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# A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE MINTO CUP

The Governor General of Canada, the 4th Earl of Minto (Sir Gilbert John Murray Kynmond Elliot), donated The Minto Cup in 1901 for challenge competition to be awarded to the top Senior Amateur team among the championship teams of the men's lacrosse leagues across Canada. Within three years, challengers included both 'amateur' and 'under-the-table' professional teams who competed for this trophy.

By 1910, the Minto Cup was transferred to the newly emerging West Coast professional league and became symbolic of lacrosse pre-eminence in the professional ranks, with the New Westminster Salmonbellies of British Columbia dominating professional play at the time. When the West Coast professional league ended in 1924, the Minto Cup was put into storage by its trustees and for a time was 'lost and forgotten'.

The Minto Cup was transferred to the Canadian Lacrosse Association (now known as Lacrosse Canada) in the early 1930s, and in 1937 was officially designated as the top Canadian Junior division box lacrosse championship award upon the inauguration of the Mann Cup. The first Junior "A" team to capture the Minto Cup championship was the Orillia Terriers, who defeated the Vancouver Burrard Bluebirds. Since that time, with a brief interlude during the Great War years (1943, 1944, 1945) and the COVID-19 pandemic (2020, 2021), the Minto Cup has remained the pre-eminent symbol of Junior "A" lacrosse excellence across Canada. Currently, the provincial champions of the three Lacrosse Canada sanctioned Junior "A" leagues (British Columbia, Alberta and Ontario), along with the host province's finalist team, compete for the title.

The Minto Cup is on permanent display in the Canadian Lacrosse Hall of Fame, located in New Westminster, BC.





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# BCJALL ROAD TO THE 2024 MINTO CUP



### ABOUT THE BCJALL

The British Columbia Junior "A" Lacrosse League (BCJALL) is the top tier junior box lacrosse league based in British Columbia, Canada. The BCJALL currently consists of eight (8) teams located throughout the Lower Mainland (Burnaby Lakers, Coquitlam Adanacs, Delta Islanders, Langley Thunder, New Westminster Salmonbellies and Port Coquitlam Saints) and Vancouver Island (Nanaimo Timbermen, Victoria Shamrocks).

Teams compete annually for the British Columbia Provincial Championship, with the winner moving on to play for the Minto Cup, the Canadian National Championship. British Columbia has captured the Minto Cup twenty-two times since 1937.

### **FIRST ROUND**

#### **Best-of-seven series**

#1 Coquitlam Adanacs vs. #4 Burnaby Lakers Coquitlam wins series 4-0

Game 1: Coquitlam 12, Burnaby 6 Game 2: Burnaby 6, Coquitlam 12 Game 3: Coquitlam 9, Burnaby 8 Game 4: Burnaby O, Coquitlam 12

#2 Port Coguitlam Saints vs. #3 Nanaimo Timbermen

### Port Coquitlam wins series 4-0

Game 1: Nanaimo 5. Port Coquitlam 7 Game 2: Port Coquitlam 11, Nanaimo 8 Game 3: Nanaimo 10, Port Coquitlam 13 Game 4: Port Coquitlam 11, Nanaimo 6

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### **BCJALL FINALS**

### **Best-of-five series**

#1 Coquitlam Adanacs vs. #2 Port Coquitlam Saints

Schedule TBA



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# RMLL ROAD TO THE 2024 MINTO CUP



### ABOUT THE RMLL

The Rocky Mountain Lacrosse League (RMLL) is comprised of four Junior "A" teams: the Calgary Mountaineers, the Okotoks Raiders, the St. Alberts Miners, and the Saskatchewan Swat.

The Alberta Junior "A" Champion earns the right to represent Alberta in the Minto Cup, the prestigious trophy awarded annually by Lacrosse Canada to the top Junior Box Lacrosse team in the Canada. Alberta has made huge strides in meeting the competitive merit required to compete in this tournament recently, and expects this culture to continue.

### **FIRST ROUND**

#### **Best-of-seven series**

#1 Edmonton Miners vs. #4 Saskatchewan SWAT Edmonton win series 4-0

Game 1: Saskatchewan 3, Edmonton 14 Game 2: Saskatchewan 6, Edmonton 16 Game 3: Edmonton 8, Saskatchewan 6 Game 4: Edmonton 10. Saskatchewan 3

#2 Raiders Lacrosse Club vs. #3 Calgary Mountaineers Raiders wins series 4-0

Game 1: Calgary 6, Raiders 15 Game 2: Calgary 3, Raiders 8 Game 3: Raiders 13, Mountaineers 5 Game 4: Raiders 12, Mountaineers 5

### **RMLL FINALS**

#### **Best-of-seven series**

#1 Edmonton Miners vs. #2 Raiders Lacrosse Club Series tied 0-0

Game 1: Sat. July 27 (7pm MT) Performance Arena Game 2: Sun. July 28 (3pm MT) Performance Arena Game 3: Fri. Aug. 2 (8pm MT) Stu Peppard Arena Game 4: Wed. Aug. 7 (8pm MT) Stu Peppard Arena

\*Game 5: Fri. Aug. 9 (7pm MT) Beaumont Sport & Rec Centre

\*Game 6: Sat. Aug. 10 (5pm MT) Stu Peppard Arena

\*Game 7: Sun. Aug 11 (5pm MT) Beaumont Sport & Rec Centre

\*If necessary





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### OJLL ROAD TO THE 2024 MINTO CUP

### ABOUT THE OJLL

The Ontario Junior Lacrosse League (OJLL) is the premiere junior men's box lacrosse league in Ontario. Sanctioned by the Ontario Lacrosse Association and Lacrosse Canada, the Ontario Champion is annually awarded the Iroquois Trophy and moves on to compete against teams from Alberta and British Columbia for the Minto Cup, the Junior A National Box Lacrosse Championship of Canada.

The OJLL is the number one source for talent for the National Lacrosse League (NLL), the largest and most successful professional lacrosse property in the world. Since the first NLL draft in 1996, sixteen OJLL alumni have been selected first overall.

The league is composed of eleven franchises across Ontario: Brampton Excelsiors, Burlington Chiefs, Kitchener-Waterloo Braves, Mimico Mountaineers, Oakville Buzz, Orangeville Northmen, Peterborough Lakers, St. Catharines Athletics, Six Nations Arrows, Toronto Beaches and Whitby Warriors.

The OJLL has featured many other Ontario lacrosse communities throughout its storied history. The league was officially incorporated in 1933, however, the Iroquois Trophy dates back to 1901. Until 1975 the trophy was awarded to Ontario's regular season champion. From 1976 on, it has been won by the playoff series winner. Ontario has captured the Minto Cup fifty-six times since 1937.

### **FIRST ROUND**

#### Best-of-five series

# #1 Orangeville Northmen vs. #8 Toronto Beaches Orangeville wins series 3-0

Game 1: Toronto 8, Orangeville 12 Game 2: Orangeville 10, Toronto 6 Game 3: Toronto 5, Orangeville 11

# #2 Peterborough Lakers vs. #7 Six Nations Arrows **Peterborough wins series 3-2**

Game 1: Six Nations 8, Peterborough 6
Game 2: Peterborough 6, Six Nations 8
Game 3: Six Nations 9, Peterborough 10 (OT)
Game 4: Peterborough 7, Six Nations 6
Game 5: Six Nations 3, Peterborough 6

# #3 Mimico Mountaineers vs. #6 Brampton Excelsiors Mimico wins series 3-0

Game 1: Brampton 10, Mimico 13 Game 2: Mimico 11, Brampton 6 Game 3: Brampton 6, Mimico 13

#4 Burlington Blaze vs. #5 St. Catharines Athletics

### St. Catharines wins series 3-1

Game 1: Burlington 8, St. Catharines 7 Game 2: St. Catharines 8, Burlington 4 Game 3: St. Catharines 10, Burlington 6 Game 4: Burlington 6, St. Catharines 7

### **SECOND ROUND**

#### Best-of-five series

# #1 Orangeville Northmen vs. #5 St. Catharines Athletics **Orangeville leads series 2-0**

Game 1: St. Catharines 4, Orangeville 16
Game 2: Orangeville 9, St. Catharines 6
Game 3: Sat. July 27 (7pm ET) Tony Rose Arena
\*Game 4: Mon. July 29 (8pm ET) Canada Games Arena
\*Game 5: Tues. July 30 (8pm ET) Tony Rose Arena

# #2 Peterborough Lakers vs. #3 Mimico Mountaineers Series tied 1-1

Game 1: Mimico 5, Peterborough 9 Game 2: Peterborough 7, Mimico 18

Game 3: Fri. July 26 (8pm ET) Peterborough Memorial Centre

\*Game 4: Sat. July 27 (7pm ET) Mimico Arena

\*Game 5: Mon. July 29 (8pm ET) Peterborough Memorial Centre

\*If necessary



### MINTO CUP CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYING SCHEDULE

### Media Conference – Friday August 16th 5pm Room 2

### • Day 1 - Saturday August 17th

Practices 8am to 1pm (order to be determined)
Competition Meeting - 10:00am
Game 1 - 4:00pm
Opening Ceremonies - 6:00pm
Game 2 - 8:00pm

### Day 2 – Sunday August 18th

Practices 8am to 1pm (order to be determined)
Game 3 – 4:00pm
Game 4 – 7:00pm

### Day 3 – Monday August 19th

Practices 8am to 1pm (order to be determined)
Game 5 - 4:00pm
Game 6 - 7:00pm

### Day 4 – Tuesday August 20th

Practices 8am to 1pm (order to be determined)

Game 7 - 2/3 game - 7:00pm

### Day 5 – Wednesday August 21st

Practices 8am to 1pm (order to be determined)

Day off

### Day 6 – Thursday August 22nd

Practices 8am to 1pm (order to be determined)
Minto Cup Game 1 - 7:00pm

### Day 7 – Friday August 23rd

Practices 8am to 1pm (order to be determined) Minto Cup Game 2 – 7:00 m

### Day 8 – Saturday August 24th

Practices 8am to 1pm (order to be determined)
Minto Cup Game 3 – 7:00pm



# THE VENUE - Poirier Sport & Leisure Complex



The Poirier Sport & Leisure Complex is a state-of-the-art facility located in the heart of Coquitlam, British Columbia. It's a central hub for both community members and visiting athletes and offers a plethora of amenities designed to support a variety of sports and events.

The complex houses two NHL-sized rinks and a fitness centre, offering visitors access to a variety of recreational activities. For the convenience of teams and spectators, the complex includes ample dressing room space, ensuring comfortable accommodations for players to prepare for their games. An additional arena, Poirier Forum, is located on-site and can be used for practices.

The Poirier Sport & Leisure Complex also prides itself on being accessible, with features like wheelchair accessible seating and facilities. It is well-equipped with modern technological capabilities, including high-quality lighting, sound systems, and digital scoreboards, ensuring a professional environment for the tournament.

In summary, the Poirier Sport & Leisure Complex provides a top-tier venue that offers a seamless blend of athletic functionality and spectator comfort, making it an excellent choice for hosting the Minto Cup National Championships.

### **COMPETITION VENUE**

### Main Arena

Seating Capacity: 2200 plus standing

### Rec Arena

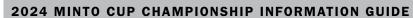
Seating Capacity: 400 plus standing

### **Amenities**

Swimming Pool, Weight Room, Fully Licensed Lounge area, Dedicated Meeting Rooms,

8 Dressing Rooms







# TEAM AIRPORT TRANSFERS

Airport transportation will be arranged for out-of-province teams for both arrival and departure in 56-seat passenger climate-controlled deluxe coaches with under-bus luggage storage. Minto Cup Host Committee representatives have received all flight information and will connect to discuss arrangements once the participating teams are finalized.

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Lacrosse Experts
931 Brunette Ave., Coquitlam
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