

Niagara Falls

March 11-13, 2016

TOURNAMENT

PROGRAM



Dear Participants,

- 1. Welcome to our 10th Anniversary of Adult & Oldtimer's Recreational Hockey Tournament in Niagara Falls. We are very pleased you have decided to join us, and are looking forward to a great weekend of competitive hockey and fun.**
- 2. A Commemorative 10th Anniversary Team Picture & Action Shots of all team members will be given to team rep after their last game.**
- 3. We would like to welcome our official sponsors Montana's, Boston Pizza, The Outback Steakhouse, IHOP & Hooters.**
- 4. We will have a Tournament Control Center at the Gale Centre at all times to answer any questions and provide any information you may desire throughout the weekend.**
- 5. Enjoy Niagara Falls, walk to The New Falls View Casino & enjoy all the numerous restaurants & clubs.**

Once again, welcome to Weekend Hockey's Tournament in Niagara Falls. Have fun, play hard & enjoy your weekend!

**James Zitmanis
Tournament Director
Weekend Hockey Tournaments**

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STAFF LIST

James Zitmanis:	Tournament Director
Della Steele:	Tournament Administration
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Maureen MacLellan:	Tournament Convenor
Donny Okum:	Tournament Convenor
Kevin McKinnon:	Referee In Chief
Jerry Chipman:	Scorekeepers

AWARDS AND PRIZES

<i>1st Place Team in Division:</i>	Each player will receive a Weekend Hockey Jacket, Team Trophy & Team Picture on Web Site
<i>2nd Place Team in Division:</i>	Each player will receive apparel awards
<i>Player of the Game:</i>	One player <u>Per Team</u> in each game will be awarded a Player of the Game Award sponsored by SUMMERSKATES
All Team Reps:	A Commemorative 10th Anniversary Team Picture & Action Shots of all team members will be given to team rep after their last game

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TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

10th Anniversary ADULT/OLDTIMERS HOCKEY

**TOURNAMENT in Niagara Falls, ON
March 11-13, 2016**

REGISTRATION

All team Reps are to register with Weekend Hockey Staff at Tournament Central located in the arena BEFORE your 1st game is played. We will have a Tournament Central in all arenas!

All Payments to be paid in full by START OF TOURNAMENT. After this date cash or credit cards will only be accepted. At registration, payment for last minute registrations for new players or guests will be allowed.

CHECK-IN AT HOTELS

Anytime after 4:00pm. In some cases you may be able to check in earlier. Check first with your hotel!

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE HOTEL REQUIRES, AT REGISTRATION, THAT EACH ROOM PROVIDE A CREDIT CARD IMPRESSION OR \$100 CASH DEPOSIT TO COVER PHONE CALLS, OR OTHER COSTS THAT MAY BE INCURRED. IF NOT USED, IMPRESSION AND OR DEPOSIT WILL BE RETURNED AT CHECKOUT.

CHECK-OUT

Check-out time is 12:00 pm. If you have a later game on Sunday, give yourself enough time for check out & to play in your final game. Don't forget to clear up any additional charges. The Hotel will have your credit card deposit which will be automatically charged if required.

GAME SCHEDULES

Game schedules are final. All teams have been scheduled according to team roster lists provided by Team Reps or tournament director is familiar with the team from past Weekend Hockey Tournaments. Please note, if a team does "blow out" another team, that team may lose their 2 points for that game & be moved to another division provided division allows a movement. If movement of team can't be made, any necessary changes can be made by Tournament Director to facilitate a fair division. Note: this is extremely rare & has only happened once in 10 years of operating hockey tournaments

HOTELS

The Quality Suites is located conveniently & walking distance to major Niagara Falls attractions including Journey Behind the Falls, Maid of the Mist, the Fury, and more. The famous Clifton Hill district is within a

short walk from the hotel. The Fallsview Casino Resort is only steps away. Observation towers and other attractions are within sight of the hotel

Niagara Falls Dining

There are restaurants to suit everyone in Niagara Falls. The Outback Steakhouse, Montana's, Boston Pizza, Montana's & IHOP and the list goes on are all walking distance from the Quality Suites

ARENAS

The Gale Centre is located approximately 10 minutes from downtown Niagara Falls.

DRINK & MEAL VOUCHERS

***One Team Rep** per team will receive drink vouchers for his team at check-in at Tournament Central at arena on Friday. **Every team rep will receive 6 Complimentary Beer Pitcher tickets that can be redeemed at the WHT Beer Garden located inside of The Gale Centre.** Complimentary Gatorade will be provided for every team at dressing room level throughout the Weekend. Teams that are staying at The Quality Suites are entitled to meal vouchers & can pick them up Friday at Tournament Central. Each player will receive 2 Meal Vouchers for use @ Boston Pizza or Hooter's for teams that took the "Weekend Hockey Package"..*

TOURNAMENT CENTRAL

Weekend Hockey Staff will at all times have a Tournament Control Centre located at The Gale Centre to answer questions, provide information, distribute tickets or otherwise help you in any possible way.

ITINERARY

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Friday March 11, 2016

Check in at ground floor lobby of hotel or sign in at Tournament Central at Arena. IMPORTANT- If you are unable to check in before your game, you MUST check-in after your game. Any changes to your team must be reported!

- ***All team reps have received their drink & meal voucher coupons.***
- ***All teams will have played their first game today except one team***
- ***All teams will have action shots & team picture taken.***
- ***Visit all the great restaurants, bars & clubs in Downtown Niagara Falls!***
- ***Jr B Hockey Playoffs. Niagara Falls Canucks vs Fort Erie 7:30pm @ Gale Centre***

Saturday March 12, 2016

- ***Most teams will play 2 games today!***
- ***All teams will have action shots & team picture taken.***
- ***Visit all the great restaurants, bars & clubs in Downtown Niagara Falls!***
- ***Carolina @ Sabres 1:00pm***

Sunday March 13, 2016

- ***All Championship Games commence today IMPORTANT- Award presentations will be made in the dressing rooms after the games.***
- ***Championship Teams will have team picture taken with awards & team trophy. Picture will be posted on www.weekendhockey.com web site.***

WEEKEND HOCKEY TOURNAMENTS

(RULES & REGULATIONS)

The current rules of the C.H.A will govern all tournament games, with the exception of a number of rules specific to Weekend Hockey Tournaments Inc, as outlined in these pages. These may be modified by the Tournament Directors at any time. Tournament directors assume no responsibility for any claims arising through the operation of the tournament. No allowances will be made for ignorance of the rules.

- 1) **ARENA PROPERTY** - Any damage to the arena property will be paid for by the team responsible, prior to participation in any further league games. Non-compliance constitutes automatic suspension, from the league and possible legal action.
- 2) **ALCOHOL & CONTAINERS** - Alcoholic beverages and / or glass containers are prohibited in the arena. Failure to comply will result in disciplinary action against the offending individuals, including possible indefinite suspension from the tournament. This rule applies to the dressing rooms, playing area, parking lot, and grounds.
- 3) **PERSONAL PROPERTY**- The tournament accepts no responsibility for lost or stolen personal property. We strongly suggest that no valuables be taken into the arena. The Team representative will be responsible for providing a lock for the dressing room door.
- 4) **NOTICES**- All players should check with tournament central for any postings concerning game changes, standings, and league news. Team representatives are encouraged to communicate all concerns to tournament directors.
- 5) **LENGTH OF GAMES**- All games will be 3 periods in length, each period to be 10 - 10 - 12 minutes stop-time. In the event of the 4 goal spread, the clock shall run in the last 5 minutes of the third period only. For the clock to return to stop-time, the difference in score must be 3 goals or less. **WARM-UP – 2 minutes prior to commencement of game.** **Clock could continue if teams not ready! This will keep tournament schedules on time.**
- 6) **TEAM SWEATERS & COLOR CONFLICTS**- Tournament will provide jersey's in case of sweater conflicts.
- 7) **MANDATORY EQUIPMENT**- Face shields are advisable and recommended. Helmets are mandatory & must be worn by all players. Helmets must be C.S.A. approved (No Gretzky Jofa Helmets) with proper fastened chin straps. Goaltenders may not wear home-made masks. Accidents must be reported to the tournament directors and to the arena management.

8) **CHAMPIONSHIP SUNDAY ELIGIBILITY** - For a player to be eligible for Sunday's Championship Day, the player must have participated in 2 of the first 3 games.

8a) **CHAMPIONSHIP SUNDAY** – In event of a tie during Sunday's championship games, there will be a 4 on 4 3 minute running time period. Last 30 seconds stop time. If still tied, a 3 on 3, 3 minute running time period, last 30 seconds stop time. If still tied, a 2 on 2, 3 minute running time period, last 30 seconds stop time. If still tied a 1 on 1, 3 minute running time period, last 30 seconds stop time will occur. If still tied the 1 on 1 format still applies until someone scores.

9) **INELIGIBLE PLAYERS** - Only players registered with the tournament may participate.(Roster Sheet) All players must sign their own names at every game. Forging of signatures will result in a default of that game. Use of an ineligible player may result in the offending team losing the points that were awarded during the games, where ineligible players were used.

10) **SUBSTITUTE GOALTENDERS** - Substitute Goaltenders may only play, with the approval of the tournament directors. If permission is denied, teams may use any consenting goaltender, from within their own division or a lower division.

11) **MATCH PENALTIES- INVOLVING A LEAGUE OFFICIAL** - Automatic indefinite suspension from the tournament. There is no minimum suspension appeal. This penalty will be assessed when a player physically threatens or abuses any league official (directors, referees, timekeepers, etc.).

12) **CENTER RED LINE** - The center red line will not be in play at any time during the tournament.

13) **ICING** - All stoppages for icing will be initiated when the puck crosses the goal line of the non-offending team. All icing calls will be initiated by the offending team shooting the puck into the defending zone from behind their own blue line.

14) **GAME EJECTION** - Any player receiving 3 minor penalties in one game will receive a game ejection penalty. If the third minor penalty is co-incidental, that player will not be ejected until a fourth minor is incurred. Such an infraction shall not carry any suspension unless the last penalty is a Game Misconduct or major in the third period (see Rule 18). Any player incurring a major penalty shall be ejected from the game. Such an infraction, other than fighting, shall not carry any suspension unless the player's actions are reported to the league, by the referee, at which point league officials shall assess suspensions as deemed appropriate for the action.

15) **FACE-OFF MOVED TO THE NEUTRAL ZONE**- Should a gathering of players occur following a stoppage in play whereby the offensive team's defensemen (one or both)

enter the defensive zone past the top of the face-off circles, the referee will direct the face-off to the closest point in the neutral zone. When a player on the offensive team has made contact with the goal crease, the face-off shall be moved to closest point in the neutral zone.

16) **FIGHT / ALTERCATION-** In the event of a fight or an altercation where more than two players from either team are involved, the timekeepers are instructed to run the clock until such time as order has returned to the ice surface.

ALL Fighting Majors will result in an automatic tournament expulsion!

17) **FIVE MINUTE MAJOR-** (except fighting) The player receiving the 5 min major is ejected from the game. If the major is assessed during the third period, an automatic 1 game suspension can be assessed. A player from the ice must serve the 5 min. penalty. A major penalty is subject to review by tournament officials. Any player who receives 3 majors during the course of the tournament may be expelled from the tournament.

18) **GAME MISCONDUCT-** The player or coach that receives a game misconduct penalty, will be ejected from the balance of the game. If this penalty is assessed in the third period, an automatic one game suspension can be assessed. This suspension will be cumulative (see #17). All games misconduct's are subject to review and further suspension. This penalty will be assessed to players or coaches who are continually verbally abusing the league officials.

19) **TEN MINUTE MISCONDUCT-** The player will receive a 10 min. misconduct for verbally abusing league officials. If this occurs in the third period, an automatic 1 game suspension can be assessed. This suspension will be cumulative as explained in #17. A second misconduct in the same game will result in a game ejection. All misconduct's are subject to review by tournament officials.

20) **GROSS MISCONDUCT-** The player is immediately ejected from the balance of the game and faces possible expulsion from the tournament. This penalty will be assessed to any player or coach who makes obscene gestures, excessively abuses spectators, other players or league officials; OR attempts to make a travesty of the game.

21) **MATCH PENALTIES- INVOLVING OTHER PLAYERS-** An automatic tournament expulsion can be used. This penalty will be assessed when any player physically abuses another player with an INTENT TO INJURE (spearing, butt-ending, face-masking, kicking, etc.)

- 22) **SUSPENSIONS**-Any team found to be playing with a suspended player shall automatically forfeit the game. No protest is required by the opposing team. If the offending team believes a suspended player is playing, they should immediately notify the referee who will make a note on the game sheet for league officials to review.
- 23) **COINCIDENTAL PENALTIES** - Coincidental penalties follow the C.H.A. procedures.
- 24) **CONTACT PENALTIES** - Body contact is not permitted anywhere on the ice. Any collisions or contact will be strictly a referee judgment call based on the following definition of contact: “No player is entitled to use his body to intentionally body check, bump, or hold an opponent.”
Body Contact penalties shall be cumulative: ANY TEAM RECEIVING 4 BODYCHECKING PENALTIES IN ONE GAME WILL SERVE THE FOURTH AND ANY SUBSEQUENT BODYCHECKING PENALTIES AS MAJORS. Please keep in mind the difference between hitting and getting in someone’s way.
- 25) **TIME-OUTS**- Each team is allowed one time-out only on Championship Sunday. Time-outs may be called only if your penalty minutes do not exceed length of period. If the 4 goal spread rule is in effect, and the clock is running, no time-outs will be allowed.
- 26) **APPEALS** - All suspensions are appealable. A written letter must be submitted to tournament directors prior to the next scheduled game. The letter should give a brief summary of the incident, and reason for the appeal.
- 27) **GAMES PLAYED WITH NO GOALTENDER**- For the purpose of individual statistics; a game played where one team has no goalie, the maximum goal spread allowed will be four goals. Statistics for all goals up to and including the goal that accounts for the four goal spread will be counted. Any further goals will be counted only for the purpose of team stats, and the actual score of the game.
- 28) **TIES IN STANDINGS**- In the event of a tie in the standings, the final results will be decided by:
- a) Record against the team you are tied with. If 3 or more teams tied go to
 - b)
 - b) Most total wins.
 - c) Goal differential. The team with the highest tournament goal average. This is determined by the total goals scored/total goals for & against.
EXAMPLE: Team 1 scores 10 goals & gives up 14. $10/24=.417$ Maximum differential in any one game is 7 goals.
 - d) Least amount of penalty minutes

- e) Most Goals scored**
- f) Fewest Goals Allowed**
- g) Tournament Director's Decision**

29) OFF-SIDES- *If the puck is shot on goal, during a delayed off-side, the play shall be allowed to continue under the normal clearing the zone rules. Should the puck enter the net in this situation, either directly or off the goaltender, or a player or official on the ice, the goal shall not be allowed, as the original shot was off-side. If any attacking player touches the puck or attempts to gain possession of a loose puck while the play is still in the attacking zone, the Linesman shall stop play.*

30) SLAPSHOTS – *In this tournament, slap shots are allowed in all divisions. However if a 35+, 40+, 45+, 50+ team wishes to NOT have slap shots the other team must abide. Were using the knee as the point of reference. Any shots with the stick going higher than the knee in the offensive zone, whistle will be blown with faceoff in offending teams zone. If a shot is higher than the knee in the neutral zone face will be outside of offending teams blue line. Check with Tournament Central to see if this rule will affect you!*

31) ROUND ROBIN & PLAYOFF GAMES

The top 2 teams in each division will play on Championship Sunday. All teams are guaranteed 3 games. In a 5 team division, one team will get an extra game. This game WILL NOT count towards their teams points but will count towards other teams points as this would be their 3rd game. In the 3 team co-ed division after teams have played 2 games, teams will be seeded from 1st to 3rd. Top team gets bye to final. Other 2 teams play a semi final with winner advancing to final.

32) NEW RULE

If score clocks can accommodate, all minor penalties will be 90 seconds in length otherwise minor penalties will be 2 minutes.

33) CO-ED RULES

- *Maximum of 1 goal per male player*
- *No slap shots for all male players*
- *There must be 2 girls on the ice at all times not including the goalie.*
- *Female players can score unlimited goals & are allowed slap shots*
 - *These rules maximize the fun for all participants.*

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2016 Upcoming Tournaments

Tampa, FL April 1-3 (March 31 Montreal, April 2 NJ Devils) Jays @ Rays

Pittsburgh, PA (March 31 Nashville, April 3 Flyers) Pirates Home Opener

New York, NY April 8-10, (Bolts & Leafs @ Devils; Sabres @ Islanders; Islanders & Red Wings @ Rangers) NY Mets Home Opener

Nashville, TN April 8-10 (April 7 Arizona)

Montreal, QC April 15-17

Toronto, ON April 22-24 (Leafs Playoffs LOL) Oakland @ Jays

Clearwater Beach, FL April 29-May 1 Jays @ Rays

Niagara Falls, ON April 29-May 1

Niagara Falls, ON May 6-7

Atlantic City, NJ May 27-29 (Memorial Day Weekend)

Atlantic City, NJ June 3-5 Brewers @ Phillies

Nashville, TN & Atlantic City, NJ June 17-19

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