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The New Zealand Men's Inline Hockey team returned to New Zealand after a grueling week of competition against the world's best inline teams.

Blair Onishenko (Coach) from Wanganui pictured on the left and Dion Bunt (Captain) from Nelson celebrated the occasion after the medal presentation ceremony held at the arena in Pfaffenhofen, Germany. Read further reports inside this issue.

From the editor...

The year is drawing to a close with regional play off competitions completed and the National Championships just over two weeks away. The championships are set to be a success with teams playing for the first time on a full sized purpose built at the Arena Manawatu – Arena 4 in Palmerston North.

There has been much inline hockey activity since the March issue with the various club organised tournaments and Oceania 2002 in Nelson. The World Cup traveled to Germany in July and have returned safe and sound to New Zealand with their bronze medal. Look for a report on this world championship event inside this issue.

Good Luck to all teams and competitors attending the NZ Nationals Championships in September and the Inter Regional Championships in October. We look forward to welcoming the Under 14 and Women's invitational teams from the AIHLA in Australia who will also be playing at our Inter Regional Championships in October. Regards KB



MASTERS GAMES 2003

The ACC Thinksmart New Zealand Masters Games are in Wanganui early next year, 1st to the 9th of February 2003.

There will be about 8500 competitors participating in 60 sports.

Inline Hockey will be played on Jubilee Stadium's timber floor on Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th Feb (Waitangi day is Thursday the 6th Feb).

Men over 35, and Women over 30 years can form mixed teams (club and/ or gender) or single gender teams to compete.

Entry forms and information on other activities, will be available from www.nzmastersgames.com or www.nzihha.com

Don't be slow! Book accomodation early, or organise a place to stay with your Inline friends. Jubilee Stadium is within 100 metres of at least 10 other sport venues, the Games village and the socialising centre of the games, the Marquee.

Check out the Entry form to see what other sports you can enter in! This is the biggest Multisport event in New Zealand!

Jim Richardson - Local Delegate (Jim.R@xtra.co.nz)
Diane Thomsen – NZIHA Delegate (dthomsen@xtra.co.nz)

Letters from Germany...

It was a pleasure to host your team during the championships, and please give a warm "hello" to Noel, Blair and Paul from my son Kevin and myself.

I am looking forward to see them back next year.

Best regards

Karl Heinz

I would like to thank you for your appreciation regarding the 2002 Inline Hockey World Championships. As a result of their big sympathy and affability, your team began to be my favorite since I met them the first time. We had a fantastic time together and it makes me kind of sad being without them.

Please give my best regards to the team and the staff.

In hope to see you all again,

Secretary - German Inline Hockey

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NATIONAL INLINE HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS 2002

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| Souvenir Programmes | \$1 |
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Other Services

IDI Photography - will be onsite during championships.

Café - There will be a café operating upstairs in the mezzanine and a small refreshment kiosk downstairs.

Parking - Car Parking is available at Arena 4 - Car Park attendants will direct vehicles during busy periods. Please only park in areas as directed.

Merchant Areas - Display and selling of inline hockey equipment will be available adjacent to the rink and spectator areas on the ground floor.

Spectator Ticket Prices

Day Pass

Adult \$6.00, Child \$4.00,

5-Day Pass

Adult \$20.00, Child \$12.00

Tournament Pass

Adult \$30.00, Child \$20.00



THE FIRST SHOT

Right: This is the first known photograph of a mens ice hockey team in uniform. It was taken in February 1881 at the Crystal Palace Skating Rink in Montreal.

Left: Not to be outdone, this is the first known drawing of women playing ice hockey in the early 1900's.



SPOTLIGHT ON SKILLS DEVELOPMENT

The Coaching Committee congratulate the following members of Hamilton Devils and Piako Pirates Clubs for completing stages of the Skill Development programme from the NZIHA Skills Development manual. Certificates will be on their way shortly to these clubs for distribution.

The players are:

Hamilton Devils – Level 1: Shane McLean, Wayne Attwell, Ben Longhurst, Luke Fendall, Simon Fendall, Scott Clausen, William Cate, Paul Sanson, Nicolas Willemse, Rueben Willemse, Rhys Oldham, Angela Millward, Cameron Baker, Ben Edgar, Jordan Edgar, Zac Edgar, Mark Fendal, Shani Forsyth, Camerson Glenn, George Halloban, Daniel Patterson, Drew Blewett, Christo Hefer, Jerome Longhurst, Pricilla McIntosh, Tim McDonald, Mathew Powell, Scott Simpson, Jessie Slack, Micheal Attwell, Steve Hannam, David Vincent, Saun Hobson, Daniel Vander Drift, Joshus Petrie, Matthew Seabright, Raymond Shead, Dean Wilson, Jessie Wilson, Hnare Van rensburg, Darryl Kingsford, Richard Cate, Ana Millward

Hamilton Devils – Level 2: Shane McLean, Wayne Attwell, Ben Longhurst, Luke Fendall, Simon Fendall, Scott Clausen, William Cate, Paul Sanson, Nicholas Willemse, Rueben Willemse, Rhys Oldham, Angela Millward, Scott Simpson

Piako Pirates – Level 4: Monique Rumney, Joseph Fitzgerald, Micheal Ting, Luke Vyle, Rory McKenzie

Piako Pirates – Level 5: Dean Jesen, Josh Mikkelson

Piako Pirates – Level 2 Goalie: Anna Moore

Clubs are reminded to have the players completed Skills Cards sent to the NZIHA to gain their certificate(s). If more Skill Development Cards are required – please contact the NZIHA for your supplies.

The next stage of the Coaching Committees busy agenda is to develop a Coaching Manual specific to Inline Hockey and to review the Skills Development Programme for possible improvements. It is hoped to have the Coaching Manual in operation for the 2003 season.

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TOURNAMENT RESULTS

BAUER CUP RESULTS

U12

- 1st NSW
- 2nd Canucks
- 3rd Tigers
- 4th Miners

U14

- 1st NSW
- 2nd Canucks
- 3rd Ducks
- 4th Sabres

U16

- 1st Canucks
- 2nd Blackhawks
- 3rd Rangers
- 4th Avalanche

U18

- 1st Sabres
- 2nd Jackals
- 3rd Panthers
- 4th Wildcats

Senior

- 1st Ducks
- 2nd Devils
- 3rd Panthers
- 4th Sabres

Ladies

- 1st Blackhawks
- 2nd Panthers
- 3rd Redwings

Premiers

- 1st Sabres
- 2nd Redhawks
- 3rd Storm
- 4th Penguins

NUTRALIFE TOURNAMENT

We were overwhelmed with entries this year for our annual Nutralife Tournament. In total we had 32 teams enter, ten in each of the U14 grade and U18/Senior mixed grade, and 12 entries in the U16 grade. It was great to see so many teams from other regions participating. Special thanks to Allan Christie for giving so much time to refereeing over the weekend - to have a referee of his calibre there certainly helped with the senior games.

Results were:

U14 Grade

- 1st Auckland Sabres
- 2nd Tauranga Ducks
- 3rd New Plymouth Ravens

The final for this grade was a very close fought game.

Sabres came from behind in the second half and a penalty shot in the last few minutes clinched the game for them.

U16 Grade

- 1st Glenfield Blackhawks
- 2nd Whakatane Avalanche
- 3rd New Plymouth Ravens

Blackhawks won convincingly over Avalanche and were definitely the superior team in the U16 grade of the tournament.

U18/Senior Grade

- 1st Auckland Sabres U18
- 2nd Mt Wellington Panthers Snrs
- 3rd Glenfield Blackhawks Snrs

The younger, more agile Sabres team outskated the Panthers Seniors to win this grade.

Thanks to all participated and special mention to Nutralife our sponsors. Shirley Peddie – Sabres

Wanganui Lightning United Junior Tournament



**New Plymouth Ravens Under 10 – Under 10 Grade Winners 2002
Wanganui Lightning Unites Junior Tournament**

U10 Grade

- 1st - Ravens
- 2nd - Canucks 1
- 3rd - Rangers
- 4th - Lightning
- 5th - Canucks 2

U12 Grade

- 1st - Ravens A
- 2nd - Lightning
- 3rd - Rangers A
- 4th - Ravens B
- 5th - Rangers B

U14 Grade

- 1st - Canucks
- 2nd - Rangers
- 3rd - Dragons
- 4th - Jackals
- 5th - Lightning & Ravens

SANCTIONED EVENTS FOR 2003

Application forms will be sent to all clubs for the 2003 season. Please have these back to the NZIHA by **October 28th**.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

WOMEN'S INLINE HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

The inaugural NBW Womans Open, hosted by the Levin Canucks, was held on the weekend of 15th - 16th June and was a resounding success. Seven teams entered from as far North as the Auckland Blackhawks and as far South as the Nelson Whalers.

Due to the odd number a 'round robin' was played with each team playing six games over the two days. PHEW. Fortunately they were all short games at 30 mins each. I expect most of the woman attending were pretty shattered by the end of the weekend with the exception of one. This would be the goalie for the Blackhawks who only let in one goal over the weekend and whose team mates let few players even get close enough to shoot!!!

The highlight of the tournament was the match between the local team Jackals and the NZ Champs the Blackhawks who won the game narrowly 1-0. The tournament win went to the Blackhawks, 2nd place to the New Plymouth Ravens followed by the Levin Jackals in 3rd place.

Tournament organiser Barry Heal of Nothing But Wheels said plans were already under way for an expanded tournament next year with the seven visiting teams all indicating their desire to return to the Levin Showgrounds venue. – Benita M

RESULTS

1 Jackals 8 Whalers 0
 2 Ravens 0 Dragons 0
 3 Penguins 1 Blackhawks 6
 4 Jackals 11 Typhoons 1
 5 Whalers 0 Ravens 8
 6 Dragons 0 Blackhawks 9
 7 Penguins 2 Typhoons 1
 8 Jackals 2 Ravens 4
 9 Dragons 1 Penguins 0
 10 Typhoons 2 Whalers 1
 11 Jackals 0 Blackhawks 1
 12 Ravens 2 Penguins 0
 13 Whalers 0 Dragons 5
 14 Typhoons 0 Blackhawks 7
 15 Ravens 3 Typhoons 0
 16 Whalers 0 Blackhawks 12
 17 Jackals 7 Penguins 0
 18 Typhoons 5 Dragons 1
 19 Ravens 0 Blackhawks 4
 20 Whalers 1 Penguins 4
 21 Jackals 3 Dragons 0

MANAWATU DRAGONS COMBINED MASTERS AND WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT

The Tournament over Queens Birthday Weekend (1st - 3rd June 2002) for Masters and Women's grade was a resounding success. The teams involved were;

1. Typhoon Masters Team, Typhoons Women's Team
 2. Wanganui Masters team, Dragon's Women's Team - (Winners of Women's Grade)
 3. Dragons Masters Team
 4. Combined Masters team - (Winners of Masters Grade)
- (Combined Team comprised of 2 x Hamilton, 1 Whakatane, 1 Renegade, 1 Nelson Whaler, 2 x Taupo).

2002 OCEANIA INLINE HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS . NELSON . NZ

This year the Oceania Inline Hockey Championships were held in Nelson at the Trafalgar Centre. A special thank you to Chef De Mission, Kay Harris, Coaches, Managers, Team Officials and Game Officials for all their hard work. The teams played some very tough games with many games going into sudden death overtime and shoot-outs to determine the winners. The results were as follows Under 14 grade – Australia, Under 16 Grade – Australia, Under 18 Grade – Australia, Under 20 Grade, New Zealand, Senior Grade – Australia, Masters Grade – New Zealand, Junior Women – Australia and Womens Grade – New Zealand. Australia were the winners of the Tasman Trophy and the plan is to get it back in 2003!

2003 OCEANIA INLINE HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS - will be held in Australia from April 25 – May 5th in Carrara, QLD – Preparation is underway to select coaches and teams to regain “our” trophy.

PACIFIC CUP 2002 - This year at Oceania the NZIHA hosted an invitational team from Singapore. The team played New Zealand and Australian teams in the Senior and Under 20 grades. The results were: NZ Under 20 – 1st, Aust Senior – 2nd, NZ Senior – 3rd and Team Singapore – 4th. The Singaporean team enjoyed their time in New Zealand.

REFEREE COMMENT

ASPECTS OF THE GAME REQUIRING REFEREES ATTENTION

CHARGING, INTERFERENCE, SLASHING on THE GOALKEEPER

An opponent making contact with the opposition's goalkeeper is probably, singularly, the cause of most altercations. Players take exception to any contact on their goalkeeper.

Rules 606 (c) and 621 (c) are both explicit. Referees must be vigilant of players making contact with the goalkeeper either with their body or with their stick within the goalkeepers privileged area and **especially** within the goal crease. Any attacking player who skates through the goalkeepers crease and makes contact with the goalkeeper should be penalised for either "Interference", "Charging" or "Body Checking".

Rule 633 (d) is explicit. Again referees be aware of players coming in on the goalkeeper and trying to dislodge the puck once the goalkeeper has it covered or has caught the puck. Players seem to think that until the referee has blown their whistle that the goalkeeper is "fair game".

The goalkeeper is **never "fair game"**.

This aspect of the game needs to be cleaned up and controlled stringently.

To assist referees in determining illegal play and to achieve a consistent interpretation the following guidelines should be used:

Unless an attacking player can play the puck without touching the goalkeeper he should not attempt to play the puck. Just because part of the puck may be visible **does not automatically make it playable**.

The exception to this is:

If the goalkeeper is poised over the puck but has not actually placed his glove down and covered the puck (perhaps taunting the attacking player) and an attacking player, close at hand, lunges for the puck with his stick as the goalkeepers glove goes down **do not** call a penalty. This is **simultaneous contact**, the player had **full view** of the puck when he commenced his action and it is not reasonable to expect a player to be able to break off his action once in the throes of carrying it out.

This is the same situation where the puck is free in open rink and the goalkeeper dives and just beats the attacking players stick to the puck. The players stick will naturally slide into/under the goalkeepers glove/blocker – **no slashing penalty should be called**, unless the player deliberately strikes the goalkeeper across the top of the glove or arm.

Referees: If there is an attacking player within close proximity (2m-3m) of the goalkeeper and skating in the general direction of the goalkeeper and the goalkeeper has the puck fully or partially covered blow the play down for a face-off.

Players: Just because part of the puck may be visible does not automatically make it playable.

OFFSIDE DELAYING TACTICS

All too often we are now seeing players in their defending zone deliberately delaying the game by not playing the puck and attempting to coerce an off-side player into playing the puck thereby obtaining a face-off in the opponents zone.

This action is not within the spirit of the rules of the game – Rule 628 states; "*The puck must be kept in motion at all times*". The "off-side" player has no obligation to play the puck because by so doing they would deliberately be infringing the rules. Therefore if a defender is deliberately delaying playing the puck the referee should:



Warn the defending player to play the puck and if it is not played within a 3-second period the referee blows their whistle and conducts a face-off at the nearest end-zone face-off spot. 3-seconds being used to define a reasonable period of time in which the puck must be played in line with application of Rule 616 (a).

Allan Christie - Referee Committee Chairperson

IIHF World Cup World Champs Final 2002

Sweden wins IIHF In-Line Gold Medal after thriller vs Finland

All present agreed that it was the best in-line hockey game ever played in a World Championship.

Sweden beat the reigning champion and In-Line hockey superpower Finland 19 seconds into overtime in a sizzling final. Johan Larsson scored the game winner assisted by Matthias Wraak.

It took until 11 minutes and 21 seconds before Sweden's Bjorn Ostlund opened the score. This was the signal for Finland to enter the game. At 13:16 Jussi Eloranta snapped the tie. Finland took command, which resulted in a 3-1 lead at half time after goals by Juha Myllymaa and Nemo Nokkosmaki. A power play goal by Jonas Bergman closed the gap. Finland however was not impressed and pulled away with two more goals by Miko Liukkonen and Kimmo Liskonen.

The Finns were confident with their 5-2 lead and wanted to consolidate the result. In the last quarter, "Tre Kronor" staged a remarkable comeback. Already after 48 seconds their efforts bore fruit. Again Bjorn Ostlund sent the puck past goalie Jarno Ekman. Two and half minutes later it was the Man of the Match, Johan Larsson, who closed the gap to 5-4. The Finns were definitely losing their confidence.

The Swedes smelled the opportunity and killed all Finnish aspirations with 58 seconds left on the clock. Niclas Norlander scored the equaliser. In the dying seconds of the last quarter no goals were scored. With a 5-5 tie and for the first time in the short history of IIHF In-Line Hockey Championships the final went into overtime.

Tension was in the air but not for long. Again, Johan Larsson shattered all Finnish dreams of a third championship in succession within 19 seconds of the overtime the flying Swede scored the "Golden goal". Final score: 6-5 Sweden are the IIHF World In-Line Champions for the first time.

In the bronze medal game, Team Germany beat the third team from last year, Czech Republic 9-6. This was Germany's first medal in an IIHF In-Line Hockey Championship.

World Championship Division I

Hungary beat rival Japan 9-6 in the finals. After a strong first half, Hungary was already leading 4-0. This lead appeared sufficient for the Hungarian squad to grab the gold.

New Zealand seized the bronze after defeating Great Britain, end result 9-7. The Brits could not turn around an 8-4 lead of team New Zealand at half time.



WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP DIARY

2002 has been a fantastic year for Mark Drummond. He was called in as a last-minute replacement in the Oceania U20 team. He was telephoned at his home in Tawa by the NZIHA President at 11pm and stunned everyone by arriving in Nelson at 7am the next morning - just a few hours before the U20's first game. His performance in Nelson and later at World Trials won him a place in the World Championship team which competed so successfully in Germany in July. Mark is a student teacher at the Wellington College of Education. Following are some excerpts from his diary.....

New Zealand's trip to the World Cup in Germany.

Tuesday 16th July

Off we go on our trip of discovery. Past all of the high tech equipment at customs that is needed because of a certain date in history that will remain nameless. The first flight, of the three to come, was a mild fourteen and a half hours to Bangkok. Around thirty hours later we arrive at our destination in Munich. Everyone was eager to explore. After Kevin, David and Tim found out what country their luggage had been displaced in, we were on our way to our new home for the next ten days, Pfaffenhofen. The town was about ninety minutes south of the



main rink in Nuremberg so it wasn't going to be easy to get there and watch many of the big games because the games at our stadium were on at the same time. That didn't bother us too much as long as we played well and gained respect for our little country ..

Thursday 18th

Today was our rest day. Our day to explore the sights and the countryside before we got into our real business. We all decided to go to Munich as a team and check out what the shops had to offer. While some of us had a very narrow idea of what they were looking for, others decided to search for things that were not so common in New Zealand. The population difference was easily recognizable when walking down the streets in the city. There were a lot more people, and also a lot less room. All in all a good day to get all, well most, of the shopping out of the way.

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Friday 19th

We had our first taste of the facilities today. The rink was good, but definitely classical. It had good lighting, a nice floor, and good seating for the fans. Our practice was not too hard., just running through the basics that we needed to get right in order to achieve our goal. In the evening we watched Germany play Austria in a warm up game. Germany came out victors 9-3 and looked to always be in control of the game. Both teams didn't want to give away much before the tournament started though.

Saturday 20th

The opening of the tournament was today. We didn't play a tournament game today but we did get to see the opening game that included Germany and Belgium. How cool was the main stadium? Well it held about fifteen thousand people and it looked like Suzanne Paul had gone all over it with Natural Glow. The whole complex was really exciting and well maintained. The opening ceremony was only about fifteen minutes long.

It consisted of little kids skating around in the participating teams jerseys while crashing into every possible thing you can find to hurt yourself on a hockey rink. After the ceremony ended the big boys came out to play. The score ended up being 37-1 in Germany's favour and they were just too fast and too strong for the Belgium team.

Sunday 21st

Today was the beginning of the tournament for us. We had a good practice in the morning and were looking forward to playing Austria at night. The game was at about five o'clock and it lasted about an hour and a half counting our twenty minute warm up time, and the fifteen minute half time. The four twelve minute periods were a good length for us in comparison to the four tens without stop time that we were used to. With all that in mind, the result wasn't a good one for us. 19-1 with Chaddy picking up the goal. We played pretty well but the Austrians were too quick and organized with their passing. It didn't help that we spent half of the game on the penalty kill either.

Monday 22nd

Our hardest game. U.S.A. There were twenty nine goals scored in the game. It was a pity that we only got two of them though. An improvement on last years 34-1, but what can you expect when we have been playing for about five years and they have been playing since they were five. We gave them a bit of a run though. After about five minutes it was still 0-0. They didn't enjoy playing us, which is good considering they thought they were gods.

Tuesday 23rd

Today we had our first match up with Great Britain. Kenny gave us a reason to beat them by stating, "Remember team, these are the guys who invented Coronation Street." With that comment we went out there with all we had, but disappointingly it wasn't good enough. We were not fully on our game today. We knew we should have beaten these guys and a 5-2 loss was not good enough.

Wednesday 24th

Today was the beginning of the Division 1 competition. Our first match up was against Argentina who had moved from the main rink to invade our home rink. We were not going to let them come into our house and take anything away from us. Today was the only day that we had the last game on the draw and in turn was the only day that we could get to the main rink to watch other games. All of the Luxury BMW's that we were cruising around in were booked by Team U.S.A in order to move their gear to the rink, so we had no way of getting there anyway. The team was pumped for a victory today. We didn't want to hear anyone else's national anthem, we wanted to hear our own one play. After that thought we went on to win the game 13-4. We played well as a team and enjoyed being able to sing along to the song that we wanted to hear from the start. Congrats to Jon Astrop for getting the first New Zealand Hat Trick of the tournament

Thursday 25th

Belgium was on the card for us today. We had seen them play versus Germany in the opening game so we had an idea of how good they were and how they played the game. In the first half of the day we decided that since we were in Germany we better go and have a look at some history, so we set off to the concentration camp in Dachau. It was an eye opening experience to say the least. Back to some good news. We won the game 14-6 and were happy to hear our national anthem again for the second time in as many games.

Friday 26th

We had an average practice this morning but hoped to improve in the game versus Japan in the semi final of division one. Sadly the score wasn't what we wanted, but we played well.

They were a very fast team and they beat us with their speed and their ability to pull picks anywhere on the court. We ended up going down 10-3 but it was a closer game than the score showed. Now we had to wait for the Hungary versus Great Britain match to see who we played in the third and fourth game.

Saturday 27th

After finding out that we were playing Great Britain in the third and fourth place game, we were fairly confident that we could improve on our first round score versus them. This was the time that we had been waiting for. This was the time when we had to pull everything out of the hat and bring home that medal to show to the parents, brothers, wives etc.

We started off the game well and we were in control for a lot of it. At halftime we were 8-4 up. "Only 24 more miles to go, guys!" said Blair. Translated that means two more twelve minute periods. At the end of the 24 miles we were ahead 9-7 and we came out the victors. We celebrated in classic German style. The final was won by Hungary and we then joined the

two finalists on the court for our medal presentations. We then celebrated some more and enjoyed the rest of the night mingling with the locals who wanted any part of New Zealand clothing that they could get their hands on. With John Thomsen enjoying karaoke with the Japanese and the rest of us having a good time as well, it was a good way to end the competition on a high note.

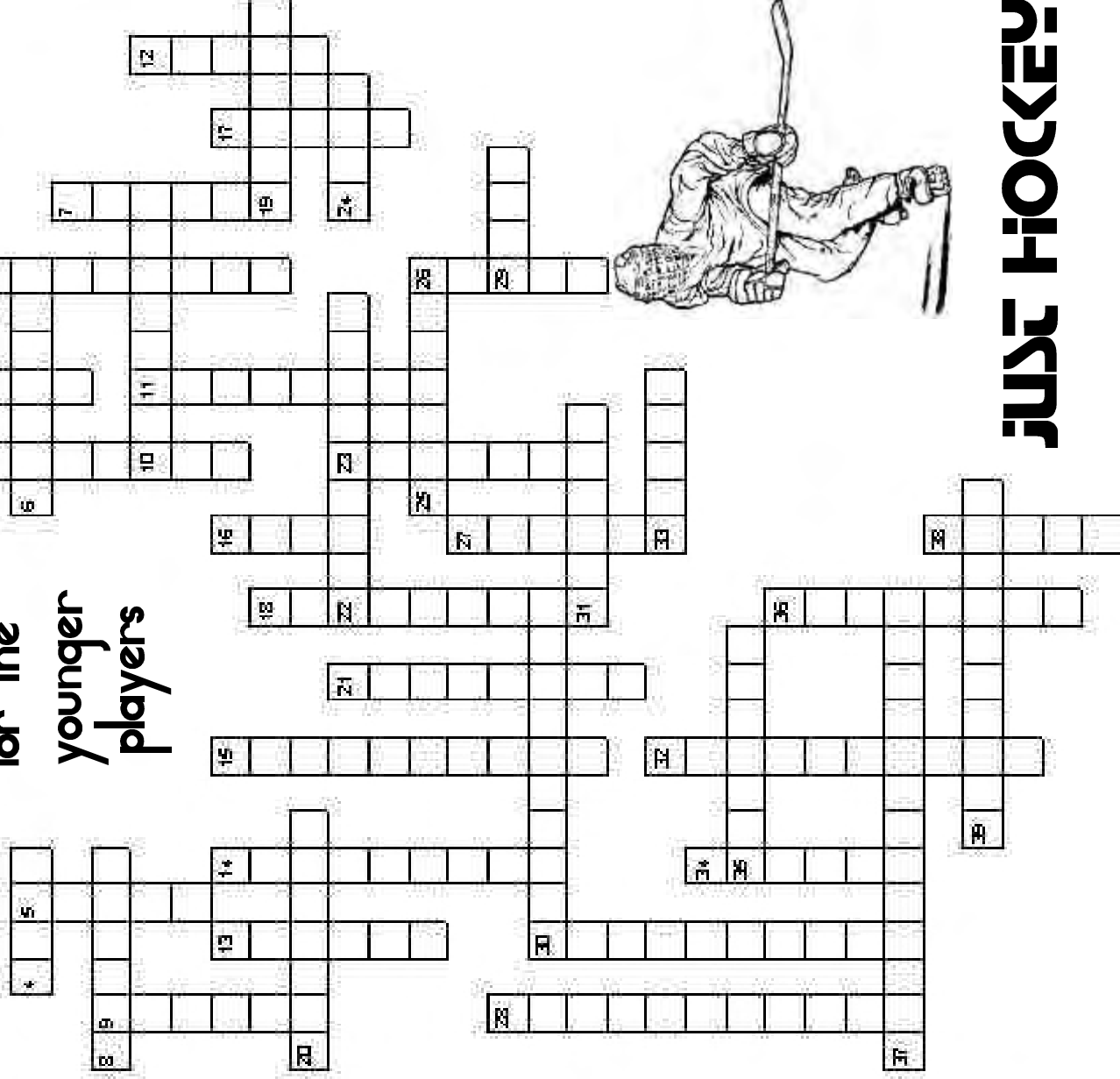


Overall it was a great experience that I will always remember. Even though we didn't get to beat Sweden or Finland because of the way the draw was set out it was still a

great competition with a very high skill level. Thanks a whole heap to Blair, Paul and Noel who organized everything for us, kept us in line, and gave us a great trip in general. Also I would like to thank Dion, on behalf of the team for putting in so much effort as captain and forming us into a great unit on an off the rink.



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Across

4. aim for this
6. game controller
8. hand protection
10. scorekeeper
19. teams aim for one
20. try not to get one
22. middle arm protection
24. not a ball
25. teams are allowed one
29. on front of jersey
30. miss a game
31. you need these to play
33. slapshot with this
35. teams need the same
37. mandatory for a goalkeeper
39. plays in goal

Down

1. four of these
2. minutes in a quarter
3. keep them clean
5. rink can be called this
7. head protection
9. season consists of
11. face protection
12. national body
13. part of the game
14. player's aim for this
15. wave the flag
16. players belong to this
17. team mentor
18. leg protection
21. two minutes
23. refs use this
26. sometimes found on playing surface
27. awarded at nationals
28. teams need to do this
30. shows game progress
32. protects scoring
34. on back of jersey
36. four of these
38. players wait their turn on this

NATIONAL 2002 QUALIFIERS

Under 10 Grade:

SABRES – FURY – RAVENS – MINERS – RANGERS – DRAGONS – CANUCKS –
ONE TEAM TO BE DETERMINED

Under 12 Grade:

VIKINGS – SABRES – RAVENS – MINERS – TIGERS – WHALERS – PENGUINS –
CANUCKS

Under 14 Grade:

BLACKHAWKS – SABRES – TIGERS – WHALERS – RAVENS – DUCKS –
CANUCKS – RANGERS

Under 16 Grade:

BLACKHAWKS – FURY – RANGERS – LIGHTNING – TIGERS – REDBACKS –
RAVENS – AVALANCHE

Under 18 Grade:

PANTHERS – SABRES –
JACKALS – PENGUINS –
TIGERS – REDBACKS –
RAVENS – PIRATES

Senior Grade :

PANTHERS – VIKINGS –
DEVILS – DUCKS – RANGERS –
PENGUINS – CYCLONES –
WHALERS

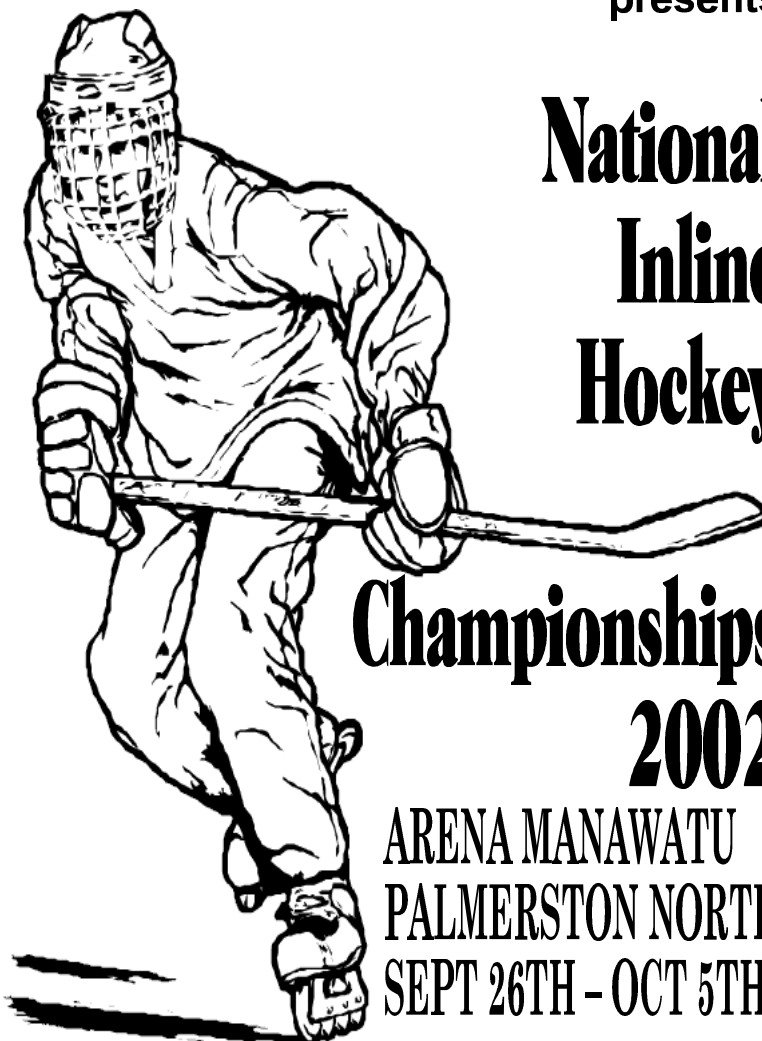
Premier Grade :

SABRES – STORM –
PANTHERS – REDHAWKS –
RAVENS – LIGHTNING –
CANUCKS
– WHALERS

Women's Grade:

BLACKHAWKS – PANTHERS –
JACKALS – PENGUINS –
RAVENS – DEVILS –
CYCLONES
– ONE PLACE TO BE
DETERMINED

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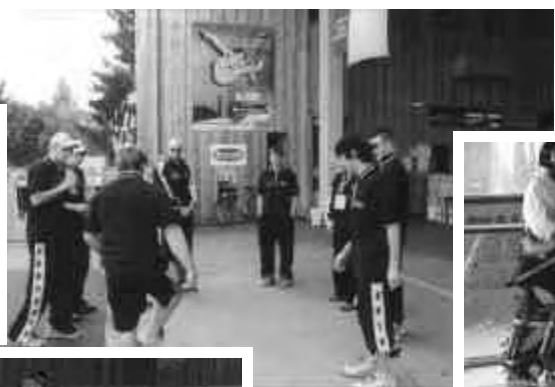


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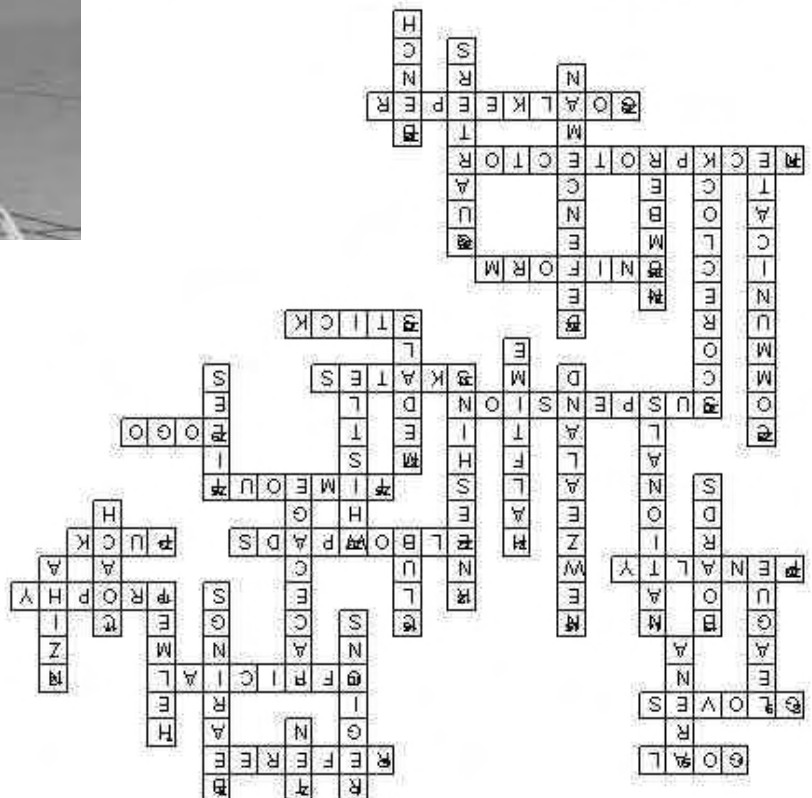
"The best moment of the tournament was when we got to hear our National Anthem with every player arm in arm singing."

"It was very satisfying winning the Bronze Medal on Blair's birthday - it's what every NZ player wanted to do."

"It was a great team, on and off the floor. Thanks to Team Management and also to the NZIHA people behind the scenes who had a part in making this team the most successful Worlds team yet."



"I found our Coach, Blair Onishenko, to be the best motivator I have ever played for. He knows how to bring out the best in every player."



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