



BLINDMAN VALLEY MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION



# BLINDMAN VALLEY BREAKAWAY



FEBRUARY 2026 EDITION

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Important Reminder  
to all teams - Don't  
forget to use your  
\$200 BVMHA  
sponsored player  
development funds  
before the year ends.

## BENTLEY CHANGE ROOMS

Special Shoutout to  
**Kansas Ridge Mechanical** and  
**Brady Landry** for supporting the  
repairs on the Canucks Room.



As mentioned in the January Edition,  
**Rugged Energy Ltd.** and **Hawleywood  
Contracting Ltd.** took the initiative to  
set up and fund the repairs.



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we head into the excitement of playoff season, I want to extend my heartfelt congratulations to all our teams. Your hard work, dedication, and growth throughout the season have been incredible to watch. The effort you've put in—early mornings, late nights, practices, and games—has prepared you well, and we can't wait to see it all pay off as we ramp up for playoffs.

I also want to express my deepest gratitude to our volunteers. You are truly the lifeblood of our association. Coaches, managers, board members, timekeepers, parents, and countless behind-the-scenes helpers—your commitment is what makes each season not only possible, but successful. We simply could not do this without you, and we are so thankful for everything you do.

Wishing all our teams the very best of luck and a long, hard-fought playoff run!

Let's finish the season strong.

Steph  
Stephanie Carlson  
President  
Blindman Valley Minor Hockey Association



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**February 1<sup>st</sup> - Deadline to Win Nikirk Bros Sponsorship** - See Raffle Bonus details above.

**February 2nd - Brett Gardiner presents on Goalies and the Mental Side of the Position** - See page 2 for more details.

## HOME TOURNAMENTS

Come Cheer, Check Out the Raffles and Show Your Support!

**U11-1/U11-2 Wildcats on February 13 - 15 in Bentley**



**U7 Renegades on February 28 in Rimbe**

**U7 Eagles on February 28 in Eckville**



**FEBRUARY SCHEDULE**

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## ASSOCIATION FUNDRAISERS

Total annual goal: \$140,000

### 1) The Off Season Golf Tournament 2026 – JULY 17, 2026.



More information below!

### 2) Side by Side/Cash Raffle! – AVAILABLE NOW! See your team fundraiser for tickets!



More info in January Edition!

### 3) Home Tournaments – We have heard some great feedback regarding home tournaments this year! Keep up the great work!

\*\*Reminder - money raised in home tournaments may only be spent on approved items in the list provided. Help us protect our AGLC Licence. We can't run without it!

## “THE OFF-SEASON” GOLF TOURNAMENT

Sponsored by Rugged Energy Ltd. the annual golf tournament fundraiser will be held **July 17, 2026 at Meadowlands Golf Club in Sylvan Lake**. Register now for this fun-Hockey themed day of golf. Team of (4) Entry Fee \$800 includes 18 Holes w Cart, Best Ball/Scramble, Breakfast & Dinner, Hole & Team Prizes, and a bunch of fun!

Early BIRDIE Special ~ Register and pay by May 1 to SAVE \$100 on Team Entry Fee.

Come spend the day on the links in support of Blindman Valley Minor Hockey. Space is limited.

Team Registration is open now!

<https://forms.office.com/r/je3QWBeLmu?origin=lprLink>

Multiple Sponsorship Opportunities Available! See Page 4 for Sponsorship information.



## GOALIE CLINICS

On-Ice Goalie Clinics have finished for the Season.

### OFF-ICE Clinic:

Brett Gardiner presents on Goalies and the Mental Side of the Position

**When:** February 2, 2026 @ 6:30-8:00pm

**Where:** Bentley Elementary School Gym

**Who:** BVMHA Goalies, Goalie Parents and Coaches

**Please RSVP to Jared:** [playerdevelopment@blindmanvalleyha.com](mailto:playerdevelopment@blindmanvalleyha.com)

“Brett strongly advocates for mental health and wellness, having become one of the most sought-after speakers and consultants in mental performance and motivation. Brett holds a master's degree in counselling psychology and is a doctoral candidate in the Sports and Performance Psychology program at the University of Western States. As a mental performance coach and performance psychologist, Brett has worked with Stanley Cup champions, world-champion athletes in Western sports, provincial and national championship teams, and some of Canada's top companies and organizations.”

Credit - <https://www.brettgardiner.com/>



## REFEREE OF THE MONTH

**KALI MCCULLOCH**



Kali McCulloch has been a main stay on the ice both running lines and calling games. She's shown great confidence and game management running some very close intense games. Great job keep up the great work.

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## FUNDRAISING PROGRESS UPDATES



Our fundraising goal helps keep hockey affordable, so every child has the chance to play—no one is left on the sidelines.



Have a fundraising idea?  
Email - [communications@blindmanvalleymha.com](mailto:communications@blindmanvalleymha.com)

THANK YOU!

## PLAYER OF THE MONTH

### STROME MEDIN



Strome always shows up. His emotions are always in check. He has a quiet, strong manner about him. His smile is contagious. He always puts in 110% effort and rolls with the punches.

If he has to fall back to the D position, you never hear him complain. He still puts in all the effort and succeeds. There is not a player on the team who doesn't enjoy being teammates with him, and they fight over who gets to be on his line!

Help us celebrate BVMH players! One player will be featured in our monthly newsletter each month.

Email nominations to

[communications@blindmanvalleymha.com](mailto:communications@blindmanvalleymha.com)

Include: Player name, your name and why you are nominating them

[www.blindmanvalleymha.com](http://www.blindmanvalleymha.com)

[@blindmanvalleyminorhockeyassociation](https://www.facebook.com/blindmanvalleyminorhockeyassociation)

## SPECIAL MENTION

### U9-2 BENTLEY CANUCKS



The Bentley U9-2 Canucks started the year out as 11 individuals, the perseverance of every individual has lifted the team to the Top and has created a wonderful group with a Positive Attitude. All the kids have demonstrated a great work ethic and its showing with remarkable progress.

Every player, Coach, Parent and Grandparent involved should be proud.

Coach Blaak

## SPONSOR SHOUTOUT

**ARNETT & BURGESS**  
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Thank you to A&B Energy Services for your continued support of BVMH. A gold sponsor at Dueling Pianos and participating in "The Off-Season" golf tournament each year, we appreciate your help in keeping kids on the ice!



Submit your best hockey moment!

Winner gets a feature in next month's newsletter.

# Blindman Valley Minor Hockey Association

Box896Rimbey, Alberta T0C2J0



Blindman Valley Minor Hockey Association is home to nearly 400 young athletes in the Bentley, Eckville, Rimbey areas and beyond! Without business support and donations, hockey would not be affordable for many of our kids. As a volunteer organization, we take pride in being able to offer our families among the lowest fees in central Alberta; without compromising the quality of our program.

The fourth annual "The Off-Season" golf tournament fundraiser will take place **July 17, 2026, at Meadowlands Golf Club** in Sylvan Lake. Our event continues to grow each year, and we are excited to spend the day on the links in support of kids' hockey! This Blindman Valley Minor Hockey fundraising event presents sponsorship and advertising opportunities for you as a business owner.

## Hole Sponsorship \$300

Includes:

- Website and social media mention.
- Lawn sign displayed the day of the event at sponsored hole.
- Recognition of support in the Tournament Tent.

## Speed Golf Hole Sponsor \$500 (single sponsor)

Includes:

- Acknowledged on our website and social media.
- Lawn sign displayed the day of the event at the tee box and green of Speed Golf hole.
- Recognition of your support in the Tournament Tent.
- Acknowledgement during the live/silent auction.

## Putting Green Sponsor \$500 (single sponsor)

Includes:

- Acknowledged on our website and social media.
- Lawn sign displayed the day of the event.
- Recognition of your support in the Tournament Tent.
- Acknowledgement during the live/silent auction.

## Chipping Challenge Sponsor \$500 (single sponsor)

Includes:

- Acknowledged on our website and social media.
- Lawn sign displayed the day of the event.
- Recognition of your support in the Tournament Tent.
- Acknowledgement during the live/silent auction.

If you would like to support this event through sponsorship or gift in-kind, or if you have any questions, please contact: Janelle Lundgard at (403)783-9866 [promotions@blindmanvalleymha.com](mailto:promotions@blindmanvalleymha.com)

Thank you again for your consideration.

Janelle Lundgard

Promotions Coordinator - Blindman Valley Minor Hockey Association