



SPUR OF THE MOMENT

2017-18 3.0

2 months to go..... a LOT more hockey.

February + March bring provincial play downs and league playoffs. Thank you for the flexibility and patience as Shelly Schlesiger, our ice allocator, works to fit in all of the games that need to be played. Thank you SHELLY!!! Stay tuned to our social media to see how our teams are doing and catch some games to cheer on our SPURS!



Message from the President – Ernie Overeem

I was at an arena the other day and seen a sign that read:

REMINDERS FROM YOUR CHILD:

- I'm Just a **KID**
- It's Just a **GAME**
- My Coach is a **VOLUNTEER**
- The Officials are **HUMAN**
- **NO** College Scholarships will be Handed Out Today

That got me thinking (as I am prone to do) about this time of year. This is the time of year when all things hockey can be a grind and those things that didn't seem to bother us in the fall with the excitement of a new season, start to grind at us. Whether this be the cheering of another spectator, a coaches practice habits or the fact that your child always seems to find a way to be the VERY last one out of the dressing room every time, it is important to keep in mind that Minor Hockey is about **KIDS** playing a **GAME** that they love. That would not be possible without many, many hours put in by **VOLUNTEERS** at various levels of the game and all of these generous people that commit their time are in fact **HUMAN** and not perfect. During those taxing times let's all remember and enjoy the reason that we are all here; our children.

I would also like to touch on the excellent effort put in by all of the CNN teams that have participated in Provincial play downs and wish good luck to all of those that still remain in the hunt for a ticket to the Provincial Tournaments across Alberta later this season. Similarly is the great representation of CNN by our teams in many tournaments so far this season (and more to come). Regardless of the final scores or placement, tournaments are a great opportunity for the players and parents to come together as a team as well as an opportunity to represent and make the entire CNN organization proud.

I would also like to recognize **Terra Pattison** and everyone that helped Terra with the planning, coordination and execution of the CNN Fundraiser. It went off without a hitch and was enjoyed by all in attendance. It was also a financial success, raising over \$12000 dollars for the CNN Minor Hockey Association. Terra also was responsible for the coordinating of the many shifts at the Casino granted to CNN in November of 2017. A big THANK YOU to those that volunteered and assisted Terra in ensuring that all the shifts were filled. The fundraiser night and casino are very important to CNN and allow us to continue to put on development sessions such as the goalie clinics, power skating and shooting clinic.

DID YOU KNOW: The registration fees collected by CNN do not typically cover the ice fees paid out by CNN? This does not account for the referee fees, clinics, Hockey Alberta registrations and other fees as well.

PERSEVERANCE

It's hard to beat a person who never gives up.
-Babe Ruth

Ernie Overeem



Atom B hosted a successful tournament in January with 2 divisions.

They would like to thank their sponsors

SEB Contracting Ltd & Straightline Chrysler.

Fill a Barrell for the food bank collected 407.7 lbs and \$305 for our local Food bank!

Congratulations to the following teams:

A Division

- 1- Fort McMurray Eagles
- 2- Beaumont Braves
- 3- Leduc Roughnecks
- 4- CNN Spurs

B Division

- 1- Athabasca Sniperhawks
- 2- Fort McMurray Falcons
- 3- Strathcona Warriors
- 4- CNN Spurs



Did you know.....

Gail Critchley has been a part of CNN since it began. A devoted volunteer that puts hours in organizing our practice and game times. Thank you Gail!

REMINDER!!

COMMUNICATION LINES

The following diagram explains the proper communication lines to be used WHEN A PARENT HAS A PROBLEM WITH HOCKEY or needs a question answered regarding the hockey program.

Keep in mind the 24 hour rule.

Parent

Coach/Manager

CNN Level Director

CNN Spurs Minor Hockey President

Zone Administration Coordinator

Hockey Alberta Staff



Initiation 1



Dee Wee 2 GOLD!



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Spur Alumni Midget Coach– Dylan McIntyre

Midget Coach, Dylan McIntyre is back coaching on his home turf and now his sons wear the Jersey and his old CNN jacket.

How many years did you play for the SPURS? "4 years

Spurs was joined at pee wee at that time and I played in the fort both years in bantam"

Favourite memory wearing a spurs jersey: "wearing it with some good buddies and representing our home"

Your Coaching Philosophy: "is to push the kids to grow as a person and learn team work and accountability"

Fav memory this year: "so far is each time I see each of the kids smile and do something they couldn't do at the start of the year"

Favourite pump up song: "has to be Enter Sandman by Metallica"



NA Interlock Timeline

25-Feb ALL tiers season ends

26-Feb Playoffs begin

25-Mar Playoffs complete

PROVINCIAL PLAY DOWNS



#goSpurs



Congrats Atom 1

**Zone Champs and heading to
PROVINCIALS!!**



Novice 2 Silver



Novice 1

Atom 3

