

THE **RICOH** BREAKAWAY

The Mac's AAA Midget Hockey Invitational Newsletter

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Mac's Females Get Yearly Scholarship

Victoria Boehm isn't eligible to play in the Mac's Tournament yet. But that didn't stop her from almost single-handedly establishing a scholarship program for the female division of the Mac's Tournament just seven years after the first female teams were invited to compete.

After she was given \$50 at a school retreat and told she could do whatever she wanted with it, fifteen year old Victoria Boehm wanted to start a women's hockey scholarship.

"I wanted equality," said Boehm when asked why she began the scholarship fund. "The girls should have the same opportunity at education that the boys do, and hockey is a perfect gateway for that."

But Boehm says it wasn't until she spoke to Byron Stephen, Tournament Chairman, and Mac's Market-

ing Manager Ron Thompson, that the scholarship really got started.

"The people that I talked to were very receptive," says Boehm.

"Even the ones that couldn't support the scholarship [financially] were for it."

Tournament organizers were in the process of organizing a girl's scholarship when she approached them with her idea.

And according to the tournament committee, the scholarship has been a huge success; achieving in seven years what the boys division didn't accomplish until the 21st

year of the tournament.

"It took the boys division 21 years to get a scholarship. It would have happened for the girls eventually but Victoria's initiative really helped to speed up the process," says Stephen.

Boehm feels this scholarship will have a hugely positive effect on the girls division of the tournament as a motivator for success.

The Mac's Midget Tournament will award one scholarship worth \$1500 to a girl from each pool of the tournament.

- Sarah Lamoureux



Rachel Pitz of the Medicine Hat Bench Tigers takes on Jamie Grove of the Thompson-Okanagan Rockets.
Photo By: Terry Andyro



The Vancouver Fusion shake hands with the Saskatoon Stars after their game on December 29.
Photo By: Jeff Clemens



Day Three Results

MALE DIVISION

St. Albert Sports Raiders	10	Valley West Hawks	1
Edmonton SSAC BP Athletics	4	Beardys Blackhawks	4
Calgary Buffaloes	6	Leduc Chrysler Oil Kings	2
Prince Albert Mintos	9	Okanagan Rockets	1
Saskatoon Contacts	8	Vancouver NE Chiefs	3
Calgary Flames	3	Valley West Hawks	0
Vancouver NW Giants	3	Sherwood Park J. Ennis Kings	3
Severstal/Locomotiv	4	Saskatoon Blazers	1
Pirati Chomutov	3	Calgary Northstars	6
Tisdale Trojans	3	Cariboo Cougars	7

FEMALE DIVISION

Vancouver Fusion	2	Lloydminster PWM Steelers	1
Thompson Okanagan Rockets	0	St. Albert Kal-Tire Slash	5
Red Deer Sutter Fund Chiefs	3	Saskatoon Stars	5
Edmonton Thunder	4	Regina Rebels	3
Westman Wildcats	3	Fraser Valley Phantom	3
Prince Albert A&W Bears	1	Calgary Flyers	2

Standings

Pool 1	GP	W	L	T	F	A	PTS
UFA Bisons	3	2	0	1	13	7	5
Beardy's Blackhawks	4	2	0	2	16	13	6
Edmonton SSAC BP Athletics	3	1	1	1	13	14	3
Sherwood Park J. Ennis Kings	3	0	2	1	10	12	1
Vancouver NW Giants	3	0	2	1	10	16	1
Pool 2	GP	W	L	T	F	A	PTS
Calgary Buffaloes	3	2	1	0	14	6	4
Leduc Chrysler Oil Kings	3	1	2	0	6	12	2
Okanagan Rockets	3	1	2	0	7	16	2
Prince Albert Mintos	4	4	0	0	25	4	8
York Simcoe Express	3	0	3	0	6	20	0
Pool 3	GP	W	L	T	F	A	PTS
Calgary Royals	3	1	1	1	10	7	3
Saskatoon Contacts	3	1	1	1	11	7	3
St. Albert Sports Raiders	4	4	0	0	19	5	8
Valley West Hawks	3	0	3	0	7	22	0
Vancouver NE Chiefs	3	1	2	0	10	16	2
Pool 4	GP	W	L	T	F	A	PTS
Calgary Northstars	3	3	0	0	15	4	6
Cariboo Cougars	3	2	1	0	16	9	4
Fort Saskatchewan BP Rangers	3	0	3	0	5	16	0
Pirati Chomutov	4	3	1	0	17	11	6
Tisdale Trojans	3	0	3	0	4	17	0
Pool 5	GP	W	L	T	F	A	PTS
Calgary Flames	3	2	0	1	18	5	5
Greater Vancouver Canadians	3	0	3	0	4	23	0
Red Deer Optimist Rebels	3	1	1	1	8	6	3
Saskatoon Blazers	3	1	2	0	5	11	2
Severstal/Locomotiv	4	2	0	2	19	9	6
Pool 6	GP	W	L	T	F	A	PTS
Calgary Flyers	3	2	0	1	12	9	5
Medicine Hat Players Bench Tigers	3	1	0	2	8	7	4
Prince Albert A&W Bears	3	0	3	0	4	11	0
St. Albert Kal-Tire Slash	3	2	0	1	12	3	5
Thompson-Okanagan Rockets	4	1	3	0	9	15	2
Pool 7	GP	W	L	T	F	A	PTS
Calgary Bruins	3	2	1	0	11	8	4
Lloydminster PWM Steelers	4	0	4	0	8	15	0
Red Deer Sutter Fund Chiefs	3	2	1	0	11	7	4
Saskatoon Stars	3	3	0	0	14	9	6
Vancouver Fusion	3	1	2	0	4	9	2
Pool 8	GP	W	L	T	F	A	PTS
Calgary Chaos	3	2	1	0	11	12	4
Edmonton Thunder	3	3	0	0	16	8	6
Fraser Valley Phantom	3	0	2	1	6	9	1
Regina Rebels	3	2	1	0	8	6	4
Westman Wildcats	4	0	3	1	8	14	1



Zach Parise from his days playing with Shattuck St. Mary's

DID YOU KNOW?

Zach Parise is the only player to have won back to back Mac's Tournament MVP awards.

Parise was playing for the Shattuck St. Mary's team in 2000 and 2001.

He now plays in the NHL as Captain for the New Jersey Devils.



Mac's Midget Tournament

What Does a Mac's Female Scholarship Mean to You?



“This scholarship gives great recognition for girls hockey.”

*Carolyn Boykiw #4
Calgary Chaos*



“It's exciting that now we have the same opportunities.”

*Left to Right: Amy Boucher #13, Rachel Johnson #17,
Nicole Gorda #19, Brett Campbell #10, Alanna Tinney #20
Edmonton Thunder*



“It gives girls something more to strive for.”

*Sarah Olson #1
Saskatoon Stars*

Olympians Visit the Mac's Tournament



*Left to Right: Joan Turnbull, Andrew Turnbull, Nichola Little, Trish Gregory,
Erin Gregory at the ceremonial puck drop.
Photo By: Terry Andyro*

Members of the Canadian Special Olympics were present at the Mac's AAA Midget Tournament Thursday evening. They were part of the ceremonial puck drop for the Pirati Chomutov and the Calgary Northstars. There were three members of the Special Olympics and their coaches present at the puck drop ceremony.

Erin Gregory is a provincial silver medalist and competes in bowling, golf and curling. Nichola Little is an Olympic athlete in golf and bowling. Andrew Turnbull competes in bowling, golf, softball and floor hockey. His floor hockey team is the Alberta provincial champions and they were also named team on the year in Alberta Special Olympics.

Coach Trish Gregory coaches both golf and bowling and Joan Turnbull coaches golf, bowling, softball and floor hockey. She was the head coach of Andrew's championship floor hockey team this year.

DID YOU KNOW?

Twelve Floor Hockey players were brought to Chicago by teacher Harold Smith to compete for Canada in the first ever Special Olympics in 1968.



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Male Division

			VISITOR	HOME
41	09:00	MB #1	Okanagan Rockets	Calgary Buffaloes
42	09:00	FDB	Saskatoon Blazers	Calgary Flames
43	09:00	FCA	Vancouver NE Chiefs	Calgary Royals
44	11:45	MB #1	Tisdale Trojans	Fort Saskatchewan BP Rangers
45	11:45	FDB	UFA Bisons	Sherwood Park J Ennis Kings
46	11:45	FCA	Saskatoon Contacts	Valley West Hawks
47	14:30	MB #1	Leduc Chrysler Oil Kings	York Simcoe Express
48	14:30	FDB	Greater Vancouver Canadiens	Red Deer Optimist Rebels
49	14:30	FCA	Edmonton SSAC BP Athletics	Vancouver NW Giants
50	17:15	MB # 1	Cariboo Cougars	Calgary Northstars

Female Division

			VISITOR	HOME
F25	08:00	MB #2	Red Deer Sutter Fund Chiefs	Calgary Bruins
F26	10:30	MB #2	Calgary Chaos	Regina Rebels
F27	13:00	MB #2	Fraser Valley Phantom	Edmonton Thunder
F28	15:30	MB #2	Saskatoon Stars	Vancouver Fusion
F29	18:00	MB #2	Calgary Flyers	St. Albert Kal-Tire Slash
F30	20:30	MB #2	Medicine Hat Players Bench Tigers	Prince Albert A&W Bears



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