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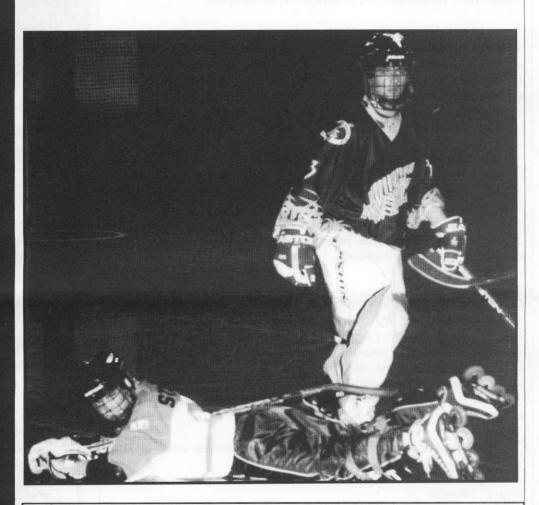
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N Z CHAMPS TO TAUPO! 2000 OCEANIA CHAMPIONSHIPS CLEAN SWEEP FOR NEW ZEALAND!



ARDEN PHILLIPS (NZ u16) shows the Australians that we mean business!

Hi All

Well winter is once again upon us and along with the cold weather brings another exciting hockey season. So far the year has been packed full with the Bauer Cup and Oceania Games proving to both be excellent displays of how far we have come over the years in hockey. Always good to beat Aussie and to get a clean sweep for the first time is a wonderful result. A big thanks to the Canadian Women's team who visited us and their report is also featured.

Good luck to all teams for the league which is now underway and I look forward to more and more letters from players and clubs with your news! Just remember if you don't send me stuff then I will just have to write about the Panther's women's team again and again! Ha Ha.

Cheers THE ED

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The 2000 season is now well underway with Regional Leagues into their fifth week of competition. It is heartening to hear reports from the regions of continuing progress in the standards of play and in the organisation of the sport.

Internationally New Zealand started the year magnificently with resounding victories in all grades against the Australian teams at the Oceania Championships. The success of the Oceania Championships was due, in no small part, to the tireless work of the Organising Committee and to the outstanding team of coaches, managers and chaperones. NZIHA extends to these people, and to the ninety-eight players, congratulations on a great effort.

The development of the sport of in-line hockey depends on the continuing recruitment of players at the entry level. To this end NZIHA encourages clubs to take positive steps to devise methods in their local areas to attract youngsters to the sport. Credit is due to those clubs which have initiated 'in-line hockey in schools" competitions, recreational programmes for beginner players, and developmental hockey schools.

All clubs were notified at the beginning of May that the National Club Championships will be held for the first time at the Taupo Events Centre in the year 2000. The dates set for the Nationals are from 22 September to 1 October. While staging the NZIHA's major event in Taupo is an exciting prospect I should like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Lightning Wanganui Club and the numerous Wanganui people who gave so freely of their time and efforts to help stage the Nationals in Wanganui over the past four years.

To all players and officials... very best wishes for an enjoyable season.

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CLUB NEWS

MALBOROUGH FLAMES

The Malborough Flames are a fast growing club, especially now that their rink's upgrade is nearly finished.

They competed in 3 grades at the recent New Zealand Champs and gained a lot of experience and knowledge to take back to their club for the 2000 season.

The Flames had the following players make the Southern Provincial team: Dean Marsh, Shaun Scammell, Greg Hall. Sharon Hansen, Lynley Walters Mel Cook. Matt Smith and, Connor Rangi. congratulations to all those players and great to see the Seniors, U16 & U10 attaining the Silver medal! Shaun Scammell also played for NZ U18 team at Oceania.

It seems that this club is booming and achieving great results in a very short time! We look forward to hearing more soon.

NZIHA NEWS

NATIONALS

This year we see a change of venue, Nationals will be in Taupo (yay!), at the Taupo Events Centre from the 22 September - 1st October 2000. (1st half of Championships U10, U12, U18 & Snr - 2nd half U14, U16, Lad, Prem). We look forward to the new venue and again thank the Wanganui Lightning Club.

DON'T FORGET

A reminder to all players that they must have a current NZIHA registration to be eligible to take part in official NZIHA games such as Regional Leagues and Tournaments.

REGISTRATION FEES ARE:
JNR (U16) \$15
SNR (16+over) \$20
Official \$10

(coach, manager, timekeeper, referee)

Registration forms are available from Club Secretaries.

NATIONAL LOTTERY

All clubs will benefit from this major lottery run by NZIHA.

Prizes include:-

*Mitsubishi Lancer Coupe 1.8 M\$31697
*Home Theatre system \$8539
*Compaq Computer \$2399
*Mini System \$1499
*Australian Mystery Break \$1298
*Fridge Freezer \$1100

and a number of minor prizes including dishwasher, breadmaker, Playstation, fax and microwave.

SUPPORT YOUR CLUB TICKETS \$5 EACH

Tickets on sale now. Every ticket sold raises funds for your club. Lottery drawn on 26 September at Nationals in Taupo.

WORLD CUP

For the first time New Zealand will be represented in the IIHF In-Line Hockey World Cup which, in the year 2000, will be held in the Czech Republic in July.

The World Cup is staged in two Czech cities, Hradec Kralove and Chocen, and features the top 16 countries in the World:

USA, Canada, Czech Republic, Finland, Germany, Austria, Sweden, Slovakia, Italy, Australia, New Zealand, Argentina, Brazil, Netherlands, Chile, Hungary.

The New Zealand Team is:- Alan Wood (Captain); Dion Bunt (Assistant);Carl Philpott (Assistant), Kevin Gillespie, Andy Gunning, Kieran Leong, Symonn Millar, Andrew Peddie, Mark Piper, Lachlan Taylor, John Thomsen, Jason Toovey, Jay Van den Berg, Gary Wood, Craig Young (Goalie), Dwayne Brock (Goalie). Coach:- MatthewDown; Manager:- Noel Wilson

The team leaves New Zealand on 1 July and flies to the capital of the Czech Republic, Prague. For the first four days they will have an intensive training schedule which involves warm-up games against a Czech Super-League Team and daily practices at the World Cup's Zimni Arena in Chocen. The competition begins on 6th July and runs through until Finals Day on 15th July. In the Preliminary Round New Zealand has been placed in Pool 3 with Finland, Czech Republic and Brazil. The Preliminary round will determine the seedings for the remainder of the competition.

This event is a wonderful opportunity for the young New Zealand players to test themselves against the very best players in the World today and to bring back to NZ valuable skills to develop and pass on.

Team NZ vs All-stars

A Queen's Birthday Training Camp for the New Zealand World Cup Team at the Glenfield Skateland was rounded off by a fundraiser game for the team against a strong All Stars Invitational team featuring two players with vast World-level competition experience, Darren Blong and Clyde Jackson; Canadian Premier players Jamie Goodridge and Chad Deihl; a number of other players who had been in contention for the NZ team but were unavailable for the trip to the Czech republic - Steve Fahey, Paul Dixon, Renee Aish and Corey Down; and the outstanding U18 NZ goalie Ken O'Callaghan.

The game was played over 4 x 12 minute periods of stop time with international rules, including off-side and icing rules, and was refereed by Nick Warburton and Rick Roberts. The young New Zealand team triumphed over their more experienced opponents 7-4.

NEW ZEALAND		ALL-STARS	
Andy Gunning	1 goal	Steve Fahey	3 goals
Symonn Millar	1 goal	Renee Aish	1 goal
Lachlan Taylor	2 goals	Jamie Goodridge	1 assist
John Thomsen	3 goals	Clyde Jackson	2 assists
Carl Philpott	3 assists	Darren Blong	1 assist
Jason Toovey	1 assist	agenon ilana	
Gary Wood	1 assist		

The NZ team acknowledges the support of Gary Parker from Skateland Glenfield; the members of the All-Stars Team; referees Nick Warburton and Rick Roberts; and all of those spectators who came along to the game.



International Scene

ICE HOCKEY 2000 IIHF Asian Oceanic U18 Champs Division II

Thailand, Bangkok

The World Ice Champs this year had some great success stories firstly with the New Zealand U18 winning the Oceania/Asia World event. This is an incredible achievement and means now that the NZ team can compete in the Oceania/Asia Division I Champs for this age group. Also a special mention to Ken O;Callaghan for winning the MVG (Goalie) award for the entire tournament - WOW!

RESULTS

New Zealand -Mongolia 5:1 Thailand - New Zealand 2:7 Chinese Taipei - NZ 3:3

Final Ranking

1st NEW ZEALAND 2nd CHINESE TAIPEI 3rd THAILAND 4th MONGOLIA

New Zealand promoted to 2001 Asian Oceanic U18 DivI.

'D' POOL WORLD SNR CHAMPS

The 'D' Pool World Champs saw our Senior Men's take on some tough competition placing a very credible 6th ahead of Mexico, Luxembourg and Turkey

NHL

The 2000 Stanley Cup has now come to an end with both teams exhausted after the final game. The 6th game went into double overtime with the score a tie at 1-1. Dallas looked sharp with many scoring opportunites but New Jersey as always confident and strong and always dangerous. The goalies were outstanding throughout the series and both teams owe a lot to their performances.

The defending champions the Dallas Stars were unable to convert their opportunities in the 2nd overtime and the Devils finally scored with a pass across the net to an unmarked player - taking the Stanley Cup in 2000. If you watched any of the games you would be impressed by the stamina and fitness of these extraordinary athletes. To play not only 3 x 20 minute stop time periods but then to go into 2 or 3 x 20 minute stop time sudden death periods of hockey - wow!

The results were as follows:-

GAME 1

Stars 3 - New Jersey 7 GAME 2

Stars 1 New Jersey 3 GAME 3

Stars 2 New Jersey 1

GAME 4 Stars 1 New Jersey 3 GAME 5

Stars 2 New Jersey 1 (Triple overtime) GAME 6

Stars 1 New Jersey 2 (Double overtime)

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A GOOD SPORT

- * keeps it positive
 * enjoys competing
- win or lose
 * respects opponents
- * respects officials
- * plays hard within the rules!





CANADIAN WOMEN'S TEAM VISITS

The Canadian Mission Select Team recently honoured us with their presence during our Bauer Cup and Oceania Games held over April 2000. This team really showed us how to play hockey!

The girls were exceptionally friendly and on the rink they were professional and showed us why the North American Teams are so strong. The biggest difference I noticed when my team played them (Panthers - who notably only lost 5-2 in their round robin game of Bauer Cup!) was the way this team cycled and also never stood still - always on the move - seemingly always knowing where each other was!

Sari Krooks was certainly the stand-out player for this team (understandably so when she has been a member of the Finnish national team for the last 10 years!).

It was truly an honour to play against this calibre of players and on behalf of all the female players in New Zealand I thank them greatly for allowing us this opportunity! Here is their side of the story:-

NEW ZEALAND - A JEWEL IN THE PACIFIC

By Donna Forbes(Mission Canadian Selects Roller Hockey Team Captain)

Once the ticket clerk at Toronto Airport realised that the stick bags we were carrying were just that, and that none of us fit the profile of an international terrorist, she stamped our passports and we advanced to the gate for what was to be the beginning of our New Zealand adventure.

After a stop over in Los Angeles, we boarded the plane bound for Auckland, New Zealand. We chatted in excited anticipation, watched a couple of movies and then many of us fell asleep. After what seemed to have been a short time, we woke to see the sun rising as we neared New Zealand. We first glimpsed land as we broke through the clouds over Auckland. It was just breaking dawn as our eighteen hour travelling journey came safely to an end. Thankfully the flight had been uneventful, which is always cause for relief, the sets were fairly comfortable and the airline had provided good food and very friendly attendants.

Look out New Zealand, here we come, the "Crazy Canucks"! and greeting us at the airport were our billets/hosts whose homes we would be invading for the next little while. Feeling immediately at ease, we quickly began to acquaint ourselves. We stopped to drop off our luggage at their homes and the they took us sight seeing to One Tree Hill. This gave us a great opportunity to view the spectacular scenery. Our next stop was an ice cream parlour where we had a great deal of difficulty choosing a flavour. Coming from a country that boasts a mere 32 flavours, you can imagine our dilemma at being introduced to a wide variety of incomparable exotic flavours. The selection of "hockey pokey" and "gold rush"

was to be the first trip of many ice cream stops throughout our journey. We then ventured into the downtown area, toured around the America's Cup Village and did some shopping along Queen Street. After an extremely full day of travelling and touring, it was time to board the bus (so comfortable that it became our home away from home) to take us to play our first game of roller hockey in the Bauer Cup. After all, we did come to play roller hockey!

Over the next few days we enjoyed our time playing in the Bauer Cup. Not only were we successful, we had the good fortune to meet a lot of friendly people. We were pleasantly surprised to see so many come out to watch women play roller hockey. We were also astonished to hear so many people cheering for us and to see them wearing Canadian sports clothing. Between our games we had the opportunity to take a ferry to Waiheke Island, visit Kelly Tarton's Underwater World, walk along Murawai beach, hit the Sky City Casino and visit Auckland's War Memorial Museum to glance at the large collection of Maori artefacts.

Once the Bauer Cup ended and the Oceania Championships began, our time was then consumed playing roller hockey and attending well planned events and ceremonies. This prestigious Championship is for roller sport athletes from across the Pacific region and we were very honoured that they were allowing our team to be part of this years games. Throughout the entire championships the organisers, officials, competitors and spectators welcomed us,respected our athletic skills and treated us like royalty.

At the completion of the Oceanias, we had a couple of days off before making the trek home. We took advantage of the time by shopping for some last minute souvenirs and visiting Rotorua, which gave us a chance to step into Maori culture and marvel at the erupting geysers and boiling mud pools. Watching rugby on television became an addition by which we gained knowledge and are now looking forward to intimidating and demoralising our next opponents with a haka dance!

Before we knew it our adventure was coming to an end, but our experiences and memories will last us a lifetime. We will remember Auckland the "City of Sails", as beautiful and vibrant with vivacious people and a rich culture. Our memories of New Zealand will include spectacular scenery, phenomenally clean beaches, green hills populated by sheep, elegant restaurants and cell phones everywhere! We also learned so many new things, before this trip we thought KGB's were Russian spies not a tasty alcoholic beverage. Who could ever forget your ice cream- you win!, however there's no contest between Sky Tower, New Zealand and the CN Tower, Canada. You'll have to come see for yourself.

As we departed and the plane took to the skies, we looked out over the ocean and there sparkling like a jewel in the Pacific lay New Zealand. It was a trip we would treasure forever. Best of all, each one of us were taking home a precious piece of the island in our hearts.

CHAPERONE

OCEANIA CHAMPIONSHIPS 2000 ASB STADIUM - AUCKLAND

U16

NEW ZEALAND TEAMS

MASTERS

۰			
	Ray	Bates - C	Panthers
	Wayne	Donovan	Devils
	Peter	Flanagan	Penguins
	Craig	Flood	Lightning
	Theo	Nathan	Panthers
	Blair	Onishenko - A	Lightning
	Wayne	Philp - A	Panthers
	Chris	Poipoi	Fury
	Norm	Sanche	Penguins
	Wayne	Scott	Stingrays
	Mark	Speer	Kapiti
	Rick	Van Doorne	
	Peter	Vaney	Sharks
	Nick	Warburton	Panthers
	Rod	Delahunty	COACH

MANAGER

SENIOR

U14

Simon Dennan

R		
Daniel	Christie	Blackhawks
Mike	Dawkins	Redwings
Steve	Fahey	Panthers
Jason	Goertzen	Rangers
Clyde	Jackson - A	Panthers
Dennis	Marjoribanks	Redwings
Carl	Philpott - A	Blackhawks
Mark	Piper	Blackhawks
John	Thomsen	Rangers
Gary	Wood	Rangers
Alan	Wood - C	Rangers
Stuart	Young	Redwings
Craig	Young	Blackhawks
Gary	Young	Redwings
Matt	Down	COACH
Paul	Bartlett	MANAGER

James Bates **Panthers** Leigh Bolton Ravens Ryan Chadwick - C Whalers Jordan Croft Rangers **Andrew** Davidson Blackhawks Peter Hope Blackhawks Sam Kay Jackals Reyon Kay - A Rangers Mathew-Lee Morgan - A Blackhawks James Preston Canucks Cameron Speer Rangers James Trevena-Brown Rangers Cameron Whitaker Hurricanes Blair Wickens Blackhawks Craig Flood COACH **Angus Davidson** MANAGER Helene Kay CHAPERONE Jane Kay CHAPERONE

Fraser Amos Rangers **Bradley Blackstock** Ducks Jamie Clark **Panthers** Adam Cooke - C **Ducks** Brent Elston Rangers **Ducks** Brad Hurley Gareth Livingstone Cyclones SamuelPearce Blackhawks Arden Phillips R angers David Shacklady Sabres **MichealSquire Panthers** David Thomsen Rangers Waterman - A Panthers Scott Whipps - A Tim **Jackals** Brian Foskett COACH Paul Kay MANAGER Jacqui Squire CHAPERONE Carol Foskett CHAPERONE

Simon Burridge Sabres Jarrod Carroll Blackhawks Daniel Chadwick - A Whalers RichardGibson **Panthers** Brent Johnson Blackhawks Devon Kay - C Rangers Peter Lehmann **Panthers** Jason McLean Sharks Carl McLeod Rangers Luke Mears Penguins O'Callaghan Sabres Ken Shaun Scammell - A Flames Stephen Rangers Joel Whalers Walton Mike Kawana COACH Neil McLeod MANAGER Linda Gibson CHAPERONE



U20 Daniel Boreham Devils Luke Christie Blhawk Gillespie Rangers Kevin Rangers Andy Gunning **Jenkins** Sabres Paul Michael Knowles Rangers Greg Koch Ravens Kieran Leong - A Penguins Shane McLeod - A Rangers **AndrewPeddie** Sabres Michael Spencer Rangers Lachlan Taylor Rangers Van den Berg Devils Veacock - C Allen Bhawks Jason Goertzen COACH Geoff Leong MANAGER

Bernard Lynch

WOMEN

-14		
Sarah	Bell	Blackhawk
Michell	eCox - A	Panthers
Dorinda	a Foot - A	BlackHawk
Leigh	Gibson	Panthers
Emma	Gray	Redwings
Marian	ne Lynch	Blackhawk
Sarah		Jackals
Julie	Marjoriban	ks Redwings
		n - C Panthers
Halie	McKay	Redwings
Gaela	Nixon	Panthers
Casey	Redman	Blackhawk
Christin	ne Thomas	Panthers
Tara	Tissink	Blackhawk
Sue	Roulston	MANGER
Anita	Sloot	CHAPERONE
Wendy	Jensen	CHAPERONE
Clyde	Jackson	COACH

WELL DONE TO ALL THESE PLAYERS FOR MAKING THE 2000 NEW ZEALAND OCEANIA TEAMS.

CONGRATULATIONS
ON TAKING HOME
THE GOLD MEDAL IN
ALL GRADES!

OCEANIA CHAMPIONSHIPS 2000 ASB STADIUM - AUCKLAND

The Oceania Championships held at the ASB Stadium in Auckland from 16-19 April were a huge success - all seven New Zealand teams came away with Gold Medals, ASB Stadium was a great venue, and the tournament ran smoothly (a credit to the Organising Group from the Northern Regional Committee; NZIHA President Diane Thomsen; NZIHA Secretary Krystyna Beardman; and Tournament Director Noel Wilson).

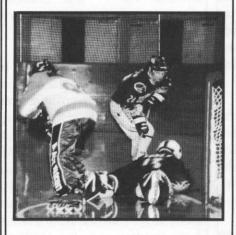
The Championships demonstrated how far in-line hockey has progressed in New Zealand over the past four years with the Australian national teams winning only 3 games out of the 35 played against New Zealand. But there was also a reminder of the strength of in-line in North America with the Canadian Mission Invitation Women's Team displaying world-class skill and speed.

A special mention for all of the officials without whose contribution the tournament would not have been possible - thanks to all coaches, managers and chaperones; referees, goal judges, timekeepers and scorers. Appreciation is due, too, to the many volunteers on duty at the stadium over the four days of the



tournament...

There were many high points in the Championships; many memorable moments and many successes - one of those successes was the NZ Masters team. This was the first time the Masters Grade has been played by New Zealand at an International level and the players exceeded all expectations not just by winning the Gold medal but by their sensational team spirit.



RESULTS

Under 14

NZ 5 Aus 0 NZ 3 Aus 1 NZ 9 Aus 2 NZ 8 Aus 3 NZ 5 Aus 3

Under 16

NZ 10 Aus 2 NZ 3 Aus 2 NZ 2 Aus 1 NZ 5 Aus 4 NZ 12 Aus 1

Under 18

NZ 7 Aus 2 NZ 4 Aus 1 NZ 2 Aus 0 NZ 6 Aus 3 NZ 11 Aus 0

Under 20

NZ 4 Aus 0 NZ 8 Aus 3 NZ 11 Aus 0 NZ 7 Aus 2

Women

NZ 3 Aus 7 NZ 3 Aus 2 NZ 3 Aus 1 NZ 1 Aus 3 NZ 4 Aus 3 (Last game was v

(Last game was won in a penalty shoot-out!)

Masters

NZ 5 Aus 6 NZ 9 Aus 4 NZ 14 Aus 2 NZ 12 Aus 1 NZ 9 Aus 5

Senior

NZ 9 Aus 2 NZ 9 Aus 2 NZ 7 Aus 4 NZ 9 Aus 2 NZ 6 Aus 3

Canadian Mission Selects

NZ 1 Canada 11 Aus 0 Canada 5

2000 BAUER CUP

The Bauer Cup was once again a huge success with 58 teams and over 16 clubs participating. Phew thats a lot to fit into 4 days! The organisers at both Mt Wellington Skateland and Nutralife Sports Stadium did a wonderful job keeping the games on time and providing the players with a smoothly run tournament. A big thanks to all the officials, scorers, referees, goal judges, canteen staff, and door staff and all those others who helped make the event a huge success. Now onto the games.

The U12 section saw some tremendous skill from young players from all over the North Island. The Levin Canucks had a tough final after winning all their Pool games relatively easy. The Stingrays put up a brave battle to take out 2nd place honours with the score 5-3. In the 3rd and 4th playoff game the Blackhawks came through to take third.

The U14 section saw some upsets as the favourites Mt Wellington Panthers were knocked out in the Semi-finals. The Blackhawks took on the Canucks in the final in a game which saw Canucks take out the honours 8-4.

The U16 section proved to be a success for the Mt Wellington Panthers who went through to the final without any hitches they played the Sabres in a close game but saw the Panthers take Gold 5-3.

In the U18 section the North Harbour Blackhawks were always favourites alongside rivals Auckland Sabres and Whakatane Avalanche - the Avalanche upset the Sabres in the Semi but were not strong enough to beat the Blackhawks in the final who won easily after a bit of a slow start 12-1.

In the Women's section it was great to see the Canadian Select team travel all the way from Canada to comete in our tournament we expected a good show from these girls and no one was disappointed. The Semifinal saw rivals Blackhawks and Panthers come together for a game which sparked a lot of interest and this time round the

Panthers went through to the finals with a close game 3-2. We look forward to seeing these two teams meet later in the year. The Canadian team were the other finalist as expected and took the final honours easily 12-4 (great to see the Kiwi teams scoring goals against this top opposition). Congratulations to the Panthers for being the first NZ team adding to their previous two wins in the Bauer Cup in 1998 and 1999.

The Senior section showed some great skills and experience from players - the Lightning played the Ducks in the final and took out the honours over the favourites 7-4. Blair Onishenko showed his experience in this game to assist his team in their victory.

The premier grade looked to be anyones tournament with the new look Panthers looking sharp with their Canadian contingent, the Redwings with the addition of our favourite Russian Eugene, the return of Matt Smith and his Canadian buddies Jake and Grant adding to the Blackhawks strength, from down south the ever strong Rangers with the Wood brothers. Jason Goertzen and the addition of some young strong players and the favourites and the National Champs the Redhawks. The pool games saw as predicted the following teams match up the Panthers vs Rangers and the Blackhawks vs Redhawks. The semifinal saws the Panthers upset the Rangers in the Semi-final to take on the favourites Redhawks in the final after they overcame rivals Blackhawks...

The final was an action packed game with both teams fired up. The Panthers controlled the game not letting the Redhawks play their natural game and it took its toll, this saw the Panthers take their first ever Premier Bauer Cup victory in a shut out thanks to goalie Mike Hurley 4-0.

RESULTS

UNDER 12

1st CANUCKS
2nd STINGRAYS
3rd BLACKHAWKS
MVP DRobertson (Bhawk)
Best & Fair L Idoine (Blackhawk)
MVGoalie J Glew (Blackhawks)

UNDER 14

1st CANUCKS
2nd BLACKHAWKS
3rd REDHAWKS
MVP S Howarth-Davies (Duck)
Best & Fair S Howarth-Davies (Duck)
MVGoalie P Hope (Blkhawks)

UNDER 16

1st PANTHERS
2nd SABRES
3rd MIGHTY DUCKS
MVP J Bullen (Ducks)
Best & Fair M Harper (Panthers)
MVGoalie A VanDorsten(Panther)

UNDER 18

1st BLACKHAWKS
2nd AVALANCHE
MVP M Apatu (Jackals)
Best & Fair R Lovins (Bkhawks)
MVGoalie S Hughes (Bkhawks)

SENIOR

1st LIGHTNING
2nd MIGHTY DUCKS
MVP D Finch (Ducks)
Best & Fair J Naef (Lightning)
MVGoalie C Reynolds(Ducks)

LADIES

1st CANADIAN SELECT TEAM
2nd PANTHERS
MVP S Krooks (Canada)
Best & Fair E Gray (Blackhawks)
MVGoalie V Philpott (BHawks)

PREMIER

1st PANTHERS
2nd REDHAWKS
MVP Matt Smith (BHawks)
Best & Fair S Millar (Redhawks)
MVGoalie C Young (Redhawks)

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY TOURNY

The Annual Tauranga Queen's BirthdayTournament was an exciting and action packed event. Teams from all over the North Island attended and the standard was particularly high. The organisation was exceptional and all games ran smoothly with a refereeing standard showing improvement all the time.

The Under 10 grade saw the Mt Wellington Panthers take on Manawatu Dragons for the final honours and although the Panthers looked dangerous at times the Dragons kept their cool and by using extremely good passing tactics took the final Gold medal relatively easily. This was due to great team play and all players doing their job very well. Full credit however to Panthers Goalie Samantha Bates who took the top goalie award for U10's.

The Under 12 division was of a high standard and the four teams in the semi finals were all capable of winning on the day. The first semi- saw the Panthers take on the Blackhawks and although a close game .at times the Blackhawks went through to the finals - the Blackhawsk players perhaps showing a little more discipline on the rink. In the second semi-final the Waihi Miners took on the favourites the Levin Canucks and seemed to lack the enthusiasm that they had showed in previous games. The Canucks showed there flair to see there way into the finals.

In the grand final a packed stand was seen to welcome the young players. Again I must mention the extreme high standard of talent these youngsters showed from both teams. The Levin Canucks took the game with a huge score but this didnt perhaps reflect the standard of talent that the Blackhawks players showed also. The Levin Canucks perhaps capatalising on mistakes from the Blackhawks and scoring on almost every good opportunity. A special mention to the Captain of the Canucks U12 Ricky Elston whom I thought lead his team to victory by example as well as by leadership - And my where do these kids learn their slapshots from?????

RESULTS

U10	
1ST	MANAWATU DRAGONS
2ND	MT WELLINGTON PANTHERS
U12	ministra Villabori
1ST	LEVIN CANUCKS
2ND	NTH HARBOUR BLACKHAWKS
3RD	WAIHI MINERS

MANAWATU Quality Hotel Cup

Easter 2000 saw teams from eight clubs from the Central & Lower North Island converge on the Pascal St Stadium in Palmerston North for the inaugural Quality Hotel Cup. The Idea behind the tournament was to not only promote the sport around the Manawatu but also encourage the social aspects by having two different social evenings for both the Juniors and Seniors separately held in conjunction with the Quality Hotel.

The Juniors received their Trophies from members of Team Mission and Councillor lan Cruden who is one of the councillors supporting the construction of a New Full Size Rink in the development of the Palmerston North Showgrounds Facilities. Easter Sunday saw a FULL HOUSE for a Demonstration game between Team Mission and The Tournament All Stars (LNI All Star Players from U16-Seniors) which was closer than a lot of people expected with the All Stars taking an Early 2-0 lead before finally being beaten by a classy come back from the Mission Boyz to win 5-3.

The Tournament went off without too many hitches, apart from a very unlucky Junior Raven (Hayden Mazengard) who broke his leg on the first day. At the Senior prize giving the Quality Hotel was pleased to announce their future involvement along with their support for future tournaments.

	RI	ESULTS
	1st	2 nd
U10	Dragons	Penguins
U12	Ravens	Rangers
U14	Rangers	Ravens A
U16	Jackals	Ravens A
U18	Jackals	Ravens
Woman	Jackals	Ravens
Senior	Rangers	Dragons A

CLUB TROPHY WINNERS: New Plymouth Ravens

Raffle prizes were also drawn after the tournament which included: A dream weekend for Two at any Quality Hotel, Won by a local lady who had stopped in to see what the sport was about, and other prizes from both Quality Hotel and Mission were spread from New Plymouth to Wellington, with all winners notified by phone.

Our thanks goes out to the Sponsors: 91ZM, Quality Hotels, Mission, and we look forward to seeing all the teams back next year for another great weekend of Hockey.



WANGANUI LIGHTNING

Queen's Birthday weekend the Wanganui Lightning Club held a tournament for the U10, U12 and U14 grades.

They had a total 5 U10 teams, 6 U12 teams and 8 U14 teams (total 19 teams overall). Great work by the Wanganui club and the results are as follows:

UNDER 10

1ST CAPITAL PENGUINS
2ND KAPITI RANGERS
MVP J Thompson

J Thompson (Hurricanes)

UNDER 12

1ST KAPITI RANGERS
2ND LEVIN JACKALS
MVP T Kuiti (Levin Jackals)

UNDER 14

1ST KAPITI RANGERS
2ND LEVIN CANUCKS
MVP C Apatu (LevinCanuck)

Well done to all clubs, spectators, parents, officials and players for making this a great event.

NUTRA-LIFE TOURNAMENT

The Nutra-life Invitational U14 and U16 tourny was one of many tournaments over this weekend.

After Pool play in the U14 division the standings were 1st Stingrays, 2nd Ducks, 3rd Avalanche and 4th Fury. the Semi-finals saw Fury knocked into 4th place by a shootout.

The Ducks lost a sudden death shootout to the Stingrays and were beaten into third place by the Avalanche. in the final, the Stingrays held on to 1st place by scoring 3 goals in the second half. Avalanche failed to score and were placed 2nd.

After pool play in the U16 division the standings were 1st Sabres, 2nd Fury, 3rd Pirates adn 4th Wildcats. In the semi's a sudden death shootout with the Wildcats put the Pirates into 4th place. Then with on goal, the wildcats forced the Fury into third. The Sabres, however, held onto 1st place defeating the Wildcats 5-2 in the finals.

KAPITI RANGERS SENIOR OPEN

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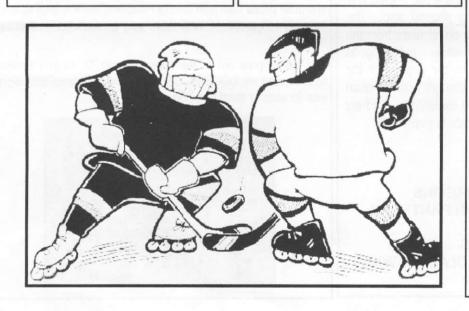
The Jolly Miller Kapiti Open was staged over Queen's Birthday weekend at the Skate 'n' Blade Kapiti rink. This was an enjoyable tournament which this year, featured U16 and Senior grades.

Teams Senior grade:
New Plymouth Ravens
Tauranga Ducks
Manawatu Dragons
Wellington Penguins
Rangers Senior
Rangers United

Teams U16 grade:
Wellington Penguins
Levin Canucks
Mt Wellington Panthers
Levin Jackals
Wanganui Lightning
Rimutaka Renegades,
Tauranga Ducks
Rangers

The Levin Jackals successfully defended the U16 Trophy in an exciting final played against the Mt Wellington Panthers (Auckland).

The Senior grade decider went right down to the last game of the round robin with the New Plymouth Ravens successfully defending the Senior Trophy against the Manawatu Dragons.

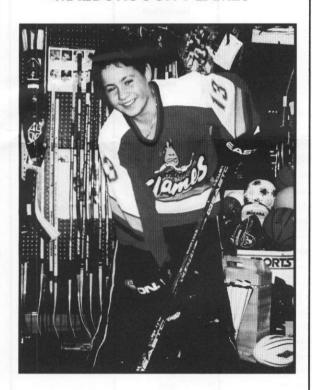




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AMCO CASSIDY MALBOROUGH FLAMES

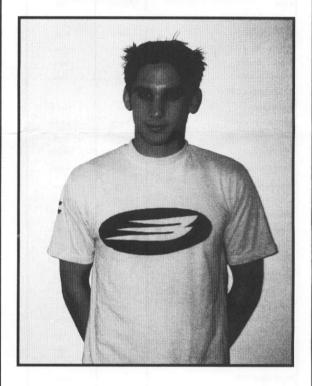


Amco Cassidy of the Malborough Flames is one of the up-and-coming stars in the game of In-line hockey. he plays for the U12 Flames team and is currently leading the South Island regions points table. In May this year, he played his first senior league game in the Malborough Flames club league! This league comprises of 5 teams. There are 100 people playing In-line hockey in Malborough, including a team from Piction.

Amco is also leading points scorer in his local league team with 20 points from 4 games (WOW) so far. Amco recently won MVD and MVP at the 1999 South Island regionals. his long term goal is to play for NZ just like fellow local skater Shaun Scammell who is the NZ U18 Asst Captain.

Amco also recorded the fastest slap shot for U12's at the 1999 National's at the age of 10 with a speed of 112 kph - way to go Amco!

KEIRAN LEONG CAPITAL PENGUINS



Keiran Leong began playing hockey in Hamilton when it first began there in 1993. he played for the Devils until 1999 when he moved to Wellington to study Architecture. For the last two years he has been playing and coaching in Wellington.

Keiran has attained the many achievements as follows; 1998 Captain of Central Provincial U18 team, 1999 Assistant Captain of the NZ U17 team, 2000 Assistant Captain of NZ U20 team which recently beat Australia at the 2000 Oceania Games in Auckland. (See a photo of Keiron in the Oceania story earlier in this issue).

Keiran has recently achieved a major goal of being selected for the New Zealand Senior World Cup team which will attend the up-and-coming 2000 World Cup in July in the Czech Republic - this a great achievement for a young player and we wish you the best of luck Keiran and we are sure you will do us proud.

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