



Spur of the Moment

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January has been a busy month already for teams and the CNN Board.

Reminder to Coaches, managers & parents to send us your photos, ideas, success stories & development to cnnspurs.minorhockey@gmail.com.

Did you know??

In the future, you will be seeing new BUMPER pads to reduce the playing surface for Initiation at our arenas. **Hockey Alberta** will be implementing the new “Shrink the Rink” guidelines next season with Initiation playing half ice games. More info at www.hockeyalberta.com

Reminder!

Last Session with Miller Power Skating

January 20th-Atom 2

February 5th – Novice 2

Last Sessions with ATC Goaltending

January 20th, February 3rd & February 17th

Thank you for the patience of all teams and parents as our Ice Allocator **Shelley Schlesiger** works her magic to fit in the Provincial games. Reminder that some ice times may be shifted, cancelled or rescheduled to fit these in.





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SPURS HIGHLIGHT

CNN Spurs Novice Coaches & Teams

Novice 1

- There are 12 players on our team. We are a small but fast team that works hard on team work.
- The coaching staff consists of Jason Ference, John Currie, Misty Smith, Jamie Brown, Chris Sidor, Jake Mann & Manager Jodi Currie. We are an easy going group that want the players to have fun, develop skills and play as a team.
- Head Coach Jason Ference is in his third year coaching, his second as the head coach.
- Favorite memory so far is winning the bronze medal in our own tournament.
- I hope the second half of the season is as fun as the first half and we do well in playoffs.

Novice 2

- CNN Novice 2 has 13 awesome players. A mix of 10 boys and 3 girls from first year hockey players to some with 4 years' experience.
- The coaching staff consists of Wayne Tufford, Mark Houlihan, Brain Pattison, Jim Roe and Alvin Kuzyk & Manager Adam Edwards. The coaching staff bring diverse dynamics to the team with different coaching skills & techniques.
- The coaching staff has many years' experience coaching and playing hockey in the Gibbons area
- Coach Kuzyk's favorite memory so far was at the Stony Plain/Spruce Grove tournament where our goalie literally stood on his head. It was his first time in net this year and he performed amazingly. The other teams were a little rough and he was banged around pretty good. All the players on the team played awesome. It was a fun tournament!

Novice 3

- We have 13 children on the team. 10 boys and 3 girls. The kids are playing as if they have played together for years. Novice 3 has not only strived for excellence but had fun doing it along the way. Whether it be off ice having fun playing floor hockey or throwing a football around at practice. These kids have meshed.
- Coaching staff: Head coach Paul Richards, Assistant Coaches: Dave Jobin, Taylor Brophy, Doug Hamilton, Manager Shelley Mulholland & Trainers: Candice Ginter & Brian Mulholland. We assist each other in our weaknesses and get excited to see our strengths as coaches come out into game play with the kids
- Coach Richards played minor hockey in Edmonton, Junior in the NJHL & Mens Hockey in the ERHL. He has coached girls fast pitch and his nephew in CNN before head coaching 3 of the 4 years his son has played with CNN.
- Hi favorite memory was getting up early against Tofield and switching his defence up to offence. It backfired in a good way, showing us coaches that our players could play any position.
- Great group of kids with a lot of potential. We are now 7 games in and still have not lost, with a record of 6-0-1



The approved 1660
Playoff Format can be
found at
www.1660.ab.ca



The CNN Novice A team had
Oiler Alumni Chris Joseph
show them what he learned about
shooting after 14 years in the NHL

<http://www.basehockey.ca/edmonton>



Tournament Talk

Initiation 3 took part in their first tournament January 16 & 17 in Spruce Grove. These 1st year players ended up in a tie for GOLD! The smiles on the faces of the players, parents & coaches said it all.



Novice 3 in the Calmar Tournament January 16 & 17 with a 1-2-0 record. Fun tournament with MVP, Heart and Hustle awards handed out each game, the kids had a blast, lots of names hit the game sheet and record crowds in the stands!

Novice A = Gold!
Left the Onoway Tournament on January 16 & 17 with some new hardware.

