

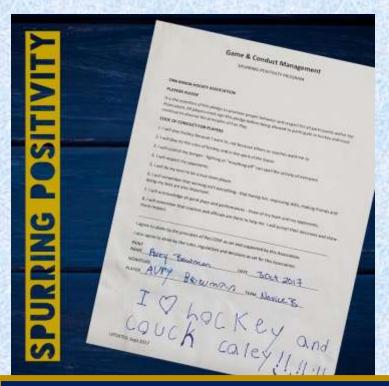
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Hello 2017-18 Hockey Season

Welcome back CNN families and to all of the new Spurs welcome! The purpose of the "Spur of the Moment" is to share events, reminders, success + spread positivity. Please send any ideas, photos, team building or tournament results to cnnspurs.minorhockey@gmail.com. Make us proud as you represent CNN on and off the ice this season.



Reminding us why they play and love the game!







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CNN Team Photos

November 27th | Bon Accord Arena

Details at www.cnnspurs.com

Thank you to all of the volunteers that helped out with CNN Clothing Night!





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Message from the President – Ernie Overeem.

Welcome to the 2017/18 Hockey Season!

It's that time of year again. Snow on the ground and the early dark evenings surely means that Minor Hockey season is back again for the winter. As you warm up the cold vehicles and sit in the many cold arenas in the towns around us, remember that hockey is a game and the reason we as parents go through the long drives and cold rinks is to give our children the opportunity to have fun playing a game that they love.

In CNN this year we have 12 teams:

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Novice - 2Peewee - 2Midget - 1

It is encouraging to see so many players at the younger levels of hockey and large amounts of players continuing to enjoy the game at the higher levels as well.

I would like to thank all of the volunteers, without the Board members, Coaches, Managers, other team staff and referees it would not be possible for CNN to provide the opportunity and environment for organized hockey in and around the communities of Gibbons and Bon Accord. Your time and commitment is greatly appreciated.

There are a few topics that I would like to touch on below:

NAI LEAGUE

The 1660 Hockey League from years past has joined with other neighboring leagues and has been named the Northern Alberta Interlock. This allows for more teams especially at the higher levels and higher tiers of hockey. NAI is attempting to keep total travel to as much of a minimum as possible with the interlock as well.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Coming up we have our CNN Fundraiser evening; the fundraiser is a good opportunity to get to know the other CNN families outside the rink. In addition to being a fundraiser for CNN, it also an event where we gather items for the local foodbank through our tree decorating contest and try to earn bragging rights as the local mini-stick sharpshooter!

HOCKEY ALBERTA FUTURE CHANGES

After various studies and analysis of hockey at the younger levels, last year Hockey Alberta rolled out it's Initiation Program, one key feature in that program is the mandated use of the half-ice surface for hockey games. It allows players to touch the puck more often in the game setting and also improves players' skills in an age-appropriate setting. For Initiation, half ice is considered a surface no larger than 100ft x 85 ft.

With the same logic, half ice games will be starting in Novice likely as soon as next year. The idea being the same, players at the younger age will learn more and improve their skills more appropriately in games played on half ice. Although all the details are not out at this time, half ice Novice games are coming soon to rinks near you.

Lastly, I would just like to remind everyone to enjoy the team game of hockey,

Remember:

It's not the team with the best players that win. It's the players with the best team that wins!

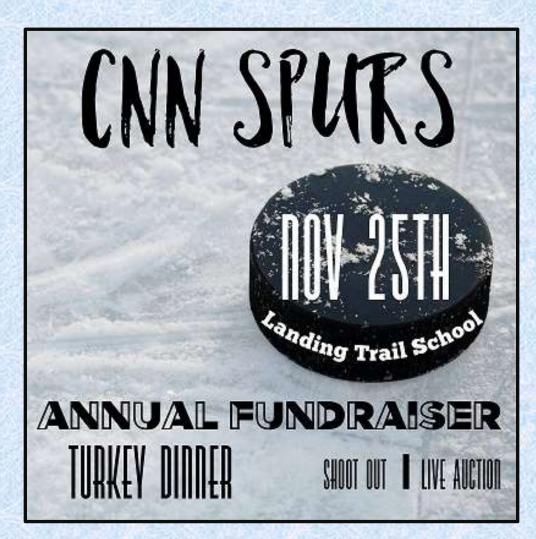
Did you know.....

CNN stands for CROWSNEST NORTH, Crowsnest Road is a North/South road which runs between both Gibbons + Bon Accord.

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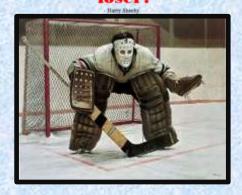
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CNN Fundraiser Auction Highlights

Oil Kings Suite **Signed Oilers Stick** Signed Oil Kings Stick w/ 5 tickets McDavid & Gretzky Print (\$2100)

1/2 a beef Locally Grown Chef's table at Earl's Photography Packages Signed Lucic Stick + jersey And More!!!

Oilers tickets Genuine Ruby Pendent Gift Baskets



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