

2022-23 Goalie Clinic Report

For the 2022-23 season, WRRA set aside a player development budget targeted for goalies within the region. At the region level, we had a target to run 4 clinics, but were only able to schedule 3. The lead instructor was the Waterloo Wildfire NRL starting goalie – Cam Schnarr. The 3 locations to host clinics were:

- Kitchener
- London
- Chatham

The clinic registration numbers were:

- 8 for Kitchener
- 13 for London
- 10 for Chatham

Feedback from the clinics was positive and there were no complaints.

Recommendations for future clinics:

- 1. Earlier planning. Start in August as ice is being allocated and scheduled.
- 2. Cross reference the tournament dates published from Ringette Ontario to avoid players unavailable due to attending tournaments. This impacts goalie registration and volunteer shooters.
- 3. Have host associations black out dates to ensure ice is available.
- 4. Plan for clinics at end of Sept, Oct and Nov; and mid-Dec or early Jan.
- 5. Consider host associations sourcing local goalie instructors. Using higher profile ringette goalies does attract stronger interest by registrants but can be difficult in scheduling. For 2023-24, we should look at 2022-23 Team Ontario and/or NRL goalies.
- 6. Seek ice donations from hosting associations to help keep the cost down.
- 7. WRRA to continue budget for goalie development