Koster- Insta Rent
JR Sabourin- Rats
Wayne Stowe- Hellfish

OTop Goaltender

Dewey Ackegan- Team Extreme
Mark Dewar- Daddy Phat
Rob Ruryk- Rangers
Syl Foidart- Timberwolves
Paul Janssen- Decepticons
Michael Bibuk- Flat Rate
Dennis Desrosiers- Chiefs
Mike McKenzie- El Scorchos
Walter Chartrand- Brigg Spurr
Geoff Logan- Dead Rabbits
Owen Wagner- Insta Rent
Dallas Alexander- Rats
Kyle Stewart- Hellfish

Most Valuable Player to there Team

Cam Randall- Team Extreme
Mark Dewar- Daddy Phat
Calin Wild- Rangers
Travis Klassen- Timberwolves
Paul Janssen- Decepticons
Mark Rostak- Flat Rate
Dennis Desrosiers- Chiefs
Kevin Vanderwater- El Scorchos
Walter Chartrand- Brigg Spurr
Geoff Logan- Dead Rabbits
Owen Wagner- Insta Rent
Murray Swanson- Rats
Kyle Stewart- Hellfish

Womens Division

Top Forward

Chris Chene- Off Limits
Lisa Knievel- Ring Skids
Ashley Smith- Jettes
Marni Stephens- Cool Running
Alina Harding- Yahbutts
Sarah Stebeleski- Eager Beavers
Michelle Bernas Ball Breakers
Lori Page- Warriors
Riva Harrison- Wave
Diane Evenson- Blaze

Top Defensemen

Nicole Chartrand- Off Limits
Meaghan Allyne- Ring Skids
Sam Wilson- Jettes
Karen Dyck- Cool Running
Maureen Macrae- Yahbutts
Melissa Palma- Eager Beavers
Kelly Franczyk- Ball Breakers
Lori Young- Warriors
Roxanne Dueck- Wave
Randi Mc Nabb- Blaze

Top Goaltender

Merry Ann Gow- Off Limits
Amy Clarkson- Ring Skids
Lona Beazley- Jettes
Nancy Lambert- Cool Running
Lorraine Catellier- Yahbutts
Stephanie Allison- Eager Beavers
Faith McDonald- Ball Breakers
Maeve Hawash- Warriors
Lori McGavin- Wave
Andrea Trotta- Blaze

Most Valuable Player to there Team

Shelley Cockerill- Off Limits
Amy Clarkson- Ring Skids
Jenna Bernardin- Jettes
Roxy Bouchard- Cool Running
Alina Harding- Yahbutts
Chantal Larocque- Eager Beavers
Kerry McWhinney- Ball Breakers
Amanda Asham- Warriors
Lori McGavin- Wave
Andrea Trotta- Blaze

Coed Division

Top Forward

Male

Kris Wintink- Our Compliments
James Zyloway- Screaming Beavers
Daniel Buffone- Pilfer That
Phil Cavey- Ball Slapperz
Milton Michelle- Stars
Grant Worrell- Our Poor Goalie
Matt Einfeld- Blues
Mike Procyk- Bearded Clams
Adam Bergen- Chaos

Top Forward

Female

Leanne Myron- Our Compliments
Karly McDonald-Screaming Beavers
Teresa Quay- Pilfer That
Kate Woods- Ball Slapperz
Donna Nyggard- Stars
Janine Boulanger- Our Poor Goalie
Nat Barnabe- Blues
Shawna Lounsbury- Bearded Clams
Rachelle Thibodeau- Chaos

Top Defensemen

Male

Paul Wawryko- Our Compliments
Richard Chan- Screaming Beavers
Abe Dyck- Pilfer That
Dan Berard- Ball Slapperz
Dean Nyggard- Stars
Randy Kenning- Our Poor Goalie
Shawn Derkach- Blues
Chris Bryden- Bearded Clams
Ian Brown- Chaos

Top Defensemen Female

Kimmy Kizenkewich- Our Compliments
Christine Chan- Screaming Beavers
Tracy McDowell- Pilfer That
Joelle Sabourin- Ball Slapperz
Lorraine Spence- Stars
Angie Sabourin- Our Poor Goalie
Marcy Gibbs- Blues
Erin Arcand- Bearded Clams
Susana Schnell- Chaos

Top Goalie

Dustin Myron- Our Compliments
Chris Larochele- Screaming Beavers
Paul Correia- Pilfer That
Mark Klassen- Ball Slapperz
Maxime Desjardins- Stars
Jeremy Jeffrey- Our Poor Goalie
Stu Swason- Blues
Mike McKenzie- Bearded Clams
Todd Peters- Chaos

Most Valuable Player to there Team

Dustin Myron- Our Compliments
James Zyloway- Screaming Beavers
Paul Correia- Pilfer That
Sean Marshall- Ball Slapperz
Brad Cockerill- Stars
Jeremy Jeffrey- Our Poor Goalie
Shawn Derkach- Blues
Mike McKenzie- Bearded Clams
Dave Kramer- Chaos
Karly McDonald-Screaming Beavers



"The level of play of the women in our league has really taken off as a result of the growth of the women's league and the increase in the Coed league. Women's Hockey is really taking off and we are happy to be a part of it. - Kelly Huff

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MBHA Functions

CTO's "Road To Vancouver" Fundraising Social

Date/Time: Friday July 18th, 2008 8:30pm - 2am

Location: Blush Ultra Club on Portage (across from MTS Centre)

Tix: \$10 available thru any CTO player.

Silent Auction prizes include: Wii, Guitar Hero, Beer Fridge, BBQ, and many more..etc

The 2008 Annual MBHA Awards Banquet

Date/Time: Thursday July 31st, 2008 @ 6pm

Location: Norvilla Hotel 1763 Henderson Hwy

Tix: \$15 , Includes Steak Dinner and Refreshment, chance at door prize Awards ceremony will begin @ 7pm. There will only be 250 tickets available and they are now selling quickly. You can pick up your tickets from members of Team Manitoba Ball Hockey or with the Arena timekeepers.

Check out www.manitobaballhockey.com for more info or register with your timekeeper.

Team Manitoba Report—Provincial Coach Jeff Dzikowicz

Well playoffs and work commitments, coupled with some injuries have really put a damper on the first several practices for our provincial team. It is great to see such dramatic finish to the season and a heated first few days of the playoffs, but this comes largely at the expense of Team Manitoba. Injuries to Brad Cockerill, Landon Duchon, the Vann brothers and many of the practice squad have limited participation in some of the practices as well, but we soldier on. Winning in hockey is the result of many things including talent, game plan, physical shape, the competition and a lot of luck. This being said, it is my belief that attitude and chemistry are the main reason anyone wins anything. A lot of very talented teams and individuals lose to much less talented teams and individuals and almost all of the time you hear references of attitude and chemistry.

In 2006, Team Manitoba set out to win the Westerns and the goal was accomplished, at that time I was pretty sure that the attitude of the team was great and as a result we had great chemistry. In 2007 we went to the nationals with the goal of making the playoffs, once again a great attitude and chemistry and guess what happened? We not only made the playoffs we advanced to the bronze medal game, and even our loss in that game did not impact our attitude or our chemistry as guys remained friends, and remained dedicated to 2008.

Well it is 2008, we have had our best ever try out camp, we just were awarded the Nationals for 2009, we have a team that is in the best shape of any team selected yet, and yet we are missing something. I have a pretty good feeling that the thing that is missing right now is the right attitude and chemistry. I guess that the fundraisers in 2007 really made guys appreciate the work that went into it, or brought the team together. I guess the unknown of the tournament motivated some guys a little more. I guess maybe the loss of a few of the core players had an impact on the attitude of the team, and the chemistry. Maybe we just got lucky and put the right mix together last year. I am not sure what the problem is but it seems to me that this team better get some attitude fast, as we leave in 4 weeks, and with some attitude I think the chemistry will come. Or we can go be tourists in BC and walk around the parks and hold hands.

As the coach of this team I can assure you that this will not happen, and that the sure fire way to cure attitude problems is commitment. As an individual, you commit to the cause and your attitude will be elevated by your belief in the cause. You get 30 people committed to the same goal and the chemistry will work its way out. Not rocket science but simple math:

Commitment = Strong Attitude = Chemistry

In the words of our captain Wayne Erstelle "It is very important that we perform well in Vancouver and bring a medal home and maintain our seeding for when we get to play at home!" For those on this team that want to play at home in 2009, the commitment needs to come now, or your place in 09 will be filled by someone else, hell, your place in 08 might be too.

Four weeks to go for this team, and I believe that the entirety of the league is pulling for us, and should be, and I think that we need to do it for them, and most importantly ourselves, as this is a test of your character as a human being. Remember if we are "not pulling together, we ware pulling apart."

Team Manitoba 2008—A medal within Grasp!